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Dana College

Be Aware: Dana College Serves Mixed Drinks

Jon Carlo
Staff Writer

Alcohol awareness week took place last week at Dana and thousands of other schools across the nation.

The main purpose of the week is to exhibit alternatives to drinking alcoholic beverages while still having fun.

Dana had a few events that did

just that. On Tuesday students were able to attend an educational program where two recovering alcoholics revealed their own personal experiences with alcohol and how they overcame their illness. Resident assistant Kari Kristensen was in charge of the presentation and commented on their message.

"It was an excellent presentation," Kristensen

said, "They were willing to share their stories and tell students the steps an alcoholic has to take to defeat the illness."

During the lunch hour on

Wednesday, approximately 200 students were treated to "mocktails." These

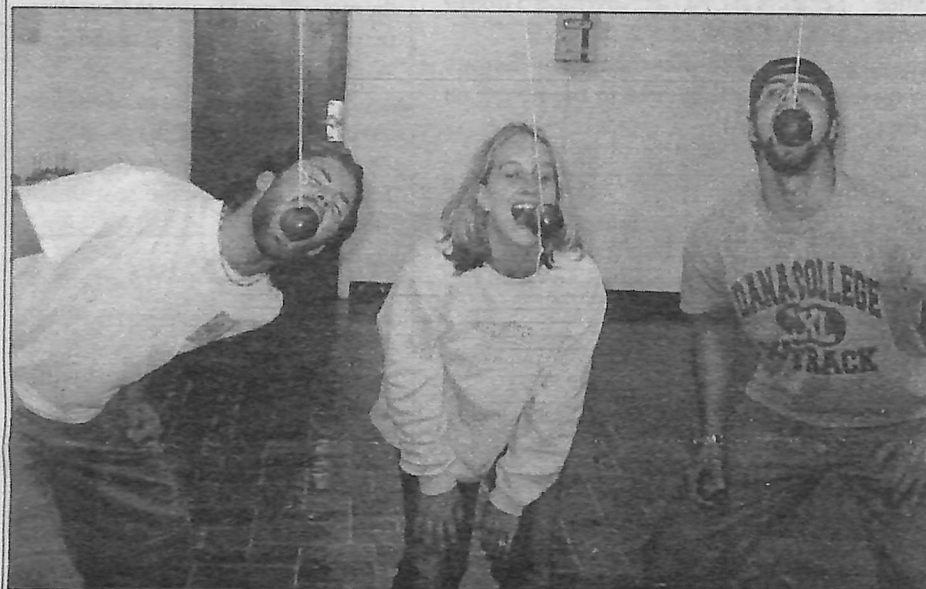
were cocktails minus the alcohol. Anything from pina coladas to strawberry daiquiris were made and recipes were handed out so students can make their own mixed drinks (alcohol-free). Hall Director Shawn Cook, who helped with the "bar,"

thought the message was clear to students.

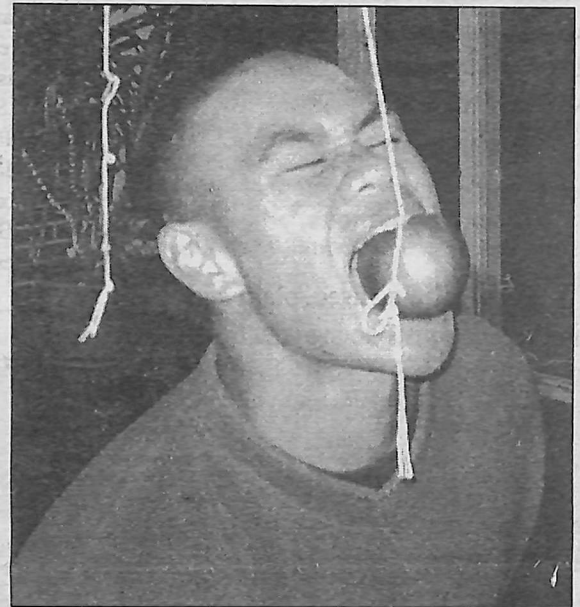
"We showed students they can have mixed drinks

without the alcohol," Cook said.

The week was capped off with Applerama on Thursday in the Mickelsen Hall lobby. This has become a traditional event at Dana that encourages apples rather



From left: Kjaer Kirkegaard, Jenny Miller, and Anthony Metcalf go viciously after apples during Applerama in Mickelsen's ground floor. Photo by Matt Albright.



Andrew Iva, using animal instincts, messily devours an apple Thursday night. Photo by Kjaer Kirkegaard.

than alcohol. Students played games like apple bobbing and apple-on-a-string. Delicious caramel apples and cider were served as refreshments.

Anthrax Claims Fourth Victim

Matt Bloomingdale
Staff Writer

Officials have confirmed that the death of a 61-year-old Manhattan Hospital supply clerk was caused by the inhalation of anthrax spores. So far, investigators are unaware of how the anthrax was contracted.

Kathy T. Guyen checked herself into the Lenox Hill Hospital Sunday, after feeling ill. She was diagnosed with anthrax Monday morning. She died Wednesday.

The possibility that Guyen contracted the anthrax through the mail has not been discounted. Guyen worked in the stock room at the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital in Manhattan, New York. The stockroom had recently been used to store some of the hospital's mail.

Dr. Anthony Fauci of the

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Dana Learning Center Raises Grades

Todd Maxwell
Staff Writer

Most Dana students by now have received their midterm grades. While many are pleased with what they see, many others are not.

For those unfortunates whose grades are a little too far into the alphabet for their liking, the Learning Center can help.

The Learning Center is one of the services that Dana offers its students. Its goal, according to a handout, is "to provide the academic assistance and services that will support students' pursuit of their academic and career goals."

Located just inside the library

entrance, the Learning Center is a place where students can get help with their assignments and work through problems with tutors.

"There's more than tutors here," said Lori Nielsen, director of the Learning Center. "The Learning Center is a good place to study, find some quiet and use the computers."

Nielsen described some of the other aids the Learning Center offers. "We have folders filled with what I like to call 'student success handouts,'" she said. These handouts cover topics such as time management, studying for and taking tests, proofreading and many others. Students are welcome to take the handouts with them.

The Learning Center also provides supplemental texts on a variety of subjects, from science to language to math. The facility even offers comic books in case students need a break from their studies.

The center does have a relaxed, quiet, and comfortable atmosphere. Students can work on spacious tables instead of cramped desks. There are a couple of bookshelves in the room, but the

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Hear ye! Hear ye! Dana has just hired a new Director of Admissions. James W. Lynes, Jr has accepted the position over the phone and is set to begin work on November 12, 2001.

Lynes has much experience in the admissions departments at Buena Vista University and Iowa Wesleyan College.

Lynes earned his B.A. in History and English from Wartburg College and his M.A. in History from the University of Iowa.

Let's try to welcome Director Lynes to the Dana community.

Women's Soccer Triumphs Over Dordt

Marshall Marquardt
Staff Writer

The Viking soccer women stayed on a roll this week, improving their record to 20-0 after beating Dordt College 4-1 Tuesday afternoon in the conference semifinals.

The Vikings scored only one goal in the first half of play, but slammed three into the back of the net in the second half when they had the wind at their backs.

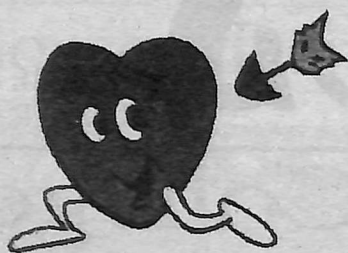


Michelle Glanz goes up for a header as the Dana women beat Dordt College 4-1 Thursday. Photo by Kjaer Kirkegaard.

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FEATURES



Dear Cupid

Dear Cupid,

The object of my affection doesn't want a relationship, because she likes another guy. However, she always visits me and we got out on dates. I'm confused...how is this NOT a relationship?

Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

You're being used, plain and simple. She's just playing your heart to pass time until the guy she likes notices her. She sounds as if she doesn't want to be alone, and since you're so enamored with her, she'll take what she can get. I hope you aren't spending too much dough on her. Gather your pride and avoid her - she'll just lead you to heartbreak.

Dear Cupid,

This girl won't leave me alone. Every time she sees me, she hangs on me and flirts obnoxiously. And to make things worse, the rumor mill has gotten a hold of me. I hear people talking about "us" and I keep having to defend myself. How do I get this girl off my back?

Fed Up

Dear Fed Up,

Honesty is the best policy, as cheesy as that sounds. Tell her you just don't like her that way, and that the constant flirting annoys you. Try to be gentle...there's no need for venom. As for the rumor mill, who cares what other people think? You aren't going out with them, are you? Shrug off the comments with a casual remark that defers the claim. Eventually, people will stop caring.

Please feel free to write Cupid with relationship questions at:
dearcupid@mail.com

Senate Picks Up Soccer Tab

Ginger Krueger
Staff Writer

Thanks to the Student Senate, tickets to the women's soccer conference finals are free to Dana students.

At Sunday's meeting, a budget request of \$300 dollars to purchase these tickets was proposed and passed.

The Senate noted that Homecoming events were successful, and thanked those who participated.

In other actions, The Blair Tae Kwon Do Academy (BTA) presented a budget for \$527.15. The budget was approved. The group, like every other Dana organization, will have to do a community service activity. Their constitution has already been submitted to the Student Senate.

The Blair Relations committee has met with Mayor Mick Mines, who is interested in more involvement of Dana's students in the Blair community. Among activities suggested were helping to fix a

local Blair house, hanging banners to advertise Sights and Sounds, having the Chorale sing carols, having Council members tour Dana, and the Student Senate touring Blair. More details concerning the tours will be worked out later.

Senators were required to work at least two hours at some point in Elkhorn Hall for the Haunted House there. The Haunted House ran from October 26 through the 31st.

The current standing balance for the Student Senate is \$9314.62. Proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws were reviewed and passed.

According to President Cheston Field, there is an open forum to discuss issues and get ideas open to Senators at UNO on November 3 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The next Student Senate meeting will be held in the Forum on November 4.

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walls are mostly adorned by paintings made by Dana students.

There is even a candy dish by the entrance for everyone to help themselves.

A list of tutors for this semester and their schedules can be found in the Learning Center.

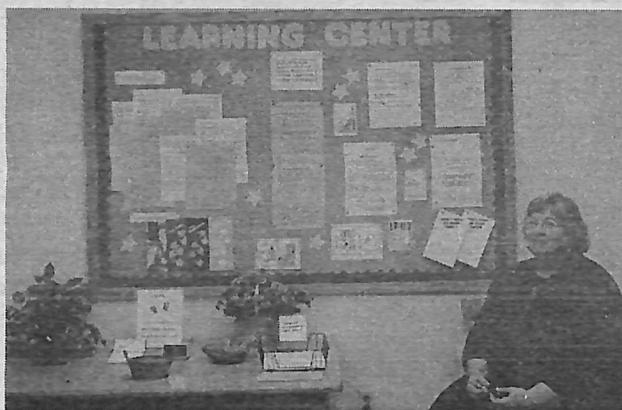
Its hours are Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 7 to 10 p.m.

For those students who wish to bring up their grades, Nielsen offers this advice: "Start early, and come in often."

According to Nielsen, the

Learning Center gave more than 175 tutorials in the two weeks before midterm exams.

Indeed, there is proof in the pudding: 57 percent of Dana's 2001 graduates participated in Learning Center tutorials or attended peer-led study sessions.



Lori Nielsen, Director of the Learning Center, sits beside the bulletin board at the entrance. Photo by Kjaer Kirkegaard.

Student Spotlight

by Lysie Cetto

Underage Drinking: A Bad Thing?



Sophomore Jami White

"Maybe it is okay...it depends on the situation. I wouldn't want to drink and get a DUI ticket."



Junior Erin Sorensen

"Even though it's usually accompanied by a good time there are lots of bad things that can happen. So I guess it depends on how much of a risk-taker you are."

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National Institute of Health said that investigators found no traces of anthrax in the hospital, leading investigators to believe that the bacteria was contracted somewhere outside the work place.

"All bets are off, and the public health officials, the forensic group, have to do a full-court press on trying to track this down," said Fauci.

Anthrax is not contagious, however; this decreases the risk of spreading the spores. Patients and staff at the Manhattan facility are still being tested for the virus. Over 200 people work at the hospital, and the hospital had serviced hundreds of patients during the time in question.

Meanwhile, an employee of the regional mail facility in New Jersey tested positive for skin anthrax Wednesday.

In all, 18 cases of anthrax have been confirmed this month.

Postal officials announced Tuesday that three more post offices

have reported testing positive for anthrax cases.

News Commentary

Deputy Postmaster General John Nolan said that two of the facilities are located in Washington D.C. and the third post office is in Florida.

Postmaster General John Potter believes the reason why the anthrax is becoming more widespread is that the paper types used in the new letters are more absorbent than those used in previous cases.

"I think there was a different type of paper," said Potter, "(that) allowed the anthrax to move through the paper."

So far anthrax has been reported in 32 different locations, infecting 27 people and killing four since the airplane hijackings of September 11.

Viking Film Society November (Classics)

- Tuesday the 6th: "Rebel Without A Cause"
- Thursday the 8th: "Citizen Kane"
- Tuesday the 13th: "High Noon"
- Thursday the 15th: "Rear Window"
- Sunday the 25th: "Amadeus" and "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" (starts @ 7pm)
- Tuesday the 27th: "The Godfather"
- Thursday the 29th: "Raging Bull"
- Monday, Dec. 3rd: "Doctor Zhivago"

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The Hermes Staff

OPINION

Now: The Beer Generation

Rene Nicolay
Staff Writer

With all this alcohol awareness floating around our campus last week, those students who make binging a hobby might be feeling offended. If I were an alcoholic, I'd march right up to the Student Center and demand a week when the school would focus on the benefits of drinking until one is secreting beer as a bodily fluid.

However, I won't do that, because I don't drink. I've seen too many people kill their own genius with booze to want to try it again.

Don't get me wrong; I'm certainly not the poster child of moral hygiene. It's not like I was raised in Pleasant Town, where people

get light headed and giddy from cough syrup. I just can't see the purpose of drowning vital organs in liquor. I did it a few times in high school to be part of the "elite," the in-crowd that set the stan-

dards for the rest of us young freshman. After a while, I stopped. I was still just as much of a social reject than before, except now I had a killer hangover.

So what is it about the forbidden liquid that attracts my generation? Peer pressure? Curiosity? Slow suicide by Schnapps? Really, it can't be the taste, can it? If I wanted the taste of beer, I could just lick the underside of a dog's tongue, instead of shelling out cash. Or perhaps, we're all just stupid.

Heck, who am I to analyze fellow students? I'm no psychologist, and

despite popular belief, I don't know everything. If kids want to spend their Saturday night getting wasted and screaming like idiots on crack, then golly gosh, go right

vomit in ahead. As long as you the opposite direction from me. I say, "rock on" to Alcohol Awareness week. It makes all us students aware of the selection of poison out there.



CD Review: Sonicflood

Sonic Flood
Resonate
(Inotof Records)
October 2, 2001

How a group can change majority of its members including the lead singer is beyond me. Frankly, it is a different band. Their sound is very different from the Sonicflood of 1999 when they released their first self-titled album. But just like the first album, this new Sonicflood brings wonderful power and energy to praise and worship music. *Resonate*, features a combination of familiar worship songs and original cuts backed by the group's modern rock sound. This time the group had a little more fun in the studio. While their first album was pretty straightforward musically, this disc features all the mix-ins and dubs that make a studio album a studio album. The group takes you through a varied praise and worship experience, opening with "Lord of the

Dance" which features danceable beats and a quick tempo. "Fuel" is its own name,

possibly the most energetic track on the disc. Later, they work you down into "Write Your Name Upon My Heart," a slower, more introspective piece. They present a new and surprising rendition of "Holy and Anointed One" that really perks up the familiar worship song. Every track is catchy; I found myself singing along and even harmonizing the first time I listened to it. It may be a different band, but they deserve to keep the name. *Resonate* follows in the footsteps of Sonicflood's first album, and is destined to be a praise and worship favorite.



Garry Clark at a recent race/segregation discussion in MFAC. Photo by Kjaer Kirkegaard.

Moldy Adventures Yield Valuable, Unpleasant Insight

Toni Hoffmeier
Staff Writer

Recycling. It seems like something so easy...but, like usual, nothing in this crazy world is easy anymore. People don't read signs, and they just don't care that white paper is only supposed to go into one container, or they don't care that food goes into the garbage can, NOT the recycling can. It's stuff like this that history professor Dr. Richard Jorgensen and the members of Student Senate put up with every weekend.

At 9:00 a.m. Dr. Jorgensen, a member from the Student Senate and one or two Dana College clubs assemble in the Campus Center and separate all of the items that have been placed in the recycling cans. I was lucky enough to be part of this group the past week. I saw first hand the good and the bad parts of recycling here on campus.

Bending over a large garbage can was not entirely what I expected it to be when I decided to separate the white paper. But then again, I didn't expect to pull out anything disgusting, either. At first I was just finding colored paper or magazines in the recycling cans...then it got worse. I came upon straws, cups, and

old moldy green and black pieces of something that looked like it was once served at the cafeteria. Worst of all, orange soda pop drenched the bottom of the can, which had molded every piece of white paper within 12 inches. I had to go wash my hands after that.

If I thought I had had my fill with the white paper, I was wrong. Immediately upon opening the cans my partner and I found a soda can that someone supposedly misplaced there instead of in the garbage can. White paper and napkins that should have gone into other barrels flanked us and all I could do was tell myself, "Hey, this will be over soon."

After we had done the last of the recycling, I met my friends and had a great time, but I couldn't help but wonder why people didn't read the signs and place garbage, paper or other materials where they are supposed to go. There are many colleges around the nation that don't recycle regularly; we're unique in that we do it every week, and for the most

part Dana College faculty, staff and students have been separating paper pretty well. But, there are so many more things that we could be doing to help those people who recycle.

First of all, don't use the recycling barrels as garbage cans. It's unsanitary and disgusting for the people who recycle. Also, PLEASE put colored paper and white paper in the correct containers. It's not really hard, you just read the signs on the barrels.

If that sounds too hard for you to do, don't worry, there will always be people to separate it for you. Don't stop recycling. The amount of paper that was

'rescued' last week was amazing, far better than the last college I attended. Moreover, thank Dr. Jorgensen and the Student Senate for doing a great job!



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SPORTS

Soccer: Dana Women Beat Dordt 4-1 to Advance



Michelle Glanz, moving quickly, has the goalie on the ground and the ball still in play. Photo by Kjaer Kirkegaard.

The Vikings scored their first goal early in the game against the wind to put them up 1-0.

After half time, the ladies really took advantage of the wind. They scored three more goals in the second half. Dordt's lone goal came in the second half of play. Freshman Jeannie Mayotte, sophomore Tanya Dugan and junior Jen Wilcox all scored goals for the Vikings.

The Vikings will face off against rival Hastings in the conference final match up today at 2 p.m. here at Dana. The Vikings prevailed in their last match against Hastings, winning 3-1.

Tickets are available for free again for the game, otherwise you will have to pay \$2. Non-student adults will have to pay \$5.



It's a battle of the feet for the ball. Crazy Dana players like Nikki Tenski win it every time for the Vikings. Photo by Kjaer Kirkegaard.

Men's and Women's Basketball Begin Seasons

Lindsey Fox and Bryant Johnson
Staff Writer

When you hear the sound of the buzzer and the gymnasium is in an uproar, you know it's basketball time.

On Saturday the Viking men's basketball team will take on Briar Cliff here at Dana College at 7:30 p.m.

The men's varsity team has come a long way from last year and had to make many adjustments. The Vikings are led by head coach Chris Fear and assisted by Aaron Whinkle. With a new assistant coach and 8 new players, Fear has had to put the team through some tough workouts.

The new additions to the varsity squad are junior Gary Clark, sophomores Brad Streeter and Brent Bintner, freshman Nathan Wittstruck, Bruce Erdmann, Chris Johnson, Andy Cox and Chris Carder.

The newcomers will look to the returning players like Luke Connell, Brad Alexander, Jon Mauro, Chad Harder, Jeff Tesmer and Derek Hack for guidance in their team's success.

Early and late night practices every week for the last month have been necessary. Along with these two-a-days, the team met four days a week before practice had even started to join in one month of conditioning. The guys have been very strong; they know that it is going to take lots of dedication to finish out this season on top.

"I think if we really continue to keep working hard we will be contenders in the GPAC," team captain Jon Mauro said. "It is going to be tough, with all the new players and our leading scorer gone, but with confidence in ourselves and each other we can pull together."

Along with losing some very valuable team members from last year, Fear has picked up a lot of great players that are filling out their roles. The entire team can shoot the ball.

"With everyone being so successful at shooting, no one has to sit back and hold their breath while a teammate takes a three-pointer," said junior, Jeff Tesmer. "This is my third year on the varsity team and there is definitely something different about this year's squad. I'm excited to see how everything plays out."

The varsity team had a preseason tournament in Hastings last Saturday along with some Junior College teams. They won two games and lost two games there but made much improvement over the course of the day. They got to play with each other under a real game situation instead of just scrimmaging themselves.

"After playing against some other teams on Sat., I really got to see what college basketball is like. It is a totally different level than high school. Our team is so intense and everyone works so well together, I couldn't believe it," freshman Andy Cox stated.

Cox is a new member of the varsity squad this year who should contribute a great deal of talent.

The JV team has a tournament on Friday and Saturday in Columbus to open up their season. The JV team this year has a lot of great players including some new players along with some veterans. They have been working just as hard as the varsity with practice, conditioning and weights for the past two months. Look for these guys to have a great season along with a winning record to show for it.

The varsity team will start their games this weekend. From then on it's going to be a season that moves fast with seven of their first nine games away

from their home court. This will be a great test for them since they had some difficulties winning on the road last year. They will need to overcome this, or it will be a long, tough season.

Viking Football Faces Dakota Wesleyan Next

Jason Dannelly
Staff Writer

The Dana Vikings football team (now 3-6) will look to end the season on a winning note when Dakota Wesleyan (just 1-8) comes to visit Viking Field on Saturday.

After regrettably dropping last week's game to Northwestern 33-15, the Vikings have an opportunity to secure their second and final conference victory of the 2001 season.

The Viking's Senior wide receiver Kevin Stull smashed Brent Leefer's previous all-time receptions record last week in the second quarter against Northwestern, and finished the game with a total of eight catches.

Stull didn't get out of the game unscathed, though: in the third quarter he twisted his knee. Somehow he managed to fend off the pain, played heroically through the final quarter, and is now listed as probable for this week's final game against Dakota Wesleyan.

Junior Luke Smith, senior Kurt Ferguson and sophomore Cliff Ellis—each among the conference leaders in defensive statistics—will lead the Dana defense this week in its attempt to contain DWU quarterback Travis Moran and running back Marques Smith.

Moran leads Dakota Wesleyan University in total offense, averaging 147 yards per game this season.

Dakota Wesleyan beat the Vikings last year in the Dakota Dome, 49-10.

Dana leads the all-time series 14-13. Game time is 1 p.m. and can be heard on KBLR 97.3.

Dana Falls to Northwestern 33-15

Marshall Marquardt
Staff Writer

The Vikings' push to finish the second half of the season undefeated ended last Saturday when Dana lost to Northwestern 33-15.

The Vikings went into the game confident of a win after previous victories over Midland Lutheran and Haskell.

"In my mind, I thought of nothing except winning the game, simply because I thought personewise we were evenly matched," head coach Jim Krueger said.

The Vikings started the game off strong, taking the lead 6-0 after sophomore quarterback Chuck Wright hit sophomore Kio Coffie for a 17-yard touchdown pass. However, Northwestern bounced back and scored on a 4-yard touchdown run by All-American running back Dave Perrigo.

After Dana senior kicker Cory Ray nailed a 32-yard field goal, Perrigo scored from 18 yards out to give

Northwestern the lead 13-9. With 35 seconds left in the half, Dana running back Eric Jones ran in for a 2-yard touchdown run to put the Vikings up 15-14 going into the locker room for half-time.

When the Vikings returned for the second half, the game was about to change in a bad direction.

"In the second half, we didn't play to the level that we are capable of," Krueger said. "They lined up with two tight ends and three men in the backfield and just gave him (Perrigo) the ball."

Northwestern scored three touchdowns in the second half to finish off the Vikings. The Vikings now stand at 3-6 overall and 1-6 in the GPAC.

Offensively, sophomore lineman Koli Tonga had a great game, according to the coaching staff.

"He's (Tonga) been out for most of the season because of a knee injury, but did the best of the offensive lineman," Krueger said.

The Vikings will play at home their last game on Saturday at 1 p.m. against Dakota Wesleyan.

Sports Around Town This Week...

Women's Soccer: 11/2 Hastings College here in Blair at 2:00 p.m.

Cross Country: 11/3 NAIA Regional Championship at Pioneer's Park in Lincoln in the morning.

Volleyball: 11/3 Dakota Wesleyan here in Blair at 1:00 p.m.