Dordt makes Honor Roll

by Shawna Sieperda

The students at Dordt College could tell the world that the college builds character, but now Dordt has received this distinction officially.

Through a poll conducted by the Marketing Research Institute (MRI), Dordt College was selected to appear on the The 1989 Templeton Foundations Honor Roll for Character Building Colleges.

The schools on the Honor Roll were selected by the college and university presidents and development directors of 1,400 polled schools. Each school was allowed five to twelve nominations, from 219 nominations, 92 schools representing thirty states were selected for this national Honor Roll. Of these, 3% were public institutions, 27% were private, and 70% were church affiliated.

By earning this honor, Dordt ranks with the likes of prestigious universities such as the University of Notre Dame and Brigham Young University. Other colleges on the list that Dordt students might recognize include Calvin, Wheaton, and Iowa-Luther College.

The Honor Roll is sponsored by Templeton Foundations. This project was founded by John Mark Templeton who believed that the country's institutions of higher learning should not only equip individuals with strong intellect, but they should also build strong character. One of the purposes of the Honor Roll is to help future college students and their parents choose an institution with a well-rounded, quality education.

Now when people ask about Dordt College, our students don't have to stop with the education and enjoyment aspects. They can add that Dordt is among the top institutions of higher learning that best exemplify campuses that encourage the development of strong moral character among students.

Eight new members join Dordt staff

by Sandra Dejong

Many of you may have noticed the seemingly thousands of new faces on Dordt's Campus, especially if you are a freshman. This year we are not only joined by over 300 new freshmen, but also by nine new faculty members.

One of our new faculty members is Dr. Nicholas Kroese. Dr. Kroese was born in Sacramento, California, lived in Los Angeles for seven years, spent time on a mission outreach program in Mexico, and most recently served as an assistant principal in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Dr. Kroese came to Dordt for the opportunity to work with students at the college level and so far is "very favorably impressed with the warmth of the campus and faculty," Kroese, out "father" away from home, explains that his job includes not only discipline, but also facilitating spiritual requests or needs, planning student activities, and helping with career placement.

Along with Dr. Kroese, student services is joined by Rev. Don Draayer and Mark Christians. Draayer, a native of Orange City and a 1972 graduate of Dordt College, joins us from Bellflower, California, where he was pastor of First Christian Reformed Church. Draayer has taken on the position of campus pastor, a position that has not been filled since 1972.

Mark Christians, a 1985 graduate of Dordt, comes to us from Des Moines Christian School where he was a teacher and counselor. He has taken on the position of director of counseling.

Dr. John Olthoff, who joined the agriculture faculty this year, holds a Bachelor of Arts from Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, Illinois, a Master of Arts Degree from the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, and a doctorate from the University of Nebraska. He has been a research associate in the department of animal science at the University of Manitoba since 1987 and is credited with the publishing of ten articles over the last two years.

The art department welcomes the talents of Bruce Johnson, a multimedia artist, who has taught all levels of art such as ceramics, drawing, and sculpting at Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, Idaho, since 1987. He has many studio accomplishments, and a special exhibit of his work is on display in the art gallery through September 30.

Andrea Struyk, the new full-time instructor in education at Dordt College, attended both Calvin and Dordt Colleges and received her master's degree in special education from the University of South Dakota. She comes to us from the Sioux Center Christian School, where she has served since 1978.

Joining the history department is Dr. Anne Kwantes, who was a guest on Dordt's Campus in 1985. Kwantes' undergraduate studies were done both at Calvin College and at Sophia College in Tokyo, Japan. She received her Master of Arts and Ph.D. from the University of the Philippines, Manila. She is presently on leave from full time work in Manila as a church history teacher at Bible schools.

Vonda Broek, a resident of Sioux Center and 1987 graduate of Dordt, is new to the physical education department. She has taught courses at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls and served as a coaching assistant in the UNI School of Health, P.E., and Recreation in Cedar Falls. While a student at Dordt, Broek published The NAIA District 15 Sports Handbook for coaches. She was also a four-time NAIA Academic All-American in volleyball, basketball, and softball.

She received her Master of Arts and Ph.D. from the University of the Philippines, Manila. She is presently on leave from full time work in Manila as a church history teacher at Bible schools.

Ms. Vonda Broek and Dr. John Olthoff join Dordt faculty.
Depressed at Dordt?

by Teri Nikkel

It happens. Summer vacation arrives. School parking lots and college campuses turn into ghost towns. Farewells to friends are tough, but are overcome with eager anticipations of the months ahead. We try to believe that those lazy days of summer will never end.

The monotony of the typical summer job may slowly change one's mind. The most exciting challenges are to reload a stapler, sharpen a pencil, and remain sane until 5:30 p.m. But evenings and weekends without the worries of studying or treks to the library make the summer worthwhile.

Things change overnight. The days fly by as quickly as the birds that now soar through the sky in their V formations. The summer bum wakes up in a white-walled dorm room with a communications text across his chest. However, he finds that the mounting assignments and responsibilities feel more like a truckload of bricks being dumped on top of him. The waves of change are almost too much. He wonders how he'll ever survive Him. When life goes smoothly, it's too easy to forget God. Our troubles can.

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I'd like to challenge those students with the college blues to take a second look at their situation. Look around you. There are all kinds of people feeling the same way, with the same doubts, fears, and anxieties. You're not alone. The best way to ease your nerves is often to help the guy down the hall carry his burdens. You soon recognize the hidden advantages in your life that you had forgotten about. And remember that going to Dordt was not only your decision (or in some cases, your parent's), but it's part of God's plan.

Must we reflect society's example when disciplining at Dordt College? Are there not better alternatives to fines? We ought to be thinking about measures that make a difference.

Monetary discipline is never a just punishment. When student A is sent to Dordt College by parents who earn $80,000 a year, and student B is struggling with loans and has no assistance from his family, is a $100 fine an equal punishment? Student A will not think twice about his infraction, while student B resents the college because he feels cheated. Discipline should teach a lesson rather than cause feelings of resentment and injustice.

Spending time may speak louder than spending money. We have other alternatives out there, such as spending time working, talking, or writing. It's time to evaluate and possibly make changes.

Let's not despise discipline but accept it as a guiding role in our life. I believe that students, professors, and administration must challenge the effectiveness and fairness of this important guide. As we change from generation to generation, we must constantly reform. I don't have the perfect disciplinary reform for Dordt College, but I'd like to find an alternative to monetary discipline--with your help. The alternative might require more staff or more money committed by the college, but it could result in a fairer, more effective solution to some of our problems.

This column was written to stimulate thinking--positive thinking. I would like to write a follow-up article promoting your thoughts on alternatives or solutions. Send suggestions to Box 514.

Fines: A just punishment?

by Bill Vander Kooi

The banking blues

by Dan Boonstra

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Considering my easy-going nature, I walked to the bank which carries my account, had a nice chat with the friendly teller, and walked back out, enjoying myself immensely. But it was on my way back to campus that I realized how unusually well the transaction actually went. Usually, I and banks simply do not get along. I have never gone to a bank that wasn't a closed minute earlier or that wasn't being redone for renovations. I knew something was terribly wrong (besides my being in Iowa) and I couldn't imagine what could be happening at that bank.

However, I quickly discovered that there was another bank perched on the corner. "Wouldn't it be hilarious if I went to the wrong bank?" I thought. You see, I had automatically assumed that there was only one bank in town, as back as it is.

At any rate, I had gone to the wrong bank! So, hence, my warning to all you new Dordters. If you avoid the odd stare the bank teller gave me to when I explained my situation, be aware that there is more than one bank in this town.

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by Dan Boonstra
News Shorts

by Cheri Oostra and Karen Peters

Soviet dance

Dordt experienced a little Russian culture Wednesday night when the Massenkoff Russian Folk Festival opened the eleventh season of the Sioux County Concert Series.

The nine-person troupe performed authentic folk songs and dancing and played a Russian musical instrument, the balalaika.

The troupe previously played at New York's Carnegie Hall and California's Concord Pavilion.

Talent scene

Last Friday, Dordt held its annual Scholarship Honors Recital. Eight freshmen and two upperclassmen were featured; they performed their audition compositions.

Organ selections were given by freshmen Maria Huizenga, sophomores Lisa Klein, and junior Donna Groenendyk.

Piano performances were given by Brad Miedema, Jennifer Van Weelden, Shonda Collison, and Jody VanderLugt.

Taking part on strings were Brad Miedema on violin and Joel Bootsma playing the viola.

Two voice recitalists were also featured. They are Jolie Baker and Diane Handstra.

Seniors visit

Dordt College will be having a Senior Citizen's Day on Tuesday, October 3. This is a special day for senior citizens to visit the campus and catch a glimpse of college life.

Activities include a continental breakfast, followed by an orientation session, chapel service, and some class attendance. The day will finish with a luncheon with Dordt College President, John B. Hult.

Space is limited, so registrations must be made by September 26. Cost for the entire day is $2.50. Registrations can be made by calling Rebecca at 722-6020.

TV action

The theme of this year’s on campus fall lecture series is “T.V.: Turn Off, Tune In, Join In.” It will be held in C-160 on September 27 and 28.

On Wednesday, September 27, at 3:30, Dr. Daryl Vander Kooy will present, “The Case Against Television.” Also that evening, Dr. Cliff Christians will speak on “Television Technology and the Cultural Mandate.” As a follow-up for the two lectures, these two men and other Dordt faculty members will hold a panel discussion on Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited, and students are encouraged to attend. There will be no admission charge, and the lectures promise to be interesting and thought provoking.

Season passes

The Fall Membership Drive of the Sioux County Concert Series is now in full swing for the 1989-1990 season. Admissions to these concerts are by membership only. Membership can be purchased at the Sioux County Arts Council, located at 503 North Main Ave., in Sioux Center. Student memberships are $12.00.

The series includes five concerts this year. They include the Massenkoff Russian Folk Festival, the St. Olaf Orchestra with conductor Steve Amundsen, the Harlem Spiritual Ensemble, pianist Robert MacDonald and his wife Ingrid, and the season will close with the Cavani String Quartet.

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23. Corned beef
25. Royal
26. Cripples
27. Soft food
28. Republican party
30. Husband of Gudrún
32. Certified instructor
33. Dress border
34. Sleeveless cloak
35. Golf mound
36. Female dog
37. Sign of zodiac
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10. Horned animal
11. Loved one's
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Error causes setback

by Dirk Schouten

A week after the 88-89 school year ended, work began on the adding and remodeling of the science building. The 1.7 million dollar project is now scheduled for completion between August 1 and August 15, 1990. Although work is continually being done, classes are still held in the old science building. However, this is not to say that all things have gone smoothly during the work process. Approximately $30,000 in repair costs and nine weeks of man power were the result of a huge accident.

While pouring cement, the construction crew tore a hole through a main sewer line. The cement kept pouring, falling four to five yards into the sewer line. The cement traveled 100 feet toward the classroom building, as well as into the chemical waste lines from the laboratory rooms. The chemical neutralizing tank in the building held two yards of concrete alone.

Dordt personnel had nothing to do with the accident. The contractors who were responsible hired another contracting firm to fix the damage, which involved ripping out parts of the science building floor. The process took four weeks.

Science building occupants contend with construction crew.

Professors travel abroad

by Carol Knabach

For a handful of the Dordt College faculty, summer did not mean a relaxing break from the school year’s busy routine. Instead, for four of Dordt’s staff, summer was an opportunity both to teach and to learn in other parts of the country.

Through faculty development grants, three of Dordt’s faculty received the chance to travel to Latin America and parts of Europe to participate in intercultural studies. Faculty who were involved in these studies include Ron Vos, Manager of the Dordt College Agriculture Stewardship Center; Dr. Louis Van Dyke, professor of history, and Dr. Rockne McCarthy, Director of the Dordt College Studies Institute.

President Hulst experienced a different part of the world on his trip to Australia, where he met with educators.

Vos spent two weeks touring Europe, comparing agriculture techniques employed in different countries. Although he spent most of his time in Germany, the Netherlands, and Austria, he also visited Italy, Switzerland, and Belgium. He was especially interested in comparing the different farm and dairy methods and the livestock nutrition management among the various countries. Vos also was curious as to whether these countries dealt with the same agriculture issues as the U.S.

Since Vos designed his own tour, he was able to interact with many people during his travels, down-to-earth farmers and those well known. One highlight of the trip was to have a meal and conversation with Egbert Schuurman, a member of the Dutch parliament.

Van Dyke goes on tour.

Van Dyke explored a different part of the world, visiting the Latin American countries of Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Guatemala, on the 1989 Latin American Study Tour sponsored by the Christian College Coalition. Spending six days in each country, Van Dyke had the opportunity to tour development projects as well as meet with leaders or representatives of religion, politics, and education.

Van Dyke believed that knowledge gained through the tour would be beneficial to him in the classroom. “Travel is as educational as reading books,” he says.

While in Latin America, Van Dyke observed the contrast between the different countries, nationally, culturally, and socially. He says that it is important to “understand differences among Latin Americans and to meet individuals on his or her own ground.”

McCarthy impressed by contrast.

Attending an Inter-European Educator’s Seminar, McCarthy’s travels were spent both in the democratic country of West Germany and the communist countries of East Germany, Poland, and Czechoslovakia. The purpose of the seminar was to put educators with their counterparts in Eastern Europe, and compare the differences between living in a free versus a communist country. The seminar also focused on political, cultural, and educational issues.

A memorable experience for McCarthy was visiting Auschwitz, a concentration camp in Poland. McCarthy says that the systematic approach to the destruction of the people made an impression on him. Rooms within the camp were filled with eyeglasses, artificial limbs, etc., of those who died. However, in contrast to that scene, the following day he visited a Polish church in which crutches and canes lined a wall, symbolizing life and healing. To McCarthy, the stark difference between the two settings symbolized the contrast between life and death.

Hulst hits the Outback.

President Hulst and his wife traveled to yet another part of the world as they met with Christian educators in Australia for two weeks. Their time in Australia was spent sharing the perspectives on education that Dordt is founded on, as well as learning more about schools in Australia.

Although many of the grade schools and high schools in Australia are Christian, there are few Christian colleges. Goals of the trip included strengthening ties with the Australian community, as well as discussing the possibility of Dordt starting an exchange program for both students and faculty with Australia.

Besides meeting with scholars regarding Christian education, the Hulsts cited that another highlight of the trip was to watch an Australian football game, a combination between soccer, basketball, and football. Other cultural differences the Hulsts encountered included seeing kangaroos, driving on the left side of the road, and of course, learning to understand the Australian accent.
Students
explore teaching

by Dan Mennega

The future of North American education worries people. It seems that in many cases, teachers across the land are more concerned with making money than with helping America catch up to the educational level of Europe, Japan, or China. Fortunately, at Dordt College there is a group of students who would like to see this attitude changed.

Future Active Christian Teachers (FACT), a group whose main purposepares to explore the latest methods, techniques, and concerns facing the future of education, is undergoing a leadership change this year after a slow and relatively unproductive season last year. Pam Van Wyk, president, took the initiative to get the club going again this fall. Other officers are Misty Zylistra, Steve Kortenhoven, and Sue Theune.

If you're not familiar with the club, it's probably because of its new name. The old name, Phi Kappa Sigma, wasn't a good name in most members' opinion. "None of us knew what it meant, so it was a good idea to change the name," says active member Janita Beukens. "It was unclear why the name was chosen in the first place." FACT has several ambitions for the year. They plan to meet once a month, having guest speakers whenever possible. The speakers will address education-related topics such as cooperative learning methods, special students, and whole-language reading techniques (teaching whole words rather than the phonics involved).

FACT also plans to take a field trip to Boystown, Nebraska, a correctional institution, to examine other aspects of education. Another prospective field trip planned by the revived club is an outing to Ames, Iowa, the site of a group-learning schoolhouse. The two-room schoolhouse contains students of all ages, not separated by grades but learning according to their abilities.

Beukens is very optimistic about the group's success. "FACT has potential, but it will require participation and involvement," she says. The club is not restricted to education majors. Anyone with a concern for their country's education is welcome to join. If you are interested in participating, contact any member or officer. Everyone is encouraged to consider this opportunity.

The Free Press was originally founded by two Dordt students in 1968. One of them, now Dr. James C. Schiap, is an English professor at Dordt College. With Schiap's permission, Dirk Schuiten and Dan Mennega revived the Free Press in 1989, to continue to give students the opportunity to openly express views and various topics which affect students and faculty alike. The column "Schuiten and Mennega are leaving the column open for any student or faculty member who wishes to contribute to its success. Please send your words to The Diamond at Dordt College."

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FEATURES 5

A summer gone by

There's something worthwhile about losing things. There's often a great time for students to sit back and think. Who knows what profound thoughts have entered the minds of those who don't pay attention. Maybe, a long time ago, in a school, a young German school boy named Karl pondered the first steps of proletarian persecution.

A week ago, in class, I gave up on the prof and reminisced about the past summer—something we've all done. I had a job in a nursery and I learned a lot. Thinking back, the things that came to mind were the other students, the hundreds of rose varieties, the boss, and the size of the place. But the most surprising feature about the place was the Polish workers. There were truckloads of them.

In the West we gave a half-hearted applause and $175,000 when the recent democratic government came to power. It was the nicest way of saying: "Congratulations, but you boys won't be around long." Let's face it, Poland is in shambles. There are thousands of Poles desperate for work, even if it means going across seas. So for that reason I met Ulrich, Yannick, Richez, Klara, and the rest of them. They were there to make, in Polish terms, some serious cash.

We had our way with them too—using their sloppy English and their nationality for our own entertainment. A number of times we sent a twelve-year-old smart-mouth to walk past their lunch spot, raise two thumbs in their face, then focus on no particular spot of the cold cement. It was obvious that from where she belonged, she was worlds and worlds away.
A chance to dance

by Scott McClenny

Dordt's drama department gives students and area children a chance to sing and dance by putting on a musical every few years. This year "The Music Man" was selected. According to Dr. Verne Meyer, the director, it was selected for its Iowa setting, light nature, and the questions it raises about changing life in a small town.

With all the singing and dancing on stage, a musical tends to look deceivingly easy to produce. That is not the case. Besides actors, there are musicians, technicians and stage crews to work with. All of these people have to be skillfully coordinated to act together to ensure a smooth run. Dr. Meyer admits that this is not an easy task. On the flip side, he says that putting on a musical like "The Music Man" is easy because the actors do not have to do a very extensive analysis of the characters.

Working on the characters of a play begins after auditioning ends. In the case of "The Music Man," auditioning was held last spring. This gave the actors time to learn their parts during the summer vacation. The real work of rehearsing began on August 22. In order to work around the schedules of the children involved, scheduling of rehearsals had to be carefully planned. Although rehearsals also have to be carefully planned to keep their attention, the children have been among the most eager of the actors. The eagerness and energy level they sustain has helped to get a great deal of work done.

The work of rehearsing begins at 6:30 every weekend and lasts until 9 or 10 p.m. Each scene is given a different time slot, so more time is able to be spent with the actors on timing, characterization, and rhythm. In a musical, timing and rhythm are especially important. One false step or mis-timed phrase throws everyone off balance. The play has been rehearsed behind closed doors to avoid distractions and to use time wisely. Dr. Meyer says that he has no plans to open the doors to the public until opening night. "The Music Man" opens October 4 and runs through the sixth, with an additional run October 13 through fifteen. Tickets go on sale September 18.

"Cry in the Dark"

by Janet Poot

"Cry in the Dark" is a true story of a family's struggle to stay together. Michael and Lindi Chamberlain (Sam Neill and Meryl Streep) have a family of two boys and a ten-week-old girl named Azaria. The baby disappears while the family is on a camping trip in Australia and is assumed dead by the evidence left behind.

Michael Chamberlain states that he and his wife accept the death of Azaria as the will of God. This gives the media, and others, something to use against the family. Media news and gossip conclude that the baby has been murdered. The case lacks evidence and points at Lindi as the murderer of her own child. Why and how would she do this? Is this the only dreadful event the Chamberlain family will experience in the Outback? Find out by attending the film on September 29, in C160, at 6:30 or 9:00 p.m.

"Cry in the Dark" is intriguing with sadness, tension, and constant action. Neill and Streep's acting is not only dynamic but also outstanding!
Recital marks organ’s anniversary

by Cindy Reddington

This week Dordt College welcomes Gerri Hancock to join in celebrating its tenth year with the $250,000 organ donated September, 1979, by Mrs. Minnie J. Dahrrr, an active supporter of Dordt College. The organ in not merely an expensive instrument. It is, rather, a work of art. Each pipe was handcrafted by the Casavant Freres of St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, and individually adapted for the chapel in Dordt College. The pipes range from one inch to sixteen feet in size and all fit together in one unified sound. Therefore, if one is damaged all would be affected and would have to be sent back to the Canadian company that designed them. One unique quality of the organ, copied from European models by Gerhard Brunazema and taking a year to perfect, is a special stop named the Vox Human, which means the human voice. All stop names are in Dutch. Based on old European principles, the organ could easily oustive the building. It is not just a conglomerate of wires and wood, it is a piece of culture made for all to enjoy.

Dr. Ringerwole invites everyone to come to the Dordt College Chapel auditorium this Sunday, September 24, at 2:30 p.m. to experience a piece of Dordt history. Interested students are welcome to make an appointment with Dr. Ringerwole to view the inside of the organ.

Chapel becomes Green

by Idelette Riffert

It was after touring with the Bill Gaither trio and singing lead solos with White Heart that Sparrow Records recognized Steve Green’s talent and offered him a contract for a solo album. Though he is now a successful Christian music singer, Green had to struggle with himself and his faith before his musical ministry really began. Steve was the only one of five children who did not enroll in Bible college. Though Christianity had always played a part in his life, it was not always a part of his heart. “My parents have always exemplified whole-hearted devotion to Christ and a non-materialistic life style. But as a kid, I didn’t appreciate it very much,” he said in an interview in Christian Life magazine. In college, Steve joined a Christian music touring group, “Truth,” as a way of keeping his attachment to Christianity alive. “But in the private corners of my life— in my heart and in my mind—I did not live it.”

It was after his brother Randy became a Christian that Steve accepted the Lord as his personal Savior. He needed and wanted to experience a change in his life. It was at this point that Steve lost his desire to sing. According to the same article in Christian Life, a close friend, Gloria Gaither, persuaded him, “Now is when you are to sing...now you have something to sing about.”

So, with new purpose he pursued his solo career, and in 1985 was voted “Male Vocalist of the Year” by the Gospel Music Association. Steve Green will appear in concert Saturday, October 7, 1989, at 7:00 p.m., in the Dordt chapel. Tickets may be purchased from the school office or from a choir member from Western Christian High School. The concert is being sponsored by the Vocal Music Department of Western.

May comes in September

by Christine Van Belle

On September 12, Dr. William F. May visited Dordt as a speaker for the Staley Lectures. Dr. May, a graduate of Yale and Princeton, is presently a professor of ethics at Southern Methodist University. Dr. May first addressed the school in chapel. The subject was humility, with the emphasis on receiving as well as giving. Later, Dr. May spoke to the General 300 class about calling. He defined a difference between having a profession to serve the common good and having a vocation for self-serving interests.

Dr. May’s field of specialty is medical ethics. He spoke about “good death” on the evening of the 12th. It was an honor for Dordt to have such an educated man on campus.

Johnson goes on display

by Cindy Reddington

A jog up to the gallery this week will not disappoint you. Mr. Bruce Johnson, art professor, is displaying fifteen of his sculptures under the theme “Passages: Personal and Social.”

As you view his works you will be reminded of days, nights, people, and places in your own life. According to Johnson, “Sculpture is something you feel,” and if you enter the gallery with an open mind you can not help but do just that. Johnson separates himself from other artists by his unique talent to use light as a subject rather than as a shadowing technique.

Some sculptures will be sold, although some hold a more personal value and will not be priced. Prices will be available upon request rather than posted because Johnson does not want his work to be just another centerpiece, but rather a work of art that is as meaningful to the observer as it is to the artist.
Boer, Zylstra lead Lady Defenders

Regular Season:

by Wayne Dykstra

Three weeks ago, while most students were buying books and hanging up posters, fourteen motivated ladies hit the gym to prepare for another exciting Lady Defender volleyball season. Under the helm of first-year coach Vonda Broek, the Lady Defenders have already played eight matches and hosted their annual Dordt Invitational tournament.

Marshall, Minnesota, home of Southwest State, hosted the Lady Defenders' season opener. An experienced Southwest squad, having already played six matches, took the Lady Defenders in three games straight. Coach Broek perceived the team's key problem to be hesitancy. Playing together for their first time, the Lady Defenders leaned on the strength of co-captains Patty Boer and Janet Zylstra, the team's only junior and senior members.

The next match pitted Dordt against Midland Lutheran from Fremont, Nebraska, another experienced opponent. The Lady Defenders put in a solid performance, taking Midland to a fifth place in the six-game sweep of more Defenders court communication and overall team play.

The following night the Lady Defenders faced the potent Midland squad. Midland proved to be too powerful for Coach Broek and the Lady Defenders, although excellent defense at the net and improved setting enabled the team to give Midland their strongest challenge to date.

With a 3-5 record Coach Broek is optimistic for the team's success this season. With a new five and one offense, this young team has adjusted well. Most offenses are run with two setters, to "quarter back" the plays. With one setter, there is much more moving around on the court. Coach Broek is pleased with the adjustments of this new offense. Brock says, "It's good for us to play strong teams. Even though we have chucked up five losses in the losing column, we have learned a lot from our mistakes. I'd rather play a strong team than a sloppy one, especially at this time of the season."

Brock is also pleased with the Junior Varsity squad. They hold a 1-2 record, with losses to Southwest and Midland and a win over Dana. Two Junior Varsity members also see occasional action with the varsity team. Strong setting and middle hitting are 1V strong points in this talented freshmen team.

This week, the Lady Defenders opened the Io-kota Conference schedule against Briar Cliff at home. They beat the Lady Chargers 3-1. According to Coach Broek, Briar Cliff and Northwestern are the teams to beat.

The following match was against Marshall, Minnesota, in an opening game. The Defenders met a good match and fought to a 90 minute tie. After two additional 15 minute overtime periods, Dordt won the shootout and took a 4-3 victory in the semifinals. Van Essen says, "We were really in shape for such a physical game. We would have done better if we were in better shape."

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Last week Thursday Dordt played SDSU, and the Defenders grabbed a 2-1 victory of the new players especially shown in the victory. Although SDSU's offense was not a powerhouse, the Dordt defense captured their first shutout of the year after blanking the opposition four times last year.

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Dordt is now preparing for the Dordt Invitational Friday. Dordt will play Northwestern of Roseville, Minnesota, in an opening game. The other semifinal game is Graceland vs. St. Paul Bible College, with the consolation and championship to be played on Saturday.

by Steve Hoogland

Soccer Coach Quentin Van Essen knows this year will be a tough season for the Lady Red Raiders. The team is trying to improve on the 14-3 record they posted in 1988. Graduation took three starters from last year's team, and this year's roster provides only three seniors. The schedule, too, is more difficult than last year's with five consecutive road games through the middle of the regular season. Still Van Essen is optimistic, "Sure we have a young team, but if we can come together and keep it together we have a lot of room for improvement." The Defenders have already surged to a 3-1 record.

Dordt kicked off the season in St. Peters, Minnesota, at the Gustavus Adolphus Invitational. Dordt was paired with St. Scholastica in an opening night game. The Defenders met a good match and fought to a 90 minute tie. After two additional 15 minute overtime periods, Dordt won the shootout and took a 4-3 victory in the semifinals. Van Essen says, "We were really in shape for such a physical game. We would have done better if we were in better shape."

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