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Classroom Bash

by Michele Feikema

The Classroom Building was transformed from the site of lectures and exams last Friday night to an entertainment center for the Homecoming's Classroom Bash.

Activities occupied students from 8:30 until 1:45, under the direction of Jim De Young and the Homecoming committee.

The comedy by Blake Edwards, "The Return of the Pink Panther" starring Peter Sellers and Burt Kwouk, was shown at both 8:30 and 10:30 in C160.

Games such as Outburst and JENGA were scattered throughout the building on leave from the game library of the SUB.

Phil Jongejan was the D.J. of the dance in the New World Theater, while the SUB Club was set up in C107.

De Young, who was in charge of this year's Homecoming activities, commented that he was somewhat disappointed in the turnout of around 180 students, considering the efforts of the committee members. Poor attendance was somewhat due to the Blade's hockey game in Worthington and an off-campus dance.

Heading the committee was Angela Walstra. Other members include Jared Johnson, Kari Meyer, Phil Jongejan, Dave Van Belle, Becky Gorter, Mike Van De Griend and Leah Schreurs.



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Faculty and students alike enjoyed the quiz bowl

Faculty dominates quiz bowl

by Michele Feikema

Sounds of laughter and cheering echoed through room S101 last Wednesday night while this year's Quiz Bowl participants competed.

The three teams consisted of one representation of the faculty and two from the student body. Faculty team members were Prof. Grotenhuis, Prof. Zwart and Jackie Williams. Kim, Dawn and John Bakker formed a team, while Kristen Vande Griend, Nick Breems and

Jonathon Eerkes participated on another.

Prof. Koekkoek and Mrs. Hulst served as Quizmasters of the event, enforcing the rules and asking the questions. Jim De Young clocked the participants and kept score.

Questions were from five different categories: History/Geography, Arts/Literature, Science, Popular Culture and Sports/Leisure. "What kind of animal is Gonzo on the Muppet

see QUIZ BOWL, p. 12

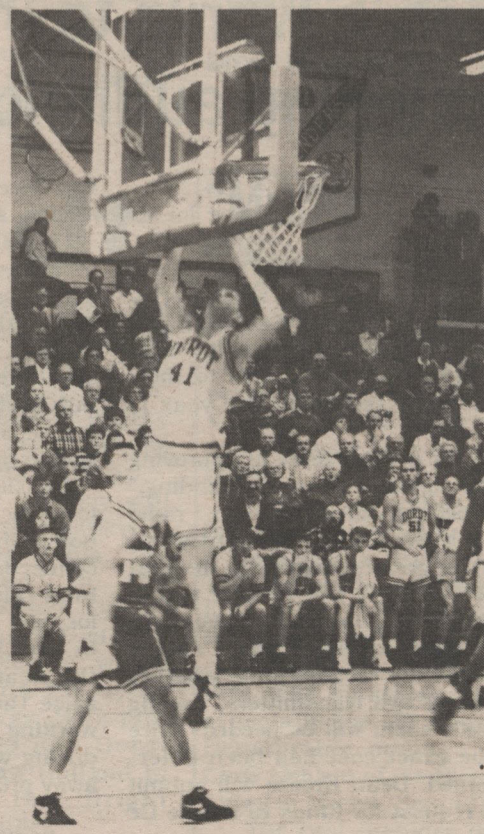


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5-4-1 sang their way to a first place finish.
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Coming next issue . . .

- ❖ Murder in the Cathedral will soon be playing. You'll find a review in the next *Diamond*.
 - ❖ Check out sports for the **Basketball** post-season games. Meanwhile, the **track team** continues with its season—you can get all the details here.
 - ❖ Find out what our various columnists are discussing, in the **Free Press, Equal Time and On the Fence**.
 - ❖ Take a look at **Students Say** for a snapshot of students' ideas on various issues on campus.
- Look for these articles and much more in the Mar. 11 *Diamond*!**



(right)
The Defenders did their part to make the 1993 Homecoming exciting when they came up with a win over Dana Saturday. Turn to Sports, p. 10 - 11 for details of the win, as well as the Defenders' other games.

Intervarsity members serve poor at banquet

by Juli Kelderman

Twelve members of the Intervarsity mission group helped serve a meal last Saturday at the Banquet in Sioux Falls, S.D. For an hour and a half, the students served sandwiches, soup, fruit salad, bars and milk to over 200 people. A few others entertained the children of those waiting in line, but all of them had a chance to interact with those who came for the meal.

The Banquet is an organization that tries to be more than just a soup kitchen. In addition to serving a meal, it strives to "instill a sense of dignity."

"Rather than preach at them from the Word of God, the Banquet tries to become the Word of God," explained Lisa Jonkman,

one of the servers.

Those who came for the free meal were generally lower-income families, single-parent families and homeless people, but anyone was allowed to come. They dined in a decorated hall with long rows of tables, creating an atmosphere of a banquet. On this particular day, all women also received a free rose.

Early in the month, the Banquet generally serves around 200 people, but as the end of the month nears and food stamps run out, that number doubles. Many area businesses often donate various goods like food or clothing to the Banquet for distribution.

The majority of the students worked in the serving lines, dishing out food and pouring milk.

However, all three males in the group worked in the "kid's room," a small room attached to the main hall where everyone waited in line. Nate Schreur, Brian Huseland, Marc Andreas and a student from Augustana College entertained the children with games, puzzles, coloring and various other activities. "They really wore us out, but it was a great time," said Andreas.

The highlight for most of the students was sitting down to eat and talk with the people. Many were very open and willing to share interesting stories. "I learned how much we take for granted... and how happy we can be without material things," said Laura Kuiper after talking with various individuals. "They were so thankful for the Banquet."

PLIA prepares for spring break

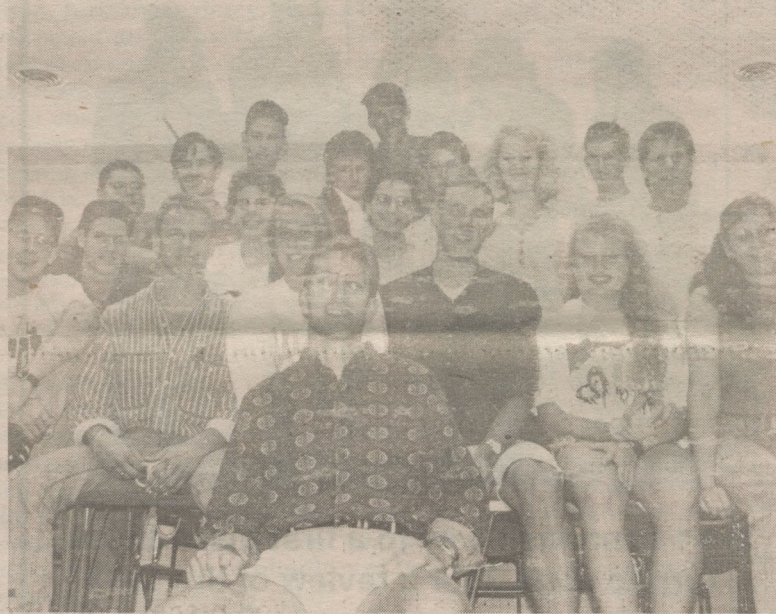
by Dawn Bakker

In an effort to make PLIA (Putting Love Into Action) more than a one-time experience, seven volunteers recently helped a Habitat for Humanity project in Sioux Falls, S.D. Mark Van Drunen, Mavis Runia, Ron Breukelman, Jeff De Boer, Melanié Schiebout and Henry Fousert spent Sat., Feb. 13, sanding window frames and working on the walls of a house intended to be sold later.

This weekend, PLIA members will attend a retreat at Faith CRC. The purpose of the retreat, as organizer Jack Soodsma says, is for individual groups to get to know each other and the group as a whole. Various tasks will be assigned, and the weekend will also involve some cross-cultural orientation. Pastor Dan De Groot from Edgerton, MN will be the speaker. The weekend is very important for anyone who will be involved with PLIA during the spring break, and Soodsma says, "Be there or I'll be a bear!"

This year students will travel to six places. Steve Brandsma and Lisa Van Denend will lead the group going to Cary, MS. Mendenhall, MS, will be served by a group led by Tim Bootsma and Henk Wildeboer. Jeff Kopaska and Kirk Vander Pol will lead a group to Roseland Ministries in Chicago, and Travis Hanenburg and Dave Van Belle will head the team in Inez, KY. The Vicksburg group will be led by Mike Vande Voort and Mark Van Drunen, while the group going to Nashville Urban Ministries (a new location for PLIA this year) will be headed by Soodsma and George Vander Beek.

As for the Habitat for Humanity project, another trip may be organized in the near future for others interested in going.



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Students are working on expanding K-ICE's listening area

K-ICE works to increase listening audience

by Juli Kelderman

Plans are taking shape for K-ICE to be heard campus-wide. Though a good deal of paperwork remains, the student-run radio club hopes East Campus residents and those in the SUB will be able to tune in to their broadcasts before the year is over.

"It's not the issue of approving the signal. It's just the funding," explained Jared Johnson, radio club president. Presently, K-ICE's greatest barrier is the cost of installing the needed transmitters. Johnson expects an engineer to assess East Campus this week to determine whether one or two transmitters, costing \$900 each, will be needed. Once the exact cost has been determined, Dean Kroeze will submit a request for funds to Bernie De

Wit, Vice President for Business Affairs.

The station also plans to broadcast in the game room and snack bar. The cost should be minimal, however, since they hope to use the amplifiers and speakers already owned by the Sub Club. The connection merely needs to be made with East Hall to bring in the signal.

The club has a variety of ideas to repay the cost for the installation of the transmitter(s) and the connection to the SUB. The first fund-raiser is a dance planned for next month. They also hope to have K-ICE apparel to sell in the near future. They plan to raise the price of ads and are working on a promotional week during which they hope to give away prizes from their sponsors.

News shorts

by Shelley Westerhof

Defenders of Life keeping busy

Apr. 3 is the date of the annual pancake dinner fundraiser and the Pro-Life Rally. Also, Gianna Jensen, teenage abortion survivor, will share her hope and love for God through music in Sioux City on Mar. 11. For information and/or tickets, call Melanie Fisher before March 1.

"Mississippi Burning" to be shown

See the Academy Award winning film "Mississippi Burning" Fri. evening in C160. Showtimes are at 6:30 PM and 9:00 PM. The film, starring Gene Hackman and Willem Dafoe, portrays two FBI agents with contrasting styles investigating a politically explosive case of the mysterious disap-

pearance of three civil rights workers in a small Mississippi town.

Students invited to debate Middle East issues

Volunteers are needed to participate in the Model Arab League to be held at Northwestern College, Mar. 11 through 13. Participants will debate critical world issues related to the Middle East. Interested persons should call Professor Krygsma.

Faculty members display art

Joanne Alberda and Jacob Van Wyk, art faculty members, have put together a display of weaving, ceramics, drawings, and lithographs which can be seen in the gallery.

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1993 Talent Extravaganza

Show features acts ranging from comedy to drama and music

by Val Ruter

Nearly 22 acts performed by 70 participants in Dordt's Talent Extravaganza entertained a packed house Sat. night, Feb. 20, in the chapel. Students waited outside locked doors for up to an hour in a blizzard that dumped several inches of snow on Northwest Iowa. But the wait paid off once the show began.

The acts of the 13th annual show included vocal performances, instrumental music, a monologue, drama, comedy, and dance. In addition, Host Kent Rynders and Hostess Sharon Vanderkruk interjected their own brand of humor into the three-hour event. "I was kind of scared to do it," said Vanderkruk of her hostess job, "but I had a lot of fun. It was a really good show to work with because it had good variety, and audience response was great."

Simon du Toit, one of the judges and a newcomer to Dordt homecoming, agreed. "I think the response from the community was fantastic. In the middle of a snowstorm there were people hanging from the rafters," he said. "You couldn't have fit another warm body in the place."

Others serving as judges were Nancy Meendering, alumna; Karen De Mol, faculty member; Jared Johnson and Cyndi Keen, students. According to De Mol, judging the competition was no simple task. "There were no duds. There weren't one or two acts that really stood out with the rest being just mediocre,"

she said. "The quality of the show was very consistent. We wished that we could award more prizes."

The judges picked four prize-winning acts using a 30-point scale on the basis of three criteria: audience response, quality of performance, and stage presentation. Receiving Most Original Act was CWA (Caucasians With Attitudes). The group's members were Chad Nibbelink, Dave Van Essen, Chris Hull, Nolan Ver Steeg and Mike Plasier, who harmonized on a song written by Nibbelink. CWA was the first act of the show, and the group succeeded in getting the evening off to a great start.

The third place act was entitled "Can You Handle Dance to Handel?," a brightly-clad, six-person dance troupe. Those dancing in this number were Standish De Vries, Bev Doppenberg, Dan Ruiter, Chris Hull, Becky Sanford and Tina Van Kooten. De Vries also choreographed the performance.

Judges awarded second place to Love Story, a vocal and drama presentation complete with eerie lighting effects. This act featured a scene from The Phantom of the Opera, with Christina Breems playing the heroine and De Vries as the phantom.

Winning first place in the show was the a cappella quintet 5-4-1, featuring Randy Groen on lead vocals, Todd Zuidema, Harold Wieringa, Gene Vis and Larry Vande Kamp. The group sang "Kiss Him Goodbye," a



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MC's Kent Rynders and Sharon Vanderkruk had as much fun as the audience during the Talent Extravaganza. They smoothly coordinated three hours of a wide variety of student acts. See page 6 for more photos.

song they sang at high school assemblies in Florida during their Concert Choir tour this past Christmas break. "It always brought a good crowd response, so we thought we'd sing it for the talent show," said Vande Kamp. "We didn't enter to win. We just thought it would be fun."

The quintet also had fun with the crowd. Dressed as street people, the guys placed a hat upside down on the stage, ready for any and all donations. The

stunt earned the group well over five dollars in change. "We didn't know that many people would chuck 'em so hard," laughed Vande Kamp.

Although the judges had to pick a top act, everyone agreed there were really no losers in this year's show. "The division between first and third place was about one vote," said student judge Johnson. "It was absolutely nuts. I wouldn't want to make that call again."

Talent Show Results:

1st place: 5-4-1

2nd place: Love Story

3rd place: Can you handle dance to Handel?

Most original Act: CWA (Caucasians With Attitude)



Van Soelen and Van Vuuren practice for recital.

Recitals at Dordt

by Mavis Runia

Dordt College Senior Thomas Van Soelen and Junior Lisa Van Vuuren will perform a recital of organ and violin music this Friday at 8 PM in the chapel auditorium.

Highlights of Van Soelen's organ portion of the program will include "Final" from Symphony No. 1 by Vierne and "Drop, Drop, Slow Tears" by Persichetti. A highlight of Van Vuuren's violin repertoire will be the first movement of Mendelssohn's "Violin Concerto."

Dordt faculty members Richard Bogenrief and Lori Thomas will be performing a joint trumpet and bassoon

recital on March 8, at 8 PM in the chapel auditorium.

Bogenrief, Dordt's trumpet instructor, received a Bachelor's degree from the University of Iowa and a Master's degree in music from the University of South Dakota. He then spent 21 years as a performer with the United States Army Band in Washington, D.C. Since 1991, Bogenrief has been adjunct faculty member at Dordt, teaching private trumpet lessons.

Thomas, Dordt's bassoon instructor, received a Master's degree in musical performance from the University of Illinois. She is a member of the Sioux

City Symphony and the Symphony Woodwind Quintet and is principal bassoonist of the Sioux County Orchestra. Thomas is an adjunct faculty member both at Dordt and the University of South Dakota.

Bogenrief and Thomas will be performing a wide variety of music, ranging from the Baroque period to the Contemporary period. One of the songs Bogenrief will be performing is "Napoli" which has a reputation for being played in the parks. Both professors will also join Dordt alumna Joan Van Holland in playing "Let the Bright Seraphim" by Handel.

"Murder" opens

by Shelley Westerhof

Tickets are on sale in the box office for Dordt's spring production of "Murder in the Cathedral," by T.S. Eliot. The performances are set for March 4, 5, and 6 in TePaske Theatre and prices are from three to five dollars.

"Murder" is based on the murder of Archbishop Thomas a' Becket (Mark Du Mez) in the 12th century by knights loyal to King Henry II. The production features both 12th and 20th century figures, costumes and sets. The music was written especially for the show by a Benedictine monk, Brother Chris Uehlein of the Blue Cloud Abbey in Marvin, South Dakota.

The cast includes over 50 Dordt students.

From the Editor

Who am I Lord? Tell me, please

As I made my way down to the pub room for what seems like the ninetieth time this week, I passed a small group of people standing by the "jobs board," jotting down all the available teaching positions from Virginia to California, discussing which would be the best, which would probably pay the most, which was in the best location, and who was going to apply for which.

Passing that group of seniors sent a tinge of nervousness through my stomach. It was an irritating reminder that sometime between going to class, taking tests, writing papers and putting together Diamonds, I should put my very own nose in front of the "jobs board" and make a serious effort to find a job.

I'll admit, I've been putting off the job search, partly because I'm busy, partly because I'm scared. And from the conversations I've had with others, I'm not alone.

Seniors are at an unstable crossroad in life that can be downright frightening. Most of us don't know what we're going to be doing a year from now, where we'll be living, whether or not we'll be enjoying our jobs, or if our employers will be satisfied with our work. And there's always the

unpleasant possibility that we'll accept a job, thinking we've made a wise decision, thinking we're going to enjoy it, and instead end up dreading the thought of going to work each time the alarm goes off in the morning. When our college career comes to the end of the tracks, we could find that we've been riding in the wrong car for the past four or more years.

College is supposed to prepare us for a career. Choosing a major is one of the first big decisions. We're told to study hard and retain what we've learned. We worry about grades because they could affect our chances of being hired. We're encouraged to get experience, so we work, get involved in extracurricular activities and do internships. We can build quite an impressive resume without doing something else that's very important — developing a clear understanding of who we really are. College is supposed to give us a better grasp of who we are. New opportunities help us discover talents we didn't know we had. Experiences fine-tune our sense of what it is we really love in life. Challenges and debates carve out or strengthen our value systems. These

things are important.

But only One knows us completely and can help us discover how our individual talents and interests can best be used in the world. That is God. Trying to make decisions about the future on our own can be a scary business, because answers are rarely in black and white. Many times answers aren't apparent at all. God doesn't always give clear-cut directions for our lives either. But it is comforting to know that He is in control, that He will direct us in His own good time, and that we don't have to enter the real world alone.

God should be tops as we plan for our futures. But the pressure to find a job and the thought of being in debt and unemployed tempts us to rush ahead and plan our future on our own. We don't want to be the only dud who can't find a job. Other seniors are sending out resumes, so we figure we'd better jump on the bandwagon. The job market is tight. There's only a limited number of jobs available so we want to grab them before our fellow classmates do. I hear seniors asking each other what they wrote for their cover letters, sometimes out of genuine need for assistance, other times to

make sure no one else's is better than their own. I have come to despise the question, "So have you sent any resumes out yet?" Oh, I don't mind if the question is asked out of genuine concern. But other times I want to snap, "Why do you care? Are you worried that I'm closer to finding a job than you are, or will it make you feel better to find someone else who hasn't sent out resumes yet?"

We begin to think that finding a job depends solely on how fast and furiously we pursue one. We rush to find a job whether we know exactly what we want in life or not — just so we can say we found one — and panic when the process isn't going as smoothly for us as it is for others.

Of course seniors are going to be concerned about their careers. We've spent four or more years in college preparing for one, we probably need the money, and we have talents and abilities that should be used. But I think we need to resist the temptation to make our goal sending out more resumes and getting more job offers than others. Then post-graduation planning becomes a selfish competition rather than an earnest seeking after God's will for our futures.

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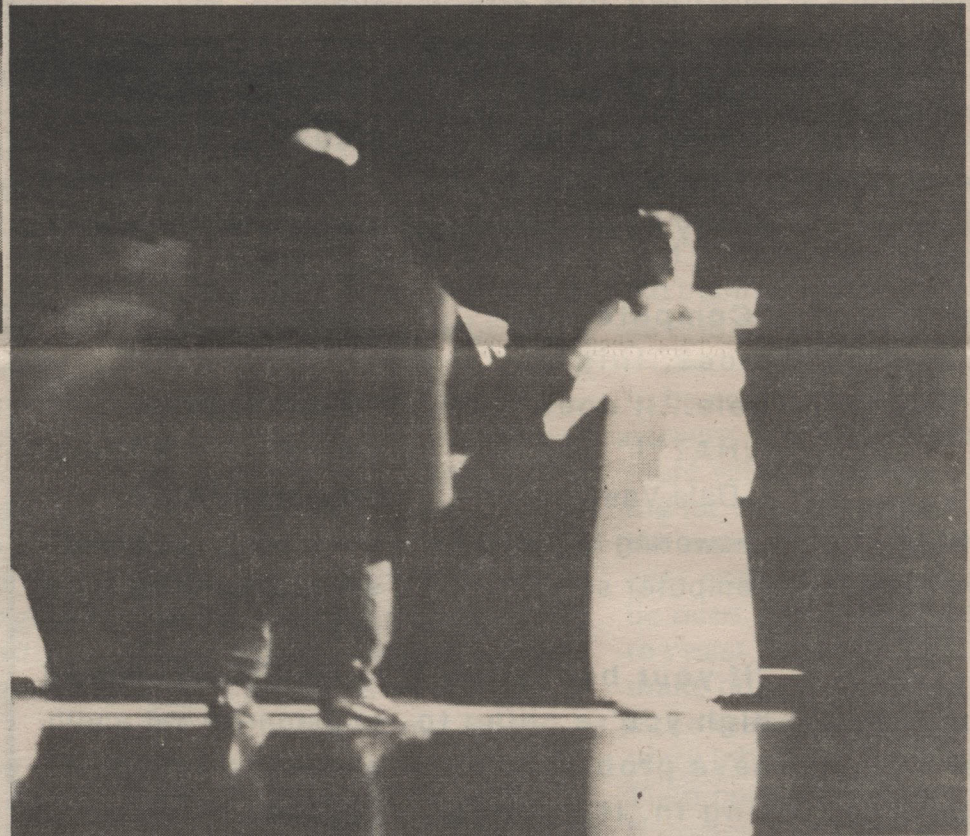
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Standish De Vries and Rebekah Sanford's "Can you handle dance to Handel" impresses judges



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Chad Nibbelink, Dave Van Essen, Chris Hull, Nolan Ver Steeg and Mike Plasier accept the award for originality



Left:
Standish De Vries and Christina Breems give a chilling performance of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera" in "Love Story"
Bottom:
John van Dijk, Darrin Berg, and Andrew Wolgen jam together for U2's song "Pride"

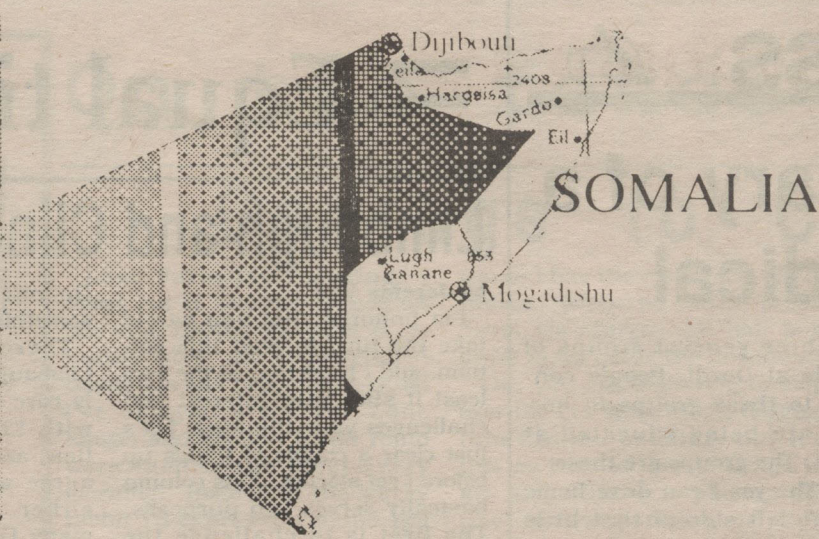
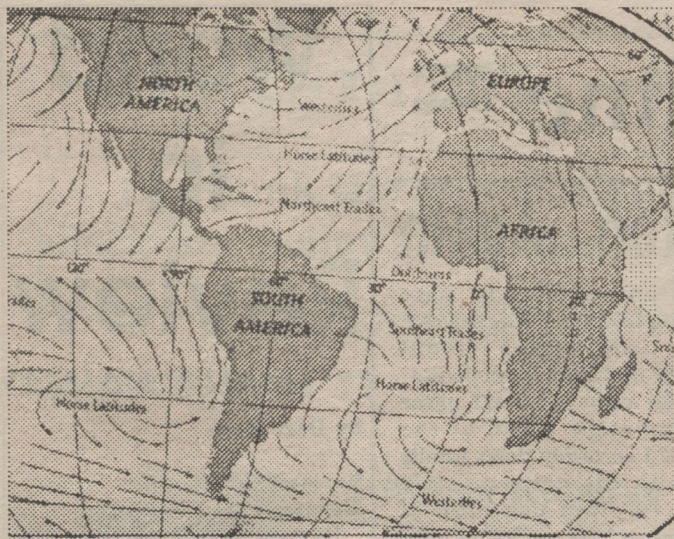
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Jeness Eekhoff and Dorissa Kuipers perform "If I Had a Million Dollars"





Operation Restore Hope: Ideology vs. Practicality

by Jenn Dyke

MEDIA HYPE

As quickly as the Crisis in Somalia gained our attention last December, so has talk of it died down in the two months since then.

The average American knew little or nothing of the atrocities occurring in Somalia before the media took over, filling our newspapers, magazines and televisions with footage that cut straight to the heart of any human being. We began seeing the reality of the needy in the shrunken faces of the starving Somali children, and before we could demand action, former-president Bush had sent troops to relieve the impoverished nation. During the week of Dec. 14, a multi-national force was led into Somalia by 1800 U.S. Marines to distribute food and enforce peace.

As Somali bandits dictate the food convoys as the trucks make their way to the villages, Bush made it clear that the U.S. "would not tolerate armed gangs ripping off their own people, condemning them to death by starvation."

As relief efforts began, the media provided us with full and complete coverage for the first few weeks. While Operation Restore Hope continued, media coverage continued steadily, but little progress was reported. Soon, we began hearing less and less of the events in Somalia. This does not mean things are getting better. It only proves the media's trendiness. The famine and political instability in Somalia is not over. Though it is no longer our first topic of conversation, Somali children are still dying. Starvation and political unrest prevail while we, as short-attention-span American consumers eat up the next hot topic the media dishes out to us.

A HUMANITARIAN EFFORT

A statement had been made, and that statement was "This is

a humanitarian effort." What could be more noble? Every news story and magazine article made it clear in no uncertain terms that this was being done purely out of the goodness of America's heart. The government gave the media a package wrapped in good intentions and tagged it with the virtuous title "Operation Restore Hope." We were bombarded with the word "humanitarian," and beaten over the head with the phrase "NO ULTERIOR MOTIVES." We read this rhetoric so much that it is almost seemed suspicious, as if we would have doubted the government's intentions immediately. This, in turn, actually causes one to wonder if we do not, in fact, have some kind of stock in Somalia.

It seems unthinkable that the U.S. would choose to exploit a country in such a condition. It would be morally reprehensible to use a country such as Somalia for any reasons of self-interest. We don't want to think about it in that way, so we choose not to doubt.

But look at the way the news is given to us. The U.S. is portrayed as some kind of hero, going into a poor country and rescuing it from bad men with guns. It's so entirely red-white-and-blue that it's as if the government did it to save face or something. If this is a way of promoting patriotism, the American public should be insulted.

Some have gone even further to say that this is yet another game of American global police. There are good arguments that assume the government does have ulterior motives in Somalia, and that these motives include taking control of the country and setting up government in order to gain more power.

Bush, even with his don't-back-down attitude attached to Operation Restore Hope, did not want to disappoint anyone, including the loved ones of the

American troops in Somalia. He stated that they would be home as soon as possible, with Chairman of Joint Chief-of-Staff Colin Powell standing over his shoulder saying "no more than two to three months."

This is indeed a hopeful plan for the troops and their families, but not for the Somalis. Two or three months to the country's problems is just plain impossible. A truly humanitarian effort cannot consist of going in, slapping the hands of armed gang members, distributing food and leaving. It won't work unless it is better thought out and its objectives made clear, with a definite deadline as to when the troops should be pulled out.

TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE?

First of all, we have to look at the most important reason we are there: the people. Starvation is a biological problem that has to be dealt with on an individual basis. Children who suffer starvation and live often have to live with mental retardation and many other physical problems that don't go away when the hunger does. Each has to be given special attention and regular nourishment.

Even if we provide a steady flow of food to Somalis while our troops are there, what will happen when we pull out? It's almost certain that as soon as the U.S. does pull out, the gangs will arm up again. Those who do not starve this year will starve next year, or the year after that.

This should have been brought out a lot sooner than last December. Action should have been taken much earlier, before the problems reached their worst. To really restore hope to Somalia, the government needs a long-term plan that extends over a period of a few years. Somalia needs time to re-develop a strong government, to promote and keep peace, and to provide for their people on an individual basis.

by Steve Drost

Civil war broke out in Somalia about the same time as the United Nations (UN) was basking in the glory of its success in Iran-Iraq, Angola, Afghanistan, and Cambodia. The UN was caught unaware when a group in North Somalia, calling themselves the SNM, or Somali National Movement, seized power from the government of Muhammad Said Barre in a 1969 coup. The SNM consists mainly of the Isaq, a northern clan who feel that their people have been discriminated against by the Marchan clan, led by Barre. Barre himself is of indeterminate age - probably about eighty - and in poor health.

According to some diplomats, both clans are guilty of serious human rights abuses. When the Isaq attacked, they settled personal scores and subsequently killed policemen and their families. In response, the government bombed cities and strafed fleeing residents.

The present situation in Somalia is one of complete anarchy. Under normal circumstances, the government might step into such a situation and exert some kind of control; however, in this case, there is little organized government. What government does exist consists of the Marchan clan, led by Barre - not exactly an objective or neutral peacekeeping force.

In the past several years, Somalia has received over a hundred million dollars in military and economic aid from the United States. In fact, the U.S. position has been one that pas-

sively advocates the slaughter of civilians that occurs every day in Somalia. There has been no legislation - or even proposals thereof - to make further aid dependent on whether or not the killing of civilians comes to an end. As well, in Somalia's 1988 bid for economic aid, the U.S. came up empty-handed, pointing out that U.S. funds allocated for African refugees could be used to help the operations in Somalia. When asked, Japan responded similarly. There was no response at all from what was at that time the Soviet Union.

The governments that responded directly to Somalia's request for economic assistance were the UK and Australia, pledging about a million dollars altogether. Norway and Italy offered food and materials.

But the country is still hurting. Somali refugees have set up camp in the Ogaden, a treeless, arid desert region in Ethiopia. The days are hot and the nights are cold. The limited supply of water comes from the town of Jijiga, nearly a hundred miles to the west. Half a liter of water a day is the norm for these people. The wells in Jijiga need to be upgraded, due to their current inadequacy.

Little else can be learned about these camps because the Ethiopian military is reluctant to allow the media or anyone else into the area. There are Cuban troops there, and the government does not want stories to leak out that will offend the Somali government.

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From the diary of a dying radical

Feb. 25, 1993

Today, much like the last.

Regarding my entry on Feb. 8, I would like you to realize that there is more than criticism. Simply criticizing is too easy, and often not too constructive. I try to seek a positive criticism. Maybe, just maybe, tomorrow will not be like today.

We here at Dordt are in a tenuous position. As the rest of the world seems to be in the process of dismantling itself and rebuilding either through violence or via buying into capitalism, we here at Dordt are between steps. We have attained that position in a walk where the weight of the body is beginning to shift from the back foot to the front. It is that point where one can neither stop nor adequately redirect the step. And yet we have not committed. It is the point in waking from a long night of sleep where one is neither fully conscious nor fully asleep. It is a moment where dreams and reality coagulate. Can we commit?

This position, of being between steps, can be seen in

the three general groups of people at Dordt. People conform to these groups in how they are being educated at Dordt. The groups are these:

1. The yes I can drive home on the left side of that little yellow line or how to stay away from the authorities of any and all types group.

2. The group that is developing their open sense of piety that accepts individualism, materialism, the American Dream and that yummy warm feeling they get when they have found what they believe to be God.

3. The over abundant group that is here for the grade, put the time in, get the sheep skin, get me to work I got to make money. I'm not here to fork any lightning, after all I just want my share. Usually these people follow Clinton or Limbaugh or whoever.

So what's next? Where do we go from here? I don't know. I do know this, you better start now because if you haven't noticed it's about survival.

A.Z. Wanton

= Equal time =

Limbaugh and Clinton...Again

by Jeremy Vos

I'm honored that you would take the time to read this column, and I hope that at the very least it stirs your interest and challenges your thinking. Let's just clear a couple of things up before I get started. This column basically serves two purposes. The first is to challenge the author and the second is to challenge the reader. Therefore, there are three objectives I'm trying to fulfill as I write this: to expand my thinking, to relate to a broad readership and to produce clear thought with my own twist. The point is that I'm simply trying to expand my own mind. All I do here is put forth my opinions, lay them on the table for all to see and let them be challenged.

Although I am shooting for perfection here, I don't know every side of any issue. But I do want to share with you my perspective on the news and on some of the things going on around us. Personally, I hold a conservative perspective on politics and social issues. I can't help but be offended by the things I hear and see in the media. That includes the Diamond and news coverage of the new President.

RUSH LIMBAUGH Do you dislike the man for any reason? Tell me why. DC 87.

Look familiar? Well, I expected to spend the rest of the week after that "ad" ran, sorting out mail and trying to formulate responses. Boy, was I shocked. I got four pieces of mail. By the way, thanks to you who took the time to write in! The basic count was 1 against Limbaugh and 3 for Limbaugh. This response genuinely surprised me. I figured I'd be fighting for my life trying to defend my position on Rush Limbaugh.

So I've decided to just try to figure out why I think I got only one letter which challenged Limbaugh. As I wrote earlier, part of the reason I wanted to write this column was to have my views challenged. I was really looking forward to struggling with those who dislike Limbaugh and gaining some insight on how other people think.

So, I issue a challenge to those who dislike Rush Limbaugh. I'm willing to change my opinion, I'm willing to read a rational discussion and be affected by it. Are you?

The more I thought about this, the more I wondered what this dislike for Limbaugh is all about.

Do you "anti-dittoheads" have something to say for yourselves?

There are things about Limbaugh that I don't particularly care for either. I don't agree with Limbaugh 100% of the time, and I certainly don't totally agree with his delivery style either. He does poke fun of many Democrats and Liberals, but didn't I hear a derogatory remark about Reagan and Bush on "Murphy Brown"?

To be blunt, I think that some liberals just can't take such biting criticism. On the other hand I am personally bombarded by opinions that counter mine directly every time I hear the news. Bill Clinton has moral and governmental ideas that spit in the face of my morals and ideas for governmental policy. I have to disagree with almost everything the new president does, but I'm trying to respect him as an image-bearer of God.

On a similar note, I want to respond to Shelley Westerhof's spot in the last Diamond. She set me thinking and made me consider my own prejudices. I have quite a few. We all do, I suppose. I would like to point out, to avoid confusion, that we can criticize the president's actions. We can also, in my opinion, criticize the work of Hillary Clinton. She is making decisions in the public forum and thus is open to debate. One last thing about Westerhof's thoughts. I was just wondering where this outcry was when Dan Quayle was being viciously attacked by "[Democrats], comedians and even students."

Now, for a little of my brand of humor, some quotes I've gathered:

These first few are from lists of why people "dislike" Rush Limbaugh:

"He is too kind to socialists...I mean Democrats."

"His show is at 12:00 instead of 10:00 to replace the news."

"Poor tie selection at times."

Here's a fictitious quote on how I think Bill Clinton will get out of his promise not to raise taxes on the middle class:

"I realize that I promised not to raise taxes on the middle class, but you realize that I didn't say anything about not raising contributions."

The last one, from Senator Phil Gramm in reaction to the President's speech.

"There's nothing more status quo than a democrat talking about raising taxes."

World in Review

by Dan Blom

Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina

Skepticism is rising in the ranks of the aid workers in Eastern Bosnia as to how effective the newly proposed U.S. airdrop will be.

The Chief of the United Nations relief operations in Sarajevo says he fears supplies will be landing on people's heads and people's houses. These fears arise from the fact that U.S. supply planes will fly high to minimize danger, but at the same time lowering accuracy.

Wiesbaden, Germany

Four American soldiers were killed in a helicopter crash at a U.S. air base in Wiesbaden.

Four others were hurt when the helicopter, 5 attempting a landing, crashed at the base.

Mogadishu, Somalia

Due to escalated violence in the port city of Kismayu, U.S. troops scheduled to return home this week will stay until the situation is stabilized.

Baghdad, Iraq

United Nations weapons inspectors came up empty handed while searching for missiles in suspected hiding places in Iraq.

Officials feared Iraq was hiding ballistic missiles and trying to revive its weapons production program. Even though no proof was found, western intelligence speculates that Iraq is still hiding over one hundred missiles.

Liverpool, England

Following the murder of a two year old Liverpool boy by two ten year old youths, the Archbishop of Canterbury is urging Briton to instruct their children well regarding the difference between right and wrong.

During the trial, angry protesters have mobbed the courthouse, turning it into a near riot state. Many people have threatened the two alleged offenders and hurled curses at them.

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STUDENTS SAY...

Do you think the new student discipline policy is working?

by Roderick Hoekstra



Wendy Kuperus
So., New York

"Yes. It gives the students a chance to show their maturity."



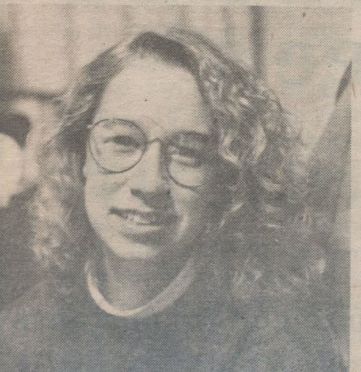
Sara Dahm
So., Iowa

"I don't think it's fair, but I think that it makes students think more before doing something stupid."



Dave Klompfen
Sr., Minnesota

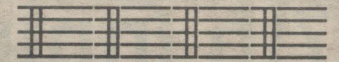
"No, because I feel some students are still favored in this policy. Good policy, but it is not being enacted fairly."



Robyn Bosma
So., Iowa

"It is considerably better than what we had before; it was too easy to buy your way out of trouble."

On the fence



Julie DeBoer

Courage to Change

Last Saturday morning, I rolled out of bed and flipped on the tube hoping to catch Bugs Bunny while my sugar-coated cereal was still crunchy—a ritual I've enjoyed since the Lone Ranger and his best friend Tonto were taming the West every morning. Instead of the wacky rabbit I'd expected, I found Bill Clinton and Peter Jennings surrounded by children, in trademark clown-show style. However, they weren't showing animated films or singing the birthday song. They were solving the world's problems (yep—magic tricks).

Back from his big promo tour after the taxes speech (a.k.a. the State of the Union Address), Clinton was at the White House where his buddy, Jennings, and some very hard-working ABC news staffers had gathered children with every social problem you could come up with . . . if you brainstormed real hard. One girl was homeless, another's father had been put out of the lumber business because the spotted owl needs a safe habitat, one boy had AIDS, another girl's parents both had cancer and worked for a defense industry where Clinton has declared cutbacks in spending which could affect their ability to get insurance. They had some tough requests.

Clinton, true to form, wore super-strength deodorant and answered with finesse, his only respite being a short recess to focus on his daughter Chelsea and her cat, Socks, who we

learned has the run of the White House. (Hope no future presidents are allergic—cat hair is a beast to get out of the furniture.)

OK, OK. I'm beginning to step over the line from watch-dogging into Clinton-bashing, but it's just so easy to do. It seems to me that Clinton is playing the part of a superman, or even worse, a savior. In his travels

think if he succeeds? If he fails, will they lose all hope of ever changing their situation?

Right now all kinds of Americans are behind Bill Clinton, ready and willing to contribute to his plans that use an immediate gratification technique of problem-solving. Some aren't even waiting for the I.R.S. to ask for more tax monies,

they've got the coffers ringing with cash they're voluntarily sending in.

I, too, want Clinton to implement programs that will solve social problems. I hope the programs he's suggested work. But the courage to change is not something new to Dordt College. We've been courageous, and we'll continue

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through the Midwest this past week, he appealed for public support of his newest tax proposals. Clinton said we must have the courage to change the status quo. I couldn't agree more. But from this, I see the idea that Bill Clinton is the savior of the United States. After all, if all his programs succeed, he'll have overcome an enormous quantity of social problems. If he achieves merely what he promised those children last Saturday morning, he'll put us on the path to a cure for AIDS, channel out-of-work lumberjacks into new vocations, solve our health insurance problems, and wipe out homelessness completely. The list just grows and grows. What will those kids

to be courageous, whether Clinton wins or loses. No matter what will come to pass, I will still be working, courageously, to heal the world with the talents and training that God and Dordt College have given me. I will still be talking, courageously, to point out to others the true path to salvation—not Bill Clinton, but Jesus Christ. Christ offers a salvation that is more than economic, more than individual, and much more than temporary. Stand strong and courageous, Christians! Put your faith in the true Savior, give glory to the one who is deserving, and He will provide the courage for our change, a lasting change, a redeeming change.



Henry Bakker

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7th inning stretch

Henry Bakker

The Dordt track team took part in a meet last Saturday that was electronically timed or, in track jargon, used fully automatic timing. The system involves a clock which begins when the starter's gun is fired and finishes timing when the runner crosses the line and a photo is taken of the finish. This was the first time FAT was used at a meet Dordt participated in this season.

FAT involves a disadvantage for runners because runs timed electronically show times on average about .24 seconds slower than hand-timed runs. The difference results because of a lack of reflex time with an electronically timed run. The disadvantage occurs when the FAT timed run is compared with a hand-timed record. So if an athlete runs, for example, .13 seconds faster than a record but he is electronically timed the time will not reflect that because of the quarter-second difference. The result is that athletes must actually run a quarter second faster than a hand-timed record when timed electronically in order to be given credit for it.

The NAIA outdoor championship records switched to FAT in 1976. It is easy to see which runs were electronically timed because hand-times are rounded to one decimal place while FAT times are rounded to two decimal places. Then records recorded

by hand can be converted to FAT times by simply adding .24 seconds. For example in 1972 the hand-timed record for the 110 m hurdles was 13.5 seconds. The official NAIA time for that record is now 13.74 seconds to compensate for runners now competing with FAT.

The problem for Dordt runners is that when Coach Goheen compiled the indoor records last year from school reports and records at the Sioux Center News there was no distinction made between times recorded electronically and times recorded by hand. Those facts are lost in the mists of time. Who would expect that at a school as technologically advanced as Dordt? Go figure.

Goof-up of the week

I believe it is time for the refs at the Lady Defenders vs. Sioux Falls basketball game to have their prescriptions checked. Those sharp-eyed refs failed to notice that the basketball the ladies were using the entire first half was a men's ball, even when one of the Defenders pointed it out to them.

Players of the week

Lady cageballer Tawnia Vander Veen, sophomore, has been selected to the first team all-Ia-Kota Conference. Joining her from Dordt on the second team are freshmen Jill Anema and Joy Veenstra.

Blades impress at Homecoming

by Henry Bakker

Forget the fact that the Blades have never had a winning record, forget the two games they lost to UNI the weekend before last, have a look at the improvement over last year and consider the fact that nearly all the players will be returning next season. Then, once you have done all that, think about the two games they played last weekend. That was intense hockey.

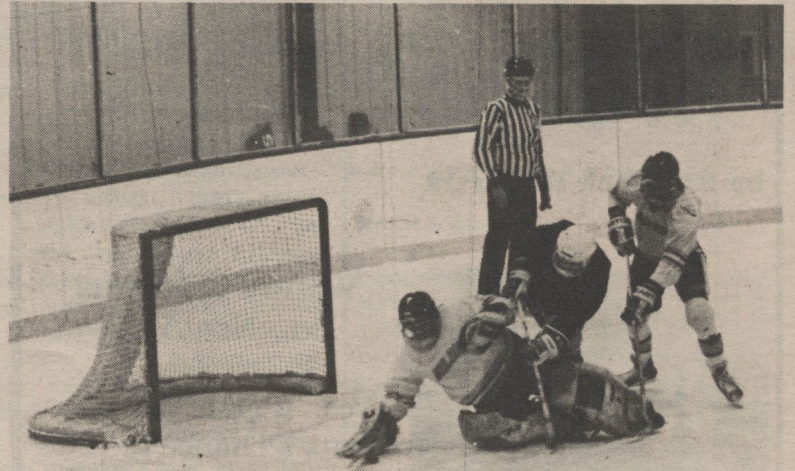
But much as I'd like to forget the UNI games I have to touch on them briefly. The team went to UNI weakened by the fact that netminder Chris Hull was unable to accompany the team due to some choir thing. Captain Henk Wildeboer replaced Hull in net which broke up the team's best line of Wildeboer-Wildeboer-Minderhoud, add on to that the fact that Wildeboer has not played in net all season and it is not difficult to understand the 13-2 loss the Blades suffered Friday night. Saturday Wildeboer seemed more confident in net and cut UNI's scoring to six goals, however he was still sorely missed on offense and Dordt scored only one goal. Defenseman Jeremy Huygen cleared the puck from about the blue line, it rebounded off the boards behind the net, deflected off the goalie's skate and slipped into the net, much to the Blades' delight.

But that's enough about UNI. Like I said, last weekend made up for all that. Friday night the Blades played for a crowd of excited students, parents and alumni.

Things looked grim for the Blades as Carleton opened the scoring with two goals in the first period. The crowd was quiet as the team headed into the last minute of the first period, down by two. Then with 40 seconds left on the clock George VanderBeek scored, assisted by Doug VanderVelde. Dordt tied the score at two goals apiece with only 8 seconds left when center Joel Minderhoud scored, with an assist by Mike Wildeboer.

The two quick goals gave Dordt the confidence they needed and they came out hard in the second period. Minderhoud scored again, assisted by Henk Wildeboer and Dordt took the lead, 3-2. They held the lead for five minutes and Chris Hull made some great saves for the Blades, but Carleton managed to score two goals by the end of the second to take the lead 5-4.

The third period was very intense hockey, no penalties were called and both goalies played excellently, neither allowing a goal. The game ended with the



Jill Martinus

Scrappy defence contributed to a 3-1-1 record in the Blades' last 5 games

Blades down by a point but encouraged by a great performance on the part of all the players.

Saturday the Blades got even. Again they had to come from behind. Carleton scored first, but Dordt quickly answered that goal with one of their own when Defenseman Kevin Schilthuis scored, assisted by VanderVelde and Verbeek. Carleton scored two more goals before the end of the first to take a 3-1 lead into the second period.

The second was a battle of the goaltenders again as neither allowed a goal. Going into the third it looked like this game might be a repeat of what happened on Friday. The Blades were not about to let that happen and scored two goals in the first five minutes of the period. Huygen scored, assisted by Mike and Henk Wildeboer and Joel Krikke scored, assisted by VanderVelde and Huygen, tying the game at three goals apiece. Carleton scored once more to take a one-point lead, but the Blades offense was too much for Carleton goaltender Andrew Kane and Mike Wildeboer scored off an assist by

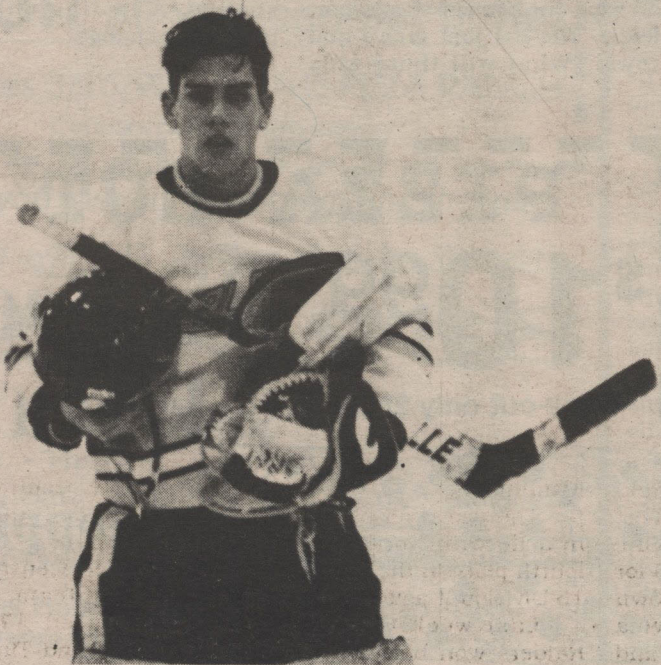
Minderhoud and Henk Wildeboer scored assisted by Matt Beimers and Minderhoud to nail down the Blades' win at 5-4.

Later Chris Hull commented on the game and the season.

"It's always great to win a couple and it gets your confidence up. I never played net before last season but I always wanted to, this is a great team, a great bunch of guys. I had a lot of fun this season." When asked if he planned to play net for the Blades again next season he shrugged his shoulders. "I don't know, I'll be a senior and I'll probably be pretty busy. I can't play first semester at all because of soccer."

In late breaking hockey news, last night the Blades hot streak continued as they beat SDSU. It was another well played game with a good performance from all the players. Chris Hull allowed only 4 goals and the offence backed him up with 7 goals. There were only 10 penalty minutes total and the Blades out-shot their opponents 47-30.

Dordt plays one more exhibition game in Sioux City on Friday, Mar. 5 at 9:00 p.m.



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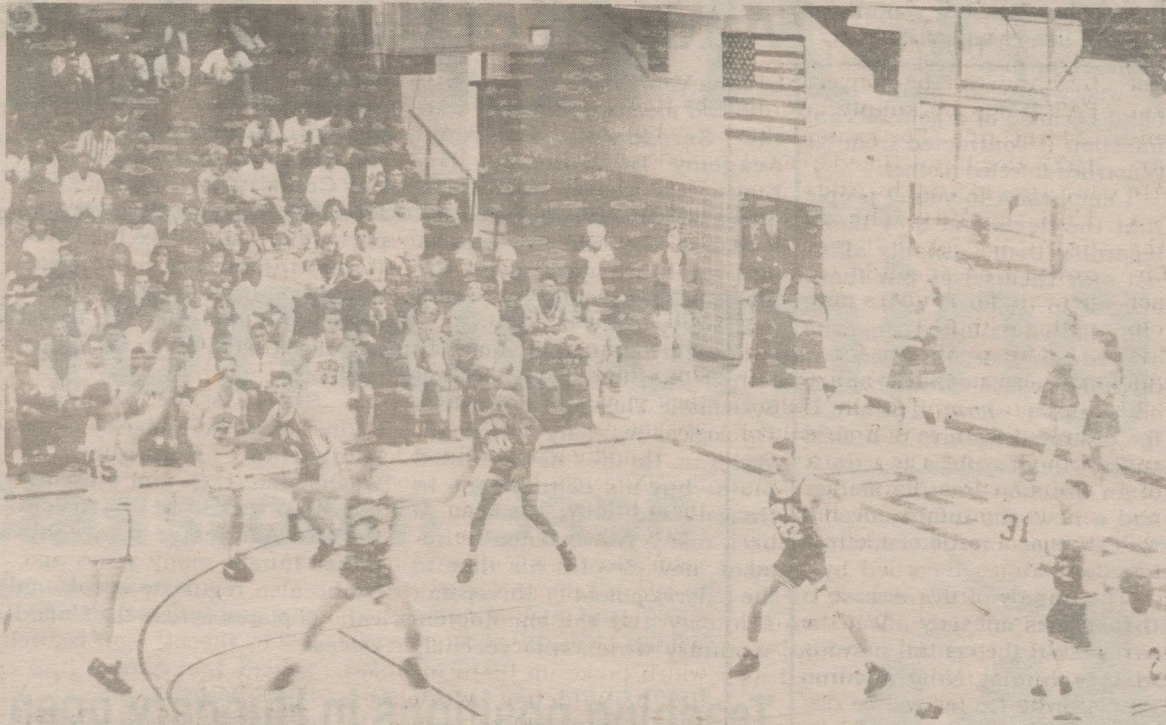
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Dordt will open playoffs against Iowa Wesleyan

by Derrick Vander Waal

After winning big against Northwestern and nearly upsetting Briar Cliff, Dordt faltered losing three of its last four games to drop their record to 10-17. Dordt edged out Iowa Wesleyan in the point standings for second place in District 15 of NAIA Division II. Dordt will take on Iowa Wesleyan at home Saturday at 3 p.m. to open the playoffs. Dordt finished the season without Dave Van Essen, Mickey Visser, and Tim Brunsting because of various injuries. Galen Van Roekel, who was battling the flu, saw only limited time in losses against Nebraska Wesleyan and Sioux Falls. Troy Stahl was moved up to join fellow Freshman Scott Van Essen on the varsity to deal with the loss of these key players. "Anytime you start moving players around it is always hard to adjust..." said Coach Rick Vander Berg. "You have to play with different people and the rotations are different. It just takes awhile to adjust."

At home against Teikyo Westmar on Feb. 13, Dordt lost 74-78 in its first game without leading scorer and rebounder Dave Van Essen in the line-up. Dordt came out strong in the first half and led at half-time, 33-24. Dordt's lead quickly disappeared as Westmar ran off the first 11 points of the second half to give them a 33-35 lead. Later, when Dordt regained the lead, Westmar again responded by running off nine straight points to put them ahead for good at



Jill Martinus

After beating Northwestern, the Defenders went on a slide, losing 3 of 4 games

45-52. Dordt pulled within two points with a minute left, but Westmar converted key free throw attempts to seal the victory. Craig Veurink paced Dordt with 15 points, and Doug Veenstra followed with 14.

Dordt traveled to Lincoln, Nebraska on Feb. 15 to take on a tough Nebraska Wesleyan team. Although Dordt played well most of the game, they lost by the score of 76-89. Dordt fell behind during the first half and was down 40-47 at the break. Dordt was never able to seriously challenge Nebraska Wesleyan during

the second half. Nebraska Wesleyan controlled the boards, out-rebounding Dordt 44-29. Nebraska Wesleyan also got to the line more than Dordt making 24 free throws compared to Dordt's six. Dordt was short on players with three out with injuries and Van Roekel playing limited minutes because of the flu. Dordt placed four players in double figures. Veurink led the way with 14 points, Jay Regnerus followed with 13, and Veenstra and Stahl each had 12.

Last Thursday night Dordt lost, 100-87, on the road against

Sioux Falls. Dordt was never really in this game as they fell behind 4-24 during the first six minutes. Dordt cut the deficit to 11 points with nine minutes left in the first half but were unable to close the gap any further and trailed at half-time, 33-56. Dordt played better in the second half as they outscored Sioux Falls, 54-44. "We couldn't hit anything the first six minutes of the game..." Vander Berg said, "The rest of the first half we did not play well either. It was an uphill battle after that." Again Van Roekel received only limited

playing time. Stahl, starting in place of Van Roekel, hit seven of eight three pointers on route to 25 points. Veurink added 18 points and 9 rebounds.

On homecoming day last Saturday, Dordt finished the season on a high note by defeating Dana, 74-69. Dordt fell behind early, 9-14, and trailed at half-time, 29-30. During the first five minutes of the second half, Dana controlled and grabbed a 39-45 lead. Veurink then sank three free throws after being fouled on his three point attempt and then hit a three pointer to tie the game at 45. The game remained close until Dordt put the game away with a 12-3 run to make the score, 70-62. "Dana is a very scrappy team and is very quick, so it is hard to look really good against them," Vander Berg said. "I thought we stayed in [the game] and played hard for the whole game." Veurink added 16 points while Veenstra chipped in 15 and pulled down seven boards.

Dave Van Essen should be able to play against Iowa Wesleyan, but it is unsure whether his wrist will be at full strength. "To do the things that he [Van Essen] can really do to help us, defensively and on the boards, his wrist has to feel good," Vander Berg said. "It will be a little hard for Dave to get back in the flow depending on how long he can practice." Brunsting, who re-injured his knee, and Visser, who had a partially collapsed lung, will not play.

Track team performs well in Dome

by Henry Bakker

The Dordt track team returned to the Dakota Dome in Vermillion, SD last Saturday for another meet. The team has performed well in the Dome all season and this meet was no exception.

Sophomore Tereasa Van Zee took first place in shotput with a distance of 40' 11 1/2".

Senior Lisa Van Denend placed first in the 5000 m competition with a time of 21:48.1 and second in the 3000 m at 12:32.68.

Freshman Diane Schinkel had a good day, placing fourth in long jump at 16' and fourth in the 200 m with a time of 28.4 seconds. She also placed seventh in the 55 m with a time of 7.96 seconds.

Junior Randy Van Genderen broke the Dordt 200 m record he set two weeks before in Orange City with a time 24.10 seconds. That shaved nearly half a second off his previous time of 24.38 seconds. That may not seem like much for those of us who only time how long it takes us to drive to Pizza Hut, but in a sprint it is a

substantial improvement.

Sophomore Jarret Eshuis placed eighth in the finals for the 55 m hurdles with a time of 8.45 seconds, despite having to run his training hurdles in the gym lobby.

The Freshman guys did well, as usual. Ben Christoffels placed tenth overall in a field of twenty-four runners in the 55 m with a time of 6.87 seconds and set a new school record in the 500 m at 1:09.74. Dan Ruiter ran a 2:05.9 in the 800 m to place ninth and a 4:22.83 1500 m that was good for eleventh place.

The men placed seventh overall in the 4 x 400 m thanks especially to Freshman Chuck Van Drunen who ran his leg in 52.20 seconds, half a second better than his 400 m event time that day of 52.50 seconds. Coach Goheen remarked that "it sounded like the whole place was cheering him on during that leg but actually it was just the rest of the Dordt kids."

The track team will be leaving Friday night for a Saturday meet in St. Paul, MN.

Season ends for Lady Defenders

by Henry Bakker

The season is over for the Lady Defenders. They were eliminated from playoff action heading into last night's game against Dana College which they lost 90-72, and they finished fifth in District 15 Division II. But, giving credit where credit is due, they had a great season. Coach Len Rhoda took a roster with eight freshmen and turned it into a tough team that will be looking for bigger and better things next season.

The Lady Defenders avenged a January loss on Tuesday, February 9, when they downed Briar Cliff at home 72-58. The ladies led 41-35 at half-time and never looked back. Coach Rhoda had a huge effort from post Joy Veenstra. She was 8 of 10 from the field, 5 for 6 at the line and pulled down 12 boards in the win. Tawnia Vander Veen had 19 points and Jill Anema had 10. One of the

keys to the win was Dordt's 40-35 rebounding edge. A total of 20 of the rebounds came on the offensive end.

On Saturday, the 13th, Dordt hosted Teikyo-Westmar. The Lady Eagles and our Defenders were tied 38-38 at the half, but Dordt rallied in the second half, outscoring its visitor 38-30 in the second half to post the 76-68 win.

Vander Veen scored 17 points for the Lady Defenders. Veenstra had 14 and Lori Klein added 12. Anita Tinklenberg racked up 10 rebounds. The Lady Defenders were 4-6 from three-point range. Vander Veen hit three three-pointers and Klein hit one.

The two wins placed Dordt in a tie with Northwestern for fourth place in the NAIA District 15 Division II point standings.

Last week the Lady Red Raiders won both their games and surged into third place,

dropping Graceland into fourth place; and the Lady Defenders lost both their games; dropping into fifth place.

Last Tuesday Dordt played Sioux Falls in what was, according to Coach Rhoda, "a poorly played game on both teams' part". Dordt shot 27% from the field, Sioux Falls shot 39%, Dordt had 23 turnovers, Sioux Falls committed 21 turnovers and Dordt was 0-12 for three-pointers and 12-22 in free-throws. "We shot very poorly and just never got started," said Coach Rhoda about the 61-50 loss.

The Lady Defenders lost to Central 80-56 on last week Thursday. Central shot 77% in the first half and 70% for the entire game. Coach Rhoda described Central as an outstanding team. Vander Veen contributed 17 points and Veenstra and Tinklenberg each contributed 14.

M.D. speaks on V.D.

by Henry Bakker

Dr. Jeffrey Crandall, M.D. spoke Tuesday evening in Dordt's chapel on the topic of "Human Sexuality & AIDS". Dr. Crandall has been involved in a sex education program in Cedar Falls for a number of years. The program is designed for sixth graders and is run on a voluntary participation basis with permission of the child's parents.

The first program was run in the fall of 1992 for ten weeks and received a tremendous response from parents who wanted their children involved.

"We were hoping to get twelve children involved, forty-eight children were enrolled," said Dr. Crandall in the opening remarks of his presentation.

The program involves educating the children in the areas of fertilization, human anatomy, fetal development and sexually transmitted diseases. The emphasis of the program is in encouraging sexual abstinence until mutual monogamy as the only method of practicing safe sex.

In his presentation, Dr. Crandall presented part of the curriculum presented to the grade school children as well as more graphic slides of the results of many sexually transmitted diseases that were not part of the sixth-graders' course.

Dr. Crandall used two "Far Side" cartoons to open the presentation. He explained that he used the cartoons to make a point to children about how often they do not realize what the consequences might be of blindly pursuing an activity they enjoy. One of the cartoons showed a wildlife photographer moving close to a leopard in a tree, unaware of the cameras strewn about that were all that remained of previous photographers.

After warning the audience as to the graphic nature of the slides Dr. Crandall proceeded to show slides that showed, close up and personal, the physical effects of many diseases. The slides progressed, as he said, "from the most benign diseases to the most

malignant" and included information on lice, scabies, gonorrhea, syphilis, herpes and AIDS.

One of the more tragic slides he showed was of an infant, born blind because of a gonococcal infection it contracted from its gonorrhea-infected mother.

"I emphasize to young people that the decisions they make regarding their sexuality affect not only themselves but those closest to them as well." Dr. Crandall commented when he showed this slide. His point was driven home again later when the audience was shown a picture of the destroyed features of a child suffering from syphilis as a result of an infection from its mother and a newborn infant covered with sores as a result of a herpes infection.

"The tragedy of this disease is that it does not only affect the surface but the central nervous system as well. Most children infected with herpes will be disabled if they survive at all," he said.

The point that Dr. Crandall said he tries to emphasize with high school kids is that, although many of them believe that HIV is something they don't need to be concerned about, "20% of all people who died of AIDS in 1992 were between age twenty and thirty, which means they contracted the HIV virus during their high school years or before."

He also tries to shatter the myth that AIDS is not just a disease of coastal drug-users and homosexuals. It is also a disease of heterosexual, rural America. While 1 out of 2 homosexuals in San Francisco is HIV positive, 1 out of 100 teens in America also carries the virus.

Dr. Crandall closed his presentation with a few remarks about safe sex.

"I want to spend some time dealing with the response of this nation to this tragedy with regard to safe sex. Safe sex is a myth. Condoms provide some protection but have a 17% failure rate which, with a disease of this nature, to me, is unacceptable."

Dordt meets Eastern Europe A touch of Hungary comes to Dordt

by Dina Vanderstelt

Two members involved with the Sarospatak Reformed Academy in Hungary, Dr. Eugene Osterhaven and Csaba Szabo, will be here from Feb. 27 to Mar. 2. They will give lectures and speak in chapel about the problems and events happening in Hungary today.

Osterhaven has recently retired from being Professor of Systematic Theology at Western Theological Seminary in Holland, Michigan. He lives in the United States but his connections in Hungary and to the Academy go back many years. Since retirement, now devotes his time to the redevelopment of Sarospatak Academy and the theological seminary which was recently

opened in conjunction with the Academy. The Sarospatak Reformed Academy was run by the Reformed Community until the Communist Regime took over. The Academy then became part of the state. Since the fall of Communism, the power has been given back to the Reformed Community and they are trying to build it back up to its former position.

Szabo is the Economic Counselor at the Embassy of the Hungarian Republic in Washington, D.C. and presently serves on the Board of Trustees for the Academy, where his father taught many years ago. Szabo also regularly speaks in various places across the United States.

Osterhaven will be speaking to Adult Education classes in First Reformed Church and/or First Christian Reformed Church. Both guests will be giving presentations on Monday; Osterhaven on: "The Angel's Message; God and History" and Szabo on "Hungary: The State of the Republic". Both lectures will take place Monday in C160. Students are encouraged to attend.

On Tues., Mar. 2, Osterhaven and Szabo will be joining appropriate classes for presentations and discussions. Szabo will speak to the History 210 class in room C205, and Osterhaven will speak in chapel.

Teaching positions in Hungary open to Dordt students

by Lynn Verhoef

Due to special correspondence between President Hulst and Reverend Istvan Thuroczy of a Christian grammar school in Budapest, Hungary, Dordt students have been invited to take advantage of a teaching position that needs to be filled at his school for the 1993-94 school year.

The job includes teaching English conversation and practical instruction on an assortment of topics to students who have prior knowledge of the English language but need some experience in using it. The students are

Christians with Baptist backgrounds. Room and board will likely be with a Hungarian family.

This position is open to Dordt students because the Hungarian government has given control of the schools back to the churches. According to Thuroczy, 52 schools have been given back to the church in the last two years. Dordt students are challenged to

take this teaching opportunity "to help regain the schools" of Hungary.

Contact between the Dordt community and Thuroczy was established last summer when he visited Dordt's campus.

Interested students are encouraged to contact Professor VandenBosch for more information.

Quiz Bowl

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Show?" and "Who was the first Prime Minister of Israel?" were a few of the challenging topics, and participants had only fifteen seconds to respond.

At the conclusion of the first half, the faculty dominated with 105 points, Vande Griend/Breems/Eerkes had 60, and the Bakker team trailed with 30. For the second half all point values doubled.

Science and music were thought to be the faculty's strong areas, but all were shocked when Grotenhuis didn't know how many black keys there are on a piano.

The time limit was up, but with a unanimous decision, 5 minutes were extended to the competition.

The faculty managed to sweep a victory with 275 points, while the Bakkers came in second with 120, and Vande Griend/Breems/Eerkes finished with 110.

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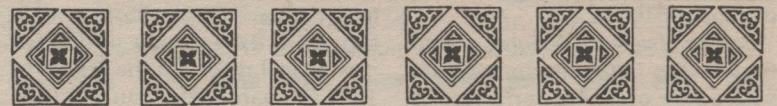
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