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Warmink Receives Ph.D. from Ohio State



Gary Warmink, associate professor of music, having fulfilled his doctoral program requirements this past summer through Ohio State University, received his Ph.D. when he graduated in absentia on November 26.

For his thesis, Warmink developed a self-instruction textbook for singers. Several companies are now considering the textbook for publication.

"I gave the text to several age groups to see if they'd learn from it, and they did," Warmink said. "The research proved that it's a very effective learning device."

In addition to his graduate studies, Warmink has been very involved in summer music camps in the past. He hopes to keep his summers open for more of this type of activity. This summer he will work locally with the Sioux Center Community Orchestra.

Dr. Warmink directs the Dordt College Chorale.

A 1958 graduate of Lynden (Wash.) Christian High School, Dr. Warmink's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Warmink, still live in Lynden. His wife, Delores (nee Steenhoek), is a native of Pella, Iowa. The Warminks have three children: Elaine, 12, Greg, 9, and Corwin, 4.

Fall Foundation Drive Results Running 25% Over Last Year

With approximately 85% of the churches reporting, the 1975 Fall Foundation Drive has reached the \$80,000 mark, nearing last year's total of \$81,100.

According to Mr. Lyle Gritters, Director of Development for Dordt and the drive chairman, this year's results are running 25% higher than last year.

"We're going to get close to the goal of \$100,000," said Gritters, "Right now it looks like we're running \$4,000-\$5,000 short, but a late surge or a few large, unexpected

gifts could get us there yet."

Gritters reports that the response from most churches has been outstanding with the majority showing substantial increases.

The college plans to wrap up the drive by January 31 so those church treasurers, classical treasurers, and contact men who are still holding drive results are asked to clearly designate and forward such Fall Foundation Drive monies within the next week or two. Individuals who would like to contribute yet may do so before the end of January.

Dordt's Business Administration Program Continues to Grow

Dordt's Business Department, begun in 1969 by Prof. Henry De Groot, has become the largest department at Dordt. Close to one fifth of all Dordt students are enrolled in the department.

Every fourth freshman is in the department: 56 business administration majors and 30 in the secretarial sciences program. Ninety-five business graduates represent Dordt in business and in Christian high school business education departments.

"Our job is to let the Kingdom of God come through business in our contact with men," stated Department Chairman De Groot. "We attempt to prepare young men and women for useful lives in the field of business, industry, and government. They must be technically prepared to make their con-

tribution, and of greater importance, they must be dedicated to their Lord and testify to His love in their contact with others."

Miss Shirley Kuiper initiated the business education program when she came to Dordt in 1970. She taught three years. Robert Kunnen taught one year. Vern Timmer joined the staff in 1972.

In 1973, Mrs. Rebecca Woodward implemented the two-year secretarial science program, which culminates in an Associate of Arts certificate. Although only eight students completed the program last year to receive the first A.A. certificates issued, 49 students are presently enrolled. Mr. De Groot noted that "Mrs. Woodward stresses secretarial competence and quality workmanship; we want (con't on page 7)

New Year's Greetings

Anticipating the start of a new semester and calendar year, we humbly ask that you again remember us in your thoughts and prayers during the coming year. We are deeply conscious of our total dependence upon the Lord and hereby renew our resolve to place our hope, confidence, and trust in Him, and to always seek His honor and glory in all that we do.

May you and your family experience God's richest blessings in 1976.

The Faculty and Staff of Dordt College



From the President's Pen....

by Rev. B. J. Haan

The Kingdom of God and Our National Bicentennial

Already Dordt College is deeply involved in the anniversary celebration of our nation. Among other special activities in observance of this event are the visiting lecturers dealing with the subject of civil religion. It is amazing how many Christians in our nation have been trapped by the subtle and pernicious power of civil religion. Although the idea of civil religion is quite complicated and many faceted, central to the concept is the notion that in our democratic way of life we rise above all the various faiths which tend to separate us. To give religious credence to the humanistic democratic ideals, these ideals are tied to terminology peculiar to each faith. The result is a kind of unifying, super faith called civil religion.

The God in whom we trust as a nation is somehow that God of all faiths who sees in America His chosen people. This nation with its dedication to justice and liberty for all enjoys the favor of the Supreme Being.

To be critical of civil religion one runs the risk of being charged not only with sounding unpatriotic but also with fostering unchristian, subversive action. It is regrettable that true patriotism generally assumes the acceptance of and going along with the basic civil religion of the nation. Yet to cooperate with and remain uncritical of civil religion contributes markedly to the undermining and gradual erosion of the Christian faith. For this reason it is good and necessary that Christians engage in serious reflection on the relationship of the Kingdom of God to our nation. How must the church, the spiritual body of Christ, and citizens of the Kingdom of God view their place in this nation? What does Christ through His Word require of us? What according to the Scriptures is true patriotism? These questions beg for answers.

Christians should for one thing never forget that their allegiance is to Christ alone. He is our Redeemer Lord! We recognize no other king over our lives. We must also maintain the Lordship of Christ over all life, including the state government. The world and all within belong to him, is under His rule as the Mediator, God-man. However, only His spiritual body, the believers, are capable of sensing and honoring this glorious fact. They see, or should see, that the whole world, including the state, is open to them as

citizens of Christ's Kingdom. It is their calling and task to use every legitimate means to influence the state, to cause Christ's will to be respected and carried out in the political arena. Any policy or law of the government which discriminates against or hinders the believers in fulfilling their calling must be challenged and hopefully changed.

Furthermore, there are certain basic responses that should be evident in the Christian involvement in national life. The Christian is called upon to accept positively his citizenship, gained through the providence of God, in the nation. He should honor the rulers as God's representative over him. Gratitude to God should be expressed for all the blessings which come to us as a nation and as citizens of that nation. At the same time there ought to be a working together of Christians in the political arena. Such an effort should be characterized by a sincere attempt to better the common life through opposing that which is contrary to and promoting that which is in harmony with the Biblical concept of justice.

Thus, while being fully involved in the total life of the nation, the Christian maintains his distinctive role in and relationship to the nation. He rejects any kind of identification of the nation as God's chosen people. He rejects the idea of some super uniting faith—civil religion. He honors Christ alone and allows for no compromise. He certainly is not about to absorb His Lord into an alliance with other so-called gods, creating that one "god" of the state to whom all citizens show allegiance. Nor is he caught into the trap of joining all in worship with the understanding that each serves his own god in the process—a kind of devotional patriotic unity amidst deversity in religion.

If we understand our basic relationship and responsibility to our nation as citizens of the Kingdom of God, there is every reason for Christians to manifest a vigorous, healthy patriotism. We can heartily sing many of our national songs, join in civic celebrations, cooperate in making our nation a more enjoyable, satisfying, and meaningful place to live. There will be a sense of pride when we see our flag. All that "my homeland" means to us will be demonstrated with fellow Americans in a multitude of programs and events.



Reformation Day Caroling - About 50 students, led by seven instrumentalists, departed from the traditional trick-or-treating this past Halloween by singing songs of the Protestant faith as they walked through the streets of Sioux Center and the college dorms. They chose to celebrate the events of All Hallow's Eve (Halloween), 1517, when Martin Luther posted the 95 theses on the church door in Wittenburg.

The organizers of the caroling said they hoped this would become an annual event. Here, Dorann Williams holds a Psalter Hymnal for Kevin Schonewill and John Van Milligan.

Board and Faculty Study Revised Statement of Purpose

In March of 1974 the Dordt College Board of Trustees appointed a committee to make an in-depth study of the current statement of purpose, "Scripturally Oriented Higher Education," which was adopted in

The Board of Trustees appointed the following people to the revision committee: Board members - Rev. Henry Vanden Heuvel, Sioux Center; and Mr. Harold De Wit, Hull; Faculty members - Dr. Willis Alberda, Professor of Mathematics; Mr. Henry De Groot, Professor of Business Administration; Rev. Richard Hodgson, Assistant Professor of Astronomy; Mr. Nick Van Til, Professor of Philosophy; and Dr. John Zinkand, Professor of Classical Language; Administration - Rev. B. J. Haan, President; Dr. Douglas Ribbens, Vice-President for Academic Affairs; and Rev. John Hulst, Dean of Students.

On November 18, a joint meeting of the faculty and board was held to discuss chapter one of the proposed revision, as submitted by the revision committee. It is entitled "Education: Its Biblical, Christian Basis."

Discussion in the meeting served to clarify differing viewpoints and different understandings of terms and concepts. There was solid evidence of real communal scholarship as board members and faculty made significant progress in arriving at a statement that clearly sets forth the basis for Christian Higher Education.

We hope to reprint the first section of chapter one in the next issue of the <u>Voice</u>. It is entitled "The Scriptures" and positively sets forth the place of the Bible in the educational process.

Dordt Students Receive \$650,000 in Financial Aids This Year

Although Dordt College has the lowest combined costs of tuition and room and board costs of the 30 private four-year liberal-arts colleges in lowa, it still offers a broad range of financial aid.

This year's (1975-76) financial aid at Dordt totaled approximately \$650,000 for 980 students.

All students whose parents are members of the CRC or other supporting churches automatically receive a grant-in-aid of between \$220 and \$300 per year, depending on how far they live from Dordt. Students from other supporting churches are eligible for a \$220 grant.

Students also may automatically receive scholarships from \$75 to \$300 based solely on their grade-point average and/or their ACT test score. Several other scholarships have been provided by friends of the college.

Needy Americans can receive up to \$1400 with a federal Basic Educational Opportunity Grant or from \$200 to \$1000 with a Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant. They can also apply for National

Direct Student Loans, which are interest-free until the students are out of school.

Dordt's work-study program, funded mostly by the American government, provides work during the school year for needy students. Other students may find part-time jobs on campus or through the town.

Other Americans from middle- and upper-income families may receive loans through the federally guaranteed Student Loan Program.

In addition, Dordt students may qualify for any of the following: Canada Student Grant and Loan Plan, Veteran's Education Benefits, Social Security Benefits, Vocational Rehabilitation Benefits, State of Iowa Scholarship Program and scholarship and Ioan programs from other states or provinces that may be used at Dordt.

Students may apply for financial aid after they have been accepted for admission to the college. For more information, parents and prospective students are encouraged to write Mr. Howard Hall, Financial Aids Officer, Dordt College.

NICE LETTERS FROM PLEASED PARENTS

In mid-October it was our privilege to spend a weekend at the college visiting our son and we were impressed at what we saw and the warm, friendly feeling extended by so many of the students.

Enclosed please find a small contribution to be used where you feel it is most needed.

You also have our prayers and support in educating the covenant children to better be Christ-like in every phase of learning.

Sincerely,

Our son graduated from Dordt in 1969 and we are so thankful and grateful to the Lord for such a school as Dordt.

May God continue to bless you all and may Dordt always strive to please and honor Him above all as you teach and train our covenant youth.

Grateful parents,

The 1975/76 Dordt College Concert Choir



Left to right, front row: Mrs. Carla Vande Griend, Ocheyedan, Ia.; Bob Boer, De Motte, Ind.; Linda Van't Hul, Kenneth, Mn.; Jim Bolkema, Ocheyedan, Ia.; Rachel De Groot, Edgerton, Mn.; Wayne Brouwer, Clara City, Mn.; Mrs. Melody De Wit, Sioux Center, Ia.; Kurt Vander Horst, Denver, Co.; Barb Beezhold, South Holland, II.; Sharon Kooima, Hull, Ia.; Jack Grotenhuis, Sioux Center, Ia.; Julie Leep, Martin, Mi.; Tim Ribbens, Sioux Center, Ia.; Joan Hoekema, Manhattan, Mt.; Paul Wiersma, Orange City, Ia.; and Libby Hulst, Sioux Center, Ia.

Middle row: Genise Inman, Smithland, Ia.; Deanne Van Heuvelen, Hospers, Ia.; Andy Visser, Sioux Center, Ia.; Cheryl Van Zee, Harrison, S.D.; Steve Vreeman, Muskegon, Mi.; Laura Geenen, Kalamazoo, Mi.; Allen Kosters, Orange City, Ia.; Sue Starkenburg, Hartley, Ia.; Kevin Schonewill, Volga, S.D.; Gwynn Hoogeveen, Raymond, Mn.; Mike Epema, Willmar, Mn.; Joan Van Dyke, Sioux Center, Ia.; Jim Geertsma, Sedro Woolley, Wa.; Rose Vander Plaats, Hartley, Ia.; and Mrs. Lois Vander Horst, San Diego, Ca.

Back row: Rhonda Huizenga, Orange City, Ia.; Jane Smit, Hudsonville, Mi.; John Van Groningen, Clinton, Ms.; Elaine Huisman, Maurice, Ia.; Dan Jonker, Spencer, Ia.; Mrs. Arlys Hoekstra, Hull, Ia.; Brent Assink, Lynden, Wa.; Nancy Goeman, Holland, Mi.; Mark Hugen, Phoenix, Az.; Jan Slager, Monroe, Wa.; John Te Velde, Lynden, Wa.; Leanne Tanis, Downs, Ks.; Paul Van Dyken, Ripon, Ca.; Linda Tanis, Downs, Ks.; and Deborah Haan, Sioux Center, Ia.



Dordt Development Foundation Advisory Council Members. Left to right, seated: Ed Roetman, American State Bank; Roger Visser, Visser Elevator Company; Jim Stachour, First National Bank; Dr. Bob Vermeer, Optometrist. Standing: Harlan "Butch" Cleveringa, Inga's Men's Clothing and Shoes; and Mr. Roger Evans, Te Paske and Evans Law Offices.

Dordt Development Foundation

Sets Goal at \$20,000

The Dordt Development Foundation, a new organization of business and professional people interested in the promotion and development of Dordt College, is trying to reach a goal of \$20,000 in a fund-raising effort now in progress among local and area businessmen and professional offices. Funds raised this year by the Foundation will be designated for the operational support of Dordt during the 75/76 school year. The six members of the advisory council pledged \$3,100 in advance gifts to the drive.

Dordt Opera Guild Performance of 'The Barber of Seville' Set for

February 12, 13, 14, & 16



Dr. Gary Warmink (left) directs part of the cast of "The Barber of Seville," which the Opera Guild will produce February 12-14, 16. Barb Beezhold of South Holland, Ill. is at the piano. In the front row, left to right: John Doornenbal, Lacombe, Alta.; John Van Milligan, South Holland, Ill.; Irene Kingma, Bellingham, Wash.; Rachel De Groot, Edgerton, Minn.; Kevin Schonewill, Volga, S. Dak.; Stan De Yager, Doon, Ia.; George Beanblossom, Lynden, Wash.; Laurie Geenen, Kalamazoo, Mich.; and Elaine Huisman, Maurice, Ia. In the back: Jeff Ten Brinke, Hamilton, Ont.; Terry Crull, Ridott, Ill.; Brent Nymeyer, Lynden, Wash.; and Dan Jonker, Spencer, Ia.

Kevin Schonewill of Volga, S. Dak., has been cast as Count Almaviva, with Dan Jonker of Spencer, Iowa, as Dr. Bartolo, in the Opera Guild's spring production of "The Barber of Seville" by Rossini.

Figaro is played by John Van Groningen of Clinton, Miss., and Rosina—Bartolo's ward—by Elaine Huisman of Maurice, Iowa.

In the comedy, which will be produced February 12, 13, 14, and 16, Count Almaviva falls in love with Rosina, and, conspiring with his old valet Figaro (the barber of Seville), he succeeds in marrying her.

Dr. Gary Warmink will direct the opera, assisted by student directors Kevin Kelley of Ideal, S. Dak., and Terry Crull of Ridott, III.

The Guild is using understudies for the first time. If, at any time, the understudy surpasses the principal, the understudy will have won the part. Director Warmink said in an interview that he felt this would provide for more competition and better performance.

Because the understudies will be practicing long hours, the Guild decided to have them perform a matinee of the opera.

In addition to student directing, Crull will also have a main part. Other main performers are Brent Nymeyer and George Beanblossom, both from Lynden, Wash., and Rachel De Groot of Edgerton, Minn.

As part of Homecoming, Dordt alumni will perform one act of "The Barber" as a special feature on Alumni Night, Friday, Feb. 13

The Opera Guild, whose purpose "is to study, promote, and perform opera, the operetta, the musical and related musical-vocal productions," performed "The Pirates of Penzance" and "West-Side Story" last year.

Executive Director of C.J.L. Challenges Dordt Students to be "Professional"

With a few hours taken out for sleep, Gerald Vande Zande spent forty-eight hours challenging Dordt College students and Christians throughout North America to be "professional."

The executive secretary of the Committee for Justice and Liberty (CJL) in Canada, he lamented that, in trying to influence America and Canada, Christians have often used little more than Bible verses to support arguments, which is not adequate.

"When you interact with Kissinger you can't simply give him the Four Spiritual Laws," he declared. Christians must talk with humanists, he said, also in terms of their profession or stance.

Christians too frequently content themselves with drawing up biblical guidelines, he said, but unless they work out those beliefs with today's issues, they are not going to have much impact in the world. "Talk in the language of the people we are arguing against," he pleaded.

President Ford and Prime Minister Trudeau would not understand much of what Christians had to say to them on a particular point, according to Vande Zande, if they had not worked out their stand professionally.

As head of CJL, Vande Zande has professionalized his thinking. He continually debates and lectures on television and radio. Believing that the function of government is to insure justice and freedom, he has appeared before royal commissions in Canada and has won significant victories in the courts.

Currently, for example, the CJL is trying to convince the government, during 18 months of hearings, that natural resources may not be squandered or monopolized as he claims some oil companies hope to do.

The CJL differs from many Christian action groups by dealing with specific issues professionally, said Vande Zande, rather than running to each politician to tell them that the government must glorify God.

But in order to confront issues professionally, Christians must obviously study long and hard. Some issues are so complex that diverse people have to write about and interpret them "communally."

Communal studies "would be extremely helpful to the National Association for Chris-

tian Political Action (NACPA) research team, for the NACPA board and the NACPA constituency. (Sen. Mark) Hatfield, I'm sure, would welcome it."

In six classes, lectures and meetings, Vande Zande stressed positive politics: "The challenge is not to be against corruption but is the development and presentation of a new political theory that people can see (and understand), that recognizes that Yahweh guides our principles."

Vande Zande stated that months ago, in a hospital in Canada, a Christian nurse had been fired for refusing to join what she considered to be a godless trade union. The CJL immediately jumped on the issue, and interceded for her, receiving national Canadian front-page coverage.

He contends that such positive action resulted in legislation allowing freedom to join other trade unions than that which the majority chooses.

"Keep driving home that man..., regardless of creed or color, is created in the image of God and therefore must be treated with dignity," Vande Zande told the audience, and "address yourselves to the problems of this day, so that they will say, 'Hey, there is hope!" "

Etcetera

Mr. Hugh Cook, Assistant Professor of English, was the keynote speaker at the Alberta Christian Schools Teachers' Conference held in October. In his keynote address. Cook contrasted the future that man envisions for himself through technology compared to the life of Jacob in the Old Testament in which the Kingdom of Jesus Christ is envisioned. He also directed 3 sectionals with teachers dealing with the place of literature in a technological society.

For the first time in Dordt's history, the cross-country team qualified for participation in the N.A.I.A. National Meet in Salina, Kansas. Top runners on this year's team were Mark Kauk, Saronville, Nebraska; Dave Kobes, Zillah, Washington; Larry Baker, Midland Park, New Jersey; Bernie Haan, Sioux Center, Iowa; and Dave Mulder, Orange City,

Dr. M. Elaine Botha, Professor of Inter-Faculty Philosophy at the University of Potchefstroom in South Africa, recently gave several lectures at Dordt. The subjects she dealt with were "The Relationship of the Bible and Science," "The Role of Women in the Christian Community," and "Philosophy of Sociology."

Through the generosity of a friend of the college, Dordt will be making English writing awards of \$100 and \$60 for the 1975/76 school year. Called the English Writing Award-Dordt 21 in commemoration of Dordt's 21st anniversary, the award will be based on poems, essays, stories, and papers submitted by Dordt students.

Dordt College: A Christian Academic Community

by Rev. John Hulst, Dean of Students

A typical "community college" is a college which serves the educational needs of a group of people located in a particular geographical area. Such a college usually provides few "student services," such as dormitories, dining hall, student union, health care, etc. It isn't necessary to make such provisions, for the students attending a community college usually live at home and drive or walk to and from school each day.

Dordt College is not a community college. Dordt students do not come from a particular area, but from various places throughout the United States, Canada, and the world. They cannot drive or walk from home to school each day. Therefore, Dordt provides a variety of services for its students: housing, food service, student union, health and recreational facilities and social activities. Evidently this is being done with a measure of success, because even students from Sioux Center itself live on campus.

The facilities mentioned above do more,

however, than simply provide for the needs of students far from home. They give expression to the fact that, even though Dordt is not a community college, it is concerned to establish and maintain a Christian academic community. The thing that defines Dordt, the thing that makes Dordt a college is its academic function. We believe, however, that that function can best be performed in communal fashion, with faculty and students working together to come to a biblical understanding of God's creation and its history.

But community doesn't "just happen" when a few people are brought together in one place. The creation of a community takes effort. In order to bring about a united approach to Christian scholarship, Dordt College has always worked hard in formulating, understanding and seeking to apply its institutional purpose statement. More recently the College President has appointed a committee, composed of administration, faculty and students to evaluate and improve student life at Dordt. The purpose of this committee is to find ways to increase the spirit of community-faculty with students and students with students.

All this work and effort are taking place, however, in relationship to something which already exists -- a living sense of community. One student has described this as "the Dordt bug"-something you "catch" when you come on campus. Another student expressed it this way: "Why do I keep coming back to this 'college in the cornfields?' Because of the people-faculty and students. To me Dordt College is people working together for the Lord!"

No. Dordt is not a community college. It doesn't intend to be. It is, nevertheless, a college working to demonstrate what it means to be a community of scholars and students in and for Christ Jesus. Hopefully the students who are living and working together at Dordt are learning what it will mean to live and work together in yet other spheres of Christ's Kingdom.

Concert Band to

Tour Pacific N.W.

in March

March 18 - Manhattan, Mont., 8:00 p.m. March 19 - Spokane, Wash., 8:00 p.m.

March 20 - Lynden, Wash., 8:00 p.m.

March 21 - Abbotsford, B.C., 2:00 p.m. March 22 - Lynden, Wash., 10:00 a.m.

March 22 - Surrey, B.C., 2:00 & 8:00 p.m. March 23 - Mount Vernon, Wash., 8:00 p.m.

March 24 - Bellevue Chr. School (Seattle), 11:00 a.m.

March 24 - Watson Groen Chr. High (Seattle), 2:30 & 8:00 p.m.

March 25 - Sunnyside, Wash., 8:00 p.m.

March 27 - Denver, Colo., 8:00 p.m.

March 29 - Denver Chr. High, 9:00 a.m. March 30 - Sioux Center, Ia., 8:00 p.m.

Personal Testimony by Carl Chan of Back to God Hour Tells

Unique and Heartwarming Story

In the fall issue of the Back to God Hour newspaper entitled Today, there was an article by Carl Chan, an assistant producer for the Back to God Hour, telling of his unique conversion to Christ.

Since his story involves Dordt College, KDCR, and a Dordt student, we wanted to retell his testimony.

Carl Chan was a non-Christian native of Hong Kong who came to the U.S. in 1971 to study at the University of South Dakota. He had never given Christianity a second thought--until August 28, 1972.

Chan writes: "On August 28, 1972, my opinion began to change. Flying back to South Dakota from San Francisco, my path crossed in Denver with that of Tina La Brenz, a Dordt College student also returning to school. After chatting briefly at the concourse gate, we sat together on the plane and spent the hour and fifteen minutes of the flight talking about philosophy—Christian philosophy in particular.

"This was the first time I had ever been exposed to an intelligent or intellectual discussion of the subject. My general image of Christians broke down somewhat, for here was someone whose faith was not shallow or limited to one part of her life, but one who had integrated a Christian perspective into every field of which she spoke.

"Tina asked if I had heard of KDCR, the Christian radio station located on Dordt's campus. Being a broadcasting major, I knew of it and appreciated its music selection and programming format.

"Two weeks later, both to have a look at KDCR, and to see an example of Christian education (of which I was skeptical also), I accepted Tina's invitation to visit Dordt College. I found serious Christian Scholarship there, and, at KDCR, I learned of the broadcast ministry of the Christian Reformed Church."

The next year, Chan went on to Northwestern University in Evanston to work on his Masters Degree; he was put into contact with the Chicago Hyde Park CRC by Mrs. Grace La Brenz (Tina's mother). Here Carl Chan grew in the faith, and was baptized in September of 1974.

In December of 1974, Carl Chan went to work for the Back to God Hour; in May of 1975, Tina La Brenz became Mrs. Carl Chan.

Quota Support for Dordt College...Part II

by Lyle Gritters, Director of Development

In the first of a series of articles on quota support for Dordt College, it was noted in the last issue of the <u>Voice</u> that in 1965 quota-relief covered <u>18%</u> of Dordt's total operating expenses; today it covers only 7%!

Further, it was revealed that although 85% of the CRC young people from the midwest attend Dordt, only 47% of the higher education quotas collected from CRC churches in the midwest goes to Dordt.

Finally, it was reported that although <u>46% of the CRC young</u> people from the Western U.S. and Canada are attending Dordt, Dordt receives 0% quota support from this area. The entire higher education quota (\$33.25 per family in the U.S. and \$18.75 in Canada) from CRC churches of this region goes to Calvin College in Grand Rapids.

In this and the next issue, we hope to review (1) why quota relief, as a percentage of Dordt's total expenses, has decreased so dramatically, and (2) some reasons for the apparent inequities in quota support for Dordt.

Basically, the problem is that under the present system, the amount of quota relief, as set by Synod each year for Dordt, is completely unrelated to Dordt's budget needs.

Why? Because Dordt's "quota relief," as set by Synod, is a "left-over" amount after taking care of Calvin's needs for the year. For example, for 1976, Calvin's "above-tuition" need is \$2,150,000 or an average of \$34 per CRC family.

First, based on the system established by the Synod of 1962, every family in the CRC, regardless of how many students from that area attend Calvin, must share equally in 35% of the "above tuition" needs of Calvin. The rationale for this rule is that Calvin is the denominational school.

For 1976, that "equal share" is close to \$12.00 for every CRC family. Even if there wasn't <u>one</u> student from the midwest attending Calvin, CRC families in the midwest would still pay \$12.00 per family for Calvin's support.

The other 65% of Calvin's "above-tuition" need is allocated

by geographical regions based on the number of CRC students from each region attending Calvin. There were about 90 CRC students from the midwest attending Calvin last year, which results in an extra \$6.00 per midwestern CRC family.

That means a total "Calvin quota" of \$18 per midwest CRC family (\$12.00 basic + \$6.00 extra). Dordt is then allowed the difference between the overall average Calvin quota (\$34.00) and the midwest Calvin quota (\$18.00) or a total of \$16.00 per midwest CRC family for Dordt.

HIGHER EDUCATION QUOTA SUPPORT STATISTICS (Area 4 - CRC's of the Midwest)

	Number of CRC students from Area 4	Quota Support per Family	Total Quota Support [8,400 families]	Quota Support per Student from Area 4
Dordt College	410	\$16.00*	\$134,000	\$ 330.00
Calvin College Calvin Seminary Total - Calvin	90	9.50** <u>8.50</u> ** \$18.00	\$ 80,000 \$ 71,000 \$151,000	\$ 890.00

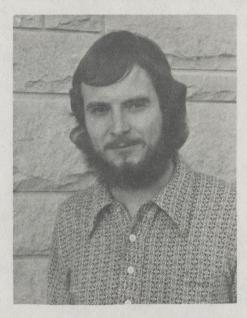
*does not include \$4.00 per family as added by classical decision.

**per November, 1975 report from Calvin to the consistories that approximately 25% of the overall Calvin quota (\$34.00 per family x 25% = \$8.50) is for Calvin Seminary.

In summary, according to the Synodical quota distribution formula, the 109 Christian Reformed Churches of the midwest send \$890.00 per student to Calvin College and only \$330 per student to Dordt, close to three times more for Calvin than for Dordt.

In the next issue, we will examine some reasons for the "apparent inequities" in quota support for Dordt between different geographical regions.





Corrie Hamming, left, of Prince Edward Island, and Henry Contant, right, of Victoria, British Columbia, have each received a \$250 Dutch Immigrant Society Scholarship for the 1975/76 school year.

Business Administration Program (con't from page 1)

our secretarial science 'graduates' to be a credit to Dordt College."

Evert Van Der Heide, the latest addition

to the department's faculty, came this fall with extensive preparation in economics.

Business administration graduates are



Business Department Staff Members. Left to right: Rebecca Woodward, Teaching Assistant in Business, Evert Van Der Heide, Instructor of Economics, Henry De Groot, Professor of Business Administration and Economics, Vern Timmer, Assistant Professor of Business Administration-Economics.

Etcetera

A new club entitled "Our Brother's Keepers" has been formed on campus. Its stated purpose is to "channel student interest, conviction, and potential into active...committees who shall promote the 'right to life' conviction to the public." The club will sponsor a "Pro-Life Week" on campus January 19-25.

Dordt College Homecoming has been set for Saturday, February 14. Activities include an Alumni/Junior Varsity basketball game at 1:00 p.m., a varsity basketball game at 3:00 p.m., an alumni banquet at 5:30 p.m. (speaker: Jerry Ebbers), a talent show at 8:00 p.m. in the S.U.B., and a social hour in the S.U.B. following the talent show. Those arriving early are invited to attend the Friday night opera performance at which there will be a special section of seats reserved for alumni.

The Dordt College hockey team is off to another outstanding year running their record to 6-0 by Christmas break.

active in executive positions in business and industry, in the military, in the legal profession, in agriculture, in teaching, in sales and in banking. Three Dordt graduates—Daryl De Kam, Robert Clausing, and Milo Arkema—are certified public accountants. Dordt offers eight courses in accounting.

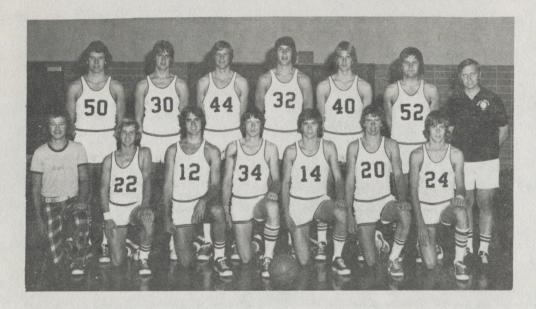
A unique Senior Business Seminar, required of each business student, reviews and correlates all business courses, and tries to bring a Christian perspective into focus for the student as he is about to begin his career. Issues discussed include management problems, economic and tax problems, honesty, social responsibility, moral responsibility to employee and employer—for example, just payment of wages—organized labor, Christian responsibility for consumer as well as merchant, and the vocation of businessman as a Christian vocation.

"We assume that a businessman can be a Christian, and that a Christian can be a businessman," said De Groot. During the seminar each student prepares and presents a major research paper on a topic of interest to him in the department.

Many students in business administration complete individual studies courses, in which they extensively research and study an area of interest, under supervision.

The department is presently developing new programs and new approaches in studying business principles and problems, always with the purpose of developing an awareness of Christian responsibility and applying knowledge in Christian perspective. "We are pleased with the reception which our department has enjoyed on the part of students and employers. We feel assured that God is blessing our efforts," concluded De Groot.

Sophomores Dominate Varsity Basketball Squad



1975/76 Varsity Basketball Team. Left to right, front row: Manager Jim Bosma, Fulton, II.; Dan Steenstra, Wayne, N.J.; Bob Vande Pol, Pella, Ia.; Daryl Vander Well, Hull, Ia.; Phil Smith, Ward, S.D.; Randy Jeltema, Orange City, Ia.; and Marlo Branderhorst, Pella, Ia. Back row: Larry Hayward, Salt Lake City, Utah; Jerry Vande Pol, Pella, Ia.; Bob Rip, Oak Harbor, Wa.; Terry Crull, Ridott, II.; Dave Den Herder, Luverne, Mn.; Jerry De Wit, Doon, Ia.; and Coach Len Rhoda.

"The team is quick, they're good passers, and really good shooters," said Coach Len Rhoda about the varsity basketball Defenders. "What they need is just more experience."

Only four lettermen returned this year, and Dan Steenstra is the only starting senior. Half of the 12-member squad are sophomores.

"After our first two games against Mt. Marty and Bellevue, we thought we'd overcome," said Rhoda. "But then we lost to Wartburg, Central, Simpson, and Briar Cliff. They showed a lot of promise, but they made a lot of mistakes. But it still looks really good."

Their current record is 3-5.

Steenstra is co-captain with junior Bob Vande Pol. Both play guard. Center Terry Crull, 6' 8", and forwards Bob Rip, 6' 5", and Daryl Vander Well, 6' 2", form "one of the biggest front lines we've ever had at Dordt," according to Rhoda. All three are sophomores.

Rhoda also praises the strong bench. He used the whole bench in all the games so far. Larry Hayward and Randy Jeltema, not allowed to play first semester because they had just transfered, will bolster the team for the rest of the season.

"We have a good nucleus of underclassmen to work with in the next two years," concluded Rhoda.

Etcetera

The sixth annual Special Subscriber Banquet will be held at the Dordt College gymnasium Friday, March 12. Thirty existing members will receive their ten-year membership plaques. With 43 new members signed up in the past few months, the Special Subscriber Organization now has a total membership of 725.

The Dordt College Speakers' Bureau and Music Bureau have both proved popular with churches, schools, and civic groups in the area. Arrangements may be made by contacting the Dordt Development Office.

Dr. Richard Pierard, Professor of History at Indiana State University, spent two days on the Dordt campus in late November lecturing on "Civil Religion and the American National Mission" and "Evangelicals and the American Civil Religion" as Part II of Dordt's Bicentennial Lecture Series.

Concluding their season with consecutive victories over Northwestern, Morningside, and Augustana, Dordt's soccer team finished the year with an impressive 9-4 record. Lee Vanderaa of Volga, S. Dak., was the team's leading scorer with 12 goals.

A new campus discussion series, entitled "Bridge" has been formed at Dordt. The purpose of "Bridge," according to its organizers, is to create a context in which students and faculty can discuss issues of mutual interest and concern.

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