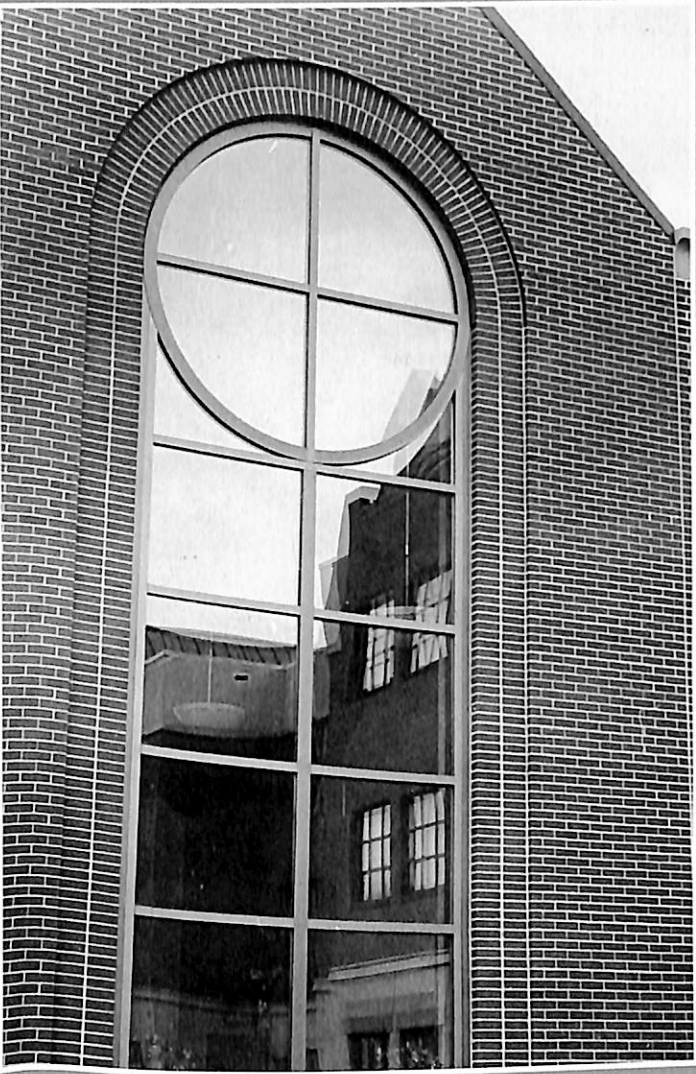


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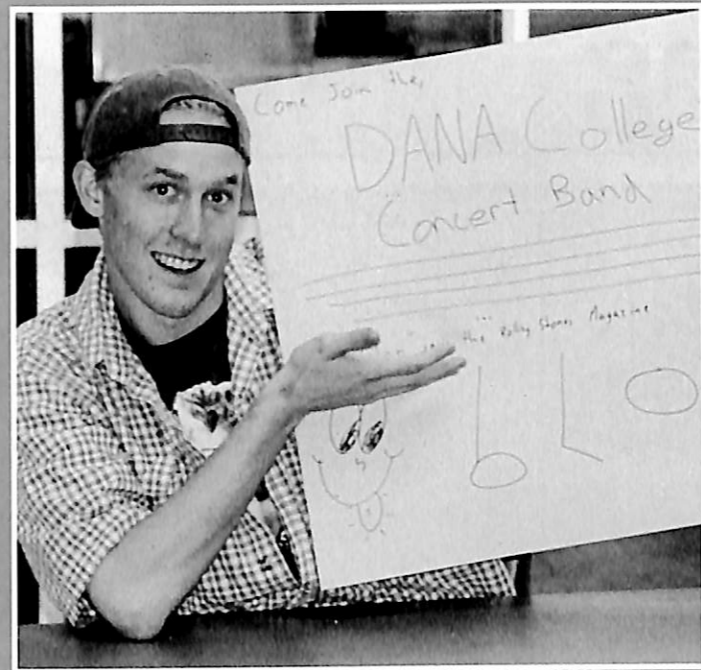
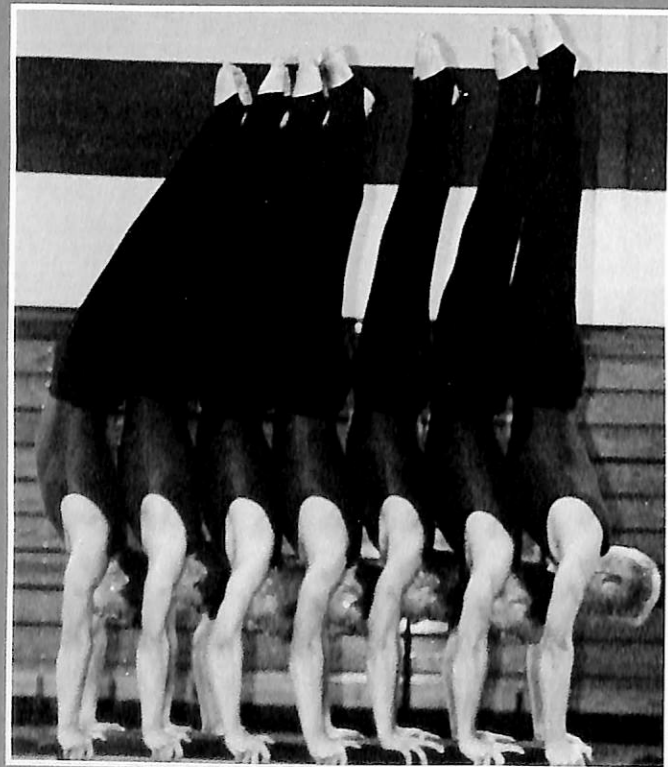
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"There are three things that grow more precious with age: old wood to burn, old books to read, and old friends to enjoy."

Events



*"Recall it as often as you wish, a happy memory never wears out."
--Libbie Fudim*

H Homecoming



Those crazy custodians clean up the competition at the golf cart parade.



Homecoming queen candidates Carrie Knapp, Angie Sparacino, Elaine Rivard, Jana Bentley and Susan Weddingfeld share a laugh before the coronation.



King candidates R.J. Gall, Soren Schmidt, Matt Haufle, Mark Witt and Rodney Ronk converse while they await the coronation.

The multi-talented R.A.s can even decorate golf carts!



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The highlight of Homecoming '97 was the appointment of Dr. Myrvin Christopherson as Knight of the Order of the Dannenbrog. On Friday night a special dinner and ceremony were held for this special event. K.E. Tygesen, Danish Ambassador to the United States, attended the ceremony on behalf of Denmark's Queen Margrethe II.

Other Homecoming activities began earlier in the week. On Wednesday a bookfair was held in the afternoon and that evening comedian Vic Henley performed. Following the volleyball game on Thursday Matt Haufle and Angie Sparacino were crowned king and queen. After coronation students played games and won prizes at Carnival Night.

Saturday was a day full of sports activities. The football, volleyball and soccer teams all played home games. The soccer team started the day with a 4-1 victory over York. Following the soccer game, the volleyball team was defeated by Hastings. Then the football team took on Northwestern and lost 12-7, falling just inches short of scoring a winning touchdown.

The second annual golf cart parade was held at half-time of the football game. The winning entry, decorated by the custodial staff, was named "The Porcelain Goddess" and came complete with its own water-spraying toilet.



After the volleyball game seniors Matt Haufle and Angie Sparacino were crowned Homecoming king and queen.



Our President



Newly-knighted Dr. Christopherson entrusts the wheel to Anne so he can wave to his adoring fans.

K.E. Tygesen, Danish Ambassador to the United States, presents Dr. Christopherson with a medal recognizing his appointment as a Knight of the Order of the Dannenbrog.

Theater

Fall '97



The ladies of *H.M.S. Pinafore* proudly display their fancy hair, hats and dresses.



Dottie Whitehill beautifies herself in preparation for "Waiting for Godot."



Humm...Could this be the cast of "Waiting for Godot"?

Productions

Spring '98



Arty (Matt Haufle) looks a little confused about his uncle Louie's (Chris Sorensen) life in organized crime.



Performing "All That Jazz," *Rehearsal* cast members prove to be real movers and shakers.



Bella (Jenny Lemmerman) pleads with her family to accept her aspirations for the future.

This year's fourth production of the theater department opened in February. Neil Simon's *Lost in Yonkers* was directed by senior Nicole Weers and junior Robert J. Parsons. *Lost in Yonkers* is the story of a dysfunctional family during World War II. The play featured many veterans of the Dana stage. Rachel Lochner played the matriarch of the family, Grandma Kurnitz. Jenny Lemmerman performed the role of Bella, one of Grandma's daughters. Her son Eddie was played by Jake Adolphson while Chris Sorensen portrayed her son Louie. Sara Molt, in her first role at Dana, played Grandma's other daughter Gert. Eddie's teenage sons, Arty and Jay, were played by Matt Haufle and David Bossman.

The spring musical, an original Broadway musical review called *Rehearsal*, was conceived, staged and directed by Dr. Paul Schneider, with the help of musical director A.D. Ward. The show included many songs from Broadway musicals such as *Grease*, *Ragtime*, *Hair*, *Rent* and *Rocky Horror Show*, as well as favorites from past Dana musicals like *The Robber Bridegroom*, *Godspell*, *Working* and *Pump Boys and Dinettes*. *Rehearsal* had a cast of 22 and featured seniors Matt Haufle, Beth King, Liza Moberg, Damian Pollack, Soren Schmidt and Dottie Whitehill.

Sights and Sounds



Singing a traditional Danish Christmas carol, Dorte Staermose and Sonya Weber entertain visitors at the Julestuen exhibit.



Dr. Richard Palmer shares the history of "Gloria," John Rutter's famous work, with the Sounds of Christmas audience.



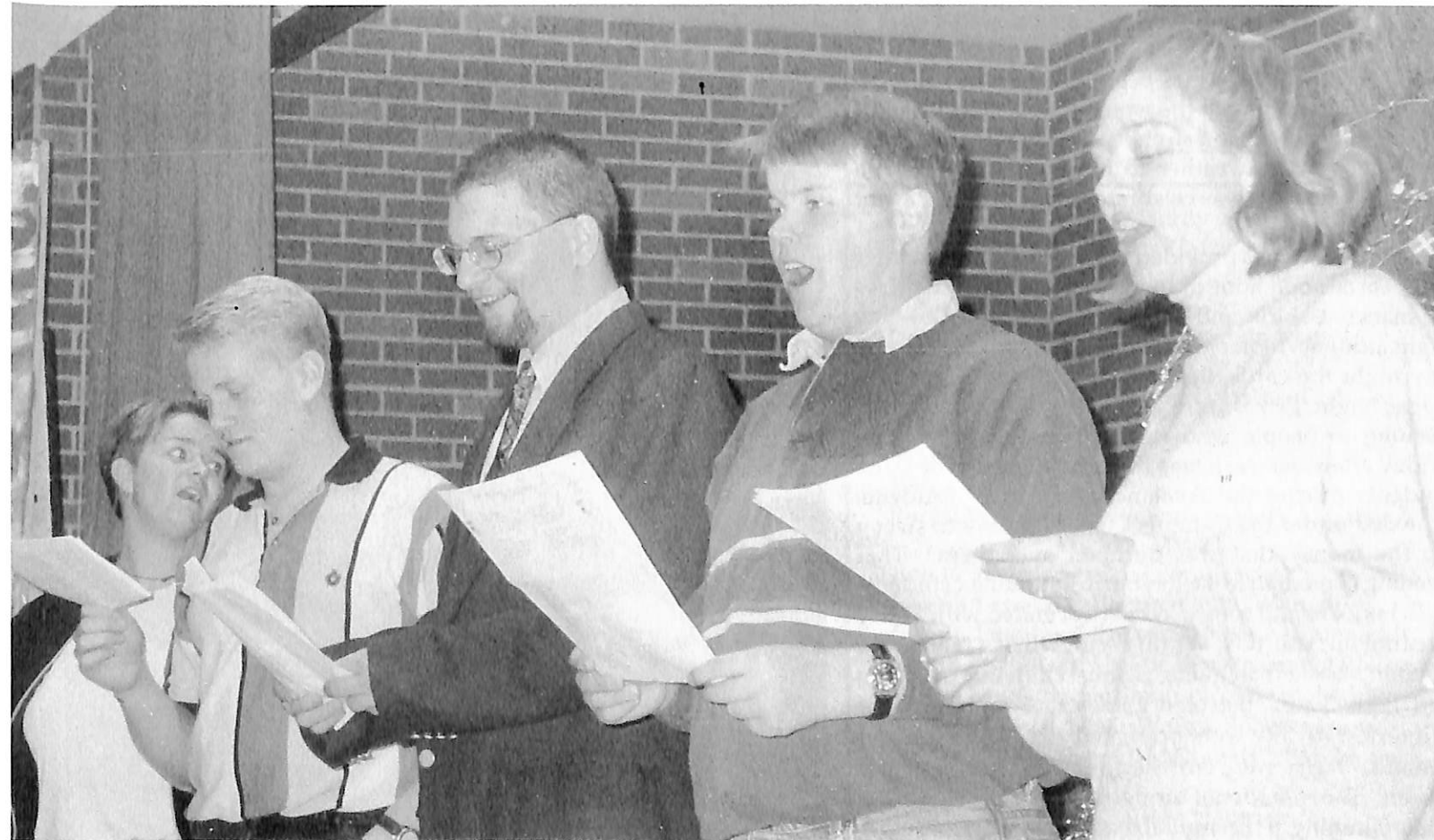
As part of the brass ensemble, Michael Anderson prepares to accompany the Chorale.

Dr. Bernie Matthies explains some of the techniques he uses while wood carving figures and Christmas ornaments.

For over 30 years the Dana College community has been giving a special Christmas gift to their friends and family. Dana College, on the first Sunday in December, presents an array of traditional and contemporary Scandinavian Christmas activities during the Sights and Sounds of Christmas. This year many "sounds" were heard throughout the day. The band, under the direction of Dr. William Hall, played a variety of music that ranged from "Sleigh Ride" to Handel's "Messiah." The Chorale, under conductor Dr. Richard Palmer, sang pieces like "Carol of the Bells" and "Gloria." Audiences at the Chorale concert also heard a brass ensemble made up of musicians from the Omaha and Lincoln areas. The sounds of Christmas were also heard in the chapel when the Santa Lucia singers and the group Christmas Forte performed. The day was not all music, though. One of the highlights of every Sights and Sounds festival is the traditional smorgasbord, which contains everything from pickled beets and red cabbage to raspberry tarts and Christmas cookies. Other events included an ecumenical worship service, storytelling by Professor Emeritus John Nielsen, the Scandinavian Folk Dancers and traditional Danish carols and recipes shared by Professor Dorte Staermose. In addition, the theater department presented an original play, written and directed by Dr. Paul Schneider, entitled "I'll be Home for Christmas."



Spinning up a storm, a member of the Omaha Weavers and Spinners Guild demonstrates her skill at the wheel.



Pernille Sorensen, Tom Urban, Dan Matz, Kaj Nielsen and Dorte Staermose use song to share a piece of culture at Julestuen, an old-fashioned Danish Christmas.

Winterfest



The 1998 Winterfest Court: Soren Schmidt, Joel Krominga, Shane Koepke, Paul Stark, Ryan Holtam, Mandy Buttry, Elaine Rivard, Michelle Hurt, Sara Crawford, Jackie Smith.



Will she hit 21 or go bust? Stephanie Lassek and Ann Myers wait for Annette Williams to draw again or play the cards as they stand.

When the snowflakes began to fall, the wind became colder and the wool mittens were brought out from closets, Dana students didn't just sit around and wait for the weather to brighten. Instead, the annual Winterfest was celebrated. This year the event was held on Feb. 5-7.

Student Activities provided the majority of the winter fun. Three noon hour drawings were held with prizes of snacks, t-shirts and gift certificates. Wednesday night students took part in a movie marathon. Thursday night the cards, lights and dice were set out for Vegas Night. Prizes were given away at the end of the evening to people who earned winning tickets. On Friday afternoon cash was literally poured over Dana students during the Avalanche of Cash. Students crowded under the Campus Center balcony to sweep up the money that was dumped over them. That evening comedian Mike Rayburn entertained students with his jokes and songs. Winterfest ended with a busy evening on Saturday, starting with wins in men's and women's basketball games against Midland Lutheran and Peru State. Between games the candidates for Winterfest royalty were presented. Ryan Holtam and Amanda Buttry were crowned as Winterfest King and Queen. Dana students brought Winterfest to a close while jamming at the annual dance in Borup Coliseum.



Reimbursement for tuition??? Students try to grab a free buck during the Avalanche of Cash.

Honors Night



Professor Roger Olson congratulates Eric Krystof on winning the senior math award.



Seniors Elaine Rivard and Brenda Rumery pose proudly after receiving the honor cords that they will wear during graduation.



Becca Plowman places an honor cord around Sara Bohling's neck during Honors Night. The honor cords were purchased by Student Senate for those seniors graduating with academic honors.

Awards

- Art:** Ann Myers, Jesse Hardy
- Biology:** Valerie Bensen, Carrie Knapp
- Business:** Elaine Rivard, Denecia Siemers, Paul Stark, Tricia TeSelle
- Chemistry:** Stephanie Hadenfeldt, Matt Anderson
- English:** Leora Jaeckel, Laura Hiebenthal
- Math:** Eric Krystof
- Music:** A.D. Ward
- Religion:** Matt Haufle
- Social Work:** Michelle France, Mary Jo Greenwood, Michele Missel
- Ben Kranz Memorial:** Leora Jaeckel
- Joseph Langland-Poetry:** Dottie Whitehill
- Joseph Langland-Prose:** Stephanie Hadenfeldt
- Morton Scholars:** Valerie Bensen, Sonya Weber
- Alpha Mu Gamma:** Sarah Pierce, Stephanie Lassek, Betsie Walles, Rebecca Dunnell, Daniel Formo, Molly Fuxa, Stephanie Greiner
- Golden Apple:** Dr. Milton Heinrich
- Professor of the Year:** Dr. Kay Ferguson

L Athletic

L Banquets



Running back Marlon Pierre receives the Most Valuable Player Award from assistant football coach Larry Brown.



Assistant volleyball coach Stephenie Wilson presents Kim Watkins with the Most Inspirational Player Award for volleyball.

Fall '97

Cross Country

Most Valuable Female Runner: Mandy Buttry
Most Valuable Male Runner: Scott Stanley

Football

Most Valuable Player: Marlon Pierre
Most Inspirational Player: Tony Weers
Special Teams Player: Ben Tams

Volleyball

Most Valuable Player: Tara Tiefenthaler
Most Inspirational Player: Kim Watkins

Soccer

Most Valuable Player: Amanda Stoffel
Most Inspirational Player: Sara Duff

Spring '98

Women's Basketball

Most Valuable Player: Kim Wilken
Most Inspirational Player: Sarah Klein

Men's Basketball

Most Valuable Player: Vince Grey
Most Inspirational Player: Michael Babbitt

Wrestling

Most Valuable Wrestler: Darold Foster

Track

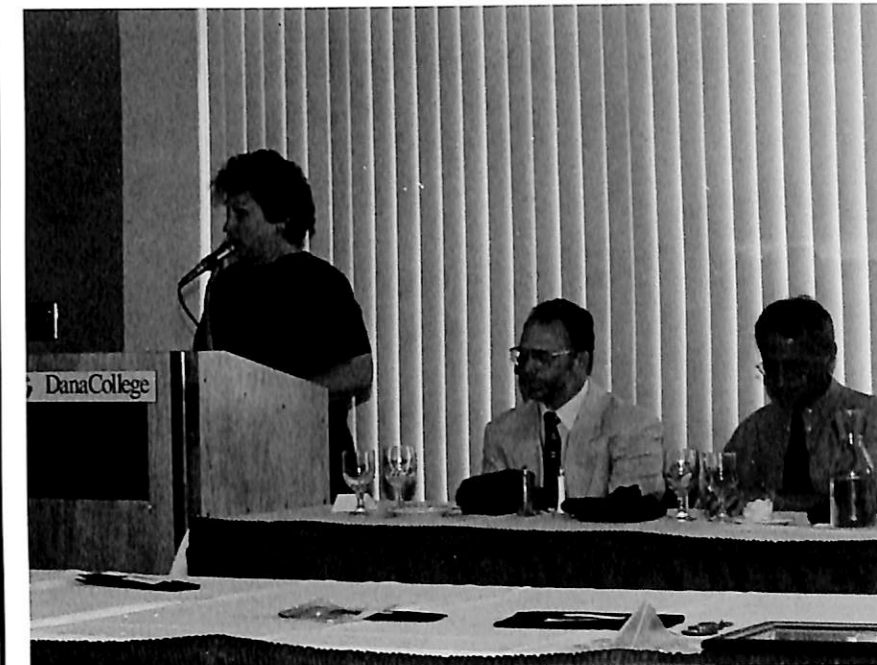
Most Outstanding Female Runner: Angie Sparacino
Most Outstanding Male Runner: Scott Stanley
Most Outstanding Field Athlete: Andrea Spreen

Softball

Most Valuable Player: Jessica Scoopmire
Most Inspirational Player: Taffy Forsen

Baseball

Most Valuable Player: Corey Johnson
Most Improved Player: Ryan Enright



Athletic Director Kathy Foley addresses those attending the spring athletic banquet. Awards were presented to track, basketball, wrestling, baseball and softball athletes.

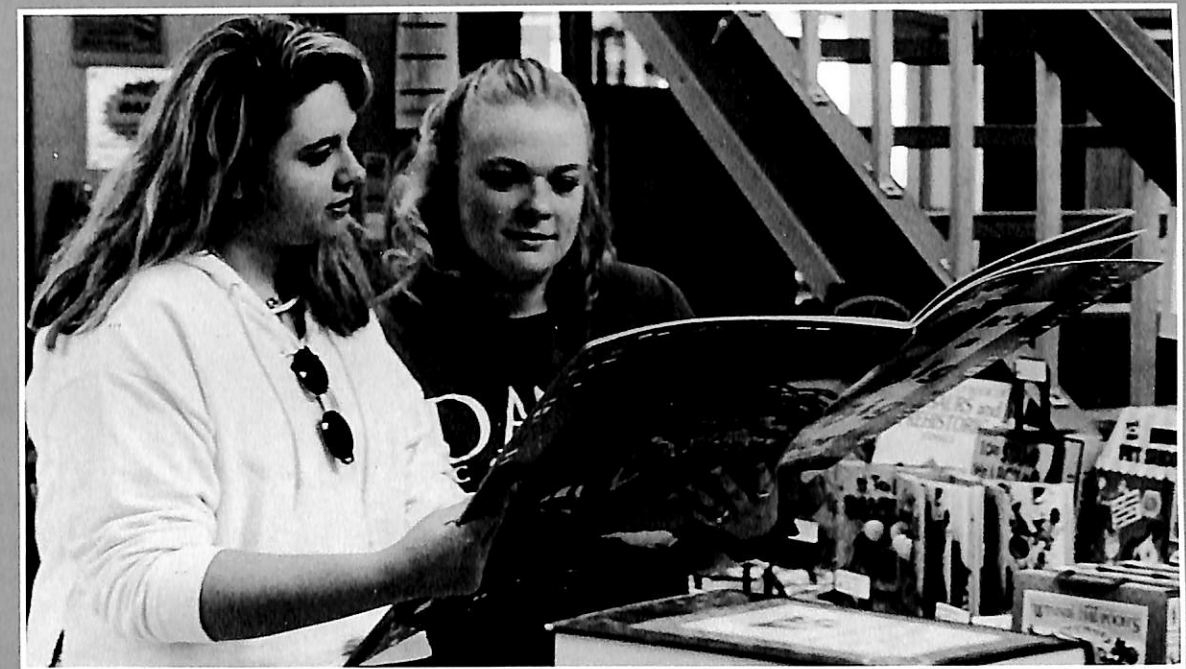
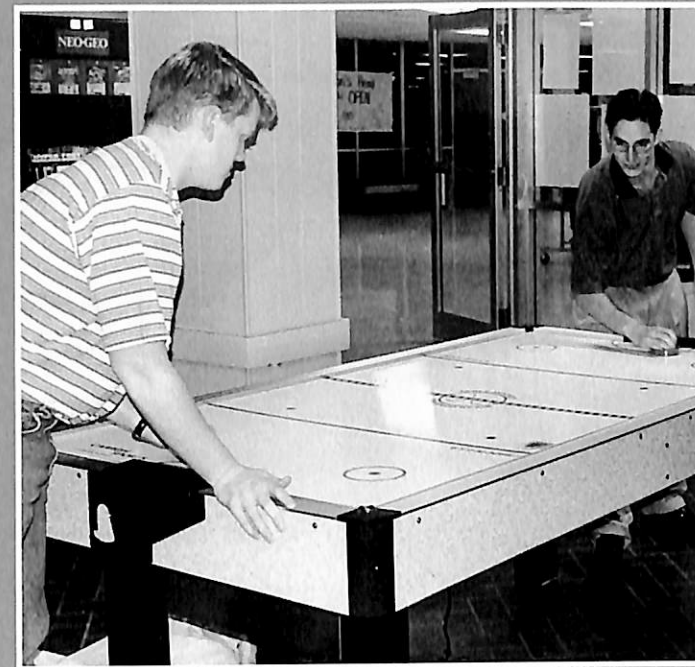
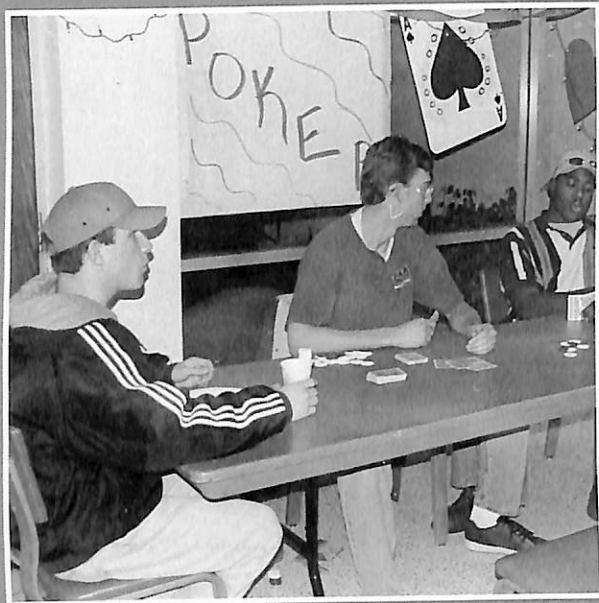


Sophomore Darold Foster shows off the hardware he collected at the athletic banquet, including the most valuable wrestler trophy.



Senior Taffy Forsen was selected by her coach and teammates as the season's most inspirational softball player.

Organizations



"It is, after all, mostly little, common things that make up our lives."

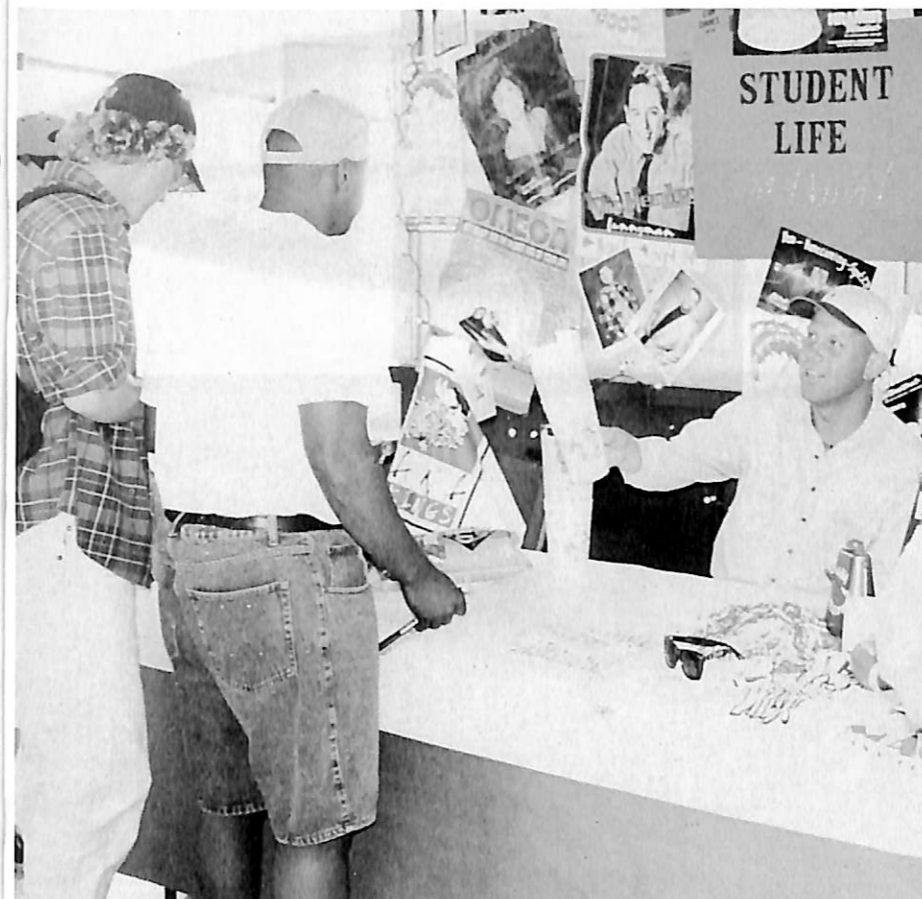
--Elisabeth Elliot

Student Activities

This year the planning committee for Student Activities was busier than ever. Paulette Alderink, along with students Mandy Buttry, Ryan Holtam and Janelle Kahl, worked hard to come up with creative activities for the student body to take part in. They usually planned on having 35-40 students participate, but they had as many as 350 for some activities and as few as three students for others. From pitch tournaments and bingo nights to trips to the Family Fun Center and the IMAX theater, students were able to take a break from studying and hang out together. Freshman Brook Chelmo said that his favorite activity was ice skating, "despite all six scars that I came back with." All the effort that was put into making these activities a success was not only evident to the students, but also to others outside the Dana community. In November, Dana received the Outstanding Standing Series for the National Association for Campus Activities Award for the annual Spring Fling.



Student Activities Coordinators: Janelle Kahl, Paulette Alderink, Ryan Holtam, Mandy Buttry.



Student coordinator Ryan Holtam uses free gifts to lure students to the Student Activities booth at the Dana Fair in September.



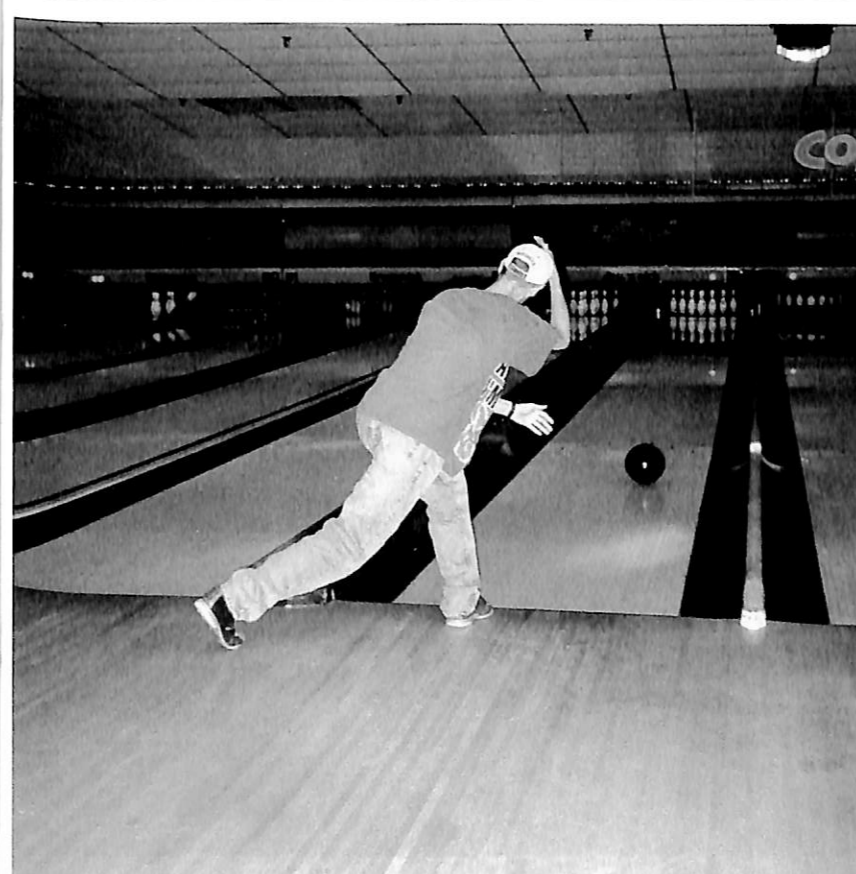
Comedian Mike Rayburn entertains the Winterfest crowd with his mixture of imitations, music and comedy.



Participating with their Dana "families," students take part in Student Activities' version of Family Feud in the Dragon's Head.



Ready, set, draw! Students test their artistic skills during Student Activities' pictionary tournament where they competed for fun and prizes.



Demonstrating perfect form while Cosmic Bowling, James Peterson aims for the head pin.



Rachel Lochner selects a game piece for her team at the pictionary tournament while Lindsay Bruning concentrates on what a member of her team is drawing.

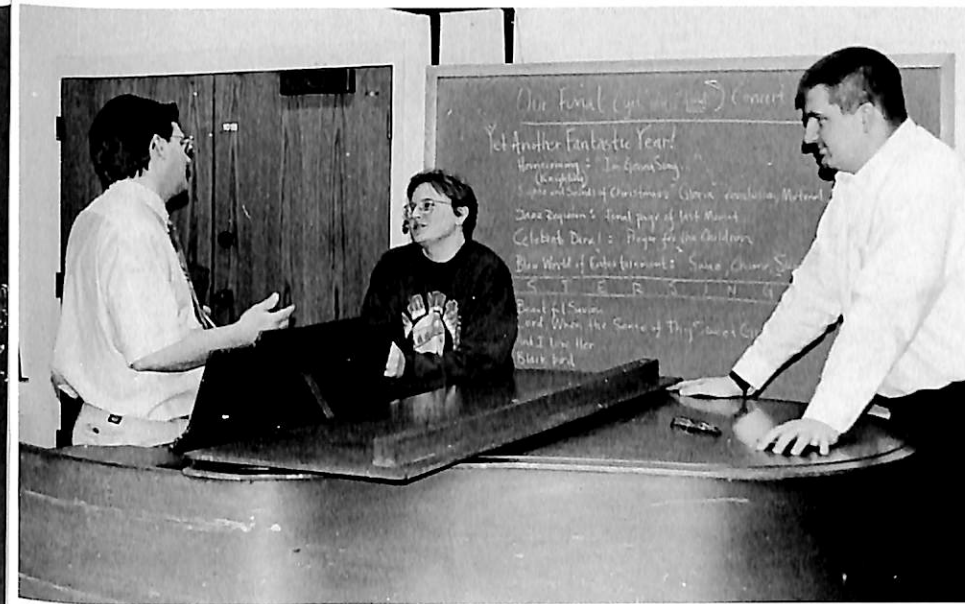
Band

Chorale

What was the band's greatest achievement during the school year? According to director William Hall, it was the concerts performed during the Sights and Sounds of Christmas. The band and the Chorale gave separate concerts this year and the band held two standing room only performances in the Lauritzen Theater. Hall said, "I think it was good for the band to prove to themselves that they could draw their own crowd." Other activities under Hall's direction included a fall concert and two spring concerts, one including student conductors and solo performances. Hall's goal for the year was to help the band grow as an ensemble as well as help individual players advance musically. More small groups will be seen as he will assign each player to an ensemble that will play recitals in the chapel. Hall hopes to continue to play music of different styles, time periods and cultures to make well-rounded musicians as well as to entertain audiences.



The 1997-98 Dana College Concert Band with director William Hall.

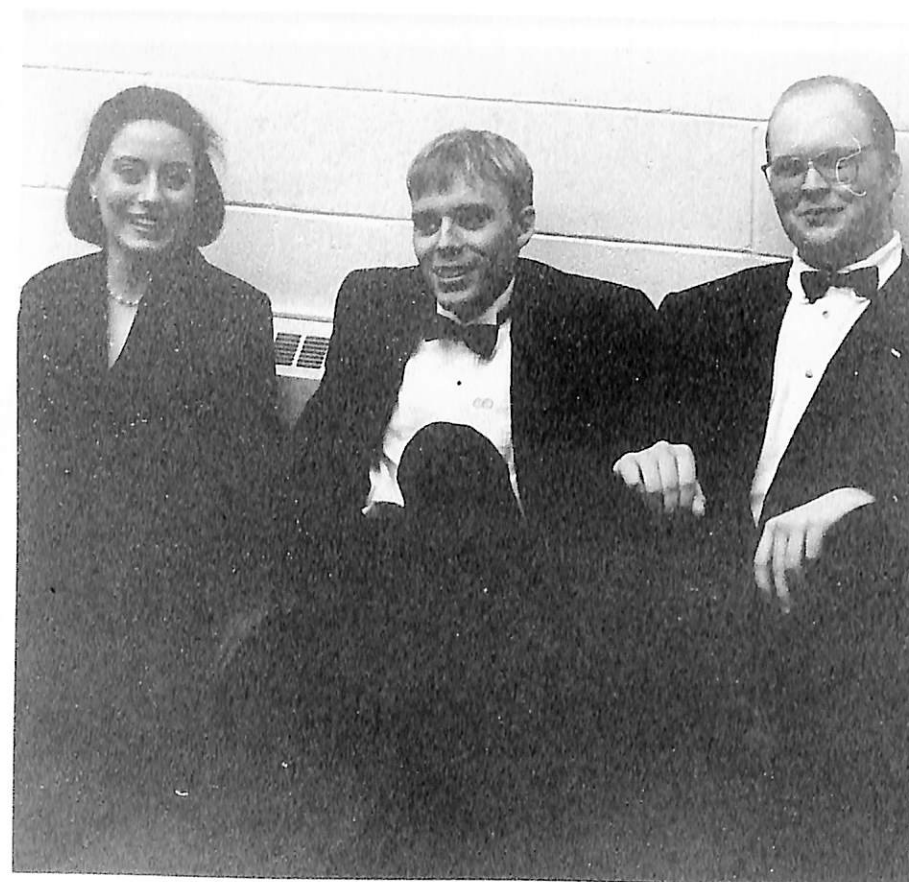


As Dr. Palmer converses with April Woolman after rehearsal, Jason Heft waits his turn to debate some of the finer points of music with him.

This year the 31-member Dana College Chorale sang many challenging pieces. For the annual Sights and Sounds of Christmas, the Chorale performed John Rutter's "Gloria." This three-movement piece was accompanied by a brass ensemble. They sang "Gloria" again in March for Celebrate Dana Day at St. Cecilia's Cathedral. After Interim they began working on Nils Lindberg's "Requiem." They were joined by the Clarion Chorale and the Heartland of America Band from Offutt Air Force Base. They performed "Requiem" at St. Cecilia's Cathedral in front of over 1,000 people with Lindberg himself accompanying them. The Chorale then joined forces with the Blair High School Choir as part of the Blair World of Entertainment Series. During the Chorale's final performance, they sang a piece arranged by director Dr. Richard Palmer, his "Lord When the Sense of Thy Sweet Grace."



With instrument in hand, Renee Osmera stops to smile for the camera before a concert.



Taking a breather before the big performance, Rachel Lochner, Brian Frahm and Walter Willman use the few spare moments to sit and chat.



All dressed and ready to sing, the Chorale looks confident before a performance.

Danish Club

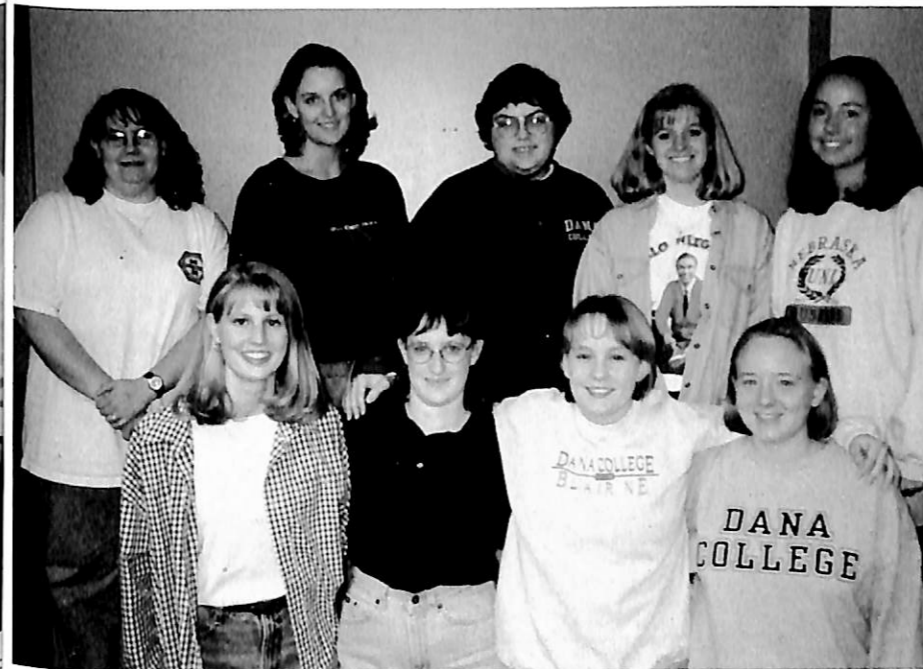
The Danish Club started in 1995 when Dorte Staermose came to Dana. She thought that since Dana was a Danish school, there should be a club that could expand Danish learning. Many students were interested and became involved. In the fall of 1996 Staermose did not come back to Dana and the club was not active again until her return this year. Students came to her with interest in the club and she started the group again. This year the president was Kaj Nielsen, the treasurer was Sonya Weber and the secretary was Deena Knapp. Throughout the year the club met a couple of times a month. Their activities included participating in community service at Dana and hosting the showing of a Danish movie complete with Danish food to eat. While Staermose will not return for 1998-99, she would love to see the club continue. She said that anyone can be involved and that it is a good way to meet new people and to learn new things.



Danish Club members: Front: Dan Matz, Thomas Urban, Kaj Nielsen, Travis Feuerborn. Back: Nicole Shields, Sonya Weber, Deena Knapp, Dorte Staermose.

Social Awareness Organization

Are you socially aware? The Social Awareness Organization is the club sponsored by the social work department but any student can join. This year SAO helped to sponsor several events. They sponsored AIDS Awareness Week, Domestic Violence Awareness Week and Disabilities Awareness Week. They also went Trick-or-Treating For Others and were able to collect over five boxes of toiletries and food for the Blair Crisis Center. At Christmas, SAO collected money to help families buy presents for their children. SAO went once a month to play bingo at Good Shepherd. SAO also visited Good Shepherd at Christmas when the organization went caroling and during February when the group made and delivered Valentines to the residents. "I really enjoyed spending time with the elderly residents at Good Shepherd," said Becky Dunnell. "I love to see their faces when they win a prize at bingo." This year's officers were: Deneen Schriver, president; Shane Koepke, vice president; Jessica Clark, treasurer; and Nina Papousek, historian.



A group of SAO members take time out of a meeting to smile for the camera.

SAO



Free food! Dorte Staermose prepares the goodies at the Danish Club's movie night. Pastries were served as students watched a Danish movie.



Danish Club member Sonya Weber staffs the treat table so students can help themselves to Danish pastries while viewing a movie.



Is there a doctor in the house? SAO members try to revive Shane Koepke after completing the 10 kilometer AIDS walk in Omaha.



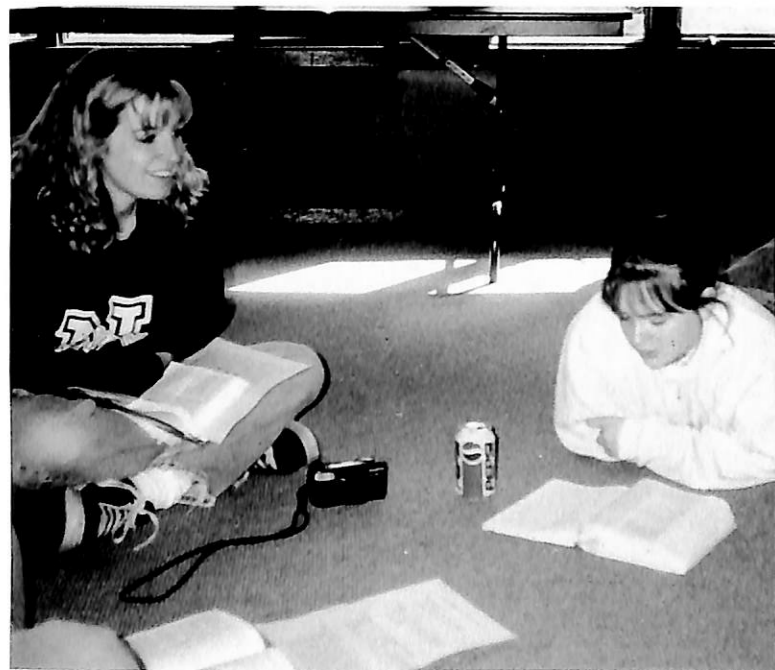
Members Jessica Clark, Becky Dunnell, Shane Koepke and Deneen Schriver consult their calendars to plan upcoming SAO events.

Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry began its year with a retreat at Camp Calvin Crest to bond as a group and to take a step back and reflect on what they wanted to accomplish as a group. They chose a theme, "We Are His Hands," and carried this out by participating in several community service projects during the year. One service project was T.G.I.F., which stands for To Gather in Faith. Almost every other Thursday or Friday the members took time from their own schedules to sing at Good Shepherd. Another project during the first semester involved cleaning up the section of highway between Blair and Fremont that the group adopted last spring. Although the members experienced a change in leadership, the group consistently met every other Wednesday night to conduct business. Gerd Bents served as president during the fall semester, Dan Matz carried out the duties during Interim and Mark Lepper filled the position during the spring semester.



Campus Ministry members take a few minutes out of a bi-weekly meeting to pose for a picture.



During the fall retreat at Camp Calvin Crest, Sara Crawford and Kelly O'Brien participate in a Bible study that reflects on how students can be God's hands on campus throughout the year.



During a concert sponsored by Campus Ministry, the trio River performs in Herbie Husker style for concert goers in the chapel.

Business Club



Business Club members: Front: Caseina Cole, Paul Stark, Elishia Petersen. Back: Christina Nutter, Deena Knapp, Sandi Frey, Tara Stark, Darcy Twedt.



Believing that all work and no play is boring, Business Club members take a time out from business to enjoy a pizza and movie night.



Who is that? It looks like Professors Ragan, Mallory and Doyle took "A Step Back in Time" during Homecoming with a little help from members of the Business Club.

The Business Club membership consisted of individuals from many different majors. The executive staff this year included Paul Stark, Elishia Petersen, Sandi Frey and Caseina Cole. The club was advised by Dr. Robert Moussetis. The year started off with a sand volleyball tournament, which was a big hit. As the semester went on, the Business Club used their creative thinking to place second in the Homecoming golf cart parade. The theme was "A Step Back In Time" and members realized, as they were preparing their entry, that a few of the business professors go way back. Next up on the agenda was a business panel. The panel consisted of business men and women, including two of Dana's own graduates. The panel gave advice and answered questions concerning job interviews, the future and various careers. First semester ended with an ice cream social. Second semester began with the members having a great time down at Good Shepherd during bingo night. The Business Club also started a program where student representatives would meet with the business professors to discuss classes and changes during the semester. The semester came to an end after a pizza and movie night.

Resident Assistants

The Resident Assistants' main responsibilities on campus included making the residence halls a fun and safe community for all Dana students. This year R.A. training began a week before classes started in August and involved intense training and the famous "Behind Closed Doors." During the year, R.A. duties included enforcing rules, planning floor socials and educational programs, being on duty and listening to student concerns.

Sophomore Brian Jones, R.A. in Blair Hall, said the best part about being a R.A. was "having fun with a great staff and meeting new people."

Cheryl Karl, R.A. in Argo Hall, said she likes several aspects of being a R.A. "I, of course, enjoy having my own room," she said. "But besides that, I enjoy the atmosphere of having the people around and knowing I can talk to almost any of the residents about anything. I also enjoy knowing that I am relied upon for about anything--talking, listening, having fun, and that I can try to help anyone in need of help."



...and this is the Holling Hall R.A. staff on a good day!

R.A.s

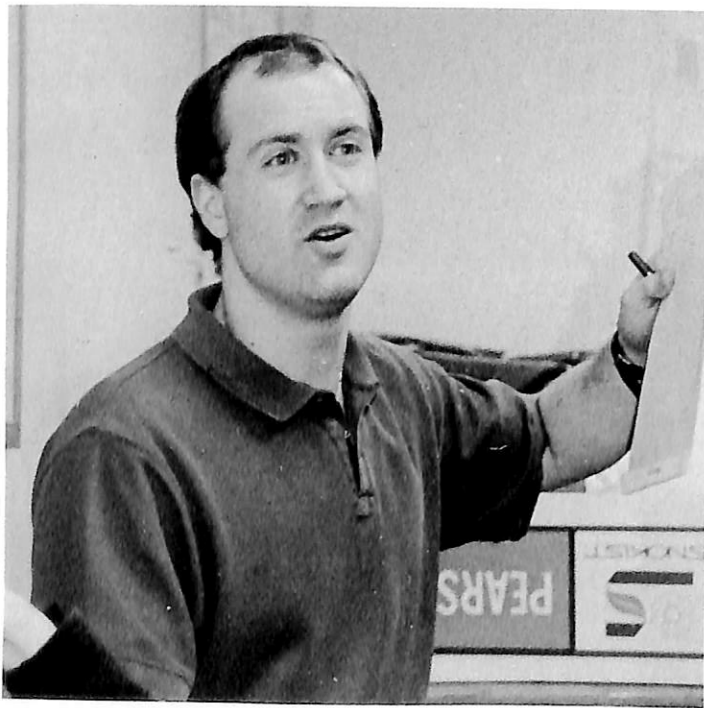
Residence Hall Association

The Residence Hall Association was responsible for several of the activities that students participated in throughout the year. During Homecoming students played games and won prizes during RHA's Carnival Night. Also in first semester RHA hosted Applerama, an event where students could play all types of apple games and eat all kinds of apple treats. Second semester activities included Vegas Night and Lil' Sibling's Weekend. During Lil' Sibling's Weekend, students were encouraged to invite their younger brothers and sisters to campus for some special events. There was a carnival, ice cream sundaes, swimming and a basketball game for the young visitors. "It's fun to see people with their little brothers and sisters and to see how they act with them," said Allison Ruhde. "Plus it was fun to play with the little kids." RHA officers for 1997-98 were: Jeremy Havekost, president; Jackie Smith, vice president; Ruhde, secretary; and Julie Moore, treasurer. The staff sponsor was JoAnn Stute.



Front: Jackie Smith, Allison Ruhde. Back: Brett Putnam, Jeremy Havekost, JoAnn Stute.

RHA



Hall director Trent Pikula keeps everyone informed of campus happenings at one of the weekly R.A. staff meetings.



I'm warning you...make one move and I'll shoot! R.A. Bob Spangler demonstrates how he handles discipline problems on his floor.



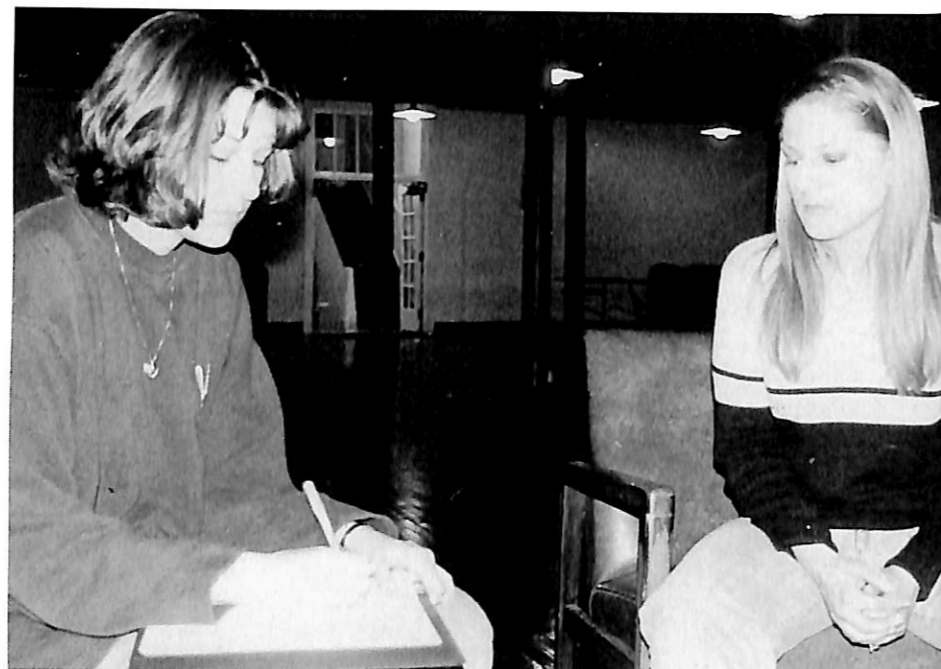
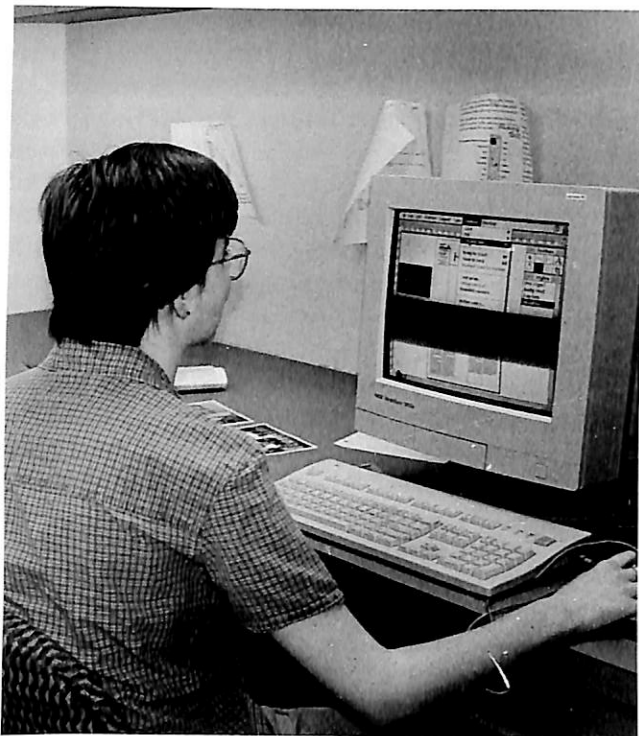
Demonstrating his talents at the Applesauce Snarf, Jeremy Havekost licks up the competition at RHA's annual Applerama.



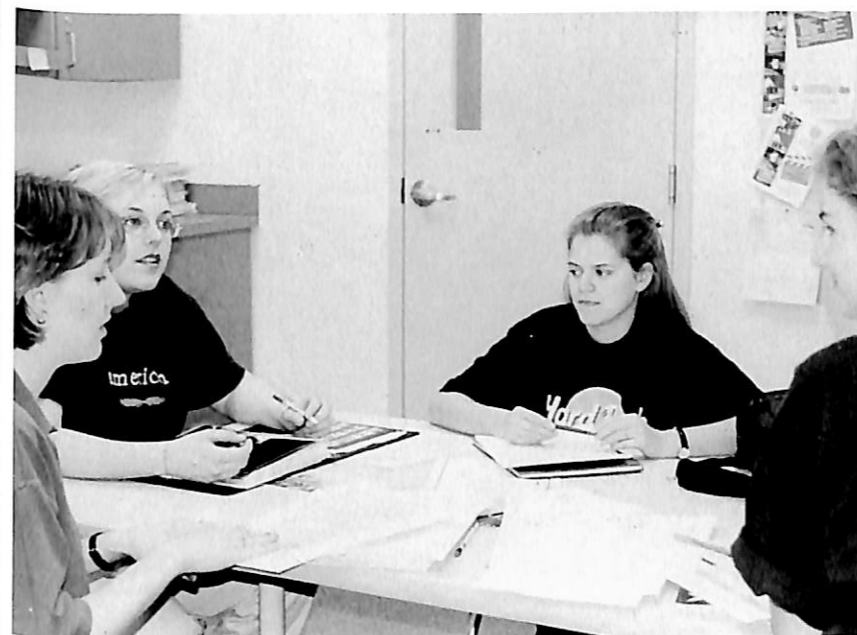
While the Campus Center comes alive with lights and dice, Tara Stark plays dealer for Soren Schmidt and Andrea Bjergaard during RHA's Vegas Night during Winterfest.

Hermes

Danian



Leslie Schroeter jots down notes and quotes as she interviews Becca Plowman for a *Hermes* story.



With a deadline fast approaching, the staff meets and discusses what still needs to be done before another batch of pages is ready to be sent to the printer.



Editor Lindsay Bruning doesn't seem too worried as she looks at her list and sees what still needs to be done before a deadline.

Jennifer Burger arranges articles on the computer to produce yet another eye-pleasing edition of the *Hermes*.

Every Thursday the *Hermes* office came alive with a flurry of activity. It was paper day, the day when everything would come together and the *Hermes* would be created. With dedication and hard work, the editor, page editors, copy editor and graphics editor filled every moment of their free time in the office working and hoping to get the paper done by supper. However, it did not always work out that way. Making a zillion phone calls to get information and the "right" quote, frantically running around campus trying to find people who could identify unknown individuals in pictures and yelling at a computer screen were just some of the ordinary events before the paper was taken to the printer. All of these occurrences kept the day entertaining. The responsibility of reporting on how interesting the Dana community can be was never without fun.



Front: Jill Dewald, sports editor; Amy Benedict, editor. Back: Jennifer Burger, graphics editor; Nikki Kinsey, photo editor; Laura Hiebenthal, copy editor; and Leslie Schroeter, features editor. Not Pictured: Joy Pudenz, business manager.



The 1997-1998 Danian staff: Lindsay Bruning, editor; Laurie Grasso, layout editor; Laura Hiebenthal, copy editor; Nikki Kinsey, photo editor.

Taking pictures, designing layouts, writing stories, developing film, proofreading copy and cropping photos are just some of the activities included in producing a yearbook. The 1997-98 Danian staff, headed by editor Lindsay Bruning, combined their talents to make a yearbook that students would enjoy and use to remember their days at Dana. The rest of the staff included photo editor Nikki Kinsey, layout editor Laurie Grasso and copy editor Laura Hiebenthal. The staff is thankful to all the volunteers who helped with this year's book. Writers included: Danielle Mozioka, Rachel Heitmann, Sandy Paasch, Wendy Troff, Janelle Kahl, Susan Hamblen, Becky Dunnell, Amy Benedict, Melissa Goldax, Jessica Cosgrove, Brooke Thomsen, Carla Jo Krance, Sandi Frey, Christina Nutter, Amy Klusmeier, Peter Barnett, Mindy Streitenberger, Leslie Schroeter and Allison Ruhde. Photographers included: Thomsen, Streitenberger, Benedict, Ruhde, Schroeter, Kahl, Theresa Novak, Kale Maguire, Becca Plowman, Shane Koepke, Megan Cosgrove, Jessica Cosgrove, Carrie Larkins, Eric Friedericks, Bobby Howell, Ryan Enright and Andrea Spreen.

Student Education Association

The Student Education Association was off to a running start this year with an excited group of officers and they kept the pace up with activities for members and everyone on campus. The group began the year with an SEA conference in Kearney. Early in the year new and prospective members were brought into the scene with an introduction meeting and work night. The focus of the group was discussed and members were able to work on their education projects. Other activities included presentations on creating resumes and on phonics. They also held a student teacher panel. The highlight of the year was a presentation on "True Colors" teaching styles. Members discovered what their teaching styles were as identified by a certain color and how to teach students according to their personality colors. The year closed with a spring conference in Norfolk. President Carla Jo Krance said she was happy with the group's work this year. This year's officers were: Krance, president; Becca Plowman, vice president; Julie Holmes, secretary; Jennifer Williams, treasurer; and Terra Schmidt, public relations.



The 1997-98 Student Education Association members.

SEA

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Every Monday night a group of people could be found gathered in the Forum. Though the name Fellowship of Christian Athletes suggested the group was comprised of only athletes, students of all types came to enjoy the fellowship FCA provided. The goal of FCA was to encourage growth in Christian faith and to help students find ways to integrate their faith into their daily lives at college. FCA began the year by enjoying a cookout at the annual kick-off at Coach Dave Jensen's house. The weekly Monday night meetings consisted of discussions, videos, games, singing and speakers. Speakers included pastors of area churches, state FCA leaders and even WOWT anchor John Knicely. Members also participated in the Adopt-A-Grandparent program and went on a hayrack ride at the Salvation Army camp south of Omaha. Junior Sandi Frey explained why FCA is important to her: "Being active in a Christian organization allows me to grow and learn from fellowship and also to be a role model for others."



During one of their famed ice breakers, FCA members try to untie this human knot.

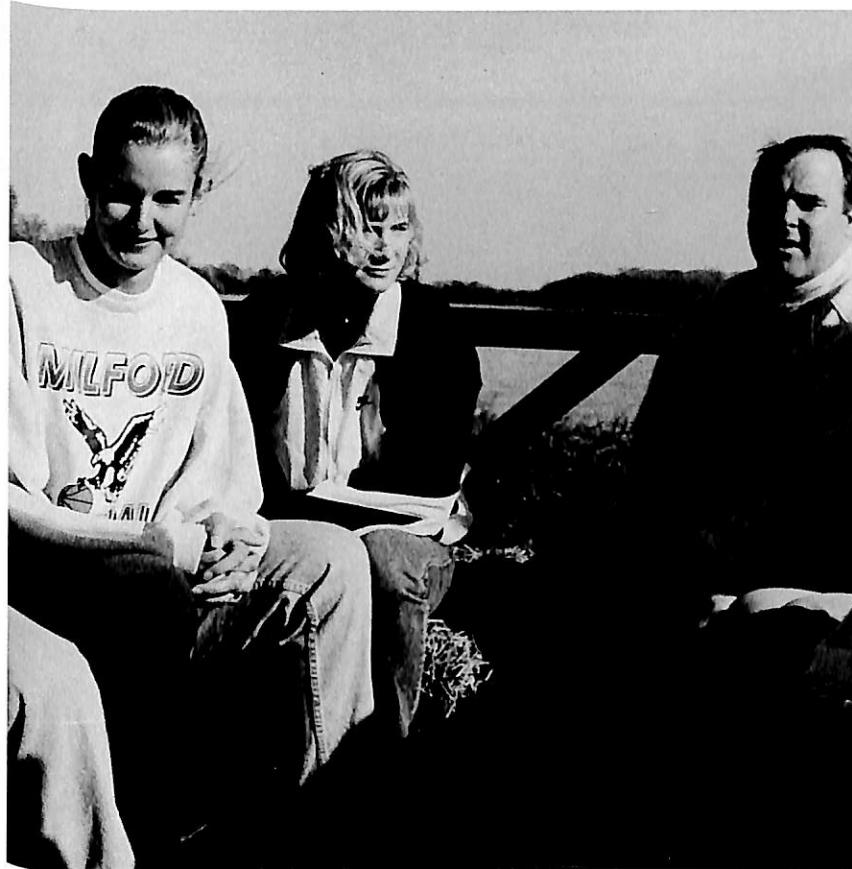
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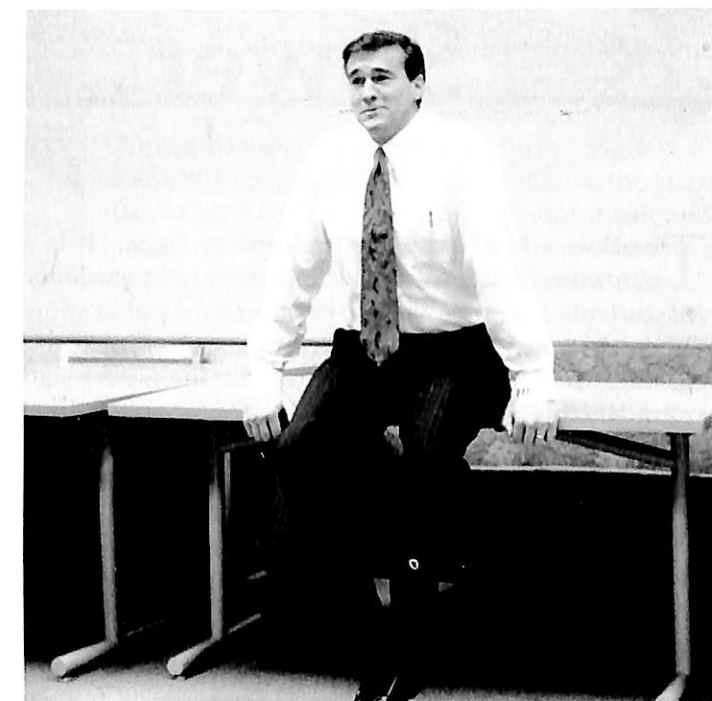
April Woolman puts up one of her bulletin board designs during SEA's work night.



With scissors and construction paper in hand, Becca Plowman proves just how much fun making bulletin boards can be.



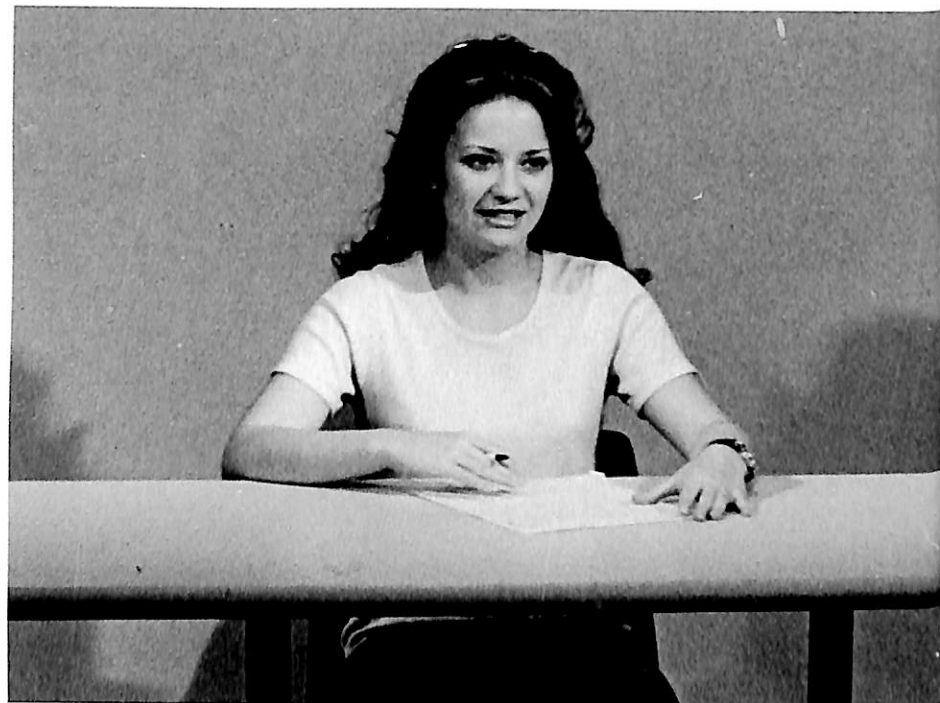
Taking advantage of some nice October weather, Laura Hiebenthal, Annette Williams and Brook Cooper enjoy a hayrack ride along a bank of the Missouri River at the Salvation Army camp outside of Omaha.



Hmmm...that guy looks familiar. After sneaking out between evening newscasts, WOWT anchor John Knicely reports on what it is like to be a Christian working in the media.

DVTV

This year was another interesting year for the students and professors working with DVTV, the campus television station. The station was busy all year with different classroom work and extracurricular programs. The majority of air time was filled with international newscasts. Every Sunday church services were televised. The programming was spiced up a little with recordings of presentations by guest speakers. Some of those presentations that were aired included speakers for Black History Month in February. "I felt this year was a clear improvement over the previous year in that we were able to broadcast programming other than SCOLA," said Chris Mommsen, DVTV advisor. "All station equipment operations have been improved and maintained and student involvement, though still small, has increased." Mommsen said a future goal of the television station is to increase student involvement so more programming can be produced at Dana, even to the point that there could be blocks of student-created programming on at consistent times.



Working in the DVTV studio, Jenny Lemmerman glances at the camera while following her script for a television production.

Sower

The Sower is a long-time tradition at Dana. It is a magazine of literary and visual arts done by students. All students can enter work to be chosen for publication. The entries consist of poetry, short stories, plays, pictures, paintings and graphic arts. This year the Sower had around thirty entries that were submitted for publication. A total of twenty items were chosen from the literary and visual arts. The process of choosing the works of art to be published was very lengthy. This year Dottie Whitehill was the literary editor and Nikki Kinsey was the graphic editor. The rest of the Sower board consisted of Amy Klusmeier, Max Riffner, Matt Haufle, Cassie Green and Shane Lundeberg. They had several meetings to narrow down the entries and the entire Sower was completely designed by students from cover to cover. In addition, each year the Langland Award is given to the best examples of student poetry and prose published in the Sower.



Graphic editor Nikki Kinsey and literary editor Dottie Whitehill headed this year's production of the Sower.

KDCV



Front: Matthew Kutzli, Chris Sorensen. Back: Angela Hamburger, Jake Adolphson, Amy Benedict, Dan Olsen, Vern Wirka.



At the Dana Fair in September, Jake Adolphson broadcasts live from the KDCV booth with help from Shane Lundeberg.



Be-boppin' to their favorite tunes, Dan Kennedy and Chris Sorensen have a little too much fun broadcasting from the KDCV studio.

The Jam 91.9 is "rocking the cornfields this year." KDCV is the student-run radio station that played from 3 p.m. to midnight all week during the year. The shows were based on a Top 40 format like the alternative Omaha station the Edge 101.9 FM. KDCV also offered religious music and programming on Sundays. In March the radio station upgraded its equipment and began to broadcast in stereo.

Staff members were: Vern Wirka, station manager; Dan Olsen, operations manager; Angela Hamburger, public service director; Erin Bova, public service assistant; Jake Adolphson, music director; Amy Benedict, news director; Chris Sorensen, production director; and Matt Kutzli, chief operator. More people were involved in positions that varied from DJs to board operators.

Basketball, football, softball and baseball games were also covered and broadcast over KDCV. Mike Klug was the sports director and James Peterson was the assistant sports director. A variety of extra staff ran the board and were volunteer commentators for the games.

"Anyone who is interested can come in and be a DJ," said junior Angela Hamburger.

Diplomats



Diplomat Christina Nutter leads a prospective student outside after a tour of Holling Hall.



Doing what they do best, the Dana Diplomats prepare to tour their golf cart float around campus during Homecoming activities.

The Dana Diplomats are an enthusiastic group of students who willingly represent Dana College to prospective students. Throughout the year Diplomats could be seen giving tours and hosting people who were interested in attending Dana. They helped host during several Discover Dana Days and helped with the Presidential Scholarship Competition in February. Diplomats were often active in the admissions office helping with bulk mailings and phone calls.

"I think that being a Diplomat is the best work study job on campus and the most important," said junior Deneen Schriver. "I really enjoy showing the campus to prospective students and their families."

"I like the chance I have to meet and talk with prospective students about their goals for the future," said junior Tara Stark. "I also love the opportunity to be involved in a group where I get to spend time and build friendships working alongside other students outside of my major."



While giving a tour, diplomats Deneen Schriver and Lisa Decker pause to tell two prospective students what services and activities can be found in the Campus Center.

Tutors



Working in the quiet atmosphere of the Learning Center, tutor Jon Galis helps a student with his chemistry homework.

Have you ever wondered where to go for help on homework or writing assignments? The Learning Center in the library is the place to go. This year nine tutors and director Lori Nielsen were available to help students with a variety of classes or any special needs. The tutors offered help in most general subject areas and supplemental instruction classes were available for three classes. "SI is a program that attaches study groups to classes that are traditionally difficult," said Nielsen. SI leaders are students who have already succeeded in the course. They then attend all of the classes in order to be prepared to lead the SI study sessions. Students' participation is voluntary, but Nielsen said those students who attended SI sessions tended to earn higher grades. Senior Matt Anderson said that no student is looked down upon for coming to the Learning Center. "Everyone needs a little help from time to time," he said. "I enjoy helping my peers understand the subject they are learning. It also helps me review those subjects so I don't forget how to do some things."

Cheerleaders



Cheerleaders Stacie Sarasio, Megan Olson, Kristi Clement, Amy Roth, Lyndsay Hiykel and Wendy Troff try to spread some school spirit during a time out of a men's basketball game.

This year the cheerleaders had a short but intense season. After a tryout that lasted one and a half hours at the beginning of the year, a squad was chosen by a panel of four judges.

The squad practiced twice a week to perfect the sideline performances and floor cheers. These cheers were taught by all squad members to each other.

By far the biggest highlight of the season was performing a dance routine combined with cheers at the first home men's basketball game.

After meeting with coach Carla Jo Krance, the squad decided to retire after first semester.

Squad members included: Stacie Sarasio, Kristi Clement, Darlene Valquier, Amy Roth, Lyndsay Hiykel, Wendy Troff and Megan Olson.

Student Senate

With the motto "Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other," (JFK) the Student Senate worked to maintain and strengthen bonds with the student body and the community of Blair. Senate spent much of its time at meetings approving money for campus improvements. Emphasis was given to improving computers; one new computer and one upgrade in each hall was funded. Senate also raised approximately \$10,500 during a computerthon in March. Other purchases included VendaCards and student directories, a universal weight machine and radio for the exercise room and money to improve the Dragon's Head. Senate also sponsored Parent's Day, faculty/staff appreciation and a Halloween party for local children. Senior class representative Amy Benedict enjoyed being a senator because she believes senate is an important tool in linking administrators and students. She said, "Senate makes the administration aware of student concerns and is a way for students to be involved with administrative committees."



The 1997-98 Dana College Student Senate.

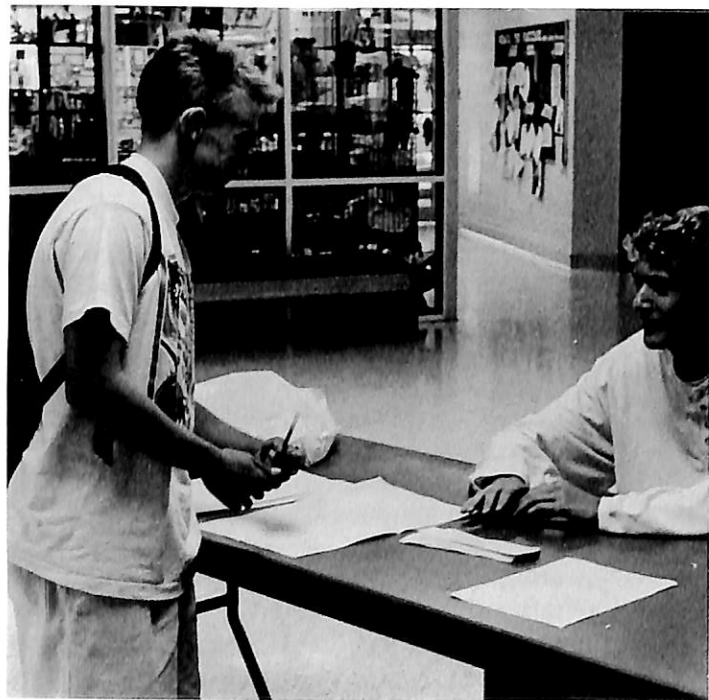


President Rodney Ronk calls the senate meeting to order and brings up a new issue for the senators to discuss.



The 1997-98 Student Senate executive staff: Carla Jo Krance, secretary; Rodney Ronk, president; Sara Crawford, vice president; and Denecia Siemers, treasurer.

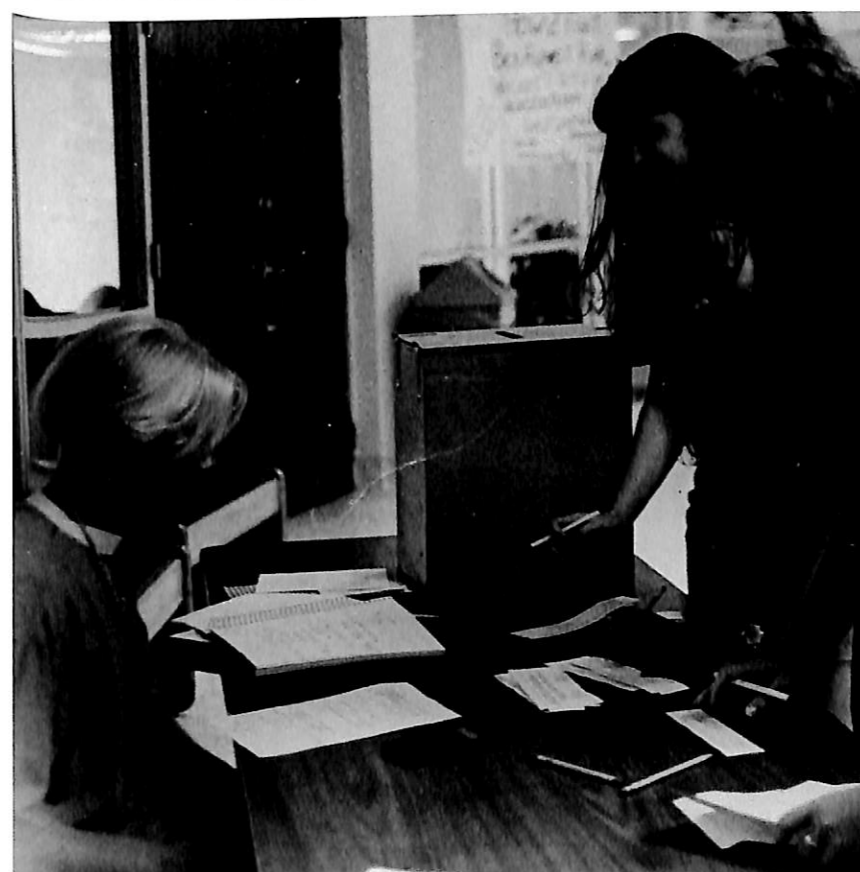
SENATE



Sophomore senator Mark Lepper staffs the box while freshman John Brummer exercises his right to vote for a vacant Student Senate seat.



Senate members Thomas Blase, Tina Hamilton, Mark Knudsen, Sara Crawford and Ben Edelman express their congratulations to recently-knighted President Christopherson on their golf cart parade float at Homecoming.



While trying to get in some quality study time, senator Thomas Blase fulfills his duty to supervise voting for Homecoming royalty.



Sara Crawford, Dr. Paul Formo and Denecia Siemers cut the ribbon at the grand re-opening of the Dragon's Head in February. Student Senate contributed money to the remodeling of the Dragon's Head.

Forensics

This year's forensics team attended eight tournaments in Nebraska and Kansas. Each tournament was an all-day event and team members competed in categories such as informative, extemporaneous, impromptu and after dinner speaking, prose, poetry and program of oral interpretation. This year's team was also young; many of the nine members were first-time competitors. But despite a lack of experience, four members made finals at two different meets. Those members making finals included Jesse Otto, Jake Adolphson, Jackie Smith and Chris Sobbing. "I thought this year was the best year yet since the program was restarted at Dana in the fall of 1995," said Smith. "The team members had more commitment and a kind of unity that made traveling more fun. The new members are talented and we have a good outlook for next year. I believe that we improved with every meet that we attended." The team was coached by Kevin Schaudt and assistant JoAnn Stute.



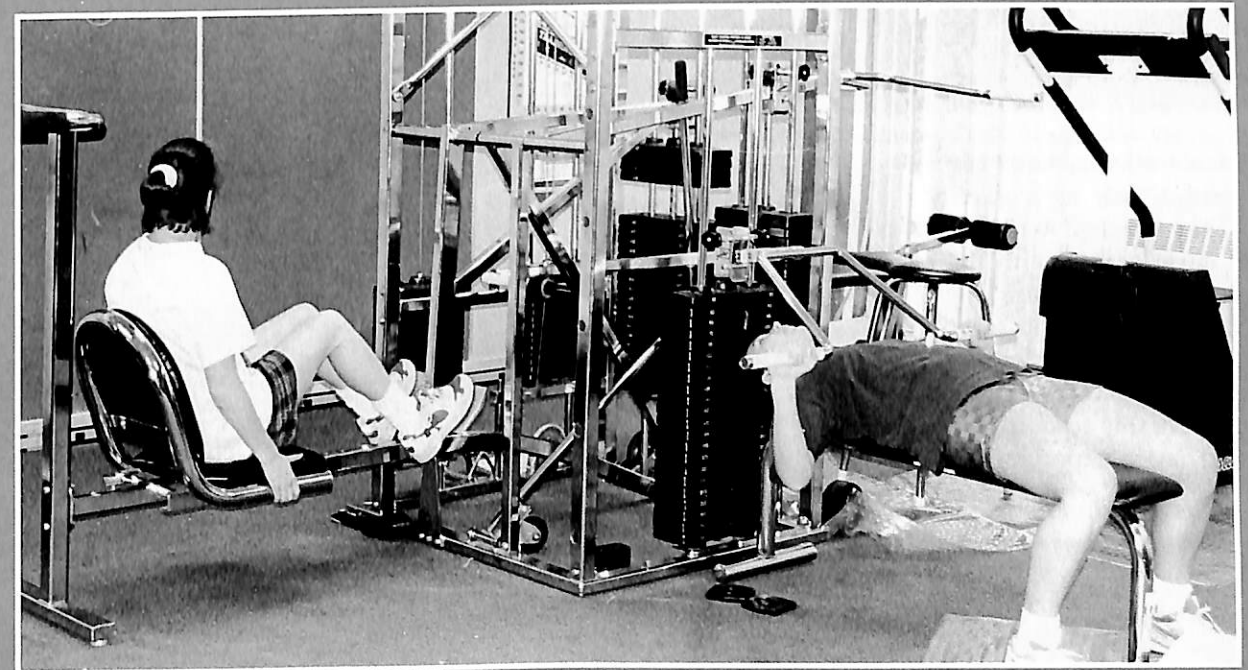
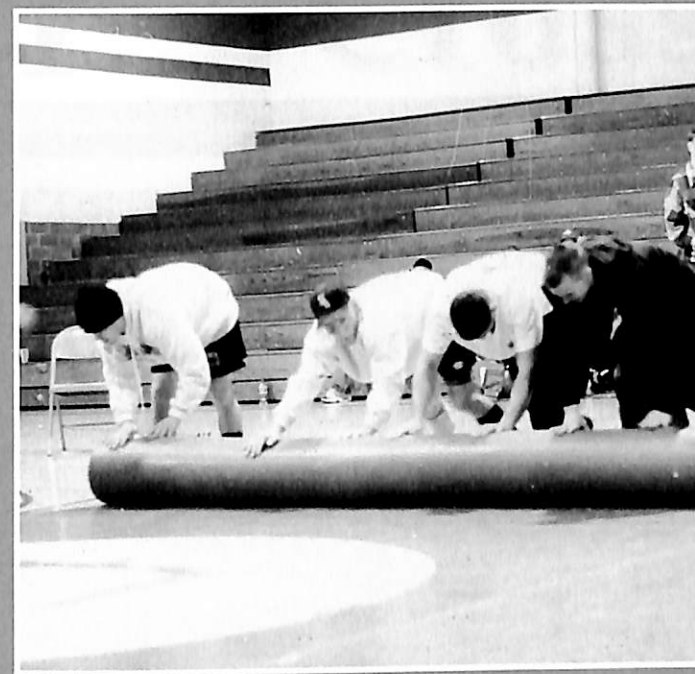
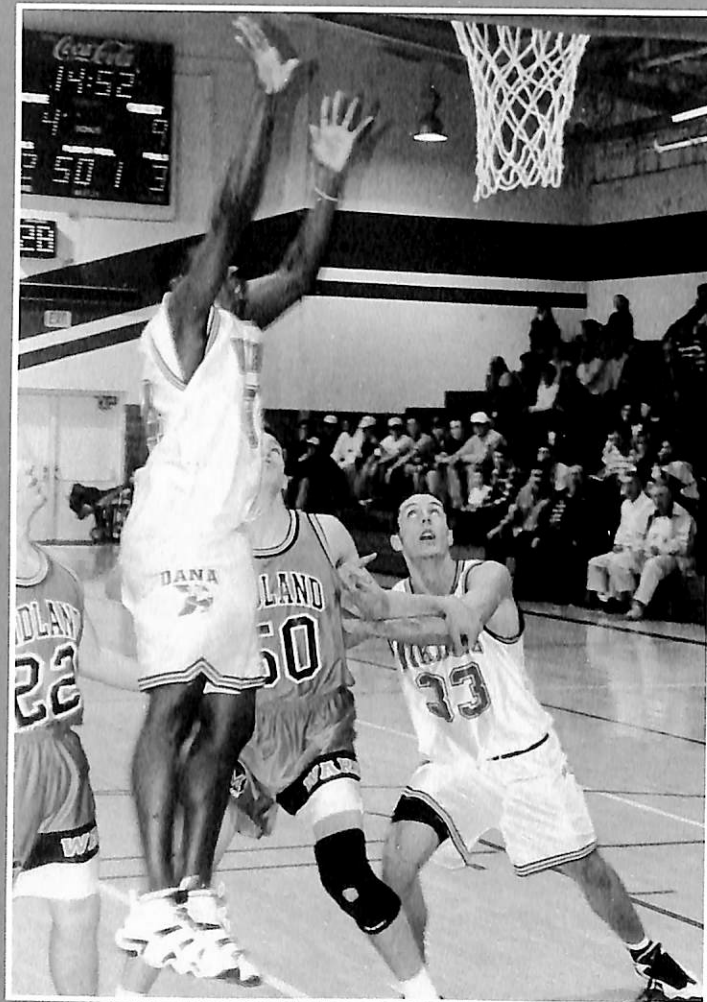
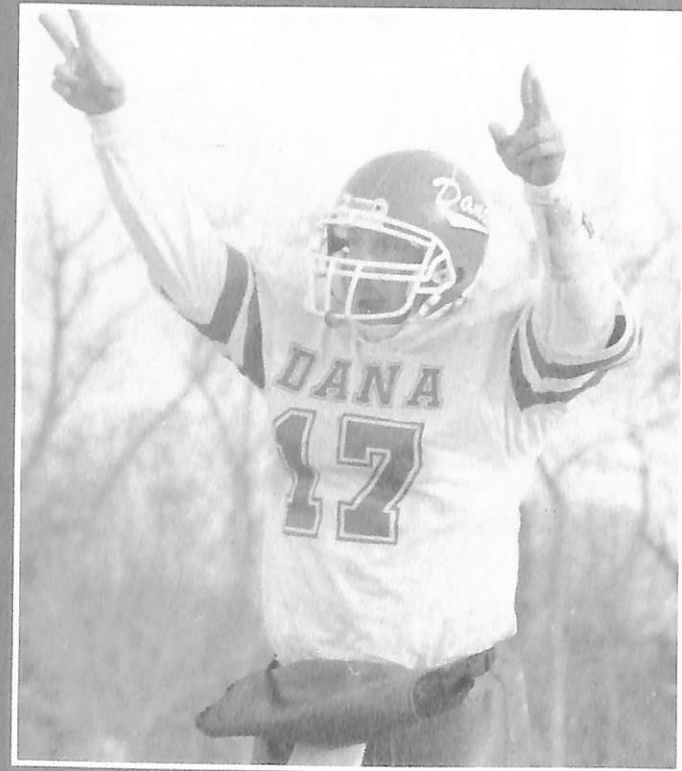
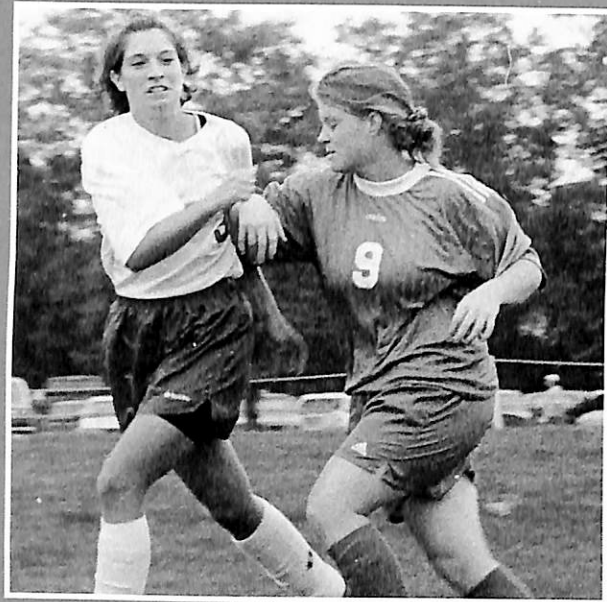
Using a fist for emphasis, Jackie Smith intensely practices her speech for an upcoming forensics meet.



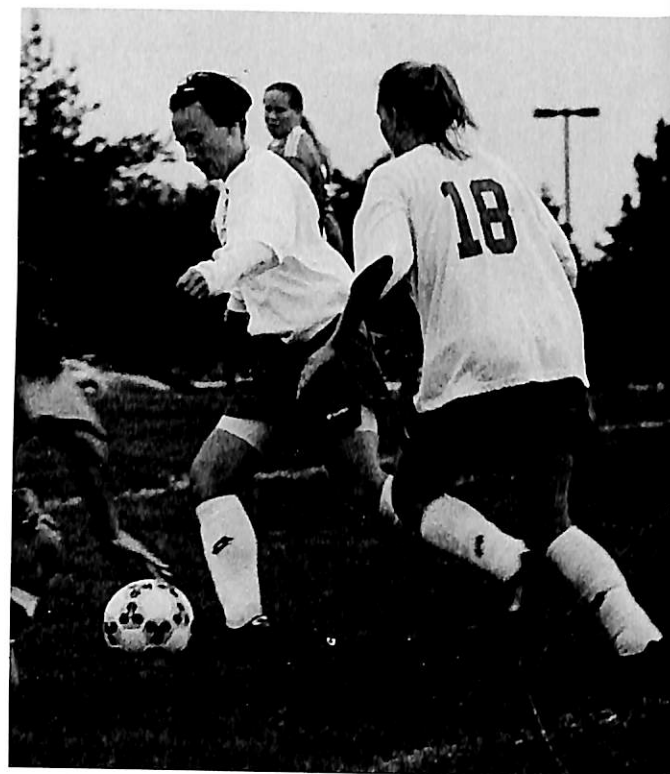
The 1997-98 Forensics Team: Front: Brett Putnam, Jackie Smith. Middle: Coach Kevin Schaudt, Sarah Chessmore. Back: Jesse Otto, Jake Adolphson, Ben Davison, Matthew Kutzli.



Sports



*"I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving."
--Oliver Wendell Holmes*



Senior Carrie Knapp dribbles the ball up the field while sophomore Michelle Schriver follows behind.



Neal Smith strides across Viking Field to the finish of the Dana Invitational while members of the men's team watch and cheer him on.



Sarah Klein and Emily Nessen traverse the cross country course through Neihardt Park during the Dana Invitational.

Front: Sara Duff, Carrie Knapp, Noel Tesar, Amanda Stoffel, Michelle Schriver. Middle: Michelle Spiegel, Christine Moberg, Janelle Kahl, Elaine Rivard. Back: Emily Nessen, Coach Ted Arndt, Coach Jennifer Haralson, Coach Ryan Holtam, Rachel Herman. Not Pictured: Melissa Bliemeister, Molly Fuxa, Audri Bisson, Sidsel Raskmark.

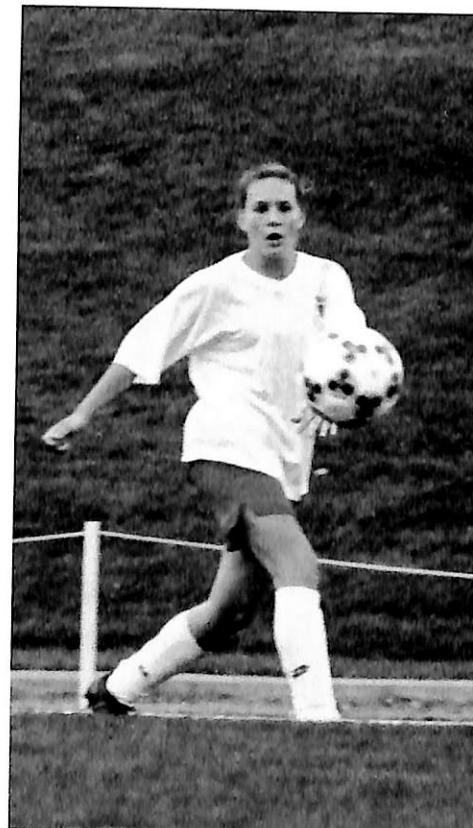
The Dana women's soccer team completed their second year as a varsity team this season. They finished 4-12-1 and played some very close games with their opponents. Although they faced some tough losses, the team felt good about their season and the improvements they made throughout the year. The team added two coaches and several new players this season. With improved skills and more experience the team is looking forward to the 1998 season.

Scoreboard

Dana Opponent

2	York	3
3	Midland Lutheran	0
2	Simpson IA	7
0	Hastings	3
1	Doane	5
2	Northwestern IA	5
4	York	1
7	Concordia	5
0	Westmar IA	12
0	Doane	4
0	Nebraska Wesleyan	14
3	Midland Lutheran	2
0	Graceland IA	3
0	Bellevue	16
0	Central IA	0
0	Briar Cliff IA	8
2	Northwestern IA	3

After a strong kick, Michelle Schriver watches the flight of the ball as it travels toward the goal.

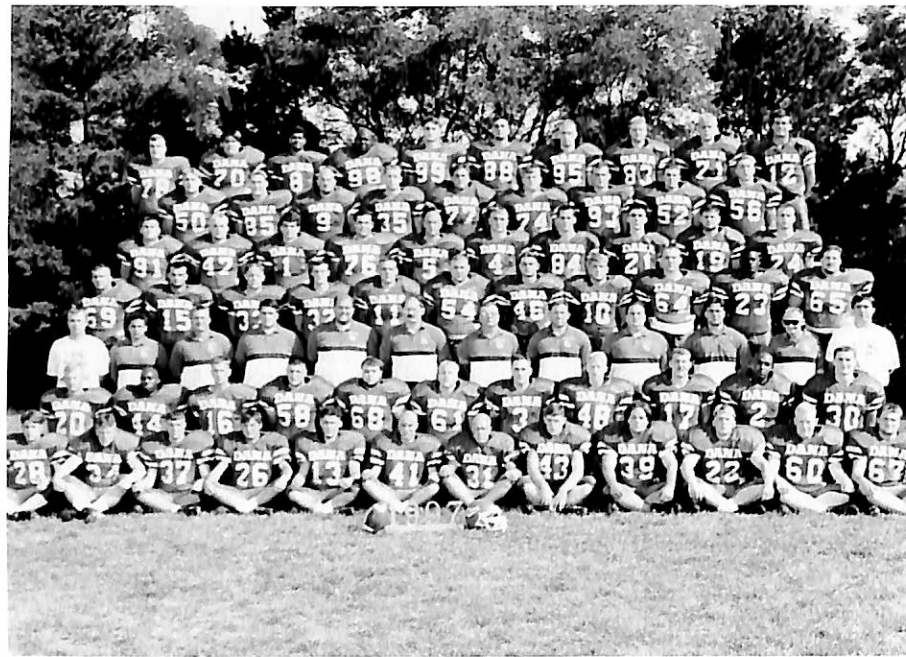


Sophomore Rachel Herman battles for the ball in a game at Viking Field.

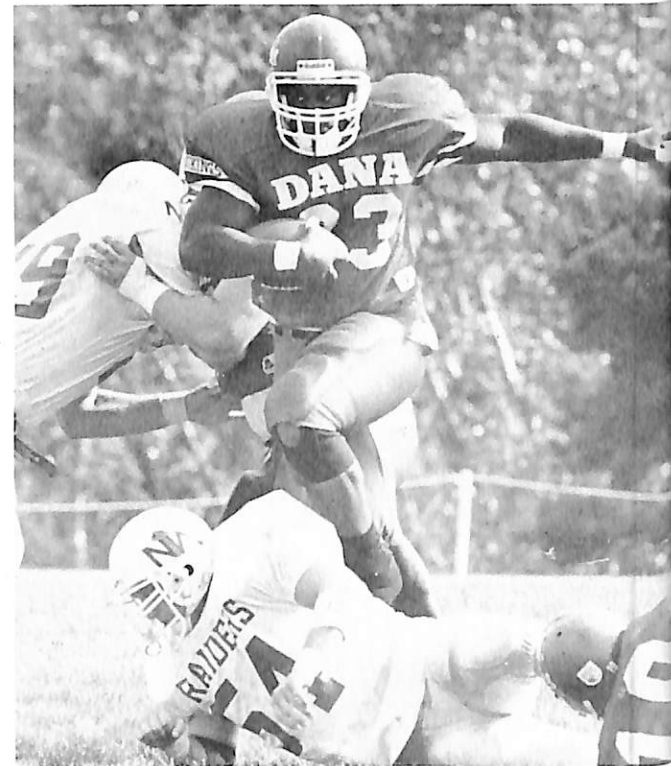


Front: Anna Hovde, Emily Nessen, Sarah Klein, Jennifer Williams, Jessica Chambers, Tiffani Nielsen, Angie Sparacino, Amy Carlson, Amanda Buttry. Middle: Justin Christensen, Evan Bees, Ken Nikolas, Scott Stanley, Razy Sparacino, Bob Spangler, Ben Sandy, Ben Gailey, John Henningsen. Back: Aaron Schlote, Marc Bierbaum, Matt Poulter, Dan Formo, Coach Jay Birmingham, Neal Smith, Ryan Jacobsen, Jason Brindle, Max Grady. Not Pictured: Jason Shepard, Sarah Chessmore.

Although running 10 or 15 miles seems downright impossible to most people, the men's and women's cross country teams were used to such tough practices. But it was those practices that brought success for both teams. The men finished seventh at nationals and the women's team had their first-ever qualifiers for the national meet. Runners Scott Stanley, Max Grady, Ben Sandy, Neal Smith, Bob Spangler, Justin Christensen and Evan Bees all competed at nationals for the men's team. Mandy Buttry and Angie Sparacino were the two women who ran at nationals, placing 37th and 94th, respectively. At the conference meet the women's fourth place finish was the best in school history. The women narrowly missed a team invitation to nationals. The men placed second at the conference meet. One strength of the team was unity. Junior Bob Spangler said, "The team really came together well and performed well throughout the season."

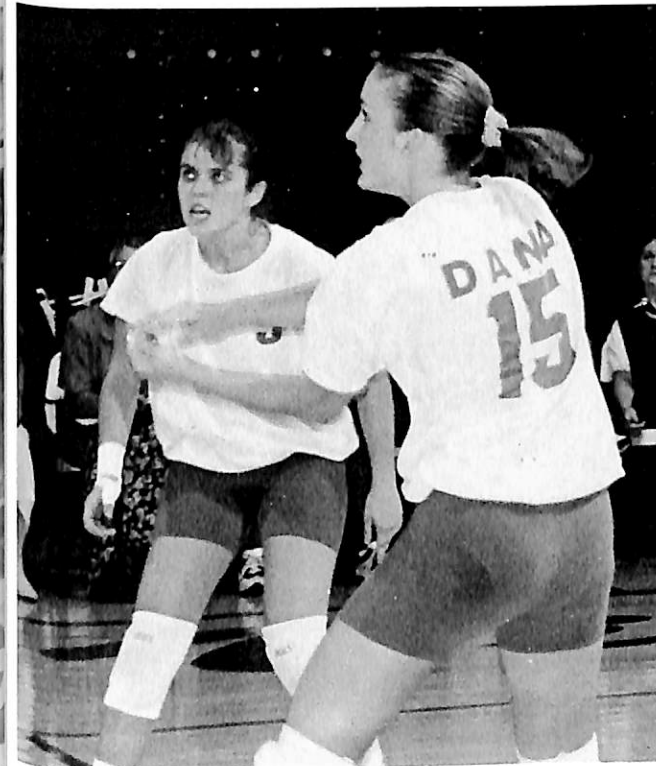


Front: J. Shafer, A. Dobbins, T. DeWees, W. Wright, M. Cole, S. Crouch, D. Jones, J. Phillips, Z. O'Hara, K. Ferguson, M. Ferg, B. Jones. Second: J. Burns, C. Harvey, M. Smith, B. Stevens, T. Weers, J. Barta, S. McClurkin, R. Berry, J. Krominga, B. Perry, C. Hansen. Third: Manager R. Ronk, Coach C. Stern, Coach J. King, Student Assistant K. Swanson, Coach B. Williams, Coach J. Krueger, Coach L. Brown, Coach R. Korbelik, Coach D. Bengier, Student Assistant J. Smith, Coach J. Simpson, Manager K. Maguire. Fourth: R. Wheeler, B. Soukup, B. Tams, J. Dannelly, G. Dose, J. Lubitz, K. Kumm, C. Kuncel, E. Parrack, M. Pierre, D. Doran. Fifth: J. Jones, L. Sorensen, J. Morris, B. Potts, B. Schofield, P. Morris, B. Jensen, J. Mitchell, J. Nelsen, M. Kern. Sixth: M. Smith, R. Gall, J. Olson, J. Rosterman, C. Kellner, T. Scholl, P. Mostek, J. Sanders, B. Erixon. Back: K. Ronnenkamp, T. Cox, J. Carter, R. Thorpe, G. Stevens, J. Byars, S. Morris, J. Pospeshil, T. Andersen, M. Babbitt. Not Pictured: J. Rowe.



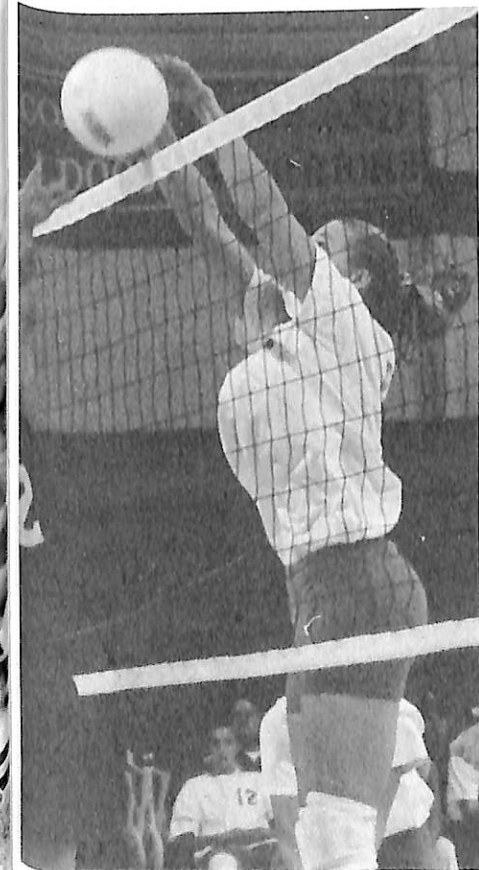
Senior running back Marlon Pierre runs over the Red Raider defenders in the Homecoming game against Northwestern.

Senior Jeremy Jones celebrates after sacking the Northwestern quarterback.



Sophomore Lisa Decker returns the ball over the net while junior Tara Tiefenthaler watches.

Freshman Michaela Kibbon reaches over the net to block the opponent's tip.



Front: Lisa Decker, Andrea Spreen, Tiffany Elznic, Kelli Redmond, DaLeann Butterfield, Roni Peterson. Middle: Michaela Kibbon, Erin Eggers, Rachel Heitmann, Annette Williams, Celeste Johnson, Tara Tiefenthaler. Back: Susan Weddingfeld, Kim Watkins, Coach Julie Krofcheck-Strong, Amber Weber, Terra Schmidt.

The 1997 Dana Viking football team had a slow start but ended the season proud and determined to show their talent. Their 4-6 record is not indicative of the several games that kept fans on the edges of their seats. At Homecoming Dana came within inches of a winning touchdown against Northwestern. "It was like watching sand slip through your fingers and knowing there was no way you could stop it," said coach Larry Brown. The last game of the season went into double overtime with the Vikings winning 12-9 over Dakota State. "It was kind of a disappointing season but we all played hard and finished strong," said senior Grant Dose. "The team had a lot of determination and heart throughout the season. Win or lose, every game was a good game," said head coach Jim Krueger.

Scoreboard

Dana	Opponent	
0	Dakota Wesleyan SD	21
7	Peru State	25
7	Northwestern IA	12
31	Buena Vista IA	24
37	Midland Lutheran	28
21	Doane	34
8	Nebraska Wesleyan	20
10	Concordia	3
35	Hastings	42
12	Dakota State SD	9

Scoreboard

Dana	Opponent	
0	Peru State	3
1	Park MO	3
0	Doane	3
0	Dickinson State ND	3
0	Bellevue	3
2	York	3
0	Northwestern IA	3
0	Wartburg IA	3
0	Central IA	3
1	Bethel MN	3
3	Buena Vista IA	1
0	Briar Cliff IA	3
0	Doane	3
0	Bellevue	3
0	Central IA	3
0	Capital OH	3
0	Coe IA	3
0	Concordia MN	3
0	Concordia	3
0	Midland Lutheran	3
0	Hastings	3
1	Nebraska Wesleyan	3
0	Minnesota-Crookston	3
2	Mount Marty SD	3
2	Dakota State SD	3
1	Sioux Falls SD	3
0	Northwestern IA	3
0	Northwest Missouri State	3
0	Park MO	3
0	Missouri Western	3
0	Midwest State TX	3
0	Hastings	3
1	Concordia	3
0	Midland Lutheran	3
0	Doane	3
0	Wayne State	3
3	Westmar IA	1
0	Northwestern IA	3
0	Nebraska Wesleyan	3
0	Doane	3

The Viking volleyball team began its 1997 campaign as a new and young team. Seven new faces joined the returners and they battled much adversity throughout the season. Though their record was not outstanding, the team played the whole season with dedication and desire, determined to make progress and to improve themselves. The team's record is not indicative of their overall achievements, and they pushed themselves every day to give it all they had. Four players finished their careers at Dana this year: senior Terra Schmidt, senior Susan Weddingfeld, senior Andrea Spreen and junior Kelli Redmond. The team will miss the contributions of these players, both on and off the court, but will return 12 players for the 1998 season. The enthusiasm, dedication and competitiveness of these players will carry them into next season with confidence.

Women's Basketball 1997



Front: Mandy Axmann, Sarah Klein, Carrie Knapp, Jodi Bradley, Mandy Bassinger. Middle: Jennifer Dierks, Celeste Johnson, Sidsel Raskmark, Kim Wilken. Back: Susan Weddingfeld, Tori Talbitzer, Coach Sandi Mitchell, Melanie Lubbers, Elizabeth Snedigar.



Sarah Klein seems to hang in the air as she watches in anticipation for her shot to drop.

The Vikings finished the 1997-98 season with a six-point loss to nationally-ranked Doane College in the NIAC tournament. Dana's 6-21 season record was reflective of a tough schedule and numerous close losses to nationally-ranked teams. Sophomore guard Kim Wilken, leading scorer for the Vikes with 12 points per game, listed winning the Midland Classic and the effort against Doane in the conference tournament as season highlights. The young Dana squad is looking forward to a successful future.

"This season we learned that we're competitive," said Wilken. "We will be a threat next year." Senior Jennifer Dierks and sophomore Sarah Klein were named to the all-conference honorable mention team. Dierks averaged 11.4 points and 6 rebounds per game while Klein led the team in assists with 102.

"We had a new coach and we had to get used to her style of coaching, but I felt we improved as a team compared to last year," said sophomore Mandy Bassinger. "We practiced and played as hard as we could. I think that is a good sign for next year."

Scoreboard

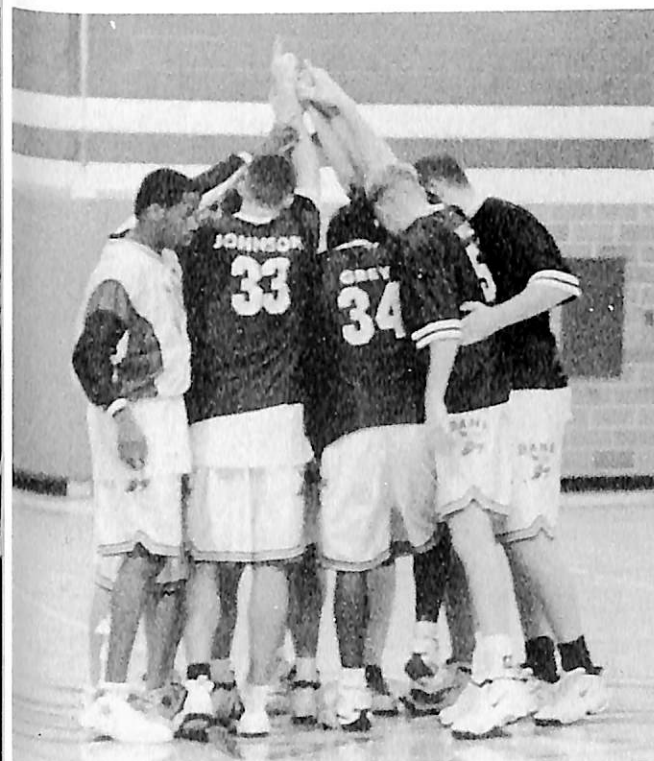
Dana	Opponent	
66	Iowa Wesleyan	69
67	Dakota State SD	84
73	Valley City ND	71
89	York	27
86	Mount Marty SD	75
73	Peru State	88
73	St. Clare	79
63	Northwestern IA	73
61	Colorado University CO	66
67	Southern CO	77
62	Doane	79
71	Grand View IA	83
81	York	42
54	Briar Cliff IA	86
71	Midland Lutheran	75
54	Concordia	71
63	Hastings	73
64	Nebraska Wesleyan	76
59	Doane	106
57	Northwestern IA	77
63	Peru State	62
82	York	54
52	Midland	67
66	Concordia	67
63	Hastings	77
53	Nebraska Wesleyan	75
63	Doane	69

The Concordia defender is too slow to stop Susan Weddingfeld from taking the open shot.



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Men's Basketball

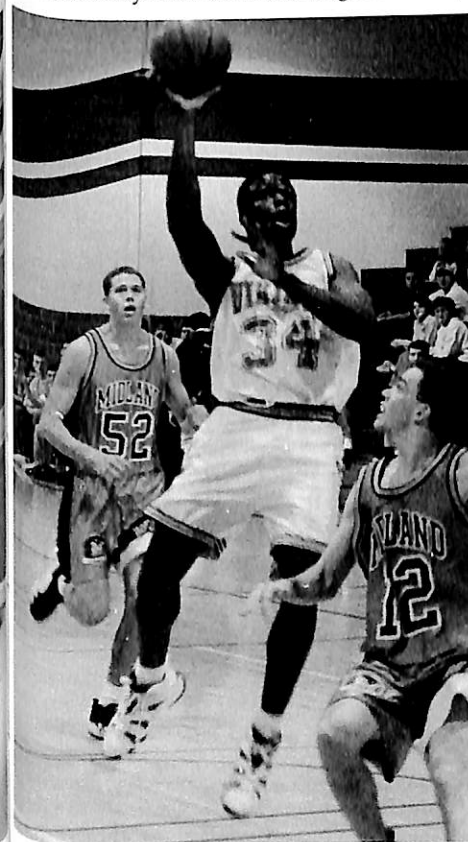


The Vikings huddle in support before a tournament game at home.



Front: Vince Grey, Robert Padilla, Don Morrison, Tyson Bodlak, Bryant Marchese, Matt Oestmann, K.C. Tupa. Middle: Nathan Babbitt, Michael Babbitt, William Mays, Coach Dave Jensen, Assistant Coach Shaun Brothers, Tony Jackson, Jim Koontz, Bryan Behrens. Back: Shane Warner, Chris Wulf, Jeff Mulder, Greg Sealock, James Walsh, Michael Johnson, Shon Trent.

The Midland defender can only stop and watch as Vince Grey takes the ball strong to the hoop.



Scoreboard

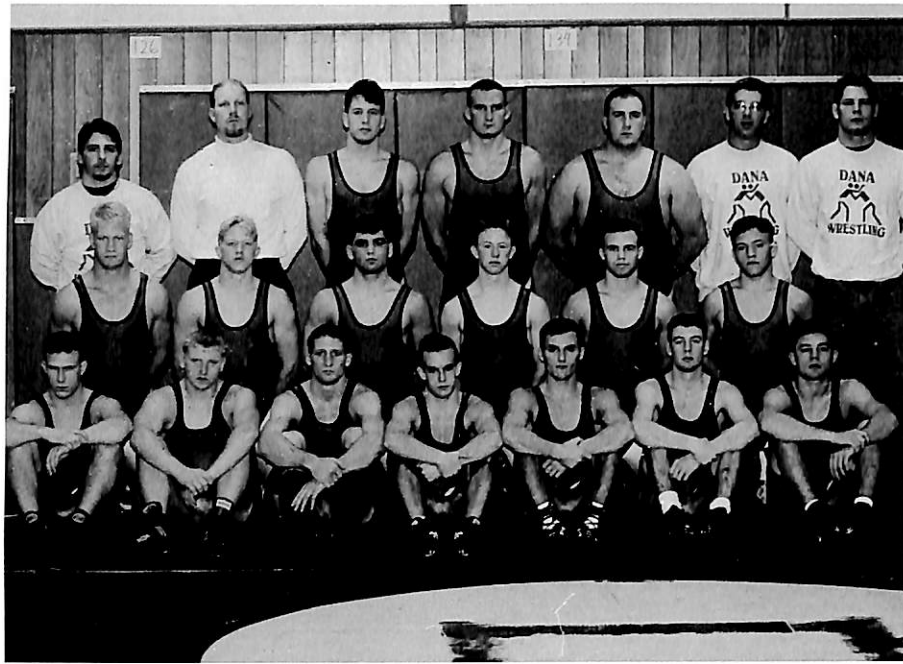
Dana	Opponent	
60	Sioux Falls SD	70
72	Sioux Falls SD	82
83	Kansas Wesleyan KS	61
84	Peru State	63
68	Iowa Western IA	92
58	Viterbo WI	47
60	Dordt IA	72
77	Bellevue	73
67	Park College	85
69	Peru State	53
71	Hannibal	65
74	William Jewell	78
61	Grand View IA	81
57	Concordia	69
60	Nebraska Wesleyan	86
69	Midland Lutheran	76
91	Northwestern IA	102
75	Briar Cliff IA	92
76	Bellevue	92
69	Hastings	91
50	Doane	65
53	Nebraska Wesleyan	91
87	Midland Lutheran	75
94	Northwestern IA	84
61	Concordia	82
67	Briar Cliff IA	68
77	Hastings	85
88	Doane	83
61	Midland	75

The Dana men started the year with anticipation and motivation. The team added several transfers to the experienced returning players. However, the team ended the season with a 9-20 record. "We had a lot of talent and the team stuck together," said junior Will Mays. Senior Vince Grey led the Vikings in scoring with a 15.4 points per game average. Junior Tony Jackson followed with 12.6 points per game. Grey, senior Jeff Mulder and senior Michael Babbitt were the leading rebounders, all averaging over five rebounds per game. Sophomore Robert Padilla and senior Tyson Bodlak dished out the most assists during the season, totaling 54 and 53 assists, respectively. Jackson led the team in three-point shooting, scoring 71 threes. Jackson, Grey and Babbitt were all named to the all-conference honorable mention team.

Wrestling

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Track

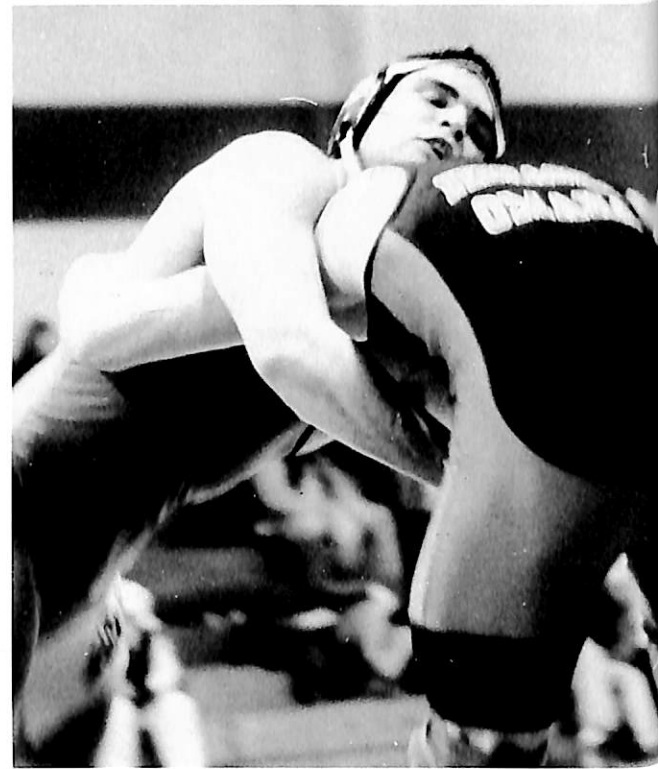


Front: Nick Tostenson, Bubba Stork, Jason Rowe, John Brummer, Chad Greguras, Scott Rine, Jeremy Rine. Middle: Ryan Barrett, Renn Berry, Darold Foster, Josh Stolz, Josh Jaeger, Steven Jenny. Back: Student Coach Shawn Isaacs, Assistant Coach Jason Branigan, Riley Tonkin, Perry Mostek, Barry Erb, Coach Ron Beaman, Student Coach Andy Hensley. Not Pictured: Dennis Bacon, Dax Doran, Brian Kirsch, Mike Smith.

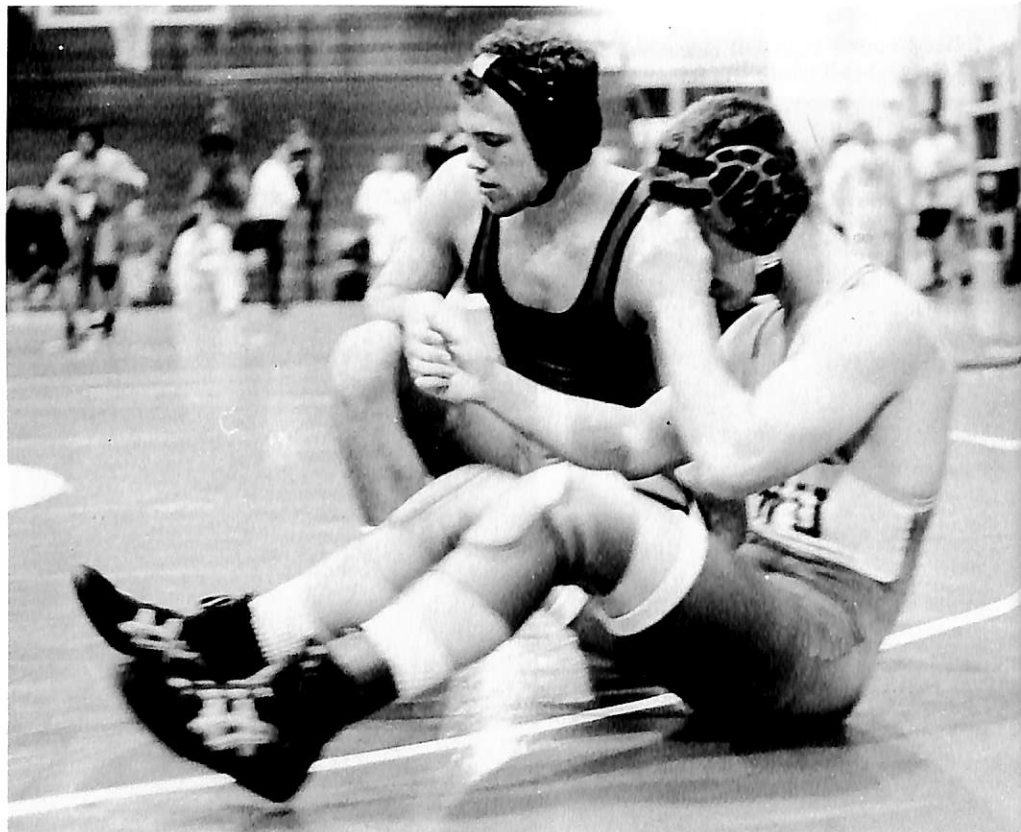
The strength of the Dana wrestling team was evident this year when they advanced eight wrestlers to the NAIA national tournament in Trimm, Nev. The eight wrestlers who qualified were: Dax Doran, Barry Erb, Darold Foster, Chad Greguras, Josh Jaeger, Steve Jenny, Jeremy Rine and Jason Rowe. Foster brought home an eighth place finish at 150 pounds. Despite a young team and many injuries, Dana pulled together for a strong finish to the 1997-98 season.



Killing time between rounds, Renn Berry and Shawn Isaacs sit back and watch the action.



With a move in mind, sophomore Darold Foster grabs his opponent and tries to take him to the mat.



After pushing his opponent out of bounds, sophomore Josh Jaeger catches his breath and plans strategy.



Jason Brindle, Aaron Schlote, Bob Spangler and Ben Sandy stick together to dominate the 10,000-meter run at Northwest Missouri State.



Angie Sparacino and Anna Hovde stay with the pack while competing in the 10,000.



Front: Amanda Buttry, Brooke Thomsen, Andrea Spreen, Tiffani Nielsen, Jessica Chambers, Jennifer Williams, Angie Sparacino, Emily Nessen, Amy Smith. Second: Kevin Kern, Chad Grosse, Amber Weber, Razy Sparacino, Anna Hovde, Angela Hamburger, Lynette Riemersma, Scott Stanley, Bob Spangler. Third: Ryan Jacobsen, Ben Sandy, John Henningson, Ken Nikolas, Coach Jay Birmingham, Evan Bees, Justin Christensen, Matt Poulter, Neal Smith. Back: Max Grady, Jason Brindle, Cody Franzen, Scott Heiss, Marc Bierbaum, Aaron Schlote. Not Pictured: Deena Knapp, Audri Brisson, Teresa Harrison, Sarah Klein, Dan Formo, Kevin Ronnenkamp, Wray Wright, Chris Wulf.

This year's Viking track and field team completed adventurous seasons in indoor and outdoor competition. Coach Jay Birmingham said, "It was our most successful track season yet in terms of numbers of people who scored in meets, personal bests and overall quality." A total of 36 athletes showered track meets in Iowa, South Dakota, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska.

The meets leading up to nationals during indoor competition were successes in the record book. Five women's records were sliced by Mandy Buttry, Angie Sparacino, Amber Weber and the distance medley relay team. Six men's records were slashed by Chad Grosse, Scott Stanley, Evan Bees, Matt Poulter, Aaron Schlote and the 3,200 relay team. Buttry finished fourth in the mile at NAIA nationals and earned All-American honors. Outdoor season records were broken by Sparacino, Weber, Stanley, Amy Smith and Scott Heiss. Twelve athletes qualified for the NAIA national championships in Tulsa, Okla, where Sparacino earned All-American status by placing third in the marathon.

Softball

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Front: Jill Oestmann, Lisa Shefland, Keri Hall, Tara Furstenau. Middle: Melissa Blum, Kari Wetterberg, Jen Schneider, Sarah Graham, Chris Moberg. Back: Student Manager Amy Zimbelman, Taffy Forsen, Rachel Carter, Jessica Scoopmire, Jenna Moffett, Lisa Cady, Melanie Mowinkel, Jessi Thomsen, Amy Klusmeier, Coach Kris Graulich.

The Dana softball team finished fourth in a tight conference race this spring. Unfavorable weather left the team with virtually no home field advantage and very little outdoor practice time. The Vikings finished 16-19 overall, 11-7 in the NIAC. Under the leadership of two seniors, Keri Hall and Taffy Forsen, and loaded with individual talent, Dana proved they were a team to be reckoned with. They began the season with three wins in Pensacola, Fla. Other highlights included going 4-0 against Doane and winning four games at the NIAC round robin tournament. The season ended with a heart-breaking 5-4 loss to Wesleyan in the conference tournament.

Pitcher Tara Furstenau said, "There were times when we played well but came up short. We had fun and will be much stronger next year." Many players were awarded all-conference honors. First team honorees were Jessi Thomsen and Lisa Cady. Second team honorees included Lisa Shefland, Kari Wetterberg, Sarah Graham and Jen Schneider. Amy Klusmeier, Forsen and Furstenau were honorable mention players.

Scoreboard

Teams	Scores
Midway KY	2-7, 4-3
Cumberland KY	5-6, 0-8
Bluefield WV	13-0, 20-0
Midland	8-1
Columbia MO	1-6
Park MO	2-8
Dakota Wesleyan SD	1-4
Northwest Missouri MO	0-2, 3-8
Doane	3-2, 3-2
Hastings	1-0, 8-6
Midland	5-3
Concordia	3-4, 0-3
Midland	15-4
Northwestern IA	0-12, 0-3
Midland	4-3
Doane	2-1
Concordia	4-14
Hastings	10-4
Northwestern IA	14-0
Nebraska Wesleyan	4-5
Bellevue	3-8, 1-6
Nebraska Wesleyan	1-2, 9-0
Midland	3-4
Doane	9-8
Nebraska Wesleyan	5-6

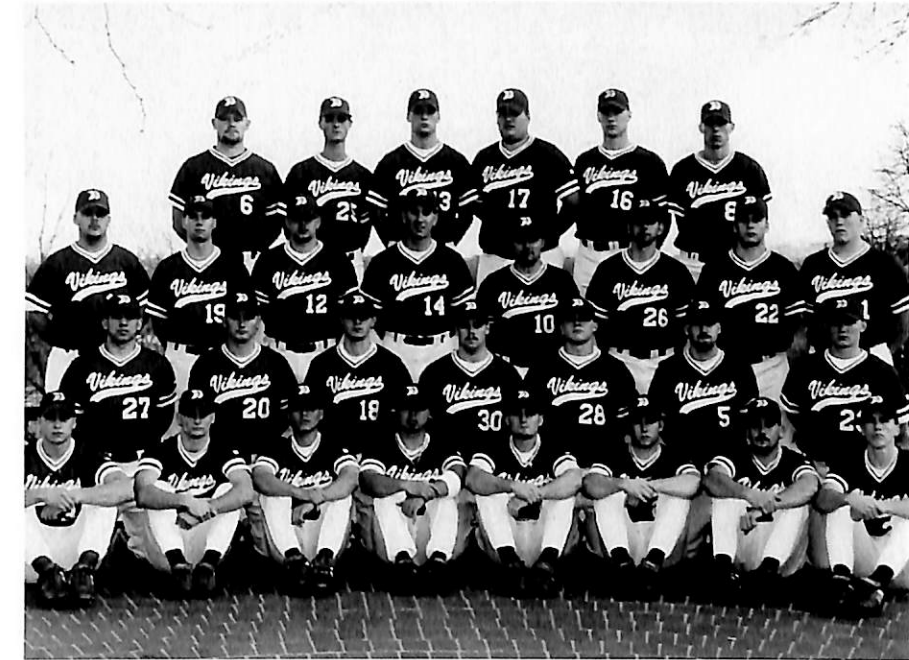


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Baseball



Playing at Peterson Field, the Vikings huddle and get focused before the start of another game.



Front: Tim Podraza, Brett Krebs, Ryane Doi, Kris Nakasone, Phil Blosser, Robert Howell, Artie Sebastian, Adam Christensen. Second: Robert Padilla, Rich Martell, Joe Penucci, Nick Natoli, Kurt Ferguson, Sam Breuklander, Brian Ferguson. Third: Aaron Woodard, Ryan Enright, Jeremy Stueklin, Coach Paul Davis, Coach Scott Shannon, Ryan Boozikee, Matt Kern, Corey Johnson. Back: Tony Eitzmann, Jacob White, Craig Wetterberg, Tommy Cox, Larry Dant, K.C. Tupa.

Keeping a close eye on the ball, Jacob White anticipates the pitch's arrival at the plate.



Scoreboard

Team	Scores
Rockhurst MO	1-4, 2-1
Bethany KS	8-0, 5-2
Rockhurst MO	17-19
Midland	2-10, 3-6
Rockhurst MO	4-7
Concordia	10-6, 9-5
Bellevue	3-13
Doane	4-0, 10-5
Doane	6-2, 7-8
Midland	2-13, 4-2
Northwestern IA	2-5, 14-3
Northwestern IA	10-11, 11-6
Briar Cliff IA	11-10, 17-7
Nebraska	2-16, 4-15
Hastings	9-10, 9-3
Hastings	10-12, 5-7
Concordia	6-1, 14-11
Nebraska Wesleyan	5-23, 12-2
Nebraska Wesleyan	4-8, 5-9

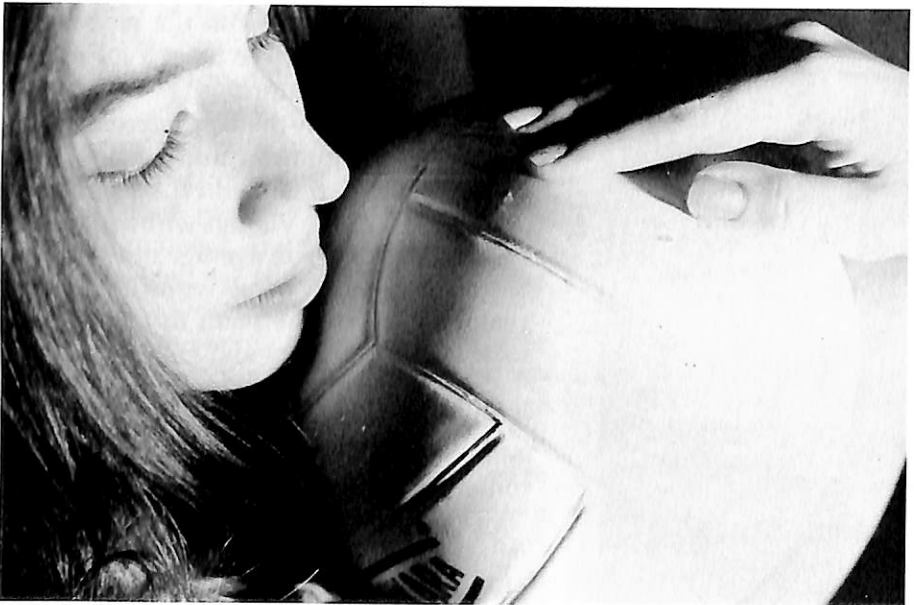
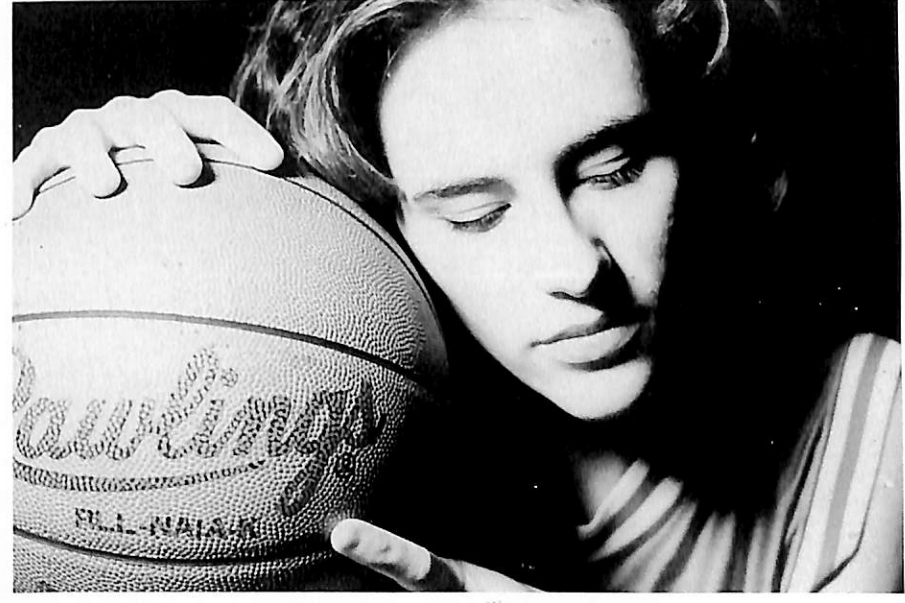
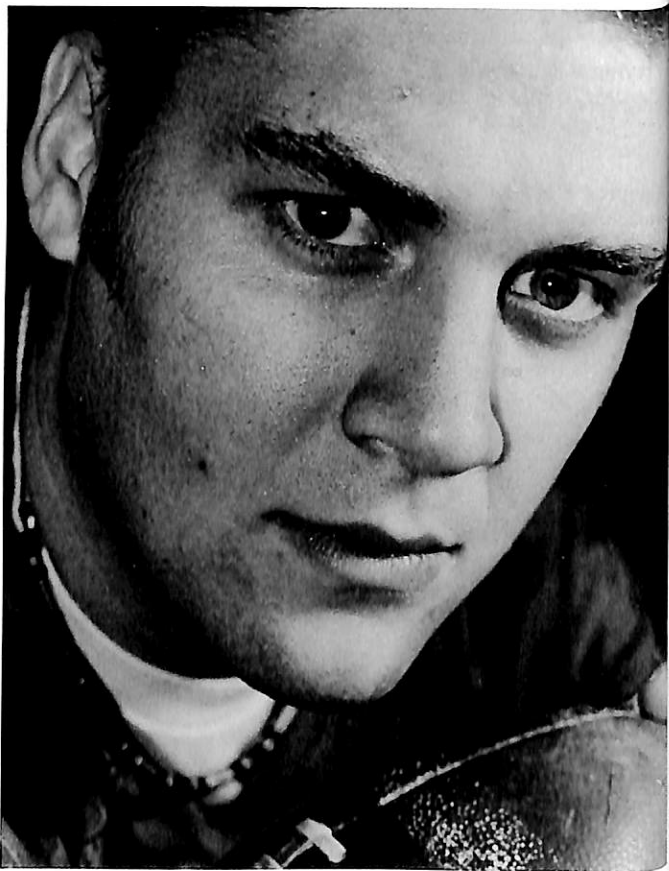
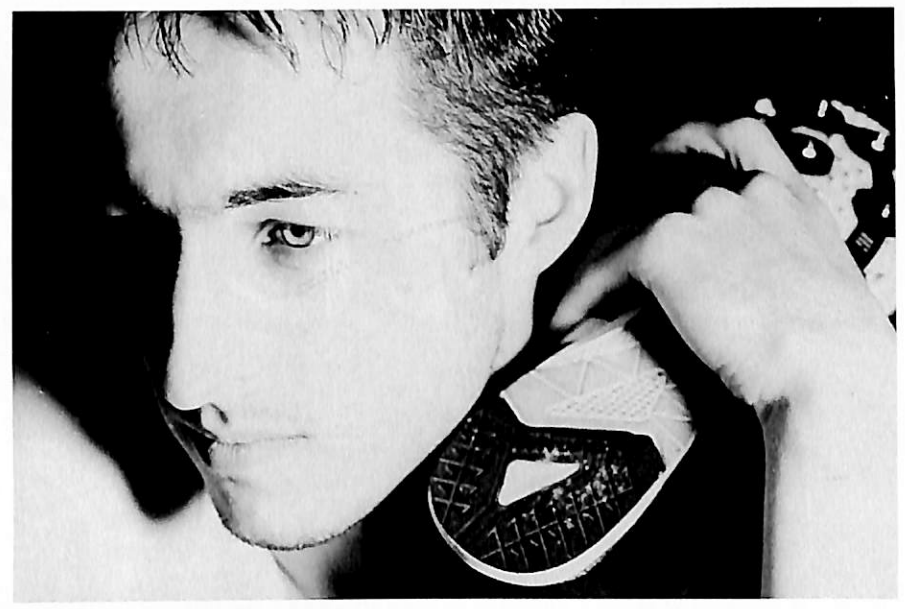
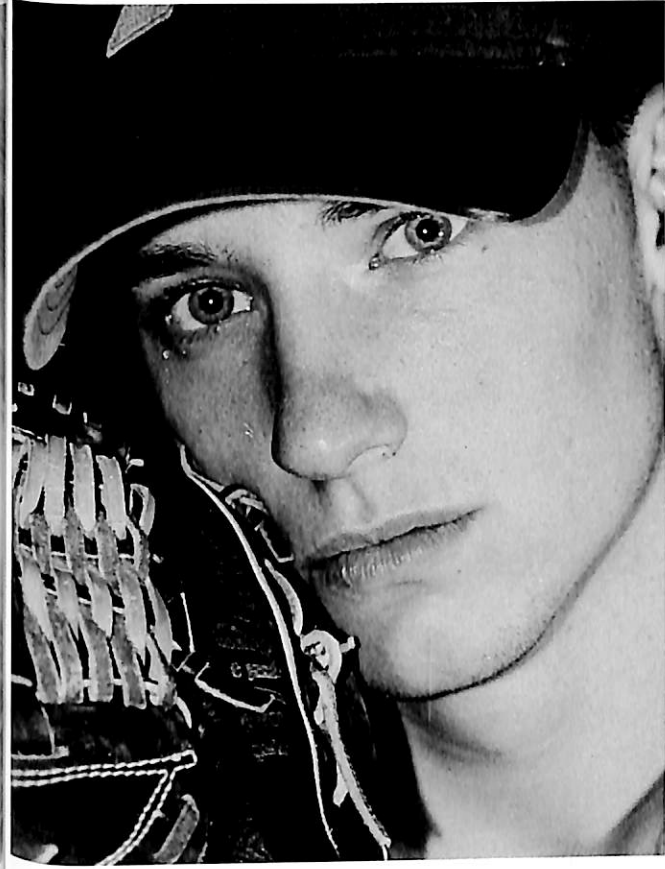
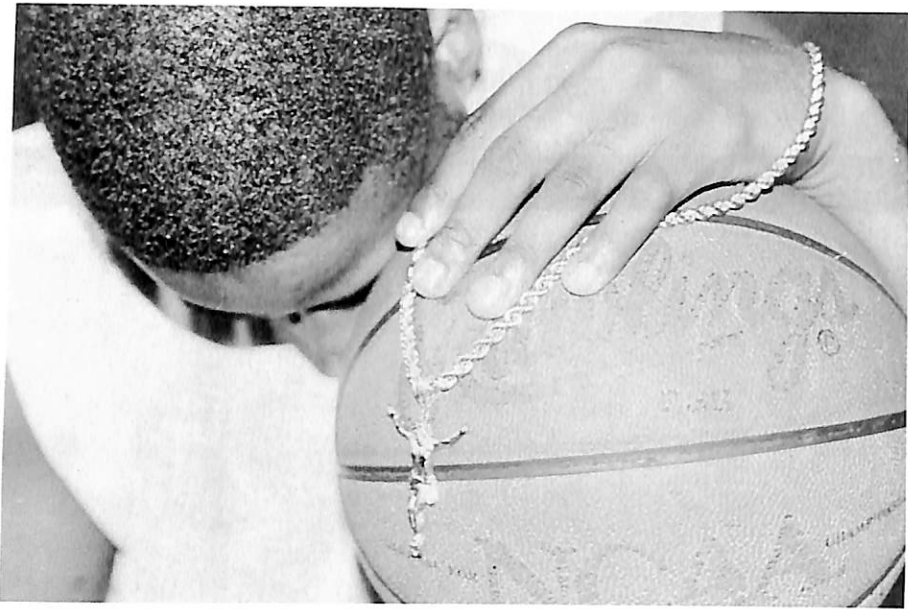
The baseball team persevered through a season where weather was often their toughest opponent. The team ended the year with a 17-18 record and came away from the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference holding fifth place with a 12-12 record.

"It was fun being with the guys," said junior Matt Kern. "We have a lot to look forward to in the future."

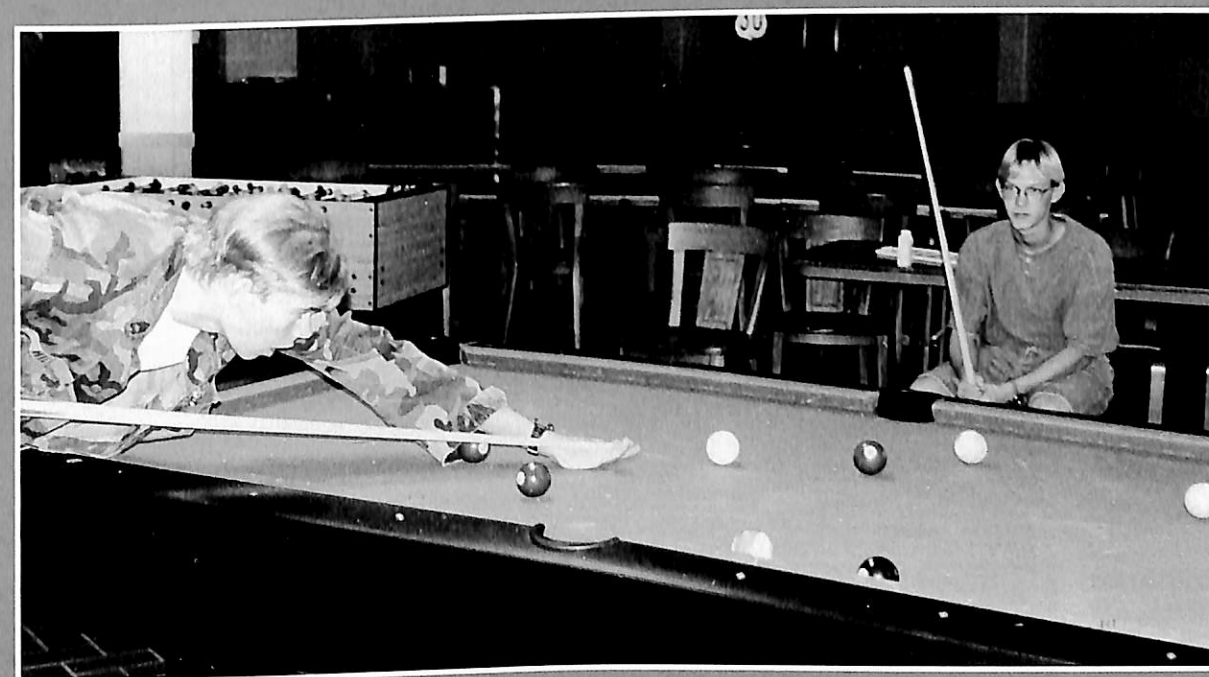
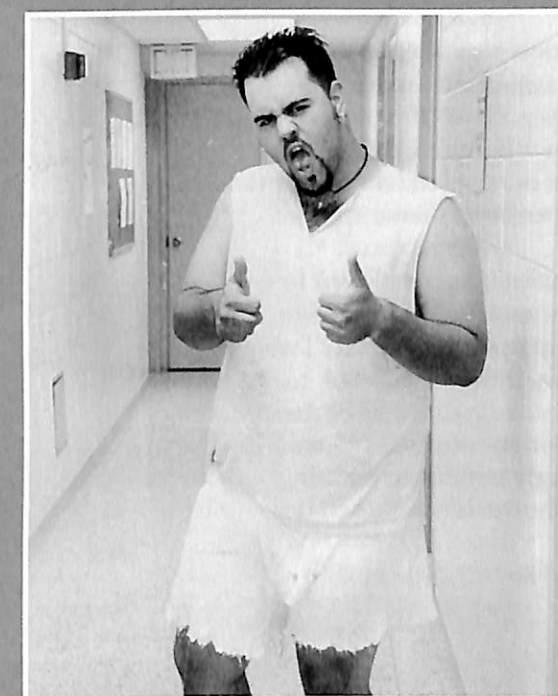
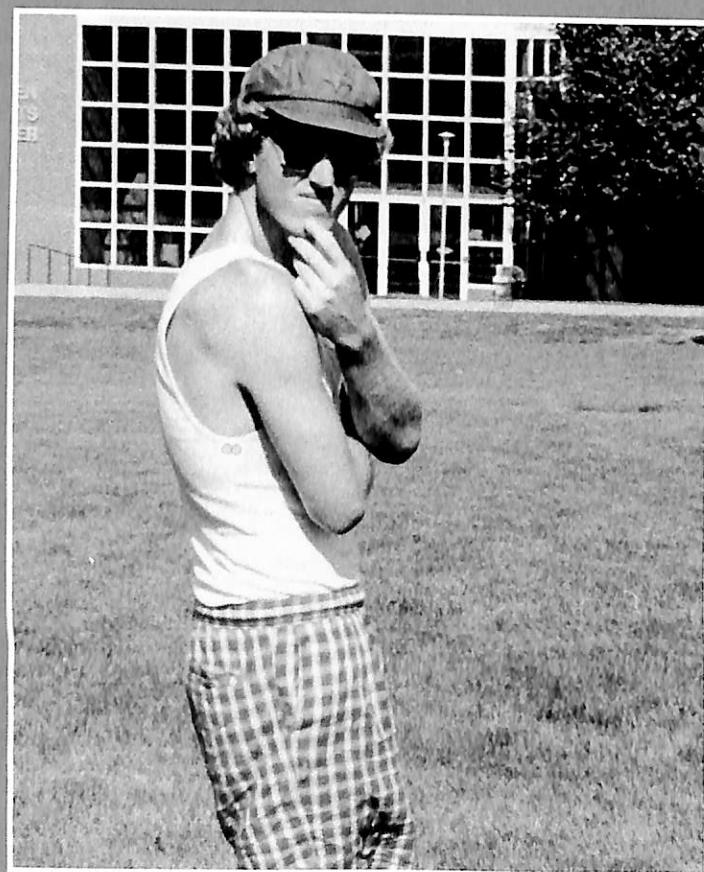
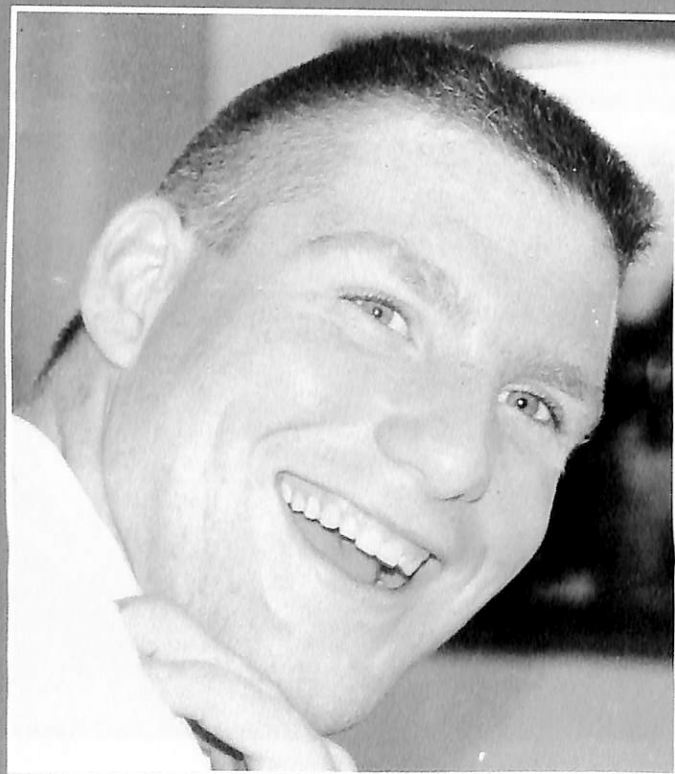
Two players made the all-conference team: juniors Corey Johnson and Rich Martell. Johnson was also named NIAC pitcher of the year. He led the Vikings with a 6-1 record and a 3.67 earned run average in 49 innings. Martell paced the Vikings with a .395 batting average and led the team in triples, runs scored, games played and at bats.

Senior Jacob White, sophomore Ryan Enright, sophomore Joe Penucci and sophomore Tim Podraza were all named to the conference honorable mention team.

Freshman Brett Krebs said the most memorable moment of the season was when Dana played against the Nebraska Cornhuskers in Lincoln. "It was fun playing at Buck Beltzer Field," said Krebs.



Faces



"A smile costs nothing but gives much. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever."

Freshmen

Orientation was a time of excitement, nervousness and new beginnings. The freshman class of '97-98 activated their first experience with Dana College by engaging in four days of new student orientation under the super-hero theme "Viking Power: Activate!"

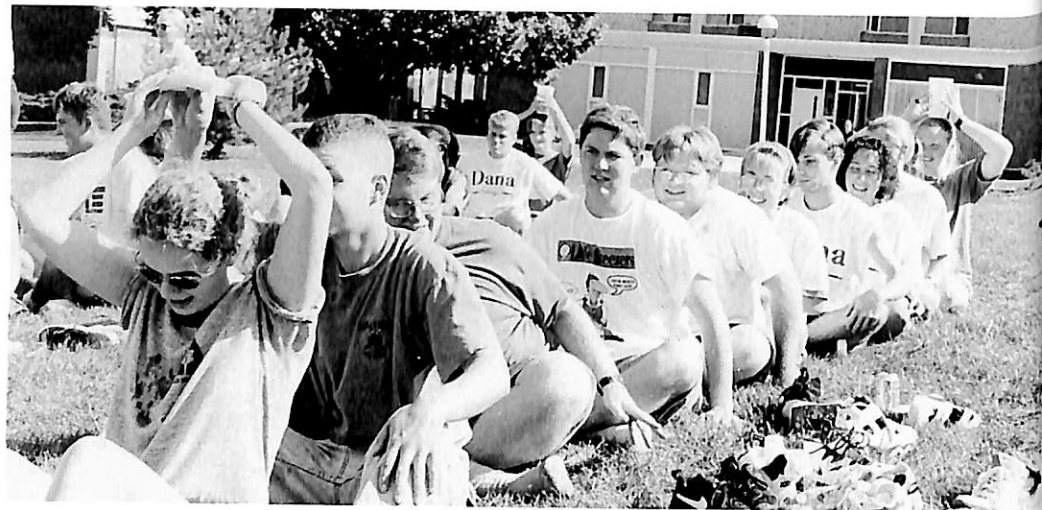
This program was developed to familiarize new students with the college campus, other students and campus life. Twenty-five upperclassmen were selected to be team leaders and were assisted by Barbara Moore, director of orientation. These team leaders went through extensive training so they could help the freshmen in their transition to college life.



Orientation Team Leaders: Front: Dottie Whitehill, Mark Witt, Rachel Hospodka, Theresa Novak, Laurie Grasso, Melissa Dolezal. Second: Sandy Paasch, Sandi Frey, Betsie Wallis, Nikki Kinsey, Becca Plowman, Brian Frahm, Rachel Lochner. Third: David Bossman, Jacob Adolphson, Mark Lepper, Laura Hiebenthal, Matt Haufle, Christina Nutter, Gina Schoening. Back: Chris Sorensen, Lynette Riemersma, Chris Billesbach, Sidsel Raskmark, Mark Knudsen.



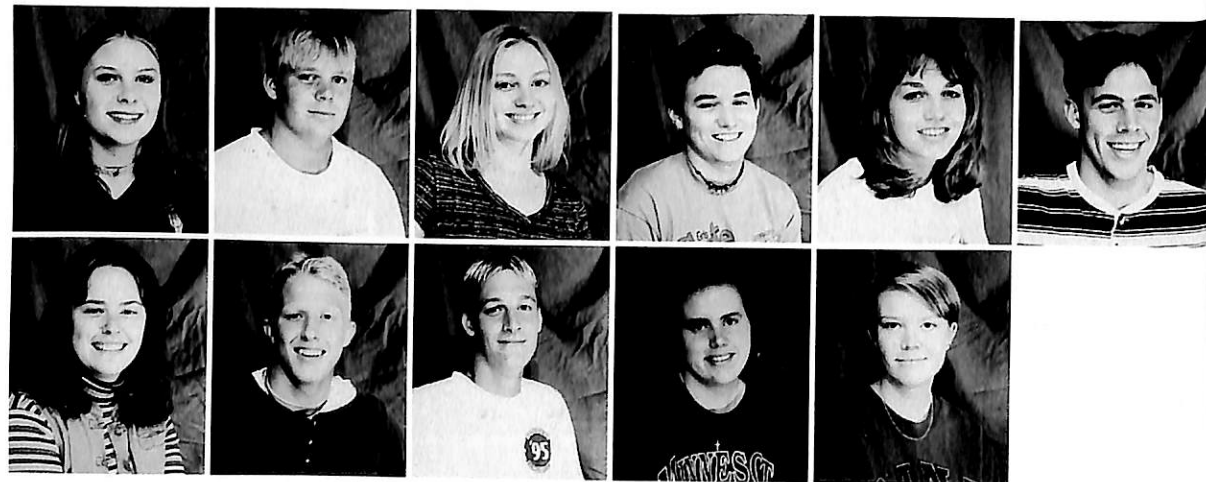
Relieved that she made the catch, Kelly O'Brien tosses the water balloon to a teammate.



Dottie Whitehill and Matt Haufle's orientation team demonstrates brilliant technique in the wet sponge relay during the Orientation Olympics.

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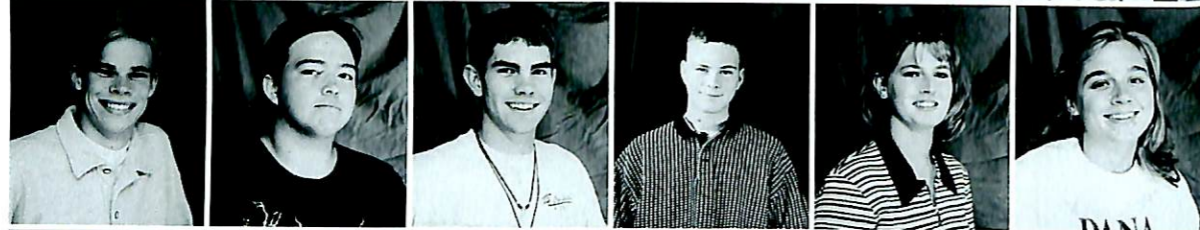
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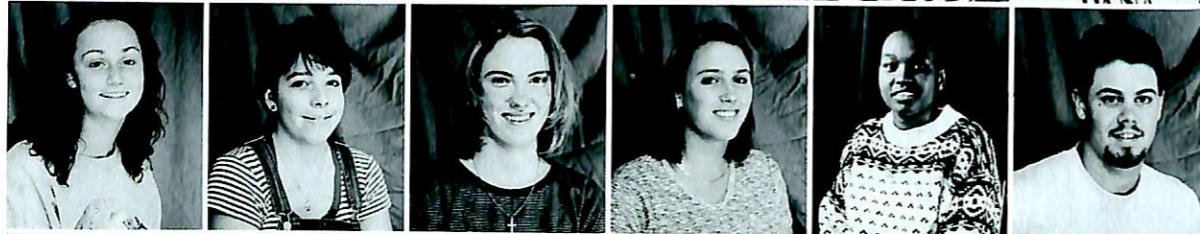
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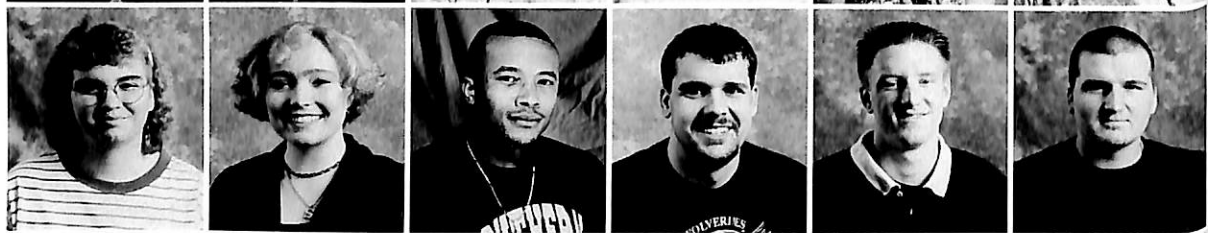
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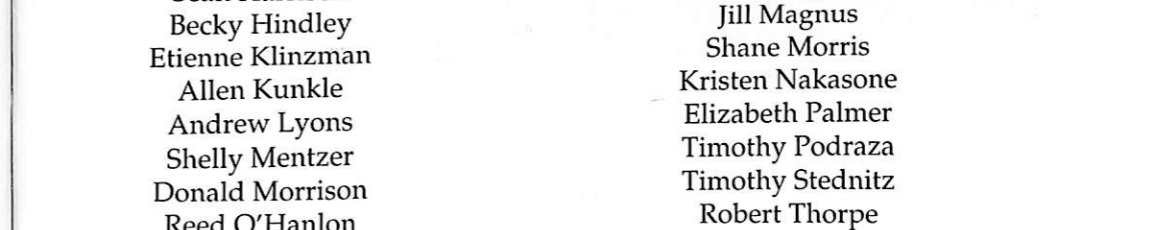
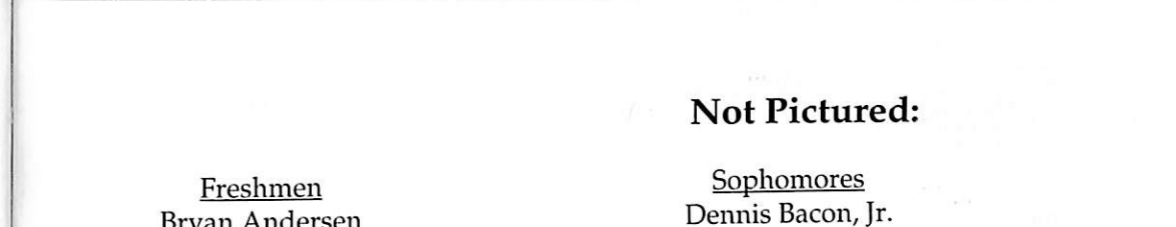
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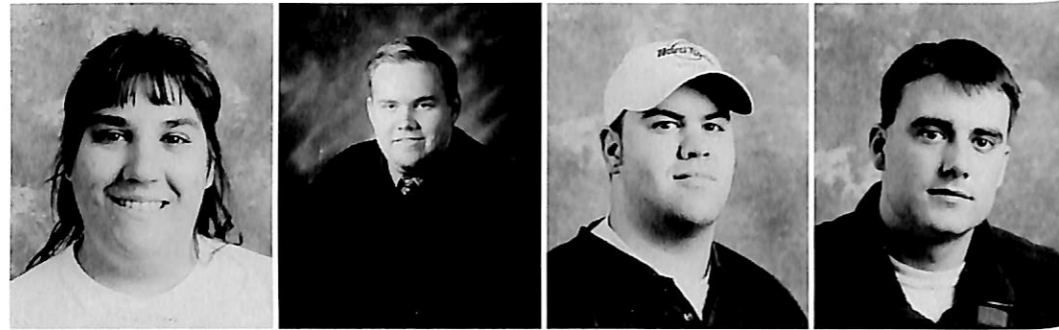
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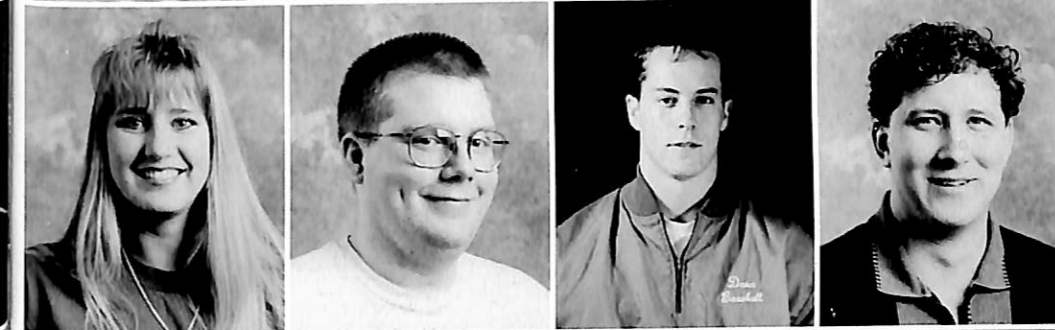
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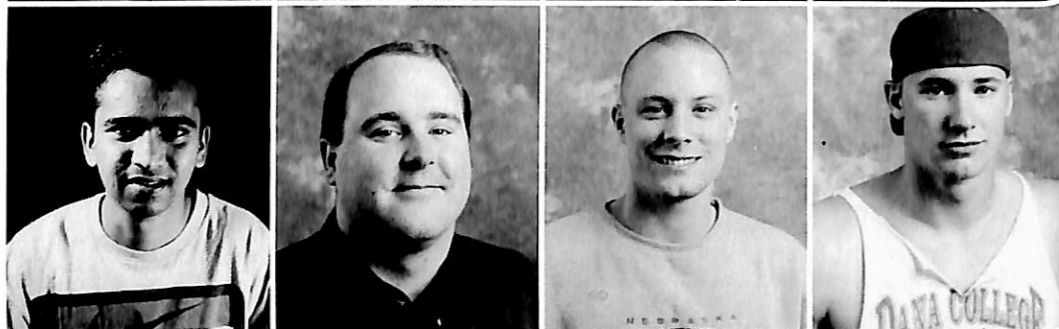
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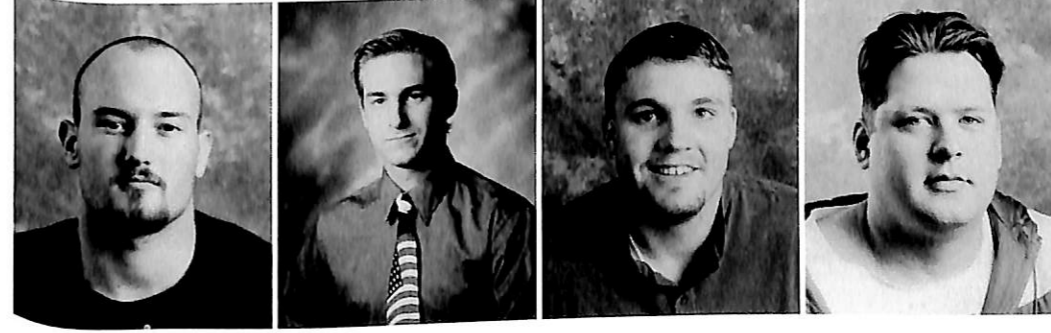
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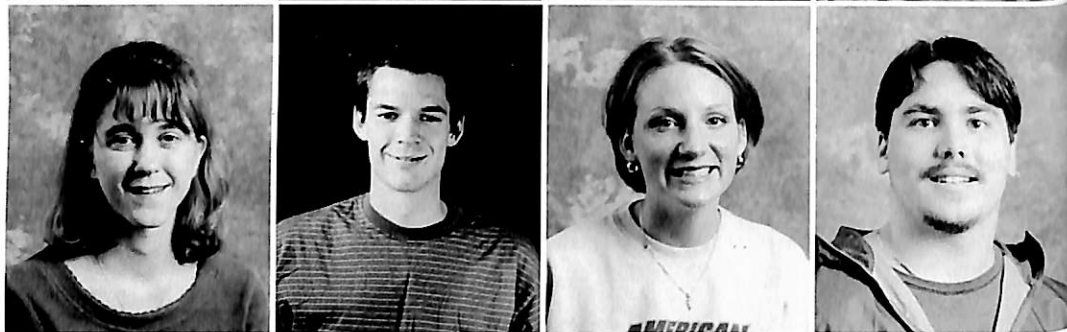


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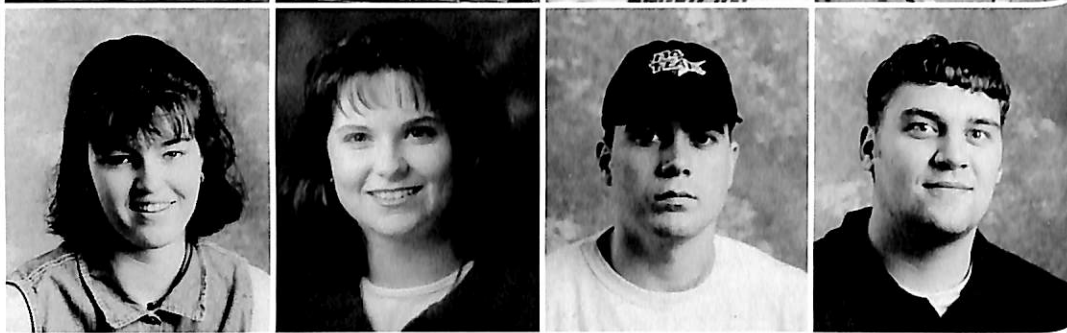
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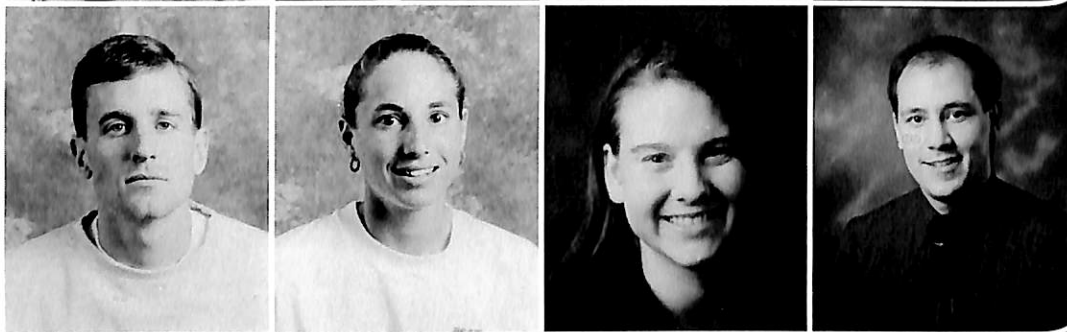
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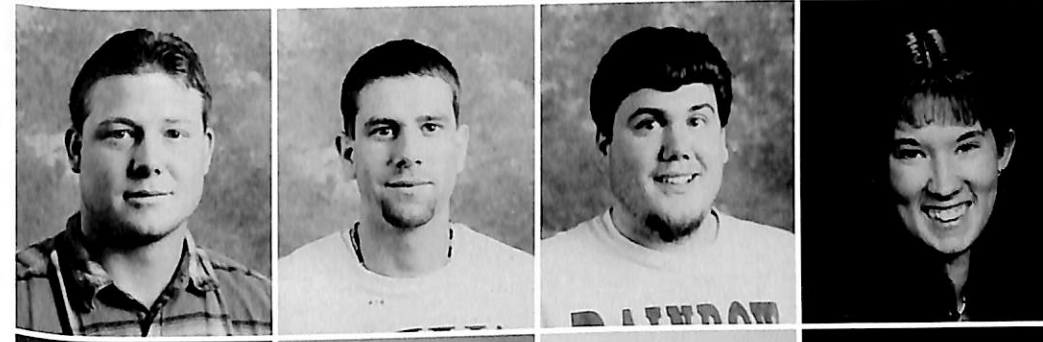
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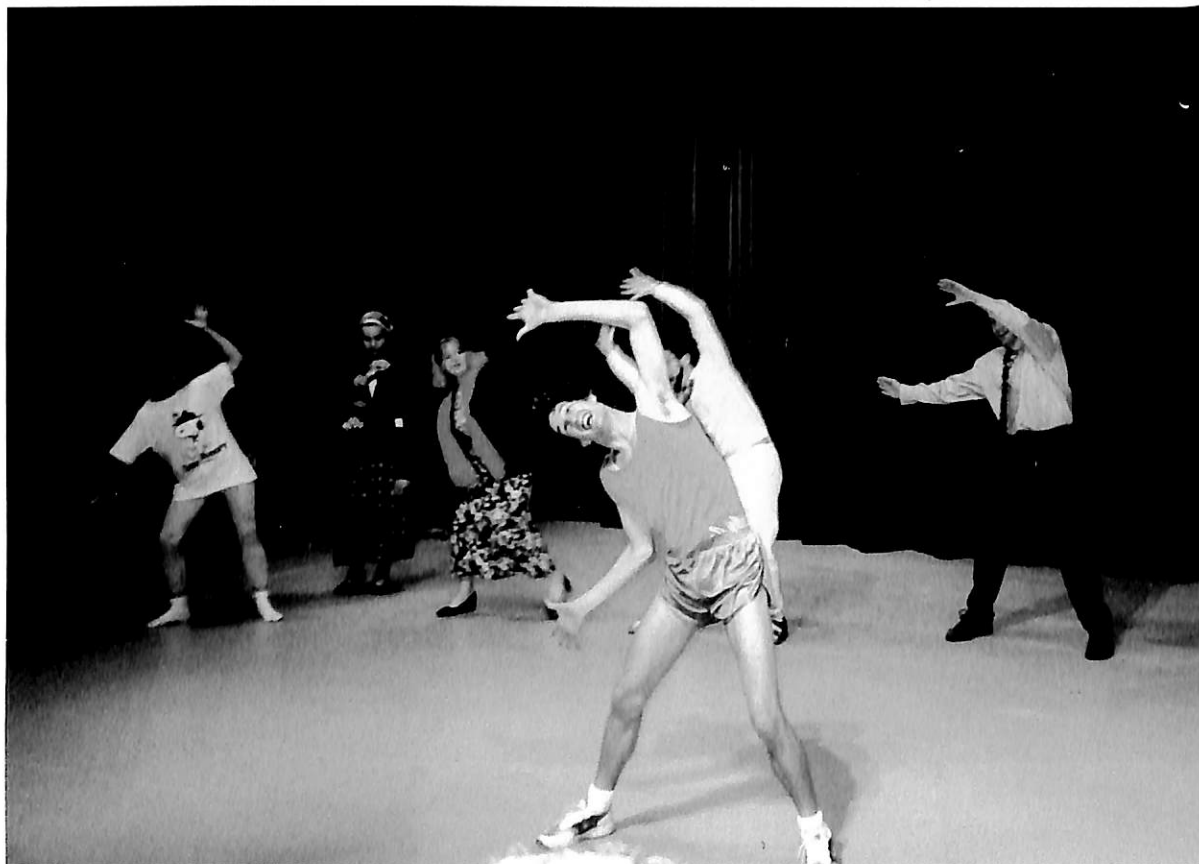
Sara Crawford presents Dr. Richard Jorgensen with a special gift in appreciation for his recycling efforts on campus.



Dr. Kay Ferguson poses after being selected as Professor of the Year by the student body.



Newly elected Senate president Matt Kern congratulates Dr. Dorothy Olson and Dr. Bernard Matthies on the completion of successful careers at Dana.



Richard Simmons (aka Matt Worley) leads the "faculty" in an entertaining version of "Sweatin' to the Oldies" during Faculty-Staff Appreciation.



Several students surprise Dr. Dorothy Olson with a gift and flowers in honor of her retirement during the Faculty-Staff Appreciation.



Dr. Paul Formo thanks Prof. Roger Olson for his years of service as faculty sponsor of the athletic department.

Custodial
David Brown
Norma Kephart
Pat Kuipers
Marilyn Leehy
Louann Lierman
Joan Masters
Dale Matson
Ronda Mauseth
Gene Nielsen
Robert Pearson
Dale Rudningen
Don Seeley
Dennis Shipley
Denise Veeder

Institutional Advancement
Keiko Allen
Anne Christopherson
Ruth Henneman
Michael Jones
Jim Jorgensen
Joan Krogh
Susan Olsen

Forum
Esther Gunderson

Grounds
Ted Bansen
Tom Jackson

Health Services
Patti Nielsen

Information
Lorraine Hansen
Bonnie Petersen

Learning Center
Lori Nielsen

Library
Mary Bacon
Marian Doicin
JoAnn Hohensee
Sharon Jensen
Tom Nielsen
Dorothy Willis

Maintenance
William Collingwood
Don Newsome
Terry Stodola
David Whitmore

Security
Ernest Barron
Clark Cowing
William Dawson
Brenda Muhs
JoNel Oerman
Warren Reeh

Counselors
David Hoppe
Diane Nickeson-Ray

Art/Graphic Design
Julie Adair
Milton Heinrich
Jim Olsen
Gregg Pejsar
Starla Stensaas
Gina Tolstedt

Athletics
Ted Arndt
Ronald Beaman
Jay Birmingham
Jason Branigan
Shaun Brothers
Larry Brown
Paul Davis
Joan Foley
Kathy Foley
Theresa Gramke
Kristine Graulich
Jennifer Haralson
Carol Haussermann
Dave Jensen
John King
Rondel Korbelik
Julie Krofcheck-Strong
Jim Krueger
Mark Kwikkel
Shawn Lorenzen
Wendy Michael
Sandi Mitchell
Andreana Robinson
Jason Shannon
Jim Simpson
Craig Stern
Brett Williams

Business/Economics
Michael Doyle
Frances Mallory
David Miller
Leon Milobar
Robert Moussetis
Gilbert Ragan

Communication
Sieghard Krueger
Mary McComb
Chris Mommsen
Vern Wirka

Education/Psychology
Kay Ferguson
Bernard Matthies
Don Meredith
Carol Mitchell
Dorothy Olson
Laura Ronning
Christine Schnieders
Carol Sudduth

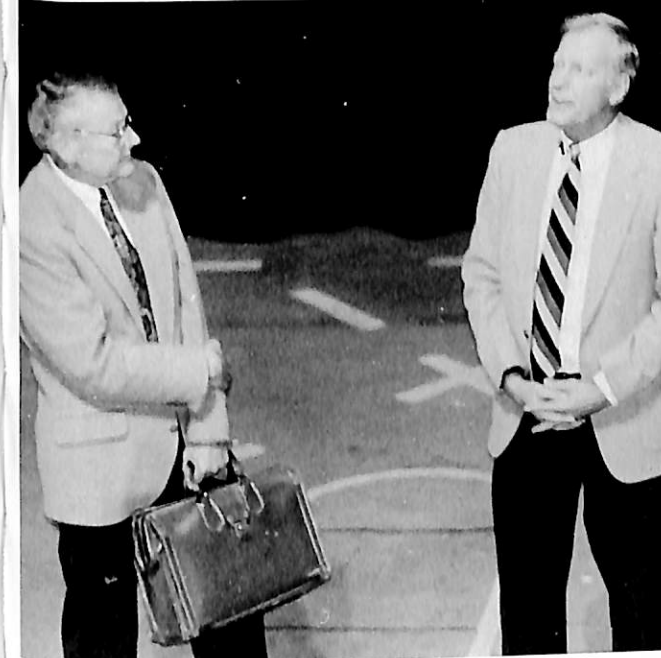
Phaculty

Every four years, faculty and staff make complete fools of themselves for student entertainment.....



After staggering to MFAC, Duey Heffelfinger explains the troubles with water in the computer lab to Carla Andersen.

Vern Wirka's puppet wants a kiss, but Megan Cosgrove isn't sure she wants to comply!



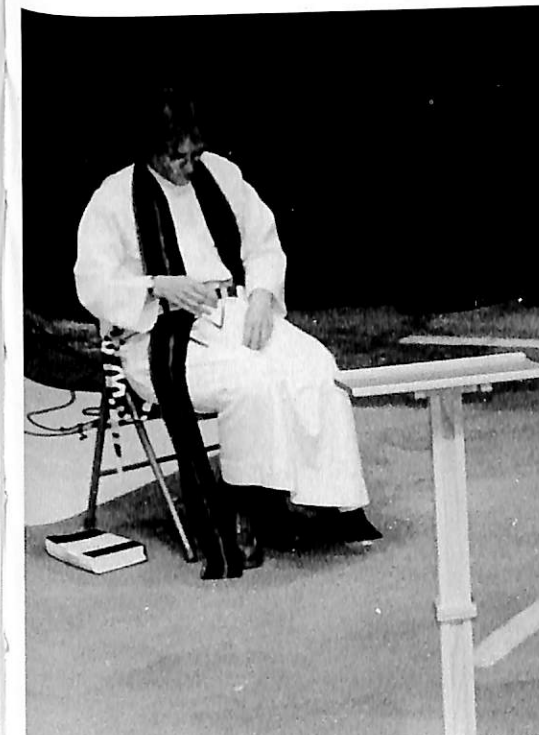
No matter how much Jim Jorgensen flatters his brother, Richard refuses to give away his Bud Light.



Robert Moussetis poses as an incoming freshman trying to determine his class schedule.



Dave Jensen leads a typical LARP group on an early Thursday morning.



When no one shows for morning chapel, Pastor Joanne Richmond tries to entertain herself.



Strike up the band! President Christopherson leads the crew in a rousing version of the Dana fight song.

Phollies

this year was no exception.

English
Alan Bone
Joan Bucy
Kathleen McSharry
John Mark Nielsen
Ernst Niemann
Paul Schneider
Curt Siemers
Gina Wagner

History
Richard Jorgensen
Harris Payne
Matthew Plowman
Donald Warman

Language
Sybille Bartels
Diana Brown
Nyunda Rubango
Dorte Staermose

Math/Science
Kathleen Cook
Carla Delucchi
Susan Hoffman
Kevin Kattner
Therese Michels
Scott Morgan
Roger Olson
Jerry Provencher
Jeff Solheim
Larrie Stone

Music
Michael Anderson
Jeff Baron
Stephen Bouma
Judy Collicott
William Hall
Peggy Holloway
Jeanmarie Nielsen
Jon Novak
Solveig Nyberg-Akert
Richard Palmer
Paul Parker

Religion
Clifford Hanson
Delvin Hutton
Mark Levy
John Lyden

Social Work/Multicultural
Don Fanon' Chaney-Thomas
Franklin Jenson
John McClain
Jan Potter
Richard Potter
Ruth Sather
Suzanne Smith
Lou Ann Stednitz
Frank Taylor

Graduation

Class of 1998

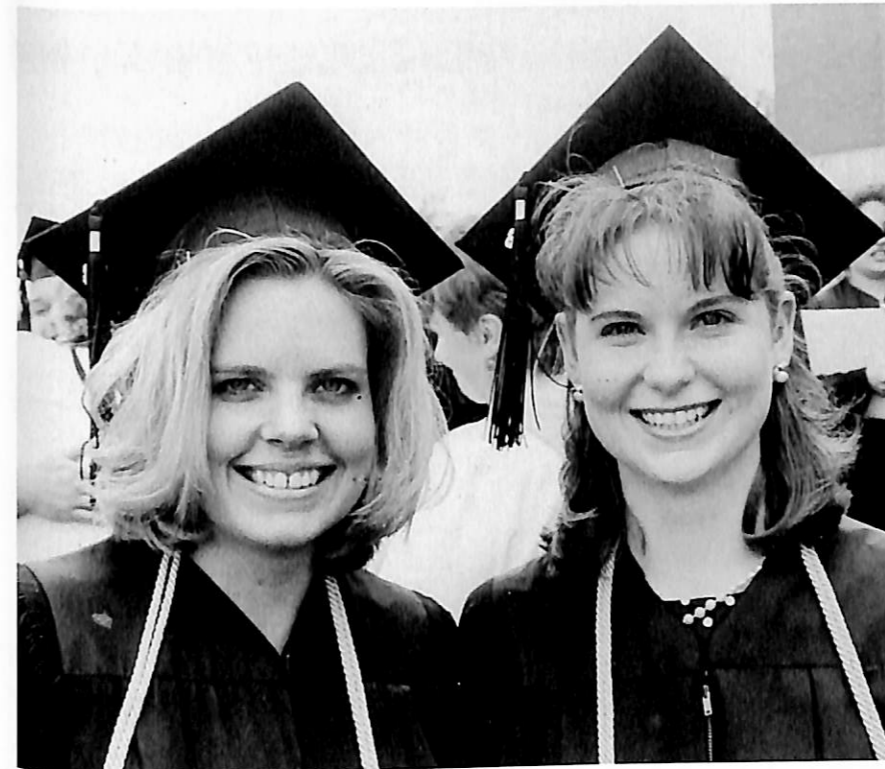
On Sunday, May 24, graduation exercises began in the morning with Baccalaureate in Borup Coliseum. The presiding minister was Pastor Joanne Richmond and special music was provided by Becca Plowman and Barry Anderson. Shortly before the beginning of commencement in the afternoon, the annual procession of faculty and graduates could be seen slowly making its way across campus from Pioneer Memorial to Borup. The Class of 1998 included 116 graduates and of those seniors, four were named valedictorians: Marnie Jensen, Michael Klug, Eric Krystof and Danielle Larson Weaver. Jensen was also the class speaker. This year's class produced the first students to graduate as Morton Scholars, Valerie Bensen and Sonya Weber. Also during the ceremony, three retiring professors were granted emeritus status: Dr. Bernard Matthies, Dr. Dorothy Olson and Roger Olson. Following the ceremony, graduates and their families were invited to the Kaffebord, an informal reception held in "The Circle" between Borup Coliseum and the Campus Center.



1998 Valedictorians: Michael Klug, Eric Krystof, Danielle Larson Weaver, Marnie Jensen.



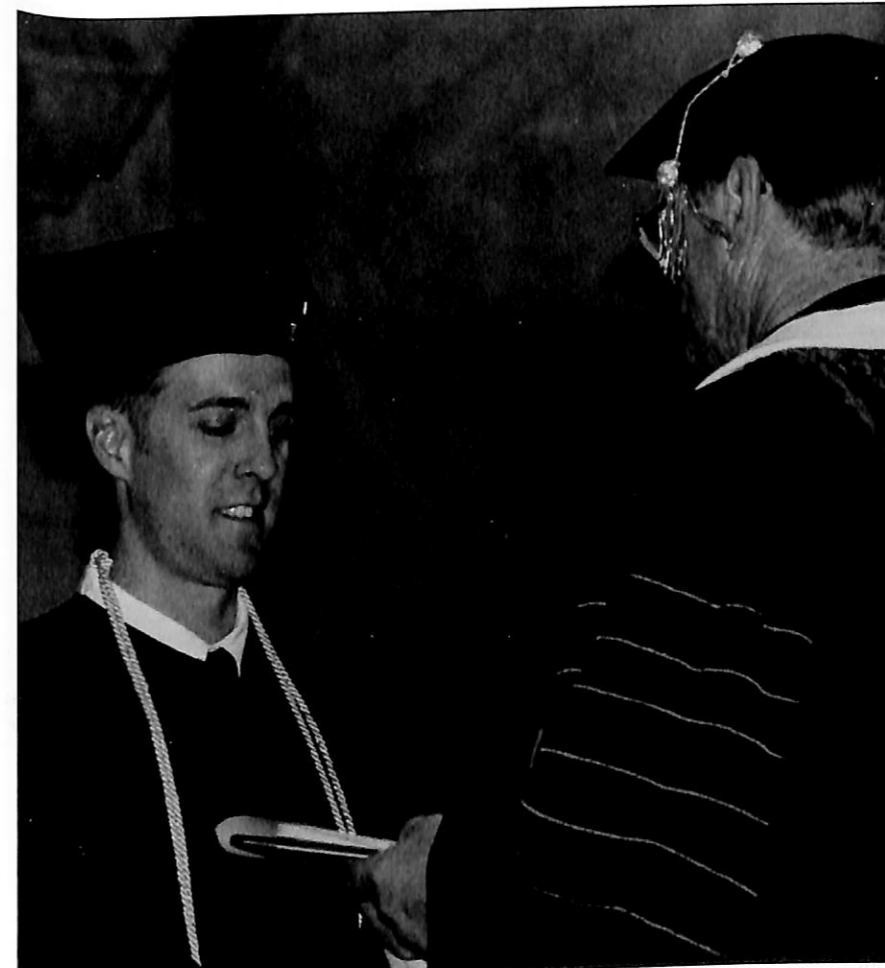
Members of the Class of 1998 make their final journey across campus as Dana College students.



Tricia TeSelle and Denecia Siemers look excited to begin payment on their college loans now that they have diplomas in hand.



Terra Schmidt uses her mortarboard to express her gratitude to her biggest supporters.



And the moment we've all been waiting for...Ryan Jacobsen takes his turn and receives his diploma from Dr. Myrvin Christopherson.



Choosing to be a nonconformist, Jason Sanders selected a hat a little different than the traditional mortarboard.

Special Thanks to:

Mary McComb

Carrie Larkins

Barry Anderson

Charlie Janssen

Paul Clark

Jay Anderson and Jostens

....and all of you who helped us
in your own special way

*“Look backward with gratitude and
forward with confidence.”*