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## Career services can help plan future

**DARCY TWEDT**  
Reporter

Career Services has moved to the Campus Center and is actively helping students with their career search.

Career Services was located in Pioneer Memorial room 301. It is now located in the former Student Development office in the Campus Center. Reasons for the move were to be more accessible to all students and to be in a better location for employers during career fairs.

Mary Jo Kubie, director of Career Services, gives good advice to seniors who are graduating. "Start early and don't wait until the last minute," she said. Career Services estimates that about 90 percent of students have visited their office for assistance. Kubie

said that the percentage of Dana students who get jobs after graduating or continue their studies has always ranked above 90.

Along with Kubie, there are two other staff members that work in Career Services, Karen Dismer, assistant to Career Services, and Ann Nelson, an intern from the University of Nebraska at Omaha who will be working there until December.

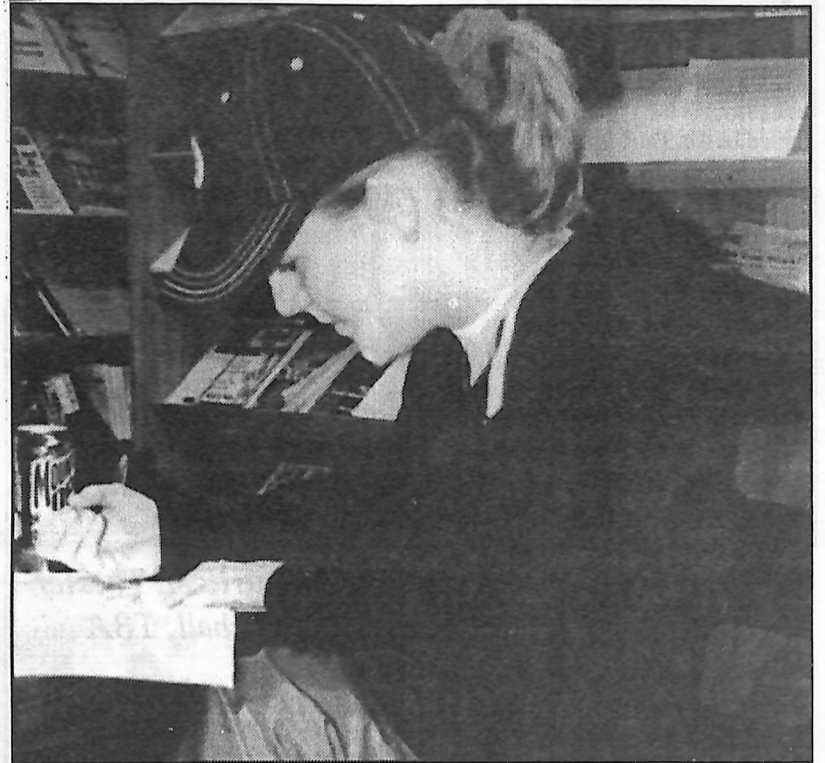
Career services offers individual job search assistance including career counseling, choosing a major, and resume and cover letter preparation. They offer assistance in preparing for an interview through advice, mock interviews, and sample questions. They also have a resource library and can check out materials, such as books and videos including one about how to submit resumes over the Internet.

Career Services announces job and

internship openings via computer noticeboards, e-mail and campus mail. There are books in the Career Services office listing available openings categorized by majors.

Students can also find out about available jobs at career fairs. There are several career fairs throughout the year that Career Services sponsors. A career fair consists of employers or graduate school representatives that gather in one location to meet, accept resumes and interview college students for prospective jobs. The next career fair will be at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Omaha on Tuesday, Jan. 5. Over 120 employers will attend.

Students can come to Career Services anytime during open hours, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or they can make an appointment for individual assistance by calling ext. 7258.



Senior organizational communication major, Janelle Kahl, works on her resume in the Career Services office. (Photo by Leslie Schroeter)

## College experience without the grades

**BECKY DUNNELL**  
Reporter

What do your parents and grandparents like to do? Do they like to learn? If they do, they could attend a week of classes as part of the Elderhostel program.

Elderhostel was started in the mid-1970s as a way for older people to further their education in a residential college setting without having to worry about being graded. The participants, who must be over 60 years old, live in a college dorm for a week and participate in classes and other campus activities. Dana is one of the colleges that sponsors this event.

This week was the fall session of Elderhostel on the Dana campus. The students took three courses. One of their courses, Waterfowl Watch '98, was taught by Dr. Carla Delucchi. The participants learned about the migration habits of waterfowl and took a field trip to DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge near Missouri Valley, Iowa. There they viewed the migrating waterfowl in their natural habitat.

Another class that the participants took was called The World of the Vikings in Icelandic Saga, taught by Dr. John Mark Nielsen. This class focused on the Viking world as it was portrayed in twelfth and thirteenth century Icelandic sagas.

They discussed Scandinavian mythology and took a field trip to the Danish Immigrant Museum in Elkhorn, Iowa.

The last class they took was called The Silent Clowns and was taught by Barry Anderson. This class was a study of the careers and styles of comics such as Charlie Chaplin and Buster Keaton. They examined the

*The Elderhostel students took three courses...*

*Waterfowl Watch '98, The World of the Vikings in Icelandic Saga, and The Silent Clowns.*

various comic styles and viewed film clips. They also had the opportunity to watch feature films in the evenings.

The Elderhostel participants were also able to use the computer lab and see "The Water Engine" in Lauritzen Theater during their stay at Dana. They ate in the cafeteria and slept in a residence hall like a typical college student. Look for more Elderhostel participants in the spring when Dana hosts another session.

## Sirens sound for many reasons

**CASEINA COLE**  
Reporter

Are the local sirens confusing you? Are you wondering whether you should be taking cover or ignoring them? If so, you are not alone. Some Dana students are concerned about what the local sirens really mean; or if they even mean anything at all.

Students who come from larger cities are not used to hearing sirens for anything other than emergencies and tests. Sophomore C.T. Holz said that when he first came to Dana, he wondered what the sirens meant. "I didn't know if the sirens were for a fire, tornado or something else."

Sophomore Nicki Wilcke said that

the Blair sirens go off a lot. "Back home the sirens only go off for fires and tornadoes," she said. "Here they go off for everything."

The most commonly heard siren in Blair is the 30 second blast. There is no cause for public alarm when this siren is sounded. It indicates that someone has called in a rescue emergency to the 911 service. This siren is an indication to make sure the proper local emergency personnel are alerted.

Another common siren is the alternating blasts for two minutes. There is also no cause for alarm when this siren is heard. It indicates that someone has called the fire department. The only precaution that you may want to take is to watch for dispatched fire engines.

There are two sirens that would in-

dicate immediate danger for all Blair citizens, including the Dana community. The first is a continuous three minute blast which indicates that there has been a tornado sited in the area. Weather alerts will also be announced on local radio and television stations.

A continuous three to five minute blast means that the Fort Calhoun Nuclear Power Station is in alert. If you hear this siren, you should tune to KFAB-AM 1110 on your radio for information and instructions from local and state authorities. You will hear specific instructions about whether you should go inside, evacuate or take protective action. If an evacuation would be necessary, Dana students and Blair residents would evacuate via either U.S. Highway 30 or State Highway 91 to Fremont.

## Senate discusses campus accessibility for the disabled, recycling concerns

**TRAVIS FEUERBORN**  
Reporter

The Student Senate meeting was held on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Forum. President Matt Kern led the meeting, while secretary Becca Plowman took role and recorded the minutes. All student senators were present.

Guest speaker Nancy Penna spoke about concerns of changing spring commencement from Sunday to Saturday. The senate will have a survey to see what the students and faculty

think. In the past, commencement has always been held on the traditional Sunday, but the problem is that some families and students are too busy on Sunday because of church or traveling time.

The Senate also discussed dropping and adding classes in the curriculum next year, but nothing has been decided yet.

Saturday morning recycling is another major concern. The Senate would like to send out a message for everyone to please rinse out the cans before placing them in recycling bins, and to sort out the paper in their proper containers. Those who are interested in

assisting can contact Dr. Richard Jorgensen in his office.

Some student concerns were also addressed. Members discussed the school's capability to cater to the physically disabled. And an interest was expressed in having change machines in the halls. These two concerns are being looked into.

The Student Senate will try to have a student concern box in each hall and one in the campus center. The Senate is open to any suggestions or concerns. Kern said that they want to do anything that will make the students happy. "The happier the students are, the better the school is," he said

## Veterans, rookies give convincing performances

**BROOKE THOMSEN**  
Reporter

The lights were shining Wednesday evening for ten of Dana's new and veteran actors and actresses as they portrayed David Mamet's one act play, "The Water Engine," directed by Dr. Paul Schneider. Opening night began with a few minor jitters, but overall the cast and crew pulled through the performance with grace and style.

The play gradually built on the suspense of an amateur inventor's want for a simple patent and his antagonist's accusations of thievery. The story began in Chicago during the Great Depression where Charles Lang, played by David Bossman, attempted to patent his engine that used only water as its fuel.

He finds himself being accused by Mr. Oberman, played by Jake Adolphson, and Chris Sorenson as Morton Gross, the patent lawyer, to have stolen the materials, making the engine the property of another com-

pany. Charles and his sister Rita, performed by Tara Stark, find themselves hiding from the police and fighting for their rights and ideas.

These scenes mingle with various speeches in a park concerning such topics as patriotism, freedom and hard work, and the rambling of a chain letter. "All people are connected," were the words of the chain letter, stressing the progression of

science, trust and time.

Both the acting and the technical organization such as lighting successfully articulated the themes. The play was entertaining with the increase in suspense twisted with shots of humor between a lusting boss and his secretary, an excited young boy learning from his father and the chainletter's amazing stories.

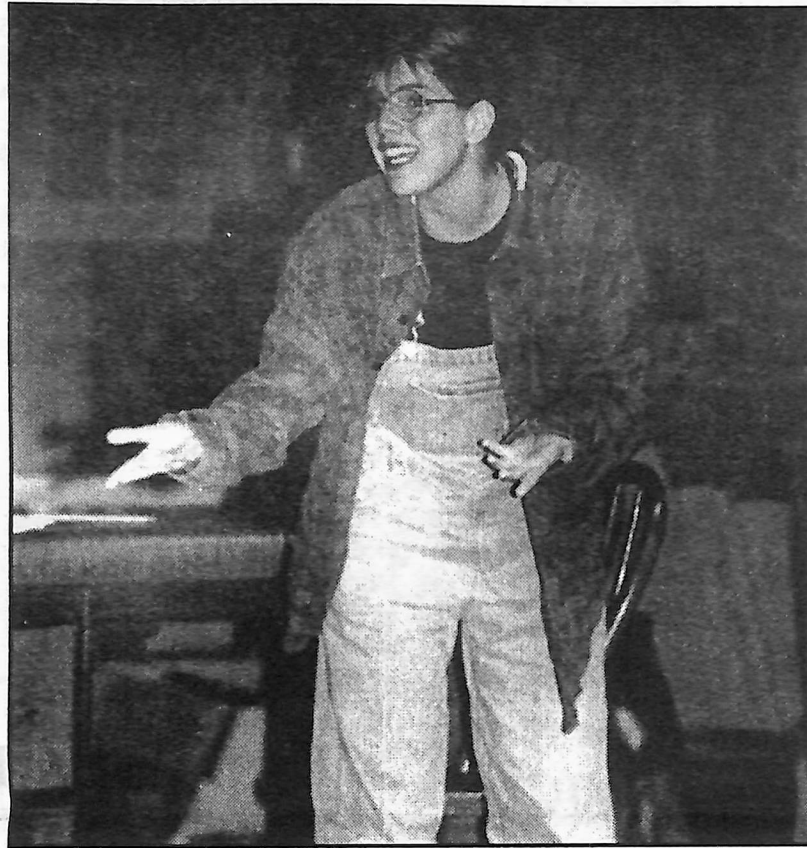
The veterans to Dana's theatre de-

partment again displayed their talents. Adolphson played a particularly convincing and mysteriously sinister man with controlled voice and actions. Bossman's performance of a frightened, timid and destroyed inventor mixed well with the suspense of the plot as he gradually built the emotions of his character.

The Dana stage debut of Leora Jaeckel must have been a challenge for her as she performed multiple roles. Jaeckel performed the central chain letter with fun flourishes and gestures. She brought some humor onto stage with the convinced chatter of a story-telling woman. She even struggled through the Eastern European accent for her character Mrs. Varec.

Four new faces to Dana's stage revealed talent and promise with their portrayal of several minor roles in "The Water Engine." Chris Bertschinger, Nate Calhoun, Melanie Hinze and Todd Maxwell were excellent in developing each character. They were each well articulated and controlled. It was easy to tell when they changed character. They did not appear to allow any jitters to stiffen their performances.

The entire atmosphere of the play was in itself very worthwhile between the complex stage construction, well chosen music and sound effects, and the convincing lighting. The play ran very smoothly with no need for change in scenery. Lights were used to move the action from one portion of the stage to another. The light's affect on the mood and time of day were excellent.



Leora Jaeckel plays the part of Mrs. Varec and the Chainletter in the fall play "The Water Engine" now showing in Lauritzen Theater. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. (Photo by Carrie Reed)

### This Week @ Dana

#### Friday

7 p.m. Spades Tournament, CC  
7:30 p.m. "The Water Engine," Lauritzen Theater  
Midland Classic, women's basketball, TBA

#### Saturday

10 a.m. NAIA Championship cross country meet, Kenosha, Wis.  
All day, Wrestling, UNO  
3 p.m. men's basketball, Mt. Marty College  
7:30 p.m. "The Water Engine," Lauritzen Theater

#### Sunday

11:30 a.m. Athletic Awards Banquet, CC  
10 p.m. Worship, Trinity Chapel

#### Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Worship, Trinity Chapel  
7:30 p.m. men's basketball, Bellevue University

#### Wednesday

7 p.m. women's basketball, St. Mary's College, Leavenworth, Kan.

#### Thursday

10:30 a.m. Worship, Trinity Chapel

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## Student activities coordinators plan events for students

DEENA KNAPP  
Business Manager

Mandy Buttry, Jeremy Havekost, and Riley Tonkin are this year's student activities program coordinators. The three of them report to Trent Pikula, the student activities director. They are responsible for planning and implementing entertaining, educational and recreational activities that provide students with opportunities for social interaction and community building.

Buttry is a veteran to the student activities program. In her second year as a program coordinator, she is a senior social work major from Shenandoah, Iowa. She is also in-

involved in cross country and track.

Although this is Havekost's first year as a program coordinator, he is no stranger to the student activities program. During the past three years, he has volunteered many hours to the program in addition to participating in the Residence Hall Association. Havekost is a junior biology major from Bennington, Neb. He also participates in cross country, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and is a Resident Assistant in Mickelsen Hall.

Tonkin, a sophomore business major, is also a first year program coordinator. He is from Lincoln, Neb. and participates in the wrestling program.

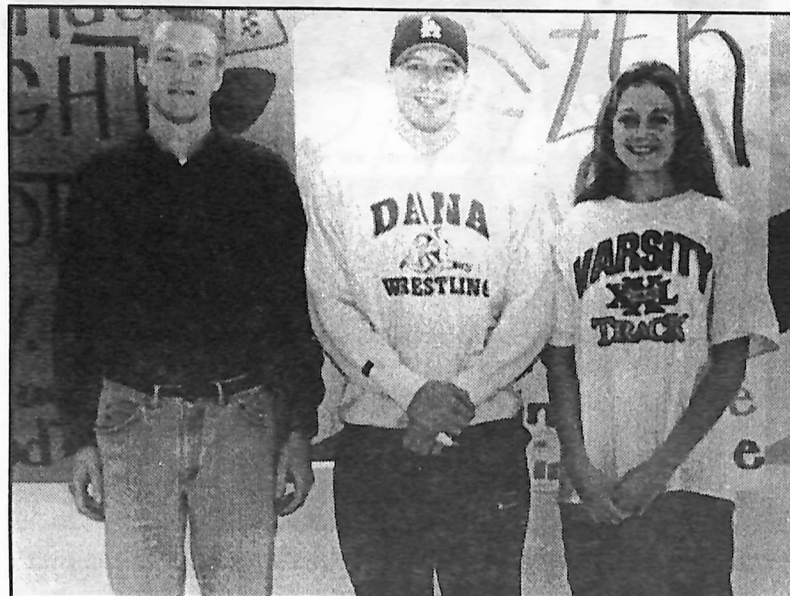
"I am very pleased with all three of this year's program coordinators. They are working very hard," commented Pikula. "They have planned many events already this semester

and will continue to do so throughout the entire school year."

In addition to hosting on-campus events such as movie and game nights, the coordinators plan trips to Omaha that include cosmic bowling, Super Saver movies and haunted houses. They also coordinate the various speakers and comedians that entertain Dana students.

Havekost commented that the more difficult events to plan are off-campus events because they are more time-consuming and transportation needs to be provided for students.

"Student activities is a lot of fun and has been very rewarding," stated Havekost. "We always encourage student feedback regarding the events, as well as input about future activities."



Student activities coordinators Jeremy Havekost, Riley Tonkin and Mandy Buttry work to provide fun events for students. (Photo by Leslie Schroeter)

## "Brunch on the hill" served every month Students, Blair community intermingle

TRACI AHRENDT  
Reporter

From 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on specific Sundays, you may find more than students dining in the cafeteria. Many people from surrounding communities come to Dana to participate in Brunch on the Hill.

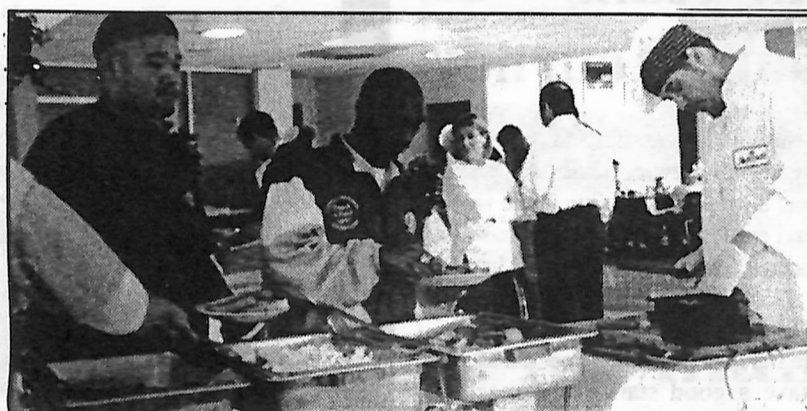
Tricia Hamilton, food service director, feels that Brunch on the Hill "has a lot of value, it could build enrollment and interest in the college." Many people from the community have come to Brunch on the Hill, and the numbers seem to continue growing. Hamilton says the success of the program is due to ads in the paper and notices in church bulletins.

However, with the increased amount of people eating in the caf-

eteria there has been a problem with seating. Hamilton is trying to develop a seating arrangement that will accommodate all. She has tried having a student section, so students are "guaranteed a place to sit."

Anyone who has a current meal plan can take part in Brunch on the Hill. For those people who don't have a meal plan, cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under the age of 8. There is an omelet station and a Belgian waffle station. Potatoes, vegetables and salads are also offered. For those of you with a sweet tooth, you may find the pastry and dessert table especially appetizing.

For further information on Brunch on the Hill, you may contact Hamilton in her office at ext. 7257 or the college relations office at ext. 7216.



The cafeteria staff prepares an elaborate brunch on the second Sunday of every month. Students Michael Rubio and Garfield Hall peruse the selection while Ben Davison serves. (Photo by Hitomi Yoda)

## Student life offices moved

BECKY DUNNELL  
Reporter

At the beginning of this academic year, the offices of Joann Stute and Trent Pikula moved into the Campus Center to join Dean of Students, Kevin Schaudt.

This move brings the area hall directors, conference coordinator, student life staff, residence life staff and student activities staff to one centralized office area. Schaudt believes that this is helpful since all the areas in the office report to him.

This move has brought many changes. Stute, Pikula and Schaudt are now more visible and accessible to the students. Schaudt said he thinks their placement makes them more convenient since almost every student goes to the campus center daily.

The move has also made the life of the Resident Assistants much easier. Lisa Ritchison, a returning R.A., believes moving the offices made them "more convenient for the R.A.'s and easier to pick up materials."

She said it is a lot different from last year when they had to go to a different hall to pick up signs. Now they just stop in after meals.

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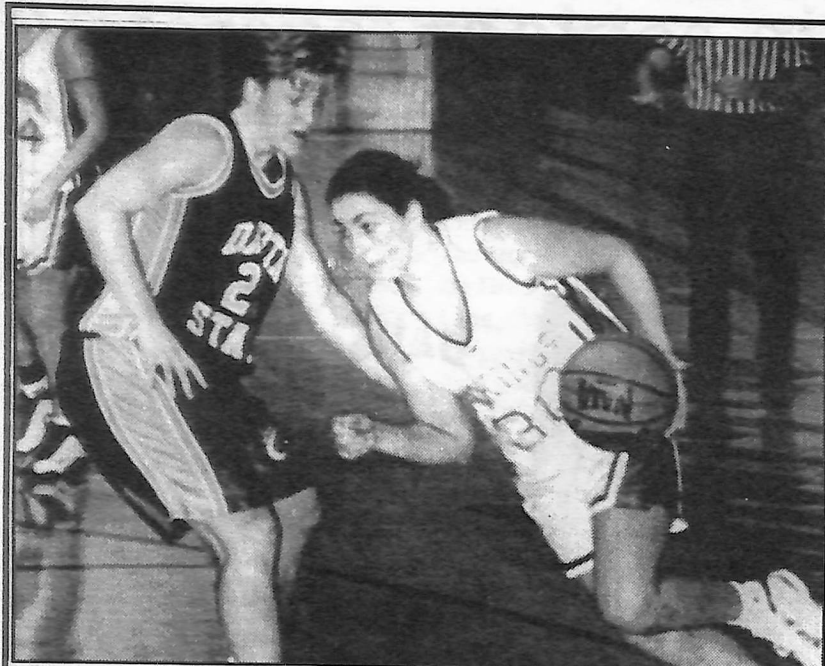
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Sarah Klein works her way to the hoop during the game against Dakota State Tuesday night. The Lady Vikes lost the game. (Photo by Leslie Schroeter)

## Women's basketball team begins season with two wins at home

WENDY TROFF  
Sports Editor

The women's basketball team opened its season with a bang. The Vikings enjoyed a 68-58 win in Friday night's match against Huron University and a one-sided 84-38 win against Nebraska Christian College on Saturday night, wrapping up the Dana Tournament.

In the first half of the season opener, the Vikings took advantage of the free throw opportunities given by the 17

total fouls. The scoreboard soon read 22-16 Dana, and the Vikings would not give up the lead for the rest of the game.

Junior Sarah Klein left the bench to score a game-high 15 points, while junior Elizabeth Snedigar and senior Melanie Lubbers each scored 12 points. Another 18 points were added between junior Kim Wilken and junior Jorgia Morin.

"Two of the leading scorers came off the bench," said Coach Judy Vaughn. "It's good to know we have that luxury."

Leading Saturday's game 55-23 at

halftime, the Lady Vikes went on to win the game by 46 points.

"I don't like games like that," said Vaughn. "It didn't do us any good, and it didn't do them any good."

Top scorers for the game against Nebraska Christian included Wilken, who almost outscored the opponent herself with 33 points, and Snedigar, who earned 16.

Tuesday night the Dana women lost a home game against Dakota State University with a score of 79-71. This weekend they will be playing in the Midland Classic at Midland Lutheran College.

## Men's basketball team takes third at Dana Tourney

TINA HAMILTON  
Reporter

The Dana Viking men's basketball team placed third last weekend during the Dana Tournament. According to head coach Dave Jensen, the Dana men have always won the tournament. So why not this year?

Jensen said, "We played some tough teams with real experience." The men's basketball team has one returning starter and four returning players, resulting in a team with less experience than their opponents.

Key players for the team include sophomore Michael Johnson who had 13 rebounds and 31 points in the season opener against Bellevue. Freshman Luke Connell had 14 points, four

rebounds, six assists and three steals against Bellevue. Senior K.C. Tupa had a total of 32 points in the weekend games. Matt Oestmann has also been a consistent player, said Jensen.

"I'm really pleased with the guys. They are playing hard and well together, and are very coachable. We have a good start to the season," Jensen said.

According to Jensen, the men's basketball team this year is an exciting team and fun to watch. He appreciates the student body's support at the games and encourages more people to attend the games "until the place is filled." Agreeing with Jensen, Connell commented, "It makes the game more fun for us with all the support from the fans."

The Vikings will face Mt. Marty College on Saturday at Yankton, S.D.

## Wrestling team travels to UNO Saturday

MEGAN OLSON  
Reporter

The Dana wrestling team took their moves to the mats for the first time this season last Sunday. Fourteen wrestlers travelled to Central Missouri State.

Co-captain, Chad Greguras said, "The season just started and it looks to be a promising one."

Junior Darold Foster had the best meet record for the team with a total of four wins and two losses. He was only one match short of placing at the meet. Sophomore Riley Tonkin also

left the meet with a winning record of 3-2.

The team had a total of 15 wins, which isn't bad for a meet this size, said Greguras. Only two NAIA teams competed in the meet. The rest were Division I or II.

Sophomore Nick Tostenson commented, "We have what it takes to be the best. All the new freshman work very hard, and that motivates the upper classmen to work harder as well."

Greguras said, "If we can withhold from the injury bug, then our season can be one of the best ones yet."

The Vikings travel to University of Nebraska at Omaha for their next meet on Saturday.

Student Senate needs a representative from the senior class to serve during the spring semester of 1999.

Applications are due Dec. 4 in the Information Booth. Requirements: full-time student status, cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, and not on disciplinary probation.

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