

Homecoming Excites Dana

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The arrival of homecoming has brought a myriad of activities on campus this week that will continue through the weekend. Each day at lunch, students on campus have been able to put their names in for the noon hour drawings for such prizes as disposable cameras, food, and things for dorm rooms.

Monday night was a night full of bingo, which was followed by a jersey auction. During the auction, students were given the opportunity to bid on the jersey of their favorite Viking football player as they showed their stuff down the red carpet.

Tuesday night Student Life in conjunction with the Blair 3 Movie Theater offered students the opportunity to view movies for free.

Wednesday night's karaoke contest brought out the talent on campus and everyone showed what they could do on stage and really have fun. At the contest, there was everything from "Dancing Queens" to country classics by Patsy Cline. The third place prize of 10 dollars went to the trio of Marta Walker, Kelli Inman, and Becky Hultgren.



Dana students light the Flaming "D" at the pep assembly held Thursday night in the oval. Photo by Lisha Palm.

The second prize of 20 dollars went to Kori Williamson. The first place prize of 30 dollars went to Senior Gloria Otto.

Thursday night the powder puff football game was played. Each team of

girls was coached by members of the football team. These girls went head to head for one winner to emerge and that team was the B.A.B.'s coached by junior Joe Sweeney and sophomore Brett Scholting.

The cheerleaders put on the Flaming "D" pep assembly in the oval

Friday night in Dana College tradition hypnotist, Frederick Winters, will be performing in the Gardner-Hawks Center at 9 p.m. Following that the coronation will take place. This year's court is Darrell Harvey, Kio Coffie, Jeremy Stoll, Cliff Ellis, Doug Bargman, Lindsey Fox, Gloria Otto, Tiffany Poole, Brooke Rohner and Marcie Smidt.

Saturday the festivities will continue with an alumni baseball game at 9 a.m. Then at 2 p.m. the Viking football team will take on Dokota Wesleyan. At half time, there will be the golf cart parade. Student Life will be giving out prizes. The third place prize is 25 dollars, second place is 50 dollars, and first place is 75 dollars. The dance will be held at 9 p.m. in the Borup Atrium. This year's dance theme is Survivor: Jungle Boogie.

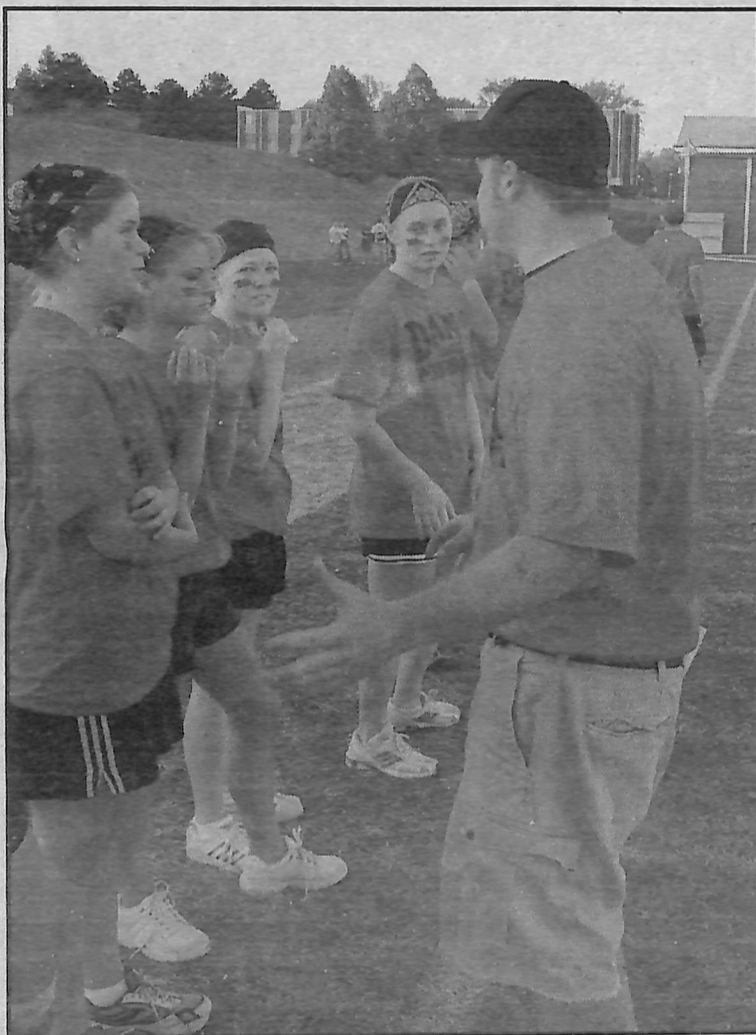
This is an opportunity for students on campus to get together, show their support for our school, interact with alumni, and have fun. Homecoming is a time of tradition, both old and new. So, get out there and cheer our Vikings onto victory.

Powder Puff: A new campus tradition

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This year, there was a new activity never seen before at Dana, Powder Puff Football. Student Activities Director Lisha Palm said, "I don't know of any time Dana has sponsored Powder Puff Football before. I thought it was a nice addition; hopefully it will become a tradition. The coaches, cheerleaders, and players were great. They played to win. I was very pleased with the participation, not only those directly involved with the activity, but with the fans as well."

Sophomore Megan Lazoritz was responsible for getting the activity started. She also came up with the idea of getting guys to be "reject" cheerleaders. She said that she got Powder Puff going because "girls can play ball and we look cute doing it." She also added, "Guys are better cheerleaders and next



Junior Joe Sweeney coaches his team to victory at the Powder Puff game. Photo by Lisha Palm.

year we'll have water boys!"

Alfonso Martinez was the coach for the Black team, and Joe Sweeney was coaching the Red team. Before the game, each team had three practices to plan out plays and have "tryouts" for different positions. Both coaches were extremely supportive of the teams, even when the players

might not have known what to do. Sophomore Callie Arnold stated, "I thought Powder Puff was awesome. I just wish I knew more about football."

Both teams did very well. The Black team had a couple of long passes. A 30 yard pass was made by junior Karie Lenzen. For the Red, senior

Loycee O'Daniel and sophomore Rissa Bretshneider were responsible for two runs of more than 75 yards.

In the end, Red won 14 to 0.

One fan, Nick Ostmeyer said, "I thought the players should have tackled more; full contact." A few of the players might have disagreed. Black team member Sarah Gutzwiller was tackled

hard while playing quarterback. Red team player Brynn Lastovica ended up with two chipped teeth.

Regardless of injuries, the first Powder Puff Football event went very well. Hopefully Dana College can expect more Powder Puff games to come. Maybe next time they'll even get some football pads and go full-tackle!

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Opinion

Student lives the ghetto life off campus

Jeremy Stoll
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Over the summer I've been living in Omaha, on the northern end of 33rd St. For those of you that don't know Omaha very well, that's the street after 32nd and before 34th. It's in an economically underprivileged neighborhood; also known as a ghetto. We live in an area that is primarily Hispanic and African-American populated. In fact, to my knowledge, my roommates and I are the only white people living in that neighborhood, which opens us up to a lot of new cultural experiences. For instance; pre-pay gasoline. It's delightful! You simply walk into the gas-station; buy whatever you need including your gas, then pump the gas and leave. I imagine this is to save time.

Every week the roommates and I sit on the

porch to contemplate the deeper meaning of life and to enjoy the fruits of Miller Brewing Company's efforts. We've found this is also an excellent way to meet new people. In fact, our lawn mower, Johnny, visited us one night with a business prospect and a bottle of malt liquor. He was offering to sell us a broken pair of headphones for two dollars. Unfortunately none of us were experts in headphone repair, so we regretfully declined. However, he proceeded to tell us about his experiences as a lawn care specialist and we hired him on the spot. This was primarily because a week earlier the city of Omaha had sent us a notice that we had to cut our grass or face an inappropriately large fine. Evidently they didn't agree with our "Big House in the Prairie" landscaping project.

Caroling is also a common practice in the

"ghetto." However, in our neighborhood caroling is a year-long and much more diverse practice. For instance, several weeks ago a gentleman sat in our front yard and sang unintelligibly for three hours. Admittedly it became a little irritating, but we all understood he had the best intentions. The local grocery is also a good source of local music tastes. The check-out lady will do "Rapper's Delight" in its entirety while you're paying for your food. And don't forget the Hispanic music in the neighborhood. One can hear mariachi music blasting out of any model of car from the year 1989 or earlier at any time of the day or night.

The Hispanic culture is heavily represented in our neighborhood, which has added some spice from day to day. Every weekend hundreds of thousands of people flock to the park across the street to play soccer. I may be exaggerating a little, but often times there are so many bodies running back and forth it starts to look like an ant hill. Our immediate neighbors, who are fluent in both Spanish and Span-glish, often attempt to communicate with us by waving strange gestures in our direction. We smile and nod appreciatively. I believe the word "gringo" means "friend."

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lies only a mile from our house, and so many fraternities and sororities are distributed around the neighborhood. The students are often very celebratory, especially on the weekend. Often these celebrations will combine with other celebrations through collegiate osmosis. Sometimes fraternity or sorority members will stop by to say "hi", stay for a few hours, and fall asleep in our bathroom. Often these "combined celebrations" can get a little ecstatic and certain details go unnoticed. For instance, we still do not know whose swimming pool full of jell-o is on our roof. Anyone with information regarding the pool or the guy sleeping on our porch can contact me via the Hermes.

Alas, the summer has come and gone and I look forward to a long commute to school in Blair. However, this affords me time to drive through my neighborhood and get to know the place where I live. Not only do I enjoy the ride but the time of my commute is decreased by the fact that in my neighborhood traffic laws are mostly optional. I've decided I enjoy living in my neighborhood and experiencing the diverse culture there. The sirens don't bother me anymore and I've even decided to put hydraulics on my bicycle. Peace, Gee.

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Sports

Volleyball team unites on and off the court

Becky Hultgren
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Teamwork and team unity are of great importance to the Lady Viking volleyball players. Their record may not show it, but their love for and dedication to the sport continue to remain strong. The team also shares a powerful bond of friendship and sisterhood.

"What I enjoy best about volleyball is our team and the way we all get along so well. The girls on the team are some of my best friends and that's not always the case on a team," said freshmen Chauntee Alfredson.

Alfredson believes that when a team gets along, it's easier to play together.

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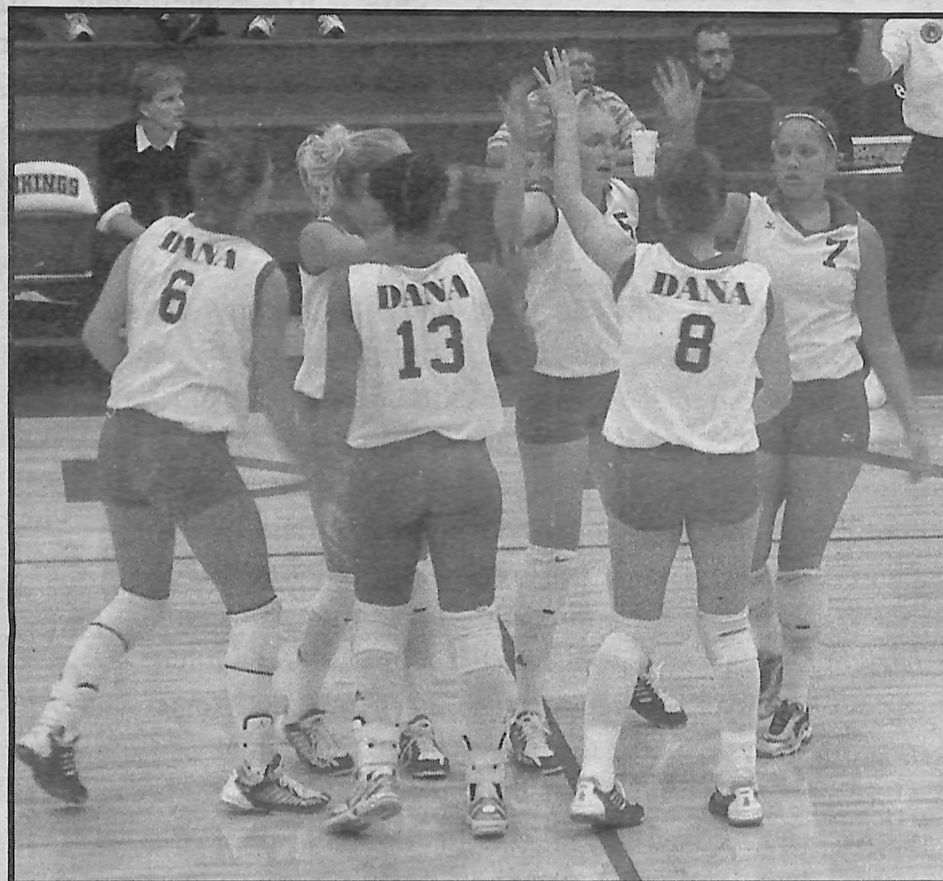
teammate Danie Ternus agrees with Alfredson. "I believe that we have great leadership amongst the team and that is a huge contribution to the team's overall attitude towards the sport."

Like every team, the volleyball players have their days when they may not see things eye to eye or when they are just having one of those days. Like every team, they must overcome them.

"We each know how every person on the team is, how they play, how they act, or what they can do," said Alfredson, "Knowing your teammate that well affects how you play."

Alfredson and Ternus both agree that the team has potential to improve their current record.

"When everything



The volleyball team congratulates one another after a stellar play at a recent game. Photo by Becky Hultgren.

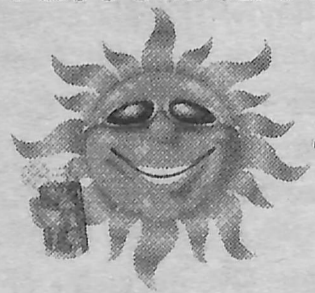
clicks, we pass, hit, block, and serve well, that's when we make things happen," commented Alfredson.

The next opportunity to

see the Lady Vikings in action is Friday against Mt. Marty at 7:30 p.m. in the Borup gym.

Show your support by cheering them on to victory.

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