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Interim offers class variety for students

TINA HAMILTON
Reporter

When interim began at Dana in the 1970s, the majority of the classes offered were elective courses. "Interim used to be a requirement for full-time students, and in order to graduate, students had to take four interims," said Nancy Penna, assistant dean of the college.

The purpose of interim was to take a class outside of your major that you wouldn't take otherwise. This is still one of the purposes, but now more students are using interim to fill general education requirements.

"I like interim because it provides a change from the long fall and spring semesters, and it's a quick way for me to pick up three credits," said sopho-

more Jen Schaaf. Opportunities are also available during interim for internships, faculty and student exchanges, and travel study tours.

This year, two trips are being offered. Dr. John Mark Nielsen will be taking students on a tour of the theaters and sites in London, and Dr. Sybille Bartels will be taking a group of students to tour Germany.

There are many courses to choose from during interim. "We work hard to offer a variety of courses without prerequisites so students can have a lot of choices," said Penna. "Some classes are very popular and are filled either because of the interesting topic or to fill general education requirements."

So far closed courses for interim include Ways of Seeing: Reading the Visual Environment, Photography I, Teacher Assistant I, Teacher Assistant

II, Shakespeare on Film, and Forensic Psychology: Journey into Darkness.

David Bossman, a junior English education major, chose to teacher assist. "I am teacher assisting during interim because it will allow me to experience a real teacher work day. I will be going all day long, every day," he said. Bossman will be at Blair High School and will complete his 40 hours of teacher assisting in one week.

Students who are full-time in the fall and/or spring semester do not pay additional fees for room, board or tuition during interim. Students who elect not to participate in interim may not reside in the residence halls during that time and do not receive a refund for tuition or fees. Students can still register for interim classes now.

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—Nancy Penna,
assistant dean

Closed interim classes:

Ways of Seeing: Reading the Visual Environment
Photography I
Teacher Assistant I
Teacher Assistant II
Shakespeare on Film
Forensic Psychology:
Journey into Darkness

Danish club makes plans for Sights and Sounds

SAMREEN SALIM
Reporter

The Danish Club advisor, Trine Thiessen, and president Kaj Nielsen both said the goal of Danish club is to learn more about Danish culture and tradition in an out-of-class setting.

The club had their first meeting on Oct. 29 and decided to meet every Thursday at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. All those interested in joining are welcome to attend the weekly meetings. Members elected Nielsen as president. Dan Matz as secretary and Nathan Hoelt as treasurer. Currently, the club consists of 10 members.

"I want to have fun, make new friends and learn more about Danish culture" said Hoelt about his participation in the club.

The activities sponsored by Danish Club this semester include a demonstration at Sights and Sounds of Christmas on Dec. 6.

The members will portray what an old-fashioned Danish Christmas is like. However, the details in this year's program are going to be a surprise said Thiessen.

Senate votes to purchase popcorn machine

Food service concerns, movie-watching contracts also discussed

MEGAN OLSON
Reporter

The Student Senate meeting was called to order on Nov. 4 at 7:05 p.m. by President Matt Kern. Secretary Becca Plowman took roll call. Everyone was present.

Trent Pikula presented the idea of purchasing a popcorn machine for \$1228.00. The Senate would have ownership of it and could rent it to

other organizations within the Dana community. As of right now, the Athletic Department owns the only popcorn machine on campus. After discussion, Toni Ahrendt moved to buy the machine and Rachel Hospodka seconded the motion. The Senate unanimously voted to purchase the machine.

Concerns about Food Services were brought up by John Brummer. Many are not pleased with the selections offered in the Dana cafeteria. For

example, if chicken patties are served for lunch, chicken nuggets should not be served for dinner. Juice should not only be for breakfast, but also for lunch and dinner. The Senate decided to bring these concerns to the Food Service's attention.

Pikula also presented movie watching contracts. In order for an organization to publicly show a movie, the group has to have a contract with the copyright company. If

not, the organization could be facing a lawsuit.

The idea of a soup supper during basketball season was also presented. Kern thought it would be a good way to bring the community to campus. The profits could go to charity or something on campus.

After discussing several minor concerns, Ahrendt moved to close the meeting and Wray Wright seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Titanic Halloween display entertains drivers

JANELLE KAHL
Features Editor

A new version of *Titanic* features Jack and Rose as pumpkin heads. Yes, that's right, pumpkin heads. On Highway 133 near Lakeland, Bob and Candice Suverkrubbe have created a miniature version of the *Titanic* with main characters, Jack and Rose, as Halloween scarecrows.

According to Candice Suverkrubbe, her husband decided to use *Titanic* for this year's display because it was the year's most popular movie, and it would be fun to adapt to a Halloween display. The *Titanic* took a couple of days to make and consists of plywood, plastic and PVC pipe. It was created simply to entertain people driving by, said the Suverkrubbes.

"The idea of a Halloween display stems from family tradition," said Candice Suverkrubbe. "When Bob and his brothers were little boys they sold pumpkins. They found that they could sell more pumpkins if they had a good scarecrow display. The idea stuck, and it is just a family tradition now."

In the past the Suverkrubbes have had some other elaborate displays such as an Oklahoma Sooner wagon that was set on fire after Nebraska won the football game. Last year's display consisted of a scarecrow in a hospital bed with a sexy nurse standing near by, who later crawled into bed with the sick scarecrow.

The displays at the Suverkrubbes never stay the same; there is always a conclusion. What will be the conclusion this year? Will the *Titanic* sink again?



A startling sight awaits drivers en route from Blair to Omaha. Bob and Candice Suverkrubbe design and present a different scene in their yard each year. This year's exhibit is a replica of the "Titanic" featuring the now-famous pose of the two main characters. Their house is located on Highway 133 near Lakeland. (Photo courtesy of The Enterprise)

This Week @ Dana

Friday

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. First Friday Freebie, CC
9 p.m. Movie Night, CC

Saturday

Volleyball, NIAC playoffs, TBA

Sunday

10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Brunch on the Hill, CC
3 p.m. Faculty Recital, Trinity Chapel
10 p.m. Worship, Trinity Chapel

Monday

8 p.m. Contraceptives, CC

Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Worship, Trinity Chapel
4:30 - 6 p.m. Cross-Cultural Festival, CC
8 p.m. FCA, speaker

Wednesday

6:15 p.m. Bingo at Good Shepard, meet in CC

Thursday

10:30 a.m. Worship, Trinity Chapel

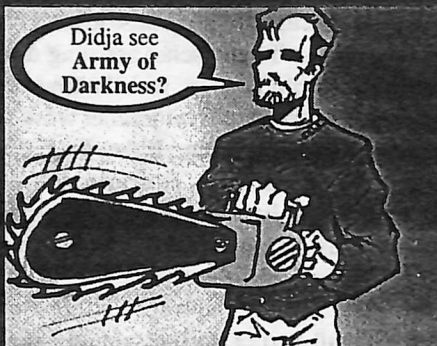
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EVER AFTER 1:00-3:20-5:35-7:50-10:05 (PG 13)
THE NEGOTIATOR 12:30-3:10-7:15-9:50 (R)
LETHAL WEAPON 4 12:40-3:00-5:30-7:55-10:15 (R)
KNOCK OFF 1:20-3:05-5:00-7:10-9:10 (R)
SMALL SOLDIERS 3:15-7:25 (PG 13)
WHY DO FOOLS FALL IN LOVE 1:05-3:25-5:40-7:45-9:50 (R)
DOCTOR DOLITTLE 1:10-5:15-9:25 (PG 13)



Gina Ronk and Rachel Hospodka give in to their artistic side as they decorate their Halloween pumpkins. (Photo by Leslie Schroeter)

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Athletic ability not a requirement for FCA

TIFFANI NIELSEN
Reporter

Don't be fooled by the name, said Brian Jones. You may be missing out on a lot of fun.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) is a club that does not discriminate against non-athletes and welcomes all denominations. In fact, the only set qualification is an interest in God.

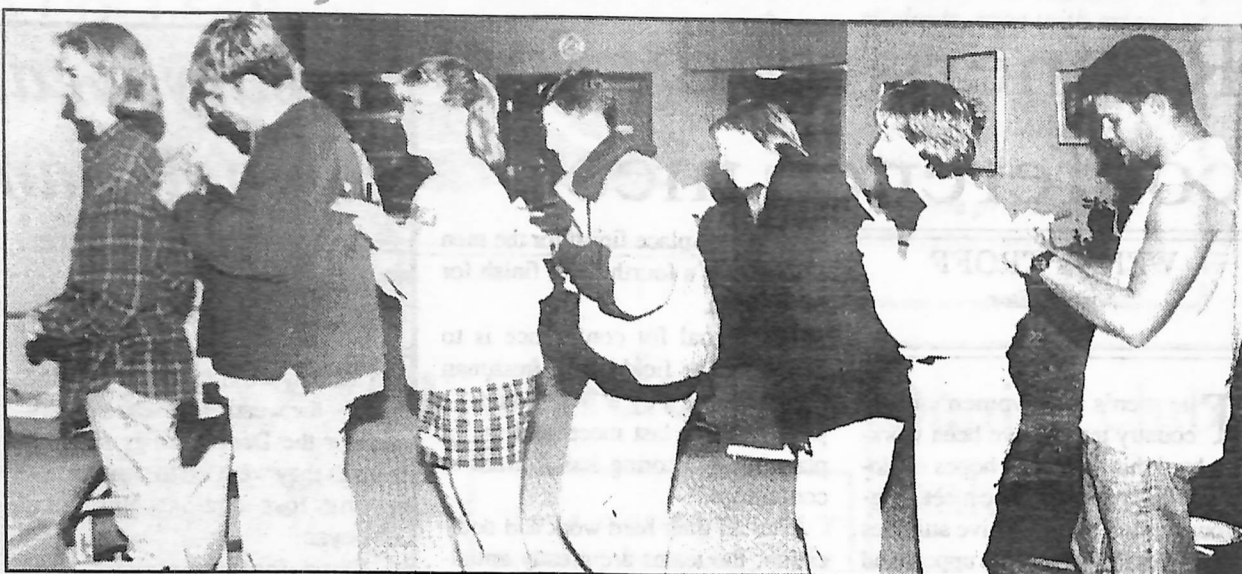
"FCA encompasses everyone who likes to hear the Word and have a good time," said Jones, FCA group

leader. "A lot of people are just intimidated by the name."

Although new experiences can be frightening, new people have been showing up to the meetings and activities just to have fun. That is when they realize that learning about Christ doesn't have to be boring, said Jones.

FCA held its kickoff barbecue at the home of coach Dave Jensen earlier this year, and the club's latest activity was the fall hayrack ride.

Games, videos and speakers provide an interesting way to maintain a relationship with God. Weekly FCA meetings are held every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Forum.



FCA members break the ice at their weekly meeting by taking turns writing positive comments about one another's backs. This club does not discriminate against non-athletes or non-Lutherans. (Photo by Leslie Schroeter)

The Nickel and Dime concert is also something to look forward to. Nickel and Dime is a Christian rock

band that shares the Word through their musical talents. Not only is the concert free, but it would be a great

chance for everyone to see what FCA is all about, said Jones. The band is scheduled to perform Dec. 5.

Married, engaged students cope with stress

DARCY TWEDT
Reporter

List of things to do: study for mid-term exams, find research for a paper, plan wedding. Many Dana students have recently become engaged.

And though the thought of planning a wedding during college may sound incomprehensible to some, several students are. They discuss getting engaged and married while in college.

According to senior Gerd Bents, who was married on Aug. 8, college is stressful and it worsens when you add wedding plans on top of it. Bents and his wife Fafani (Goecke) Bents, who was a 1997 graduate of Dana, were very organized.

"We got engaged on Oct. 9, 1997 and had most of the wedding planned by December," he said. His advice for planning is to realize that you cannot satisfy everyone.

Staying organized is important. Senior Elishia Petersen recently got engaged on Sept. 19 and is getting married on May 8, 1999. She advises anyone getting married to purchase a good wedding planner. Petersen said, "I have one with tons of worksheets and schedules that include questions to ask the photographer and caterer that I would have never thought of."

Picking a wedding date can be challenging during college. This was the case for John and Melanic (Mowinkel) Olson, both seniors at Dana. They were married in the chapel at Dana. "John plays football, and I play softball. We knew we couldn't get married in the spring or fall so we picked Aug. 8."

Due to classes and sports practices, finding time to schedule appointments was difficult for the Olsons. The photographer had to stay open late so they could have their engagement pictures taken because of their conflicting schedules.

When asked about plans affecting her studying, Olson stated, "I could

see how it could affect someone if you wanted to daydream. But I was realistic about it because I knew I had a tough semester."

Planning a wedding is stressful but rewarding when the day finally arrives. Bents and Olson both gave important reminders that life does not end after the wedding day. Olson stated that it is easier being married while in college for her and John because they no longer have to schedule time to see each other. Having a roommate prepared her for marriage because she had to share responsibilities with another person.

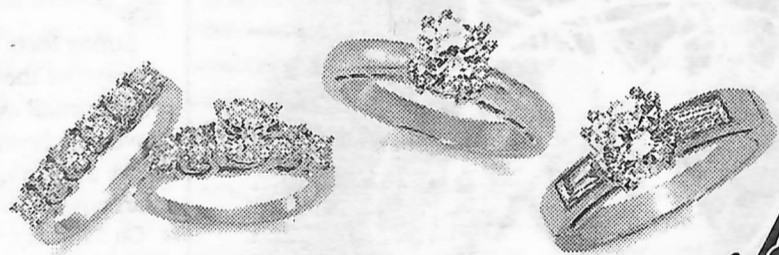
Her advice to anyone engaged is to "take how you feel in each situation before you are married and multiply it by one thousand after you are married. This applies to both good and bad situations." Bents said about life after the wedding, "There are a number of processes to go through, the good stress of living together, the redefining marriage after the ceremony, and coming to reality with marriage."

There is a lot of information available to future brides and grooms. Barnes and Noble book stores currently have over 100 books on their shelves to aid someone planning a wedding. You can browse their book selections on the Internet.

The Internet is also a source for many wedding suggestions. You can find virtually any topic on planning a wedding including unique ideas such as creative ways to propose marriage and how to create a wedding home page from a site on the World Wide Web called "I Thee Web."

Another great source for wedding fashions and ideas is the Omaha Bridal Show. This one day event will be held Sunday Jan. 24 at the Holiday Inn Central in Omaha. A wide variety of local businesses have booths at the show offering ideas and information about the services they provide. There are two fashion shows, one at 10 a.m. and one at 2:30 p.m. Preregistration forms are available at all Younkers, Dillards and Albertsons locations in Omaha.

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Runners ready for conference meet

WENDY TROFF
Sports Editor

The men's and women's cross country teams have been working hard this season in hopes of doing well at the conference meet. Rigorous practices and positive attitudes have given the runners the upper hand against many opponents.

"We've been having a lot of intense workouts," said sophomore runner Jessica Chambers. "At the Mount Marty Invitational, everyone had good races. I think we're ready to show everyone what we can do."

The goals set by the teams, according to Coach Jay Birmingham, in-

clude a first-place finish for the men and at least a fourth place finish for the women.

"Our goal for conference is to dominate the field," said freshman runner Derek Fey. "We scored 21 points at our last meet, and we're planning on scoring less than 20 at conference."

After all their hard work and dedication, the teams are greatly anticipating their conference meet which will determine whether or not they are invited to Nationals.

"We're really excited to run," said Chambers.

The NIAC cross country meet is scheduled for Saturday morning at Hastings College. The race begins at 10 a.m.

Soccer team finished season Monday

ALLISON RUHDE
Reporter

The Dana soccer team completed its best season yet with a heartbreaking loss during Monday's conference game. The Vikings were defeated 2-1 in overtime by No. 4 Doane College.

Dana dominated throughout the game, outshooting their opponents 21-9. Freshman Lindy Heavrin scored a goal early in the game and Dana was ahead until Doane scored with only 14 minutes remaining in the game. In the end, Doane scored the tie-breaking goal to win.

This was the first time Dana has made it to the conference tournament. Head coach Todd Wick said the team played well. "It was a heartbreaking loss because we really were the better team," he said. Junior Emily Nessen agreed, "There's nothing

more heartbreaking than losing in overtime."

The rainy weather conditions played a large part in the outcome of the game. Freshman Remy Stoffel said, "The bad weather made it more of a game of chance rather than skill." Standing water on the field and a strong wind made scoring a problem for Dana. "We had a lot of breakaways, but because of the wind and the rain, the ball wasn't going in," said Stoffel.

The team has a record of 8-8 for the season. "We had a great year. The coaches were phenomenal and the team spirit was really important to how well we did," said Nessen.

The players and the coaches are looking forward to next season. Stoffel said they should get a lot of new recruits and the returning players will keep improving. Amy Carlson, the only senior on the team, said she was happy she got to play this year.

Dreary weather reflects football game outcome

ADAM BOHN
Reporter

Saturday wasn't just a dreary day for the weather. It was a dreary day for the Dana Vikings football team as they were led to another upsetting loss against Nebraska Wesleyan.

Dana football players Joel Krominga and Justin Haberman were able to score points for the team in the second quarter. But Wesleyan scored two crucial touchdowns to outscore the Vikings by eight points

in a 13-5 letdown.

The weather that day wasn't the best for spectators and players alike. Head cheerleader Wendy Troff said the weather dampened the spirits of the crowd and made cheering difficult.

If the team was able to play every game as well as they played the second quarter of this game, they could climb out of the slump that they are in said head coach Jim Krueger.

"Once again, we didn't play a complete game, something that has plagued us for the entire season," Krueger said.

Volleyball team suffers pair of losses

TRAVIS FEUERBORN
Reporter

The Dana Viking Volleyball team suffered a pair of losses against Hastings College and Midland Lutheran College this past week. They then hosted Nebraska Wesleyan in Borup Coliseum as their final game of the regular season on Thursday.

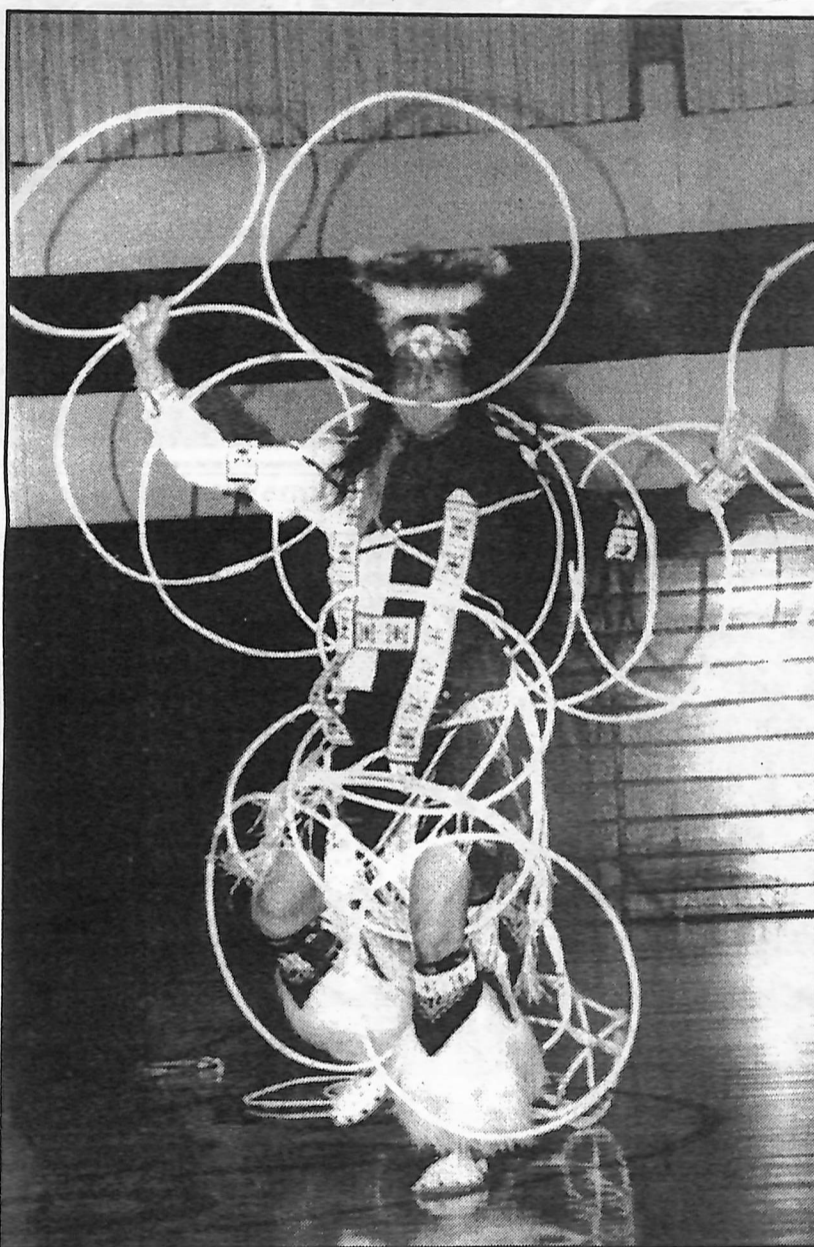
Last Friday, No. 8 Hastings was too strong for Dana and won three straight sets of 15-1, 15-8, 15-2 for the win over the Vikings. Rachel Heitmann and Lisa Decker led the Viking offense with a combined total of 10 kills. Tara Tiefenthaler had 10 assists, and Erin Eggers led the defense with 6 digs.

Tuesday evening the Vikings were defeated by Midland in another three straight sets of 15-7, 15-4, 15-5. Coach Julie Krofcheck-Strong said, "The girls did not block well, and they did not play strong enough defense."

Eggers led the offense with 4 kills, and Tiefenthaler had 11 assists. On the defensive side, Michaela Kibbon had led the Vikings with a total of 10 digs.

Strong feels that the Vikings need to improve their communication and fundamental skills. She stated, "We have not played to our potential, and if we are going to do it, we need to start now, because Saturday is it."

On Saturday, the Dana Vikings will play in the NIAC playoff games against Northwestern (Iowa) College.



Dallas Chief Eagle, a Rosebud Sioux tribal member, performs a hoop dance in Borup Coliseum Thursday, Oct. 29. The event was sponsored by the Student Awareness Organization. (Photo by Leslie Schroeter)

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