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The retreat included a campfire hymn sing in the outdoor chapel by the lake, as well as free time for volleyball, basketball, frisbee, capture-the-flag, swimming, and mock television game shows.

Ebenezer, a Christian musical group

from Michigan, gave concerts both nights. The group, which sang at the Young Calvinist Convention in August, provided the retreat with a living example of communication in music and word.

Bonnie Miedema

## **Preacher Runs at Dordt College**

A Baptist minister named Haydn Gilmore appeared in a recent Dordt College Lecture Series. Gilmore, author of the Zondervan publication *Jog For Your Life*, is the pastor of two congregations near Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary and the Syracuse University School of Journalism. Before pastoring churches, he served as an Air Force chaplain, college instructor, and public relations director.

The Reverend Mr. Gilmore was invited by the Department of Physical Education at Dordt to deliver two lectures on the rapidly rising national interest in jogging. Gilmore, 48 years old, jogs about five miles a day. He began jogging ten years ago and has participated in several 26-mile marathons since then, including the famous Boston Marathon.

In his evening lecture Gilmore presented an exciting narration of what it feels like to run the Boston Marathon. The audience of students and joggers from Northwest Iowa (some who plan to run in

marathons) were delighted with Gilmore's wit and vivid portrayal of this challenging run.

In a presentation made earlier in the day, Gilmore spoke on matters relating to his book. The author-runner left no doubt that he is dedicated to the benefits of jogging when the following morning he joined students and community members in an open invitational jog. Some forty persons began the run, but only one finished with Haydn Gilmore at the end of nine miles.

Gilmore, pleased with his visit to Iowa and Dordt College, plans to feature the highlights of this trip in the *Runner's Gazette*, of which he is editor. He left Dordt College with a collection of writings as well as experiences. A good listener as well as conversationalist, Gilmore was especially impressed with the Reformed thinking that immediately became apparent, he said, as he visited with professors and students on campus.

Marion Van Soelen