Calendar of Events

Wed., March 15—Concert Series, Duo-Piano! Stecher & Horowitz
Fri., March 17—Thalian Activity Night
Sat., March 18—Movie, "Lilies of the Field"
Sun., March 19—Choir concert
Tues., Wed., Thurs., March 21-23—Lecture series
Wed., March 22—Calvin Seminary Choir
Sun., March 26—Choir concert

Dordt Sets Up Weather Station

Pictured above with Rod Compaan, the Diamond science reporter, is the new weather station constructed by the Physics department. The setup is located on top of the main classroom building and at present houses maximum and minimum thermometers. Also included is a rain-snow gauge which is shown behind the instrument box.

According to Dr. Marvin De Young, head of the Physics department, the purpose of the project is to record weather information which can then be forwarded to the United States Weather Bureau for use in weather research. At the present time, the weather station is not approved by

Fine Arts
April 26, 27, and 28

A Fine Arts Festival is again planned this year for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, April 26, 27, and 28. The fine arts that will be included this year are art, photography, writing, speech, drama, and music.

The aim of the Fine Arts Festival is to increase one's awareness and appreciation for the fine arts; therefore, participation by college, high school, and junior high school students is encouraged.

Each day of the festival, art, photography, and writing will be on display in the Commons. Writing, this year, will include not only poetry, but also short stories, and on Wednesday night writers will read

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Math Lectures Well Attended

The math lectures presented by Professor Robert V. Hogg on March 1 were well attended by Dordt students and teachers and pupils from surrounding high schools. In his first lecture Professor Hogg gave an introduction to the theory of statistical estimation and how it is used. The evening lecture stressed the unimportance of "the average" as a statistical inference as applied to grading, the fixing of salaries, and populations. This topic was most applicable since most of those who attended were either teachers or future teachers.

Activity Night

Drama needs an audience and an exciting, informative, entertaining evening of drama will be presented this Friday by the Thalians. The annual Activity Night is composed of a variety of individual acts which are currently being diligently rehearsed and will blossom in full flower before an appreciative audience gathered in the Dordt gym.

Although some of the numbers remain a surprise even to the persons involved a sampling of the program includes a guitar-playing balladress—Mary Medema; Dave Bloemendaal reading a scary piece called "The Snake"; and a stirring, effective, dramatic choral reading of T.S. Eliot's "The Wasteland." There are many more numbers involving other noted Thalians such as Jeri Brower and John Schuurman and...but you'll have to come to the program to be enlightened. Friday, March 17, in the Dordt "theatre."

Coming Lecture Series

On March 21, 22 and 23, Dr. H. Hart, Director of the Association of Reformed Scientific Studies, will be at Dordt to lecture. He will give four presentations—two in Dordt chapel service, a public address, and a special address to the faculty.

The significance of learning is an individual matter, because we are listening to God as individuals.

Don Barsema
in the Trinity Tempo
by Dean Vander Veen

(Ed. Note—The second of a two-part article on Viet Nam). In South Viet Nam today we are fighting a complex war but nevertheless a real war, with real guns, real bullets, and real deaths. We must deal with reality. We have no logical alternative but to conduct our total activity within an overall strategy of victory. There can be no half-way compromise between a policy aimed at victory and one that permits defeat.

With this in mind, I propose a preventive war on North Viet Nam. Our objective: to attack the enemy under favorable and unexpected circumstances in order to prevent the enemy from attacking us later on, under circumstances less favorable to us.

"No great expansionist movement has ever stopped until it was checked. Our choice...is not between checking and not checking. The choice is rather to check early while we can, and with allies...or to check the aggression later when it is stronger, closer and we have fewer and weaker friends and allies." (Walter H. Judd. Hearings before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, March 28, 1966)

Specifically, I propose that we strike at important military targets in the North that have heretofore been virtually untouched. Complete or partial destruction of vulnerable industries (e.g. steel mills), fuel supplies, transportation and communications facilities (e.g. airfields, power plants), ports, docks, harbors and many other lucrative targets would destroy the source of supply to North Vietnamese regulars and Viet Cong in the South. The selection of these targets should be entirely on a military basis. Politically, we should proclaim that this policy decision is a rational choice, not the result of a series of mistakes and miscalculations, and that we will not be deterred by a furor of indignation or threats of retaliation.

The feasibility of this plan was demonstrated by our actions against Japan in 1945. In spite of the 2 million men guarding her shores, we brought that war to a reasonable conclusion without the firing of a shot or the loss of a single American life, by an air invasion involving only 1400 men. (Gen. Curtis LeMay, Former Chief of Staff USAF US News, Oct. 10, 1966)

Would this action be successful in halting the further spread of aggression? The Communist record is one of stopping only when stopped. Berlin (1961) and Cuba (1962) are analogous: both American actions involved quantum jumps; both were successful in checking aggression. The threat remains, and will remain, but the involvement of international Communism throughout the world will be confronted with the memory of Viet Nam. Our resolve may later be doubted elsewhere, but not discarded and written off as just another excuse for imperialism.

A Distorted View Of China

To most of those people who came to see the Bathie Stuart travelogue on China, it was an unpleasant surprise. They were expecting to see an impartial view of China. However, Bathie Stuart showed the audience a fine tourist's view of China. She had nothing but praise for this terror-ridden regime.

By showing only pictures of fine gardens, beautiful hotels, pleasant, happy children, and fine entertainers, the commentator promoted her romanticized view. It was evident that her humanitarian ideas colored her interpretation of what she saw; she mentioned, "the innocent children," "the happy, clean peasants," the complete absence of any evil, such as stealing, killing, and vandalism; Christians who accept the Biblical truth about the sinful nature of fallen man were rightly disappointed by this distorted view through a "bathoscope."

M.E.N.C. MEETING TO BE HELD APRIL 13-16

The biennial meeting of the North Central Division of the Music Educators National Conference is scheduled to be held in Detroit, April 13-16. Detailed plans are being finalized, numerous demonstrations, lectures, displays, discussion sessions, and concerts are being prepared. The theme of the meeting is "Education in Music: a Process of Cultural Growth." Mrs. Trena Haan, who teaches all the music education courses at Dordt, will attend this conference and with special interest in the sessions concerned with music teacher education.

WEATHER STATION.....

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the Weather Bureau because of the lack of a complete set of instruments. Dr. De Young stated that the necessary equipment will be purchased in the near future if possible. A major part of this equipment will be instruments which determine the wind velocity and direction.

Another long range program of the same variety which the department hopes to implement is the obtaining of facsimiles or weather maps. These maps will be used in the forecasting of the weather in relationship to the frontal systems. Within a few years the department hopes to purchase the facsimiles which are relayed to earth by radio from the weather satellites.

FINE ARTS.....

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their poetry and short stories.

Speech activities, a completely new event this year, including interpretive reading, short meditations, and humorous speeches, are scheduled around a dinner in the Commons on Thursday evening. One-act plays will be featured at night, followed by critique seminars.

On Friday, the festival will focus on music, both vocal and instrumental solos and ensembles.

Highlighting the festival will be a public performance on Friday night of the outstanding contribution in music, speech, and writing in the Dordt Auditorium.
Dordt Cagers Gain Valuable Experience In 1966-67 Season

by Jim Roelofs

Despite a 7 win-12 loss record, our Defenders can consider the basketball season a success. Dordt has succeeded by playing predominantly 4-year colleges. The only exception was Norfolk J.C., a team that always manages to supply sturdy competition. Dordt has succeeded by playing scrapping, hustling basketball against schools like Buena Vista, Westmar, and Northwestern. If the Defenders had hit for a better free throw percentage against Westmar in the first half, the final score would have been considerably closer than 100-85.

Towards the end of the season, some inspired basketball was played by Dordt as our team defeated Briar Cliff in an exciting game, as well as whipped JFK and Norfolk J.C. However, a total picture of the season shows us that Dordt's was an inconsistent basketball team. One example which proves Dordt's inconsistency is that our cagers were trounced by the South Dakota freshmen, (Feb. 7) while they rebounded in the next game (Feb. 11) against Norfolk to overcome a ten-point deficit and salvage the victory.

The Defenders' final game of the year against Northwestern was characterized by a ball control offense employed by Dordt, and a sticky defense which held the Raiders' score down in the first three quarters of play. Marly Broek turned in one of his best performances of the year against Northwestern. The lithe freshman guard led Dordt's scoring with 14 points and played an outstanding floor game.

Despite their slow starts, Kamps and Ver Meer gave the Defenders some dependable performances in the latter half of the season.

Gene Hospers proved to be Dordt's best offensive player this season as he consistently hit in double figures, and scored 20 or more points in many of the games.

Bovenkamp and Van Wieren contributed to the team effort by playing some scrappy defense, an art which is forgotten by many basketball fans.

Freshman center Bernie Van Roekel did an excellent job of rebounding in the first semester, while his classmate Marly Broek became a starting guard and demonstrated his outside shooting and driving ability, plus his quickness in ball handling and defense.

DeVries and Janssen filled in capably with reserve roles and gave Dordt a strong bench.

Finally, this writer is of the opinion that Dordt will have the potential for improving its record next year if all of the young veterans return. Dordt's basketball future will depend largely upon this year's sophomores and freshmen who have gained valuable experience on the hardwood.

Young Defenders Fall

Northwestern's junior varsity made it three in a row over Dordt to end hopes of a .500 season. The hot shooting Raiders were well in command after three minutes of play. They led 30-16 after ten minutes, and 53-34 at half. Jim Krosschell got 11 of his 16 points in the first half on some fine outside shooting. The JV's hit at a 42% clip for the game, but it wasn't enough as they trailed 71-50 midway in the second half, and came up on the short end of the final 84-62 score. Terry Van Hofwegen led the scoring with 18 points. Stan Visser, Paul Schelhaas, and Ken Stam manned the guard positions, but were unable to break the tough Raider defense as they managed just 16 points between them. Dordt was strong on the boards at times, especially when Larry DeGroot was in the game; but the hot Raiders kept blasting the nets.

The lack of height has hurt the young cagers this year. Yet they have made up for much of it with hustle and desire. The junior varsity is well balanced. Coach DeWit has used two teams many times this year. This abundance of experience and talent should be very helpful to Coach Timmer next year.

Registration results this semester in contrast to last semester are as follows:

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**I-M Gems**

-Stephen J. Arends

In the 'Girls' Basketball Tournament the Sophie Fragilistics maintained their undefeated mark and won their trophy quite easily. They first trounced the J.C. Pennies 69-19. The Frosh J.C.'s had been literally dark horses all season and quite satisfied with their 6-2 second-place League finish. The Fragilistics, with Mamie Haan leading the way with 36 points, played as an inspired unit with brilliant defense. In the second game, the highly favored Frosh Magnificent Six and the equally favored JR Bouncing Basketeers met. The JR's, though extremely cold, were led by Jean Meyer's 22 points. The foul-free Frosh easily won 57-30, paced by Dee Kemper's 29 and Nancy Hollander's 26. This set the stage for an expectedly close final thriller. All were disappointed except for the Sophies. Phyllis Memmelaar's 15 field goals paced the Fragilistics to a relatively easy 60-44 Tournament Championship. Dee Kemper scored 23 points for the losing cause.

The I-M Girls' All-Tournament Team of 1967.
- Forwards: Co-Capt. Phyllis Memmelaar (58 points in two games), Mamie Haan (62 points in two games), Dee Kemper (52 points of which 20 were free throws in two games), Jean Meyer (22 points in one game).
- Guards: Co-Capt. Ellen Eekhoff, Alice Post, Jean Theune, Wynita Bruxvoort.

The I-M Boys' All-Tournament Team of 1967.
- First Team: Mike DuMez, Milt Schonenwill, Vern Haagsma, Marty Zuidervaart, Case DeHaan.

Free Throw Contest-'67:
- Frosh Larry Klyn let number 13 get to him as he missed only one of 25 free-throw attempts to top individual honors. Second was SR Eldon Dyk with 23. Third with 22 was Bill Saeger. And at 21 we find Elvern Bootsma, Keith Huiskens, Dennis De Jong and "yours truly." The unofficial class results for the Boys are: Frosh-1st, SR's-2nd, Sophies-3rd, JR's-as usual. In the Girls' results we find Sophie Mamie Haan with 20/25, SR Ruth Vander Haar with 17, JR Esther Vis and Frosh Celia Nikkel with 16. The class results are Sophies-1st, JR's-2nd, SR's-3rd, Frosh-where they should be.

Now that the season's over and all the DBA refs are hanging up their slobbered whistles and sweaty tennis shoes, I thought it would be nice to pick the Ref-of-the-Year. This award by a unanimous vote of all the I-M players went to Dwight Bakker. He's not noted and commended for not making one bad call all season. In fact, he never made a call (except to the Girls' Dorm). He never even blew his whistle. (He couldn't find it.) With that kind of record no wonder he's popular with the BB teams.

Due to popular demand for the Girls' Vital Statistics, I figured I'd give you a few from the Girls' League play. The Fragilistics scoring 44 points/game lead the offense department with Mamie Haan's 18.5 and Phyllis Memmelaar's 18 point average. Ruth Vander Haar's 24.3 points/game won individual honors. Other noteworthy forwards are Jean Meyer (17.8), Dee Kemper (18.3), and Nancy Hollander (16.9). The Dortdettes' claim to fame was their 45 fouls, the least. The J.C. Pennies have the most fouls at 100 for the season with their guard Alice Post with the most fouls, 23. The Net Rippers scored the least, averaging 9 points.

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**Practice Teachers: Happy 'cuz it's over?**

**Music Notes**

The local concert schedule has been released by the music department:
- March 19, 3:30 p.m.—Concert Choir—Central Ref. Church, Sioux Center.
- March 19, 9:00 p.m.—Concert Choir—Sheldon Christian Ref. Church.
- March 26, 8:00 p.m.—Concert Choir—Hull First Christian Ref. Church.
- April 2, 9:00 p.m.—Chorale—Hospers Christian Ref. Church.
- April 16, 7:30 p.m.—Chorale—Orange City Second Christian Ref. Church.
- April 22, 8:00 p.m.—Band and Male Chorus—Sioux Center Public High School.
- April 30, Brahms' Requiem—Orange City First Christian Ref. Church.

**Note on Music Bulletin Board:**

(Wednesday, March 8)

"No Band Tonight: because of Special Bi Pheta Alpha Omega Phau Cupolo Schmolo Rap Tappa Speaker."  
(Courtesy of Mr. Grotenhuis)
Council Deeds

In two long, discussion-filled sessions, the Student Council passed some important legislation. A proposed amendment to the constitution stating that the Student Council reserves the privilege to dismiss any of its members for academic or disciplinary reasons was passed by the Council and will now be sent to the Faculty and then the students for a vote. A lengthy discussion on a student evaluation of the faculty filled the March 2 session. Winson Elgersma appeared before the Council with his ideas and proposals on the matter. It was decided to let this issue rest as it is since the Dean is and has been working on this very issue for quite some time, but to inform and assure him that the students are willing to assist in any way they can.

The Committee reports from the Social Activities and the Discipline committees were both extremely good. The social activities appear on their calendar and the Discipline Committee reported the unanimous passage of their new student-discipline policy through the Faculty Discipline Committee. It is now on the way to the Faculty.

After some discussion a motion was passed reserving the gymnasium, as far as recreational purposes are concerned, for college students only. A proposal for an open "sounding-board" debate was turned down because the Council felt that such open forums should arise spontaneously and a fabricated affair would be a failure from all aspects. They are still working on a formal John Birch debate although this does not seem too promising.

A committee was appointed to start work on the April elections for Student Council president. A much-needed "last and found" depository for books, scarves, gloves, etc. was established on the bookshelves and bulletin board of Room 117. And an interesting suggestion to move the Rock to the triangle so it could be better defended was briefly laughed at and dismissed.

In Blue

- Norman Bomer

"But words alone tie man to men, And ties of men breed power; Together we shall good enforce, And brotherhood inspire." So spake the fools with gleaming tongues, In jewels of Hell submerged; So gloried they within their minds, Which reasoned forth the dirge. The bravest of the lost spat out, The most sincere took part, But the quaking of their minds shook not The prison of my heart. Dead flowers form my piteous bed, And crying fills my years; What good a mind when love is vain, And Everlasting nears? What good are words since she has gone? My sobs more fitting now; If only she had seen my eyes Or heard my daily vow. A goddess in a golden cloud, I dreamed to hear her sigh; Freed from this love I'll never be, So lonely must I die."

What tragedy when men see not That mind ne'er heart can turn; What pain is wrought when love so full, For earthly love can yearn!

P.K.S. Hear From Vander Ark

The March meeting of the Phi Kappa Sigma was a supper meeting held Wednesday evening, March 8, in the commons addition. Mr. John Vander Ark from the National Union of Christian Schools presented an overview of the National Union program. He explained that it was organized for the purpose of unifying Christian schools. He described its work in curriculum planning, publications, film service, teacher scholarships and other areas. After his talk, Mr. Vander Ark answered questions from the audience and distributed pamphlets.

Speaking Up

by Hans Altena

It has been a personal conviction that for one to be truly Christian, Christ must be living within you. He is an intimate part of your personal spiritual, psychological, social, and academic development. Life must be Christ-centered.

This general definition of what it means to be a Christian would be agreed upon by most of us here at Dordt. The difference, however, as has been witnessed of late, is—How do we as Christians develop spiritually, psychologically, socially, and academically? Do we permit these areas of development to exert their own pressure, or do we set certain limits as to how and to what extent one may discuss a particular issue? Do we at Dordt, an institution of higher learning, permit enough freedom of thought so that as Christian students we may develop to our fullest potentials the religious principles to which we adhere? Or, do we emphasize a conservative philosophy of education which forces all intellectual thinking to restrict itself to narrow patterns of thought?

I feel that an orthodox norm must regulate our studies, but also that within this norm there must be freedom of religious academic thought. We must never bury ourselves in the sand hoping that all will be well and that complacency is the solution to all. Yet, this seems to be a characteristic quality of that philosophy of education which is conservative. It not only tends to bury itself and be complacent, but even becomes very critical of those who hold to a more open-minded view of significant issues within theology.

Satirical Observation on our Fallenness:

God should have rested much earlier than the seventh day—before he created the vertebrates.

David Causey
Open Letter
Fellow students and faculty,
I just started school at Dordt this semester and would like to take this opportunity to say what a pleasure it is to be here. I am particularly impressed by the warmth and genuine friendliness of the student body and faculty. It is such a precious privilege for all of us to be able to come here and enjoy the benefits of a truly Christian oriented education.

I haven’t had the advantage of a Christian background and education that most of you have, and was a little dubious as to just what to expect at Dordt. The thing that has surprised me most is the questionable language used by some students during bull sessions in the Commons and in the locker room. The third chapter of the epistle of James speaks to us quite pointedly about such things, particularly verses six through twelve. We are all so tempted to lend strength and persuasion to our arguments by the use of adverbs and adjectives rather than making a simple statement of “Yes” or “No,” as we are admonished to do by Christ in Matthew 5:33-37.

I’m not in any way trying to put myself up as a spotless example of piety. On the contrary, I falter and stumble along in the Christian walk as much as anyone. I’m merely hoping to remind each one of us that Christianity is not some “pie-in-the-sky” philosophy that we put on a shelf somewhere, to be used only in case of emergency. Rather, it is our way of life; a continual striving on the part of each one of us to “take up our cross and follow Him…” For each of us this commitment to Jesus Christ means an unreserved willingness to place our lives as an open book before God’s Word which is “profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.” 2 Tim. 3:16 & 17. For all of us it means coming to the place where we say with Paul, “Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death?” and then, “Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus the author and perfecter of faith.” Part of that race is to be willing to follow the admonition of Paul to Timothy in 2 Timothy 4:1 & 2.

Let each one of us then, examine our lives, remembering that Christ knows our thoughts, hears our words, and sees our deeds. Does He approve?

In Christian Love,
Mick Knierim

ROOM FOR EXPANSION
Calvinistic Christian education at Dordt College has room for expansion in dynamic progressive thinking, apologetics and obedience. Those three distinctive characteristics make Calvinistic Calvinistic education distinctive from secular instruction.

There should be no place for static-minded professors or students at Dordt. Being satisfied with our present level of understanding reveals spiritual apathy on the part of the instructor and the instructed. The Calvinist moves forward, dynamically entering new areas to be conquered for his Lord-Christ, growing deeper in his faith commitment, and fighting to bring the demands of Christ into all facets of his existence.

We as students must not be statically satisfied when the professor serves us a meal of beans for Christian integration. And I’m convinced that some of us students couldn’t care less whether we get kidney beans or pork and beans. In some courses we must not be statically satisfied without an actively worked out Christian philosophy and without a Christian criteria for judging course material and assignments. Enough of the smirky self-complacent attitude that “status-quo is good in Dordt-Zion college.” Enough of the built-in fear of dynamic progressive thought in Christian education! We lack the dynamic victory-life in Christ. We have been given the Sword of the Spirit, the Bible, in which God commands us to subdue the earth. Let’s get on with the battle, dynamically delivering education back to the Father through the Spirit Who leads us into all truth. Dordt needs men and women with dynamic progressive thought and vision.

But it is possible to be dynamic for the wrong cause—the devil is! We should be more than dynamic in our approach to education—we must be apologetic. Steadfastly and consistently we should move forward in the defense of our personal Christian faith as it is expressed in our Calvinistic heritage. We need a defense-of-the-faith perspective rather than a questioning attitude in our education. We must not sympathize with those who challenge Scriptural teaching, but have compassion on them for their unbelief. The danger in education is that we scholastically toy with truths that are matters of faith. Somehow, we take the negative approach to our positive Christianity without using our time to search the Scriptures subjecting our “great intellect” in simple faith to God’s revelation.

To be dynamic for Christ, apologetically defending the truths of Scripture, we must learn obedience to the Word of God. We stand before special revelation naked. We ask, “What does the Bible teach about the course? What principles does God lay down for guide lines in my course?” This is not a childish attitude but the necessary child-like obedience to God’s Word. Scripture is our starting point, not a book which upsets our theories.

This child-like approach to education does not demand a proof text for each division of class material. Rather, the Christian Calvinistic professor and student will have the desire to know what Scripture reveals about the specific course. It is impossible to have proper dynamic progressive thought in Christian integration without a personal knowledge of Scriptural principles.

Learning obedience to God’s Word, defending our faith-commitment, and dynamically catching the Calvinistic vision of education is our goal. Within this framework the Christian Calvinist professor and student will have sufficient ROOM FOR EXPANSION.