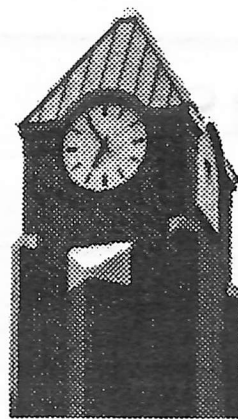


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Morton Scholars Presentations begin Wednesday

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Copy Editor

A small piece of Dana history will be written on Wednesday when the honors program's first graduates present their senior projects during the first-ever Morton Scholars Presentations.

To fulfill one of the requirements of the honors program, seniors Sonya Weber and Valerie Bensen will present their projects at 7:30 p.m. in the Forum. Weber's project is entitled "Binge Drinking on College Campuses" and Bensen's project is "Growth and Nerve Differentiation of PC12 Cells in Serum-Free Media."

Weber, a psychology major, said she decided to do her project on binge drinking after seeing some research that had been done on the subject.

"After discovering that Harvard University conducted a large national study in 1993, I based most of my exploration on their findings," said Weber. "I devised an instrument, a self-administered survey, for a sampling of Dana students to complete. I am now in the process of compiling the results into charts and graphs which will be part of my presentation."

Bensen, a biology major, did the research for her project during an internship at Truman State University in Kirksville, Mo. In their laboratory she worked with cells from a tumor and compared the growth rate of the cells when they were placed in different serums. Bensen said that this research could not have been done on campus because Dana does not have the necessary facilities. She said special equipment was needed to maintain a bacteria-free environment because bacteria could overtake the tumor cells and alter the results.

During her presentation, Bensen will share the results of this research and will also talk about neurotransmitters such as serotonin and dopamine. She said the presentation will be tailored to a general audience so that the information will be accessible to everyone.

The seniors will be given a maximum of one hour for presenting and

discussing their projects, said Dr. Delvin Hutton, director of the honors program. He believes the discussion time is important so that the audience can interact with the Morton Scholars.

"This becomes an exchange of information and points of view for the whole Dana community," he said.

Another requirement of the senior project was that students work closely with a faculty advisor in their field of study.

"One advantage or attraction to the honors program is to encourage close relationships with students and faculty," said Hutton.

"I have really enjoyed and benefitted from working closely with faculty advisors," said Weber. She conducted her study under Dr. Bernard Matthies, professor of education and psychology, and Bensen's advisors were Dr. Susan Hoffman, assistant professor of biology, and Dr. Cynthia Cooper of Truman State University.

Both seniors said they have enjoyed the honors program for various reasons.

"I liked that it was new," said Bensen. "I enjoy being kind of a pioneer." She added that she felt the goals of the program fit her because they matched some of her own goals.

Weber enjoyed some of the other activities of the honors program.

"The monthly colloquia have been great experiences," she said. "Even though I've been in this area for four years, I never took the time to visit the Joslyn, the symphony or the opera. The honors program introduced me to these enjoyable and beneficial experiences."

Weber and Bensen will be the first students to graduate as Morton Scholars.

"It is kind of neat to be the first Morton Scholar graduates," said Weber. "It is almost a double honor because we are making history."

Hutton said that while the seniors will be officially recognized at graduation, their Morton Scholar medallions will be unveiled and on display on Wednesday. He added that the Morton Scholars Presentations are open to the entire Dana community and that refreshments will be served following the program.

Dana students receive 12 Golden Leaf awards in media competition

CHRISTINA NUTTER
Reporter

Eight Dana students received Golden Leaf awards from the Nebraska Collegiate Media Association. The spring meeting and luncheon was held at the Top of the Rock in Lincoln on Saturday.

James Peterson, sophomore, and Michael Klug, senior, brought home four radio broadcast awards. There were 112 entries. Together, they won first place for a live radio sports broadcast. Separately, Klug received third place for the live radio sports broadcast. Peterson placed first and

third for radio sports stories.

"We take pride in our sports broadcasting at the radio station," Peterson said. "It's nice to be recognized."

Six Dana students received awards in five of the 22 print media categories. Three juniors placed. Lindsay Bruning received second and third place for the best yearbook layout. Laura Hiebenthal won first place with the best sports story. Shane Koepke shot the first and third place yearbook photographs. Freshman Kale Maguire won second place with his sports photograph. Heather Olsen, a 1996 Dana graduate, placed third in the same category. Greg Kellogg, a former Dana student who is currently at UNO, wrote the second place

sports feature story.

Dr. Mary McComb, head of the communications department, said she was proud of the work the students did, especially since many of the participating colleges are larger and have more resources than Dana.

"This is a real competition," she said.

Participating schools are Chadron State, Dana, Doane, Hastings, Midland, Nebraska Wesleyan, Peru State and Wayne State. The NCMA was formed by these schools to promote communication between media students at small colleges. Their main activity is this competition where students submit their work to be judged by professional journalists and broadcasters.

Hermes looking for dedicated editorial staff for 1998-99

Are you interested in having your work published? Would you like to be part of a team dedicated to reporting the events and news of Dana College? If so, the *Hermes* wants you!

Hermes staff positions are now open for the 1998-99 school year. These are paid positions and no previous experience is necessary. Positions open are editor in chief, business manager and copy, photography, graphic, feature and sports editors.

The responsibilities for the editor in chief include: conducting weekly

Hermes meetings to generate story ideas and aid in preparing assignment sheets for future issues; writing articles; keeping open communication with page editors; examining stories for ethical problems; providing leadership, guidance and support for all other staff members in whatever way possible; filing past *Hermes* issues in the *Hermes* office; finalizing page layouts; taking completed page layout sheets to the Enterprise Publishing Co. in Blair before 7:30 a.m. Friday; and distributing newspapers to wire racks on campus by 11 a.m. on

Fridays.

The responsibilities for the copy editor include: attending weekly *Hermes* meetings; using source books such as dictionary, Associated Press Stylebook, atlas, phone book and various campus publications to check accuracy of spellings of cities, words, names, titles and other important information in stories, headlines and cutlines; editing finished stories and copy on paper and computer; inputting changes to correct errors; and

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With help from professor Vern Wirka, Dewey Weston flirts with Megan Cosgrove in hopes of getting a kiss during Wednesday evening's Faculty Phollies. Wirka's ventriloquist and comedy act was just one of the many humorous skits presented by faculty to entertain the Dana community. (Photo by Nikki Kinsey)

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providing support for all other staff members.

The responsibilities for the sports editor include: attending weekly *Hermes* meeting, writing sports articles, writing headlines for the sports page, contacting writers interested in contributing sports stories and providing support for other staff members.

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The responsibilities for the graphics editor include: attending weekly *Hermes* meetings, completing page layouts on all four *Hermes* pages using Page Maker 5.0, producing graphics to accompany stories and providing support for other staff members.

The responsibilities for the business manager include: selling advertising space in the *Hermes* to area businesses, coordinating purchases and supplies, communicating with the

editor in chief about what advertisement space will be used each week, completing mailings of the *Hermes* and promoting good public relations.

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Special light improves problems seen in the dark

DEREK OTTE
Reporter

Going to bed at 3 a.m., I stubbed my toe on my footlocker at the foot of my bed. I fell to the floor and grasped my foot in the dark. Jaw tight, I held back a scream. The littlest toe throbbed, angry at me for my blind bumbling. I hobbled over to the light switch and turned it on, expecting my little toe to be jutting out at some awkward angle or maybe the nail torn nearly off. I sat down on the floor to examine it and there it was, undamaged, just red, maybe a little embarrassed for making such a fuss about nothing. I turned off the light and went to bed, carefully this

time.

It is surprising how severe some things seem in the dark, revealing themselves to be only something minor when we turn on the light. The same can be said about many other day-to-day problems that we have. But what light do we have for those? Where is the light switch we need for those problems? For any problem we have, all we need to do is open the Bible. That is our light switch and God is our light. Day or night, when confusion or despair clouds our hearts and minds, all we need to do is turn on the light. There are no storms that can take out God's power lines. There is no faulty wiring to leave you in the dark when you need it most. It is everlasting, ever present and best of all, there's no monthly bill in the mail.



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Internet moves toward global market

JON BURLESON
Reporter

According to a recent report, the Internet is getting ready to explode onto a global market. This could mean unlimited job market potential for those individuals savvy enough to grasp this opportunity.

The report, released by Business Week magazine, is based on a survey conducted by IntelliQuest, an Internet marketing firm. The reason for the survey was to determine emerging markets for Internet advertising, the firm said.

There are over 40 million Internet users world-wide. The IntelliQuest poll puts the number of net-surfers in the United States at 38.2 million. That means among the over 4 billion inhabitants that make up the rest of the world, only one percent of all Internet hosts were distributed to them, according to the International Telecommunications Union.

This translates into a "plethora of untouched opportunities" for expand-

ing the Internet into countries that lie abroad, said IntelliQuest. The countries which may prove to be the most lucrative markets going into the 21st century are made up of Latin American, Asian and Eastern European countries. They share two qualities that make them extremely attractive as potential markets, said the Business Week report. All are in their technological beginnings and all are headed for governments that realize the vital need for advanced communications.

"The most sought after foreign market for almost every Internet company is China," said Tim Reed, of Inter@active Weekly. "With a population of 1.2 billion, 4.6 percent of whom own telephones, a five percent increase in telephones would mean about a 60 million increase in numbers."

Other hot emerging markets include India, Indonesia, Brazil and Russia. The survey also states that after Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America, the next major market likely to be opened is sub-Saharan Africa.

Work zone crashes result in injuries, fatalities

Most crashes in Nebraska's highway construction zones occur when drivers fail to maintain a safe speed and a proper following distance, according to Nebraska's 1997 Construction Zone Accident Reports. The majority of work zone crashes occur when drivers collide with the vehicle in front of them, hit a barricade, sign or flag station. In most cases, law enforcement officers reported these crashes could have been avoided if drivers had been paying attention.

Last year, work zone incidents in Nebraska resulted in three fatalities, 109 injury accidents and 338 property damage accidents. Of these incidents, 224 were rear-end collisions.

Beginning in April, Nebraska's highway construction is in full swing. As many as 275 highway work projects may be in progress during the construction season, April to December. The Nebraska Department of Roads urges motorists to use caution when approaching work zones. Reducing the risk for accidents and injuries--night or day--can be as simple as paying close attention and maintaining a safe following distance.

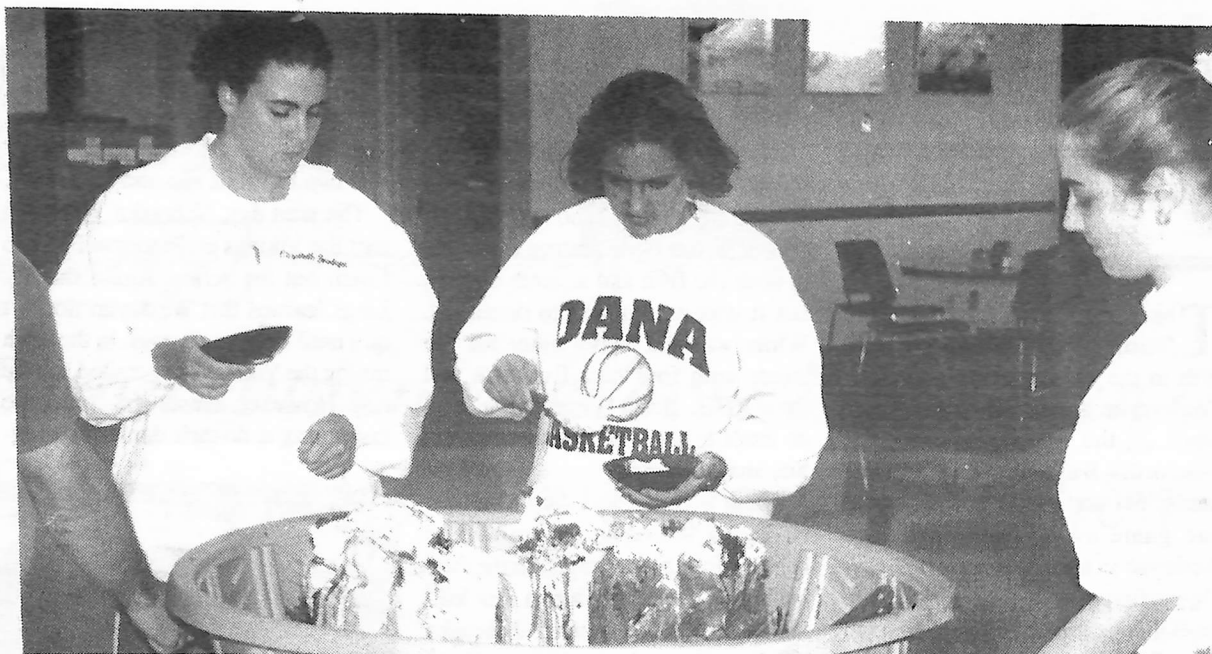
More motorists are injured in work zone accidents than highway workers. Therefore, drivers need to stay

alert when driving near highway construction sites. Drivers should observe lower speed limits, heed all posted warning signs and be alert for potential work zone hazards.

Roads Department and contractors' employees are at risk when working near moving traffic. Since 1988, highway work zone accidents claimed the lives of three Department of Roads workers and injured 20. The Roads Department wants to ensure the safety of its employees, contractor's personnel and motorists by increasing awareness of the potential safety hazards.

"While traveling through a work zone can be frustrating, all drivers are urged to be patient and keep their cool," reminds Roads Director Allen Abbott. "The two major reasons for work zone crashes are speeding and inattentive driving. We urge motorists to slow down and observe the warning signs, and follow barricades and traffic cones when approaching a work zone."

Increased highway construction means additional traffic messages, cones and flashing signals. Pay attention to these warning signs. Awareness is the first step toward keeping Nebraska's roads safe for everyone.



Sophomores Elizabeth Snedigar and Sarah Klein and freshman Mandy Messner partake of the giant sundae offered Wednesday night in the cafeteria as part of Spring Fling festivities. (Photo by Jon Burleson)

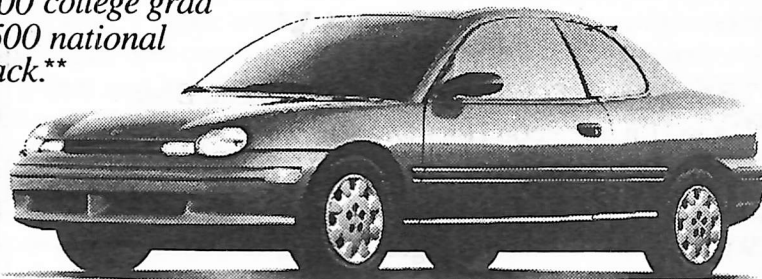
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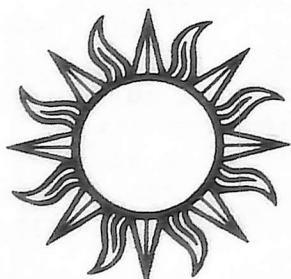


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Baseball season ends in a rough matchup with Nebraska Wesleyan

AMY BENEDICT
Editor in Chief

The Dana Viking baseball team finished their season 12-12 and fifth in the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference and 17-18 overall. On April 22 the Vikings shutout the Concordia Bulldogs in a double-header 6-1 and 14-11 but took only one game away from Nebraska Wesleyan in a four game series.

In the first game against Concordia, the Bulldogs struck early getting a run in the first inning but this was the only time they would score the entire game. Dana brought in runs during the first and fourth innings, then came through in the fifth to add four more runs. Brett Krebs got two hits, two runs and three RBIs. Joe Pennucci had one hit and two runs for the Vikings. Other scorers were Ryan Enright and Jacob White with one run each. The final score was 6-1 in the favor of the Vikings. Corey Johnson was the winning pitcher, giving up only three hits.

In the second game, Dana prevailed again 14-11 over Concordia. Dana

crossed the plate early with force getting 11 runs in the first three innings. Concordia tried to echo the Vikings' power at the plate getting five runs in both the fifth and seventh innings but it was not enough to dominate. White was the heavy hitter for the Vikes with four hits, five runs and three RBIs. Brian Ferguson was also an asset to the Vikings, getting two hits and two runs.

Dana traveled to Lincoln to face Nebraska Wesleyan on April 25 to begin a four game series. In the first matchup, Dana had a two run lead until the sixth inning when Nebraska Wesleyan brought in six runs. Dana never recovered losing 8-4. Phil Blosser had two hits, one run and one RBI while Rich Martell chipped in one hit, one run and one RBI for the Vikings.

In the second game, the Vikings again could not match Nebraska Wesleyan's come-from-behind power losing 9-6. The Vikings led with two runs until the fifth inning when Wesleyan came back with five runs to inch above the Vikings 8-5. Both teams got a run in the last inning before the last out was called. White had two hits, one run and three RBIs

for the Vikings effort. Kris Nakasone had two hits, one run and two RBIs.

The next day, Nebraska Wesleyan met the Vikings on Peterson Field to finish out the series. Again the Vikings learned that Wesleyan doesn't quit until the game is over. In the sixth inning the Vikings only trailed by one run. However, Wesleyan chose the last inning to do their damage, bring-

ing in 17 runs and finishing the game 23-5. Martell had three hits and two RBIs while Krebs had two hits, one run and one RBI. Ferguson added two runs and Blosser another.

In the last game against Nebraska Wesleyan the Vikings were finally the team to score big. Wesleyan's only scoring came in the fifth inning with two runs. Not wanting to be left be-

hind, Dana got in 10 runs in the bottom of the fifth to add to their score. The team again scored in the seventh to finish the game 12-2. Top batters were Artie Sebastian with three hits, two runs and three RBIs; Martell with two hits, two runs and one RBI; and Ryan Boozikee with two hits, two runs and one RBI. Craig Wetterberg was the pitcher.



Jacob White waits for the pitch, ready to take a swing against Nebraska Wesleyan while his team members look on. Dana lost three games in the four game series against Wesleyan which finished out their season of play. The Vikings finished fifth in the NIAC and 17-18 overall for the spring season. (photo by Kale Maguire)

Viking women prep for NIAC softball tourney

JENNIFER BURGER
Graphics Editor

The Dana softball team would appreciate some crowd support today during the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference softball tournament. Games begin at 10:00 a.m. today and will run through the championship game this evening. The tournament will be held at the Youth Sports Complex in Blair.

There will be seven NIAC teams competing in the tournament with Dana ranked as the third or fourth seed because of the team's final NIAC regular season record of 11-7.

The favorites to win the championship game held at 4:00 today are Concordia, Northwestern and Doane.

Coach Kris Graulich is optimistic about her team's chances. "There have been several upsets this year in the conference. I think anybody can be beat," Graulich said. "One of our goals at the beginning of the season was to win the NIAC tournament and we have just as good of a chance as any other team in the field. Our team is excited about having a home field advantage and we want to encourage fans to come out and watch us play."

The Lady Vikes split a double-header with the team from Nebraska Wesleyan 1-2 and 9-0 Tuesday night.

Kari Wetterberg drove in Melissa

Blum for Dana's only run of the first game in the sixth inning. The team had eight hits in the game.

The Vikes redeemed themselves in the second game, shutting out their opponents. The Vikes started the second game well, scoring two runs in the first inning. Dana pulled ahead of Nebraska Wesleyan in the fourth inning, scoring seven unmatched runs.

Jessi Thomsen and Lisa Cady each scored two runs on three hits and had one RBI apiece. Other scorers included: Lisa Shefland, Amy Klusmeier, Keri Hall, Kari Wetterberg and Rachel Carter. Wetterberg also had two RBIs. The Vikes had 12 hits in the game.

Track team stays strong at Simpson

JILL DEWALD
Sports Editor

Dana track members dominated the distance races at the 14-team Simpson College Open Track and Field Meet on April 25, breaking one school record and five personal records.

The women's team proved strong, bringing home two first place medals. Angie Sparacino ran a school record breaking 5,000-meter run in a time of 18 minutes, 25.50 seconds to win by nearly a minute. Andrea Spreen earned the other gold with a 125 foot, 8 inch javelin throw. She added a second place in the discus with a 124-9 throw.

Tiffani Nielsen ran a personal best

in the 3,000-meter in a time of 11:07.30 to earn fourth for the Vikings. Amy Smith was fourth in the discus with a throw of 119-8 and Amber Weber was fourth in the triple jump and fifth in the high jump.

Justin Christensen took first in the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 9:43.70 after a mid-race slip in the water jump lagoon. The steeplechase contains 28 barriers and seven water jumps the nearly 2-mile race.

Christensen said, "I thought the Simpson meet went pretty well considering we do have a smaller team. I thought I ran a reasonable race considering I took a spill in the water. I think I was on pace for a school record, but you have clear the water first. I am looking forward to the conference meet next week and my goal is to bring home a medal and break a

school record."

Max Grady continued his mid-season comeback dashing to victory in the 800-meter in 1:55.20. Earlier in the day he placed second in the 1,500-meter in 4:02.24. Stanley won the 1,500-meter in 4:00.96 while following Grady in the 800 with 1:56.14.

Freshman Aaron Schlote battled two Iowa State runners in the 5,000-meter run, earning second place with a personal best time of 15:39.30. Ryan Jacobsen topped the 400-meter hurdles in 55.90 placing third.

Scholte said, "I ran well but I also like to push myself to do better. I am ready for conference and am excited to compete for a conference title."

Dana travels to Concordia College in Seward for the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference championships on Saturday.

Campus Events

FRIDAY

TBA Softball, NIAC Tournament, Blair
11 a.m.-1 p.m. Noon Hour Drawings, CC
1-5 p.m. Novelty Games, CC
2-5 p.m. Crab Races, CC
9 p.m. Bingo, Dragon's Head

SATURDAY

TBA Track, NIAC Meet, Seward
10 a.m.-4 p.m. Dana Jam, outside
5-6 p.m. Picnic Dinner, outside
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Spring Dance, CC

SUNDAY

11 a.m. Worship, Chapel
2 p.m. Chorale Concert, Chapel

MONDAY

7:30 p.m. Chorale Concert, Chapel

TUESDAY

10:30 a.m. Chapel
7 p.m. Creative Writing Recital, Forum
7 p.m. Mom's Day Cardmaking, Dragon's Head

WEDNESDAY

10 p.m. Chapel

THURSDAY

10:30 a.m. Chapel, National Day of Prayer Service
7 p.m. Honor's Program, CC