Dordt Thalians rehearse in serious comedy

The curtains for the first Thalians' production this year go up October 12, 13, and at 8 p.m. for Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple". All performances will be staged in the "106 Theatre" (as drama Prof. J. Koldenhoven wanted it called). Tickets go on sale on October 2 at $1 for students, and are available at the SUB switchboard.

"The Odd Couple" is a contemporary play with a prevalent problem of our time: divorce. Play director Koldenhoven explained that Neil Simon, the playwright, claims to function this way: put people in a situation and see how they react.

"Divorce is always tragic, but it has a comic and a serious side; Simon looks at it from a comic point of view," said Koldenhoven.

Koldenhoven also judged that "The Odd Couple" is not a Christian play. But when the play is esthetically qualified, when it en-gages the audience in a comic sort of way, it is a funny play. But when the play is esthetically qualified, when it engages the audience in a comic sort of way, it is a funny play. But when the play is esthetically qualified, when it engages the audience in a comic sort of way, it is a funny play. But when the play is esthetically qualified, when it engages the audience in a comic sort of way, it is a funny play.

In the last ten years, so Simon has written many successful and popular comedies. "Why has the American public just gobbled up Simon?" Prof. Koldenhoven wondered.

What makes it so funny? "If the play does not give insights into life, it's cheap. But Simon is serious," he then added. Although the play makes a serious statement, Simon goes over the hill immediately with a comic line. So the aesthetic aspect is in the humor and not in the "message."

Therefore, it's possible that every time a night of laughter, you come away realizing that divorce is a serious thing. Prof. Koldenhoven explained.

The audience of the play is limited mainly to the student body for two reasons. First, the material is sensitive and the academic setting in which the play is performed. Because the freshmen are studying this literary work in the Drama Unit of their English class, books have been ordered and put on reserve in the library for future study of the play. The book will be discussed in class after it has been performed.

The "Odd Couple" had its premiere in 1965. The Thalians will put on the original play and not the TV production.

The lead roles are Oscar Madison, played by Arlyn Van Zee, and Felix Ungare, played by Greg Sporndris. Oscar is a disaster, on page 4.

Kobes sustains examination

After successfully sus- taining a thorough examination on Tuesday, September 16, Rev. W. Kobes was ordained Sunday night in the Sioux Center First Christian Re- formed Church. His In- augural sermon will be given Sunday evening, September 30, in the same church.

Rev. Kobes' was called by First Church as In- structor of Bible at Dordt and Associate Par- cach. Dordt required Rev. Kobes to be ordained before filling the space left by Dr. G. Van Groningen.

Rev. W. Kobes graduated from Dordt in 1969, and from Calvin Seminary in 1972. He received his Master's of Theology this year from Calvin.

The examination con- sisted of three main parts: the first part was very personal, focusing on his commitment, his pur- pose for going into the ministry, and how he saw his work at Dordt as a part of the ministry of the Church. The second part was a critique of his sermon, specially delivered for the exam. This was followed by a third part on Reformed Theology in general.

The examination was first carried on by several- men, later opened to all the delegates. The examination took place at the Sioux Center Classic, meeting held in Inwood, Iowa.

Kobes told The Diamond that Dordt had changed a bit since he left, but that he felt quite at home among the college faculty and students that used to be his teachers. He said that he was really pleased with the response of students and in and out of class.

Rev. Kobes teaches two Theology courses. 101 and Theology 201.

Workshop attracts Dordt journalists

About one dozen students will attend a journalism workshop this Friday af- ternoon and Saturday mor- ning at Mount Marty College in Yankton, South Dakota. Accompanied by Dr. Marvin Vanden Bosch and Mr. Jack Vanden Berg, they will attend a workshop to be given by several newspaper- ers. The workshop is designed to give them a chance to learn about the various phases of journalism. The workshop is also aimed to give students insight into journalism as a career.

Students from eleven col- leges in Iowa and South Dakota will be present at this first journalism workshop sponsored by the CMA (Colleges of Mid- America). The workshop is expense-free because the CMA is a loose-knit organization which enables them to get Federal fi- nancing to sponsor such workshops.

An added benefit for students is the one hour college credit which they receive by attending this mini-course. Receiving credit in this way is per- missible if the Deans of both Mount Marty College and Dordt College agree that the workshop deserves organized by students under credit.

When asked his opinion of this workshop, Dr. Van- den Bosch added here. "I liked it. You're in a great deal of trouble," he continued. "It's a great idea! I've never seen how many clubs are happy that so many kids there are; I joined some en- trainments."

Nixon loses support at Club Fair

Displays lined up against the walls, kids being persuaded to have their blood typed and the tune "Pi- rates of Penzance" filtering through the other noise set the scene for a Club Fair in Dordt's old gym last Thursday evening. The fair, at which 19 vari- ous clubs and organizations were represented, was held as part of Student Involvement Week.

The fair's purpose was to acquaint students with the extracurricular activi- ties at Dordt, perhaps like "Would you like to join the Opera Guild?" were thrown out to pas- sers-by, and kids would protest, "But I can't sing!"

Catching this reporter's eye upon entering the gym was a display by the Pol- tical Science Club. A poll taken throughout the evening showed that 22% of his former supporters, McGovern re- maining stable and various other senators picking up a few stray votes.

Using a different approach to get attention were the Thalians. As their demonstration, they practiced the first act of "The Odd Couple", to be performed October 12, 13 and 15.

Members of the Women's Athletic Club, in an at- tempt to raise money for their activities, took orders for Dordt T-shirts with the purchaser's year of graduation printed on them.

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A Bookstore's Good Name

Before the middle of October, the Dordt College Campus Bookstore will again take on its normal appearance. Dominating the T-shirt and greeting card scene will be brown blocks of empty shelves. All used textbooks will be coming their way back from whence they came. Hidden behind the six-foot high blocks will be a rack of paperbacks. A few stacks of notebooks and drug store items will remain spread out along the side wall. Once or twice during the semester a used book sale will change the scene slightly. At 25¢ a pound, castoff paperbacks from other campus bookstores find their way into a Dordt student’s library.

If the Dordt College Bookstore is any indication, the Dordt student is not expected to do any extra-curricular reading in his field. Discoveries and current thought-work by literary critics, philovores, sociologists, psychologists, scientists and technicians should not concern the Dordt student. Unlike other college bookstores, the Dordt Bookstore is not responsible for stimulating the student’s intellectual growth. The school library will have to suffice.

Lack of student support has been the Bookstore’s stand-by excuse for empty shelves. The argument runs a vicious circle. With empty shelves, the bookstore will never know student support. But perhaps there’s another reason for the Bookstore’s unpopularity. The student who reads has to pay the student less than half that for textbooks returned three months later. The idea of a company in Nebraska thriving on the money of Dordt students doesn’t do much for the Bookstore’s image.

According to Dordt Business Manager Bernie De Witt, the majority of colleges in the CMA run their own bookstores. If Dordt were to run its own bookstore, each student would have to spend $22 more a year to have the Bookstore break even financially. The Bookstore could become a cultural center not only for Dordt but for the local community. Sioux Center needs a good bookstore as badly as Dordt does.

In this new school term begun on the theme “enhancing Dordt’s good name,” the plight of the Bookstore should not be ignored. Since the school is run by committees, a faculty-student bookstore committee might not be such a bad idea. With representatives from each academic department, this committee could study viable alternatives to the present situation. The potential of the Bookstore for the community’s growth is tremendous. If other campus bookstores are able to survive with full shelves, the Dordt College Bookstore should not be afraid to try a new approach.

Wide Awake

To the Editor:

It’s been said that certain professors at Dordt tend to put you to sleep instead of expanding your knowledge. Also that some of the courses are about as interesting as watching the second hand on your watch go around. This is my first year at Dordt and my first exposure to Christian education. I appreciate the education I’ve so far experienced here. The professors are doing their best to show how their courses relate to our daily Christian walk and the relationships of the courses to our Christian understanding. My knowledge and drive to learn have been greatly enhanced by teachers who some say are the most boring. The opportunity we have here at Dordt to further our Christian knowledge are more than we deserve; all we have to do is learn to appreciate them.

Rick Ramsey

Humorous “Biblical” Entertainment

To the Editor:

As one who shared in the activities of this year’s retreat, I might say that I enjoyed the activities and opportunities which were made available. But one thing that remains unsettled in my mind is the presentation in which a number of Scripture references were fitted together in a rather unique and appealing manner. Questions arose in my mind (and in the minds of other students) as to how right or wrong the presentation was.

Scripture is to be used to the glory of God, and when we use any part(s) of Scripture for any other purpose we are acting contrary to what the third commandment requires of us.

My intent in writing this is not to attack anyone(s), but rather, to bring attention to what I consider to be a prevalent misuse of Scripture, and to remind ourselves of our responsibility to wards that Word.

Gerald De Graaf

A Re-defining Process

by political columnist Gail Stockmeier

A large portion of news media coverage is devoted to the political scene. Criticism of this coverage has intensified over the past year. Instead of the usual isolated charges of media bias or distortion made by political officials or candidates against a particular paper or news story, we now find blanket charges of long-term irresponsibility and distortion against the entire news profession. Watergate has promoted this distrust of the media and with just cause.

News stories on Watergate have been continually filled with speculation based on hearsay. Reporters seek out leaks from closed committees, closed conferences, closed court hearings. They promote broken confidences to get a sensational scoop. In their zeal for political justice, media members often neglect their own responsibility to be fair and just. The conduct of the media will be a major determinant in the continuation of a free press in this country. If the media ignores its responsibility, it can expect attempts to control or counter-act its influence.

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Van Dyk reports Cornell a challenge

"So far so good!" are the words Mr. John Van Dyk uses to describe his studies at Cornell University. In Ithaca, New York. Van Dyk is on a two-year leave of absence from Dordt's philosophy department. Van Dyk is studying toward a Ph.D., zeroing in on the medieval period. His work consists of a lot of reading and language study as well as several reading courses. In a letter to the Dordt Philosophy Department, Mr. Van Dyk writes that he finds his work a real challenge.

Van Dyk was awarded a first semester teaching assistantship and a tuition fellowship. The teaching assistantship involves little work.

The professors that Mr. Van Dyk works with are atheists, so 'their main goal is to prove that everyday CREATE a proof to prove the existence of God is fallacious.'

Van Dyk is free to counteract this in his class since Cornell prides itself in its tradition of academic freedom. Some of the professors are Prof. Kretzman, Genet, Wetherbee and J. J. John.

Van Dyk finds classes there quite different from Dordt. As he writes, "the informality of the classroom here is something to get used to. Kretzman, for example, lectures in shorts, students smoke in class and take their dogs along. In my discussion last Friday for example, two large German Shepherds were lying by my feet. I felt like the Greek hero perched on a pedestal with two lions at my feet. The occasional snarling of the dogs (at each other, thank goodness) fortified the impression. Clearly teaching at Cornell requires mastery of the art of moving about in a classroom without stepping on the tail of some vicious dog!"

Hoping to graduate in June, 1975, Van Dyk says he will not leave until he has a Ph.D. under his belt. He doesn't yet know whether this is possible or not.

Van Dyk and his wife, Susan, live in one of three university-owned, housing complexes. Susan Van Dyk works part-time as a moty-carrier for the Ithaca Journal, Ithaca's daily newspaper. The Van Dyks are really enjoying the stay and say that "it's worth the trouble."

"So far so good!" says Van Dyk. "I am becoming increasingly convinced that we are a Christian community and that life at Dordt does include more than studying; that we're trying to create a total living experience."

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Hulst critiques Involvement Week

Student Involvement Week was tried for the first time this year in an effort to get students totally involved in life at Dordt. The Diamond interviewed Dean of Students Hulst and got these reactions:

The Diamond: Do you feel the activities this week have been successful?
Rev. Hulst: "Generally speaking, yes. Monday evening was too long, but Tuesday night was great. Those interested were there. I think the idea of Student Involvement Week is good. This year is the first time and we're still learning."

The Diamond: What have these activities accomplished?
Rev. Hulst: "I think they've impressed upon kids that they're here first of all to study. Also, however, that life at Dordt does include more than studying; that we're trying to create a total living experience at Dordt."

The Diamond: Will Student Involvement Week be held again next year?
Rev. Hulst: "I hope that something like it will be held. Maybe try another approach to get kids involved to let them know what is at Dordt."

The Diamond: What changes or improvements can you suggest for coming years?
Rev. Hulst: "Involving more upperclassmen in talking to freshmen about how to study. Also, I think it could be shorter and maybe less structured."

The Diamond: Which part of this week do you feel benefited the most students?
Rev. Hulst: "I would say that the career clusters held Tuesday evening and Thursday night's Club Fair were the most beneficial, taking into consideration of course the fact that we haven't seen Friday and Saturday's Drama performance yet."

In later conversation, Rev. Hulst emphasized that a total living experience is not going to be given to Dordt students. Each individual is going to have to study to go out and get it.

Headded that the goal at Dordt is not students over here doing over there, getting from each other. Instead, everyone must be working together to achieve a total living experience at Dordt.

Information Forum

Student Forum met for an hour last week Thursday in their second session of the semester. Afterwards, The Diamond interviewed President of the Forum, John Struik.

The Diamond: What was accomplished, if anything, at tonight's Forum meeting?
Struik: "Tonight we went through the various Student Life committees. Of course, since a lot of the committees haven't met yet, there wasn't much concrete business. We did discuss the purpose of the special Chapel Committee, which is a sub-committee of the Spiritual Activities Committee. This Chapel Committee will deliberate on the variety of chapel as to meeting place and speakers. Also, Forum made a request to the Admissions Committee that Registrar Howard Hall and Admissions Counselor Daryl Vogel be invited to one of the future Forum meetings to discuss the whole recruitment program and possibly present parts of it."

The Diamond: What are Forum's plans concerning open meetings? What are the advantages or disadvantages of open meetings?
Struik: "Non-Forum students are appointed by the Student Selection Committee, which consists of the class presidents, two faculty members and both Deans. A number of things are taken into consideration: academic standing, capability to function on a committee, general sweetness and personality as well as availability to meet depending on class and schedules. Both the students and the faculty members submit names. Faculty knows the student from one perspective, the students know a certain student from another and together they come up with a selection."

The Diamond: What useful function will Forum play this year in "enhancing Dordt's good name?"
Struik: Forum is a place where a variety of student representatives come together with ideas and suggestions and talk about the issues that they have become sensitive to. They come with their own perspectives and views; it's not a homogeneous group. Through discussion, debates, and the whole forum, it gives them an opinion that is obedient to God's Law. From there our recommendations go to the various committees by way of the Forum representatives on those committees."

On leave of absence, John Van Dyk now has to fight off dogs to get his point across.
Dordtecologists study lakes

Sixteen Biology 200 students went on a field trip to the Iowa Lakeside Laboratory, situated by West Lake Okoboji. Under the direction of Prof. D. Van Deen Zee they spent time in that general area from Wednesday, April 13th to the following Monday. The Field Station has been in existence since the early 1900s and is presently sponsored by the State Universities of Iowa.

For the main part, three aquatic eco-systems were examined, West Lake Okoboji—received the most attention, while the Kettle Hole and the Silver Lake Fen were also investigated. Using the pontoon boat and sampling equipment of the Field Station, the group—composed of three quite different aquatic eco-systems, as well as some of the larger plants and animals. In the Okoboji vicinity, West Lake Okoboji was sampled for its plankton, floating surface organisms. Some surveying was conducted on the shoreline vegetation of West Lake Okoboji. The bottom ooze of this lake was also sampled by the group.

The tour proved to be extremely valuable, Prof. Van Deen Zee commented. "It was one of the best trips we've ever done in outdoor lab experiences." He hoped that it would become an annual event, if possible, "because it is so valuable."

Normally, the ecology class has several small field trips, but studying outside takes a lot of time; so, with a longer field trip, the student gets a better grasp of what is there from an ecological viewpoint, Prof. Van Deen Zee explained.

The importance of first-hand experience with nature was stressed by Prof. Van Deen Zee, because the student learns to respect it in all aspects, as good Christian stewards require.

The Okoboji area was also chosen because it contains three quite unique aquatic eco-systems, which are not found around Sioux City, Silver Lake Fen and the Kettle Hole. They've even been seen by the participating students.

In past summers, Prof. Van Deen Zee has carried on research at the laboratory as part of his graduate work.

Food was taken along from the Commons. Mr. Van Deen Zee was responsible for the cooking during the excursion, and was assisted by the students in preparation and clean up. The group also shared and used the mess hall which are all part of the Iowa Lakeside compound. Prof. Benzen, resident manager of Lakeside Lab, was very pleased in the way the group worked and cared for the facilities used.

The Class of '77 vote in

The Class of '77 representatives are finished for this year. The results are here in a news release. Bill Groningen received support for the position of president. Dan VandenZee heads the body and faculty together and Bruce Aart'sma have chapel got off to a good start. The tone and mood of J. Vander Stelt, Prof. W. R. Hodgson as secretary; R. Hodgson as treasurer; W. Koldenhoven as this year's class president. Crans start in past years, the latter was also chosen because it would follow.

There are Christian institutions of mercy that demonstrate the reality of the gospel.

Dr. Joel Nederhood: "Proclaiming Christ in the fullest sense"

The "Back to God Hour," a radio ministry program of the Christian Reformed Church broadcasts in English, Arabic, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Indonesian and Chinese languages.

Dr. Joel Nederhood's message is heard weekly on hundreds of stations in North America, and on some stations the shorter program "Insight" is aired daily.

Dr. Nederhood says the purpose of the "Back to God Hour" is to "...present the doctrine of Christ's redemption in the fullest sense. His new creation must be proclaimed because of the reality of the gospel."

Nederhood says that his preaching is not necessarily intended for Christian Reformed people, but his sermons "arise out of the reformed context." His audience, he believes, is composed of a specific type of people, but mainly consists of people who are listening to the radio (mostly "secular" radio stations) when the "Back to God Hour" comes on.

Much of the response received from listeners concerns his sermons about social issues—marriage and family problems and education—rather than the doctrinal ones. He says that his messages will follow. He says that his messages will be of a different basis than what is usually preached from the Sunday pulpit. You might, but usually don't have many sermons on abortion or a similar issue," Dr. Nederhood said.

Beside preaching over the "Back to God Hour" Nederhood travels to speak at special meetings. He speaks at North Dakota's commencement (CAPA 1971) recently Dr. Nederhood spoke for the Hope Haven Society meeting. Explaining that Hope Haven is a representation of heaven in God's new creation, Nederhood said, "I would not be as bold as I am in telling the world about the Lord Jesus, the possibilities that are available for His people that live in obedience to Him if it were not for the fact that
Students escape to Union County

by Becky Maatman

Have you thought about "getting away from everything" during Teachers' Institute vacation or some weekend? How about "roughing it" by camping out?

In the past some Dordt students have camped in parks such as Newton Hills, Oak Grove, and others in South Dakota, and Iowa. One state park that remains "semi-private" and unpublicized is Union County State Park, about 40 miles southwest of Sioux Center.

Last weekend two friends and I brought a camper trailer, sleeping bags, lanterns, food and cooking equipment to Union State Park. Being the only ones in the camping area, we easily found a campsite. At this time of the year parks aren't overcrowded--and no fee was collected. One bad effect of this: there was no running water. If we had no water, we couldn't wash dishes, cook soup or coffee. So, cheating on the "roughing it" bit, we trekked out to a nearby farm, where in midwestern cordiality a farmer and his wife lent a five-gallon container of fresh water.

Although the park is small, a large section invited hikers. If you're the type who collects rocks, seashells some petrified wood and sharks' teeth have been discovered where a lake existed some time ago. Near the ranger's quarters trees grow in an arboretum--a set off place where different kinds of trees are grown for observation.

"Healthy Atmosphere" or "Controlled Environment?"

by Dan Gibson

"I believe in Dordt College," was Daryl Vogel's opening statement in a Diamond interview a short time ago. Recently hired as admissions counselor, it is Vogel's job to convince prospective college students that Dordt is the place for them. Plagued by dropping enrollments for the past two years, Dordt looks to Vogel to reverse this downward trend. As college representative and recruiter, Vogel will be contacting students within Christian Reformed communities around the U.S. and Canada.

The large percentage of Christian high school students who plan on continuing their education in a secular college will receive special appeal and attention. He cited a poll conducted among NUCS high schools which revealed that 48% of the students who planned on going to college were opting for the secular college. Vogel, a 1973 Dordt graduate with a B.A. in business administration, felt that the new secretarial sciences program in particular would be a strong point of attraction. He mentioned the hope of bolstering the intercollegiate aspect of athletic competition at Dordt. The idea of athletic scholarships was not ruled out by either Vogel or B.J. Haan.

With regards to the problem of Sioux Center's geographical isolation, Vogel was asked if it was possible, in recruiting, to emphasize positive facets of Sioux Center's environs and still maintain one's integrity. Vogel answered by citing the variance on-campus activities and expanded his base of operation with: "After all, Sioux Falls and Sioux City aren't that far away."

When all was said and done, the interview with Vogel simply rehashed the problems of attracting students to a small college in a small town surrounded by a vast expanse of fruitful corn and soybean fields. Hopefully, the Calvinist perspective of this college, as taught and expounded by a dedicated faculty, will serve to outweigh certain disadvantages, and draw capable students in ever increasing numbers.

For those who knew Len Van Noord chiefly as the candy man (campus vending machine operator), it came as a surprise to hear he had become the Assistant Dean of Students. To discover more about the newly created position and Van Noord's attitude toward his new job, The Diamond interviewed the new assistant dean. Van Noord's new duties include heading the campus security detachment, dealing with all student discipline problems at the initial stage, and chairing the sports club committee. Regarding his qualifications, Van Noord listed being a Dordt alumnus, a high school teacher for four years, station manager of KDCR, and manager of the SUB. He concluded that, "the fact that I've been hired is evidence of my qualifications."

Discipline in the college context was the center of the interview discussion. Van Noord feels that Dordt College has a responsibility to provide a healthy Christian atmosphere, not only in respect to every student-connected activity--a feeling shared by J.B. Hulst, Dean of Students (see Hulst's article in the June 1973 edition of Pro Rege). The "healthy Christian atmosphere," designed to keep Dordt students "decent," is supported by rules and their strict enforcement. The rationale being, college students will not only benefit academically from such an atmosphere but their feet will thus be planted firmly on the straight and narrow....So firmly planted that the path to home will not be trod after midnight curfew.

Van Noord made heavy use of the term "controlled environment." Concern for the students' welfare is evident in such a term. More evident is concern for the good name of Dordt College. Van Noord asked, "What will people think when they see you, a Dordt student, buying beer, wine, or whatever?" Rules should be viewed positively, he stressed, as a means of strengthening the weaker brethren. The fact that some students, capable of responsible exercise of Christian freedom, feel stifled by the "controlled environment" attitude seems to be of secondary importance. The problem reminds one of an old winesack. No matter how much a worn winesack is stitched up, when filled with new wine, it will burst.
On smashing and those other athletes

by Pat De Young

Forrest Hills, Paris and Rome. At first WCTC members were ruled ineligible for USLTA and ILTTF events. Very recently a compromise has been worked out, and important steps have been taken in the direction of justice and equality.

Billie Jean Moffitt married Larry King in 1962. They have no children; she is not sure whether they would like to. She says about her husband, "I offered to give up everything for him and settle down. I thought that's the way it was supposed to be, but he told me, 'Don't waste your talent.'"

Billie Jean King both on and off the court, has proved that "woman" and "athlete" are mutually exclusive terms. The King-Riggs match proves that a woman with a great deal of talent can defeat a man with not quite so much talent in a traditionally masculine field. Billie Jean King smashed the stereotype, both of women and of "fields." That, I think, is what generates the cheers and clapping and the raised fists.

Seemingly, there are certain activities a woman may not engage in, goals which she may not aspire, fields that she may not enter, without risking her femininity. She is encouraged to conform to the narrow feminine stereotype (as defined by whom?) as feminine, but others call her to be without feeling like—and definitely not being—a "trapped housewife." But she must also be free to obediently develop and use whatever talents God has given her in whatever field she may be of most significant service in His Kingdom.

The above-mentioned "fact" that women think more concretely than men; men think more abstractly than women. Women also tend toward conformity, men toward relative non-conformity. King-资产评估272x632.png

It is essentially demonstrable that women think more concretely than men; men think more abstractly than women. Women also tend toward conformity, men toward relative non-conformity. King projected her two billion dollars, the woman receiving $200,000 and the loser $100,000. Some call Ms. King, as the heroine who was duty-bound to defend her honor. Others call the match a Bobby Riggs farce which King and her fans took much too seriously. Still others call any event as a laughing matter. Perhaps some call it a "trapped housewife." But she must also be free to obediently develop and use whatever talents God has given her in whatever field she may be of most significant service in His Kingdom.

The above-Kingdom-service ideal is so common as to be a cliche among Christian young men. Among Christian young women, its implications are revolutionary. How can these implications, connotations, and insinuations mutter "yes, yes, yes." What if besides all that, she should play soccer rather than sew?

The question Ms. King is digging for is: Where do we set the boundaries that define femininity? In other words, must we too smash the old stereotype and establish a new and liberated type?

No. Not at all.

A woman must be free to joyfully be the wife and mother God called her to be without feeling like—and definitely not being—a "trapped housewife." She must also be free to obediently develop and use whatever talents God has given her in whatever field she may be of most significant service in His Kingdom. The above-Kingdom-service ideal is so common as to be a cliche among Christian young men. Among Christian young women, its implications are revolutionary. How can these implications be worked out within a Christian community—just as Billy Jean King most probably will face no resultant identity crisis. Those quirks of personality make him no less a man; that is, no less a person. But what about the woman who is a non-conforming individual? Is she, for instance, any less of a woman? Technically, the answer is "no." But implications, connotations, and insinuations mutter "yes, yes, yes." What if besides all that, she should play soccer rather than sew?
Student "job" plugged by profs

Two events held during Student Involvement Week last Thursday and Vice President Rev. A. Huls introduced student life as a society where one works, learns, and makes friends. Many students stressed the idea that a 45-50 hour "work" week also has room for a variety of other "non-work" opportunities. However, many students have at Dordt requires some attention to study hints as given by instructors from four departments. Prof. Boot, Prof. Cook, and Prof. Parker discussed the Language, English, and Science departments respectively. They emphasized the importance of paying attention, taking notes, keeping up with assignments, and starting to study early.

Mr. Koekekoek, however, took a stereotyped approach. He said: "Do not think...you might learn something," and "You always study the wrong thing so why study? Bitch it!"

Sectionals for English, History, and Science were cancelled because, as one professor jokingly noted, "They all went home to study!"

Athlete Grace Bos stands up to Marta Rosendal for the P.E. Majors Club.

Signet determined to give realistic portrayal

"Please bear with us, Dordt...we're as tight for time as every one else," Don Mouw, Signet editor, said this jokingly but, behind the laugh, it's the seriousness of truth.

The '73-'74 Signet theme "Growing into Christ-Lifestyle." Mouw wants to "make sure that what is portrayed shows that Dordt is a classical College" not just in the theology department, but in all aspects. He feels that Signet exists to try to give a realistic portrayal of Dordt life during a given school year, in a realistic manner.

As editor, Mouw has the job of coordinating the committees' work on separate sections. If anyone has problems, Mouw is the first one they go to...sometimes I know the answers, sometimes I don't," he said. The staff must maintain a realistic portrayal of the college, in all aspects. The stories were done in progress from the Mine type of theatre to the Story. The historical development was from the straight Mine to the Mine with narration of the Story Theatre type, in which the actor's doing both the narration and have speaking parts.

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Mini-teaching on this semester

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Students in this program may perform a great variety of tasks. They may work with problems in a certain area on a one-to-one or a small group basis. At other times, they may be involved in enriching the experiences of the very quick learners. Bulletin board work, research projects, etc., will also occupy some of their time. In this program, they are exposed to all the demands of being a teacher's assistants.

Those who participate in the mini-teaching program are generally first semester seniors or second semester juniors. They are presently involved in almost all areas of local elementary schools. On the high school level, students have been placed in Eng., math, music, and English. Presently this program is active only in the Sioux Center grade schools and high school. The expense of transportation to and from the area schools has limited this program to Sioux Center.

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OCTC generates "happiness marriage"

Saturday evening, September 22, demonstrated the results of two days hard work and cooperative effort by the Old Colony Company and about thirty Dordt students. The outstanding feature of the Friday night working was an "unfinished production" in Children's Theatre as a wind-up to Student Involvement Week.

The purpose of the OCTC is to get people excited about the theatre. In an interview, a student has been called this production a "happiness marriage" between Student Involvement Week, the Old Colony Company and the aims of the Dordt drama department.

This particular type of production was chosen because of the Dordt student's interest in working with children and because this type of drama helps the problem of using a school play, a secular script and allows one to build his own show. Christian drama would not have to depend on secular manuscripts for their productions.

The story of "The Three Pigs" was done exclusively by Dordt students, four of the stories were done by a combination of OCTC and Dordt students. Director Tom Johnson of the OCTC commended the talent of the Dordt students.

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A special banquet will be served for all Dordt students and faculty in honor of Canadian Thanksgiving on Tuesday evening, October 9. Food will be served buffet style in the Commons amid appropriateness. The annual banquet is a cordially invited to attend (for a nominal fee). A representative of the Commons will follow the banquet. Head of the committee is Wilma Pantoor, who will gladly receive any pertinent suggestions and assistance.

NEWS FLASH

Faculty members may pay $5.00 for the Signet this year; usually they receive it free. "We're getting negative reaction on that--they're not selling that well," Mouw said. The Signet is printed by the American Yearbook Company, a division of Josten's. At a company-sponsored workshop last Thursday, staff member's were told that if they met the pre-set deadlines, they will receive two free pages of color.

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Placements meeting aimed to alert

A “career interest” program, open to all students, will be held Monday, October 8, on Dordt’s campus. The meeting will be in room C160, beginning at 3 p.m.

The Colleges of Mid-America (CMA)-sponsored program is aimed especially at seniors and juniors who are not sure about their career or do not have any plans for the future. The purpose of this meeting is to help students prepare for the future and to give them an opportunity to register with the CMA placement department.

Upon being interviewed, Dr. Robert L. McCleary, Director of Career and Placement Services for CMA, will come to the meeting “fully prepared to discuss any problems or questions which arise” and to “register students to the CMA interview procedure” in career consideration, according to the CMA Placement Representative, Henry De Groot.

Dr. McCleary will also discuss a new venture—the “Career Interest Register” with the CMA, “looking for government interviews are arranged.” The meeting will be in room C160, beginning at 3 p.m. on October 8.

There are several new faces this semester in the Business Department. Among a long list of freshmen, Mrs. Vern Timmer and Mrs. Becky Woodward have joined the department, and with her husband, Mr. Timmer, his wife and family are originally from Michigan. For the past twelve years, however, Mr. Timmer has taught business and economics in California, Montana, and Rhode Island. His educational accomplishments include a double Master’s degree in economics and commerce. Mrs. Woodward fills the position left vacant by Miss Shirley Kulper who is on a two-year leave for graduate study at the University of Illinois. From Iowa, Mrs. Woodward-ward teaches the Business Education courses—typing, shorthand and office machines and practice. Also new in the department this year is the two-year secretarial science program. In addition to those in the secretarial science program, students can transfer into Business Education. Including those in the secretarial science program, Mr. De Groot estimated that between two hundred and three hundred students will be in the department this year.

De Groot plans to ask interested students, especially seniors, “to register themselves for the opportunity to register with Dordt’s placement service. They will also be given an opportunity to

Cooperation keyword for Cassidy

Dordt students are well acquainted with the service the kitchen of the Commons provides, but they are often unaware of what goes on behind the scenes. For Common’s boss, Mike Cassidy, it is a considerable feat to prepare 1600-2000 meals daily and to be aware of the nutritional needs of students. Cooperation has been the keyword to the Commons’ staff in its daily task. Comments Cassidy, “This kitchen is not a one-man show. We’re working together. Back here as a team of cooks, waiters and dishwashers. To satisfy as a unit we try to read the students’ minds in quantity to the students. If someone isn’t doing their job, either you don’t eat what you’re given or you eat from another table with your hands.”

Inflation and shortages are difficult obstacles to cope with when you’re trying to serve nutritious meals daily. Cassidy, when people eat at the Commons without a meal ticket in their possession, says the nominal cost to students would be twenty-five cents. Cassidy, like many other cooks in the area of the Commons for that matter, is often asked to prepare a special dish or two on special occasions. Cassidy, who is a member of the String Quartet returns

The world famous Stradivari String Quartet will perform in the Gymnasium Auditorium on September 28, 8 p.m.

The formal concert is jointly sponsored by Dordt’s Music Department and the Special Events Committee.

The Iowa Arts Council helps to supply funds for the concert, so “we can afford to present some good music,” says Warmink. “The purpose of this concert is to encourage people to come and listen to concerts, which fea-
ture fine musicians and music.”

Warmink conceded that this concert is a part of a program of concerts organized by the Dordt Music Department. It is a “one-off” benefit concert.

Astronaut to speak on faith

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Erwin, a graduate of the University of Wyoming, will speak at 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 18, at Dordt College. He has been invited to Dordt College by the Dordt College Music Department to speak on the topic of music. His educational background includes a Bachelor of Science degree in music, a Master of Science degree in music, and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in music. Erwin has also served as a member of the United States Air Force and as a member of the United States Navy. He has been invited to Dordt College to speak on the topic of music.

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The Biology Club is organizing a Nature Supper in the Science Building for September 29. Students are invited to foods that are "on the menu", along with other "undesirable" ingredients from the wild. Gordan Brand, Biology Club President, named possibilities: cattail bulbs, dandelion greens and green onions.

The Club hopes the event will teach students how to gather food from the "in the common's supper."
Uncle Fred carries on Saturday School

German Saturday School, a program started last year by Mr. Boot, will be in session this fall. The dates set are: October 13, 20, 27 and November 3, 10, 17 from 18:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Rooms C160, C158 and C217 will be used for this program.

The year's work of planning the program and preparing lesson plans has already been completed. Mr. Boot, his wife and Sam Talker are working on the project.

Helping him are Sam Maas, Audrey Smid, Jay Westerman, and Sandra Cooper. They have set up a three-level program for the grade school children. Grades 4 and 5 will be engaged in conversational German. Grade 6 will be studying listening and writing of the German language. The advanced groups, Grades 7 and 8, are now working toward mastering the skills they have learned in the previous two sections.

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There are several purposes behind the German Saturday School. First, it is designed to provide a chance to practice and improve their German. Second, it provides the grade school student with an early start at a foreign language which could help him or her in high school. It is easier for children to pick up the language at an early age. In addition, this program is one of the ways in which Dordt can begin to serve the community.

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Clubs contribute to campus

The Varsity Club wants to get a chapter of the Federation of Christian Athletes organized on campus. A representative of this group will be on campus October 29, 30, and November 1. In various speeches he will deal with aspects of his philosophy.

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Physics to be Saturday's keynote

Saturday, October 6, is Physics Day. At that time, Dordt College will concurrently host a Physics Conference for Physics Teachers in C217, and the meeting of the Society of Physics Students zone 916 C100. A wide range of activities is planned from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Several noteworthy speakers are scheduled: Dr. Donald W. Jensen, the Education Division, AIP, and National Director of the Society of Physics Teachers. Dr. Arnold Straussenbarg, AAPT Executive Officer, recipient of the Milliken Award in 1972; and Major Ronald Wachtman of the Air Force Global Weather Center, Offutt Air Force Base.

He will speak on the role of physics in weather forecasting.

The Physics Teachers Conference will also view a slide-tape presentation called "A Day with Arnold Arons." Dr. Arons received the Oersted Medal in 1993. During the event and carrying on through the Teacher's Institute, a display of "Art is Research" of the G. M. Research Laboratories. The 30 "framed color photographs (16x20)" have been described as "new dimensions of beauty." They consist of structures of various compounds as viewed through a microscope and reveal the texture, color, and abstract patterns that rival modern art. The display will be in the hallway of the Classroom Building.

Also on October 6, the Physics Teachers section will feature papers related to Physics teaching. The SPS gathering will hear counselors and chapter reports, as well as several student papers.

Physics teachers from the Tri-State area are expected to attend.

Teacher's Institute to tackle problems

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Soccer Club gains momentum

The Dordt College Soccer Club got off to a running start in N.S. Conference play. On Saturday, September 15, Dordt played its opener against SWMS from Marshall, Minnesota. Although Marsha-

All had to forfeit the game for being late, the two teams decided to play anyway. Despite the cold rain, the Dordt team overran SWMS with a 6-0 vic-

Dordt worked well with the ball and clean passing was the key to the victory.

Northwestern College is still Dordt's toughest rival and it met Dordt, September 19, showed.

At the beginning of the game the Dordt team seemed to have the upper hand. Slowly the Raiders gained control and began to pressure the Dordt defense. Goalie Rog Addink made some key saves for Dordt and kept the opposition scoreless. A last-

second goal in the first half by Northwestern was disqualified. The second half saw Dordt pressure the Raiders again. Rich Scheperman managed to score a goal for Dordt to give them the lead. Northwestern dominated the play again but time ran out for the m.

Dordt won by a narrow 1-0.

On Tuesday, September 25, the soccer team traveled to Westmar for their third game. The newly-organized Westmar team presented problems for Dordt. The score at the half was a tight 1-0. The second half was Dordt's turn to take control of the game. With five unanswered goals, the team overpowered Westmar. Despite the 6-0 loss, the Westmar team were real gentlemen and invited the Dordt team in.

The game was played on one day, the Dordt Club hopes its style of play will carry over in their next game. With three games still to play, the Dordt Club hopes to continue their streak. With three games still to play, the Dordt Club hopes to continue their streak.

Golfers suffer double defeat.

On Friday, September 14, the Dordt College Golf Club played their first match of the fall season against the Sioux Valley Golf Course in Sioux City. The team members were from Morningside College.

Morningside managed to defeat the Dordt Club by a score of 319-349. Although Dave Bishop put up the best effort for Dordt with an 85, the Morningside leader wound up with the score of 75. The weather presented no problems to the two teams, but the unfamiliar course hampered the Dordt team.

A return match was held at Sandy Hollow on the 19th of September. Morningside won the match but the gap between the two teams showed clearly with the final score of 323 - 327. Again a Morn-

ingside player took the lead with a total of 84.

At the moment, the Dordt Club is undefeated and hopes to continue their streak. With three games under their belt, the Club takes on the powerful USD team in Vermillion on Saturday, September 20.

Faculty puts a round

Although no one will admit it, there is a fantastic group of golfers on Dordt's campus. Twelve men invaded peaceful Sandy Hollow last Saturday to compete in which group of golfers were the best. The Faculty Tournament is a chance for Dordt's second meet was held at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion. A total of 23 teams entered the tournament. This number of home games. Nothing is scheduled for softball as of yet.

The women in athletics are also starting a Fall Township in Christian Athletics, planning to meet twice a month. The purpose is to discover how Christ can be reflected in an athlete's actions. The group is not limited to those participating in sports, but open to anyone with an interest in any area of athletics.

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In contrast, Men's Football is in a state of chaos. In the stiff competition, "The Leftovers" have lost their three games. The sixth ranked team is on a roll. Dordt's lowest was Bishop at 77.

The Dordt College Golf Club is playing in a tournament scheduled for Thursday, September 27. To be held at Sioux City, the tournament will see teams from School of Mines in Rapid City, S.D., University of North Dakota, South Dakota State University, Augustana, Morningside and Dordt. The Club hopes to make a solid showing and feels that the experience will strengthen the Club.

Jockeys ready to fly

Women's sports is already in full swing with volleyball heading the list of activities. The 25 girls, trying for the 14 places on the team are practicing daily for what should be an exciting season. There will be two teams of power in the mix which is the Olympic style of playing. Their season officially starts on October 9, while October 10 they will play their one and only home game.

Other activities will include basketball, to start in mid-November, and softball, starting next spring. Basketball season will have its opening in January, including plenty of home games. Nothing is scheduled for softball as of yet.

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Rhoda's runners burn up the turf.

Cross-Country is in full swing and Dordt's runners have participated in three meets. Their first event was at the University of South Dakota Invitational at Vermillion. Team scores were not kept because it was an open meet with participants from track clubs and other colleges and also independent runners. South Dakota State University dominated the event with SDSU runners in five of the first ten places. Gary Bently finished first with a time of 17:39 over the four-mile course, Dordt's Dave Pehrson with a time of 17:39 over the four-mile course. Nothing is scheduled for softball as of yet.

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After being asked how I-M was doing so far this year, Director Syne Altena had to say: "This year there has been a great deal of interest shown in I-M. What has been especially pleasing has been the interest shown by the women this year." Mr. Altena also outlines the future events to take place this fall. The next activity is Volleyball which begins after Tri-State. About thirty teams are expected to sign up and the shoot should continue to Thanksgiving. Other events, such as Bicycle Racing and Golf, will be held too.

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After being asked how I-M was doing so far this year, Director Syne Altena had to say: "This year there has been a great deal of interest shown in I-M. What has been especially pleasing has been the interest shown by the women this year." Mr. Altena also outlines the future events to take place this fall. The next activity is Volleyball which begins after Tri-State. About thirty teams are expected to sign up and the shoot should continue to Thanksgiving. Other events, such as Bicycle Racing and Golf, will be held too.

The Dordt College Softball Club is being dominated by a freshman. Ed Doornemab, who has burned up 30 miles in two weeks. In Women's Basketball, "The Revival Return" arc climbing to the top after this season. They are presently undefeated.

In contrast, Men's Football is in a state of chaos. In the stiff competition, "The Leftovers" have lost their three games. The sixth ranked team is on a roll.

Rhoda's runners burn up the turf.

Briefly speaking . . .

Dordt harriers make track.