On the cover: Sophomore education student Carson Stokebrand assists with the annual Plum Creek Children’s Literacy Festival held on campus.
‘The greatest of them all’

My predecessor Orville Walz ended our annual faculty and staff Recognition of Service celebrations by reciting a story titled “The greatest of them all.” Printed originally in *Sunshine Magazine*, it shares a lesson worth repeating:

A wise king of an ancient land announced he would set aside a day to honor the greatest of his subjects. On the designated day, people from all walks of life streamed into the city and gathered outside the palace.

Amid the cheers of his subjects, the king made his way to the center of the assembly where a throne had been erected for him. The king instructed the various groups of citizens to present their candidates.

First to come before the king was a man of great wealth, owner of vast lands and great industries. “He is also a man of great philanthropies,” said his followers. “He gives much of his wealth to the poor.”

Next was a man of the law, well known for his great knowledge of legal matters. “He is a great judge,” his supporters said, “famous for his wise decisions and deep sense of justice.”

A doctor, much sought after for her powers of healing the sick was next. Following her was a great statesman who had brought great honor to himself and his country. One after another was paraded before the king and lauded for his accomplishments.

Finally, a stooped, shabbily dressed old woman was led to the front. From her dim eyes shone the light of knowledge, understanding and love.

“Who is this?” demanded the king. “What has she done to achieve greatness?”

“You have seen and heard all the others,” was the reply. “This, O King, is their teacher.”

Amid the applause of the throng the king descended from his throne to proclaim her the greatest of them all.

And rightly so.

Shaping the teachers of tomorrow is one of the greatest legacies and blessings we have at Concordia. While many things at Concordia have changed over the past 113 years, by God’s grace and with His blessing one thing will not change: our steadfast commitment to providing students the very best teachers in every academic discipline and our unswerving commitment to prepare a new generation of teachers to serve and lead in school rooms—especially the rooms of Lutheran schools—all around the world.

May our gracious God continue to bless all who teach and raise up students who, empowered by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, respond to His call to serve and lead in church and world.

Brian L. Friedrich
President and CEO
Concordia University, Nebraska
On a warm fall afternoon, the sound of flip-flops and shifting backpacks echoes through the Thom Leadership Education Center lobby.

The $6.5 million, 65,000 sq. ft. brick and glass facility wasn’t even on the drawing board when Dr. Ron Bork ’70 spent his undergraduate days here. Backpacks were for mountain climbers, and attire was mostly blue jeans and beads.

Today Bork, the fourth-year dean of Concordia’s College of Education, heads up the teacher education training from which he graduated 6 years ago. Times change. But for Bork, one thing hasn’t changed. “This is the strongest teacher education program in the Concordia University System,” he says.

And to remain strong requires adaptability in this new frontier, the 21st century. So this year the College of Education has implemented several major changes to its curriculum to ensure its graduating teachers remain among the finest in their field.

The changing school room
A course in English as a Second Language is now a professional education requirement for early childhood, elementary and middle-level teacher education candidates. Bork says that the recent tightening of controls for immigration to the U.S. has not necessarily translated into fewer immigrant students enrolling in our schools. In fact, Bork says, “In the last five years, the refugee population in Nebraska has continued to go up.”

The College of Graduate Studies has recently
begun to help fill the growing need for teachers who can work effectively with learners for whom English is a new language. In partnership with the Omaha Public Schools, Concordia offers 1 credit hours of graduate study for elementary and secondary teachers working in its English language learning (ELL) program. About 30 students are enrolled in the program each year.

“Jesus told us to ‘disciple all nations’ and now He is bringing the nations to us,” says Dr. Jane Fryar ’72, dean of the College of Graduate Studies. “While language barriers do create challenges, we also have many opportunities in our congregations, communities and especially in Lutheran schools to share the love of Jesus with newcomers in our neighborhoods nationwide. We’re hoping to expand our ELL program in ways that will equip God’s people to do that.”

The department also revamped its special education program, dropping the 0-hour special education endorsement option and adding Teaching the Diverse Learner as an upper level requirement. Bork says the change gives all education students the opportunity to learn how to identify and provide basic accommodations to students with special needs. He says the change will strengthen Lutheran schools in the special education arena.

“We’ll be able to do that in a more focused way,” Bork says.

Purpose and passion

Also new is Teaching as a Profession, a required class that provides an orientation to the teacher’s role, Bork says. The program places students in real classrooms to observe and shadow professional teachers and is designed, Bork says, to help students answer the question, “Why do I really want to teach?”

One goal, Bork says, is to lower the rate of teacher turnover, which is the highest during the first three years in the profession than at any other time. Also, as Bork tells his students, “When you get up in the morning five years from now, it would be nice if you liked where you were going.”

More than one hundred students are enrolled in Teaching as a Profession this fall, and Bork expects a handful might change their minds. For those who settle on a different path, Bork says
Watch, listen and get over the jitters

By 10 a.m. Morton would arrive at Raymond Central, a school about a half-hour's drive from Seward. Morton began her student teaching experience by observing Peterson, the cooperating teacher, or “co-op” in student teaching jargon. Peterson had the dual task of leading her class and carefully modeling the approach to teaching she wanted Morton to see. Morton admits to feeling anxious the first day she met Peterson. “As I saw her teach, I saw how effective she was with the students,” says Morton. “That was encouraging, I knew I was going to learn a lot from her, but it was also a little intimidating. I knew I had to meet a high level of expectations.” Duke N., middle, was one of 19 first graders who helped Morton find her footing as a student teacher.

...advisors work with the students to help them find a better fit. “But,” says Bork, “we want people to choose the teaching profession and stick with it.”

Growing and enduring needs

Fryar says that the College of Graduate Studies also faces the challenges that come with the changing face of education. In the next three to four years, Fryar says 40 percent of school principals and nearly 50 percent of superintendents in both public and Christian school systems will be eligible to retire. And certification requirements for school administrators are higher than ever before.

Concordia’s graduate education programs are already on the cutting edge. Both the master’s in school administration and master’s in literacy are available almost entirely online, meeting the demands of busy professionals and making the most of current technology. Enrollment in both programs continues to grow and, Fryar says, they have been well received by participants.

And while student attire and Concordia’s campus skyline have changed through the decades, Fryar believes that Concordia still maintains “the sense of family, of belonging, of continuity people in our culture are looking for.”

“Part of what Concordia is known for is our ability to establish relationships that last a lifetime,” Fryar says.

While a virtual classmate might not be the same as a buddy sitting next to you in second period, Fryar says that participants in the online “cohort” programs grow much closer than you might think. Cohorts meet face to face in an introductory session and at
mid-program checkpoints. These “summer-intensive” experiences bring students to campus for a short time and help to nurture relationships that continue to develop. Through online conversations during the rest of the program, students share the same deadlines and intellectual challenges over a high-speed Internet line.

The next generation
Fryar and Bork agree that a commitment to each student in the program, whether the student is online or seated in class, is part of the Concordia legacy that should be maintained and given renewed energy.

Concordia’s teachers of tomorrow, Bork says, are eager academically and come to the program with broader backgrounds than in the past. They have an ease with new technologies that was not as evident even five years ago. They are well suited, Bork feels, to take on the classrooms of the future.

His aim is to make sure that’s the case. “I came back here to raise up the next generation of teachers,” Bork says, a veteran of 31 years as a teacher and principal. “That’s what we’re all about.”

“Students still come here with a desire to do something that is important in their lives,” he says. “They want to be able to graduate and do something that will have an impact on people. So when they come here to be a teacher, we help them to become a good one.”

Stand and deliver
By the second week of student teaching, Morton took over mathematics instruction and read to the class. By the fourth week, Peterson made a point to occasionally leave the classroom so that Morton would have the full experience of having a class on her own. “Initially, they’d always ask where she was,” says Morton with a laugh. “They didn’t quite get the sense that I was the teacher too.” Right: Every day after school let out, Morton and Peterson planned for upcoming lessons and reviewed the teaching done that day. “She offered a lot of reassurance,” says Morton. “There were times I did not feel that lessons went well or that I ran out of time. I learned from her that you can’t take all the stresses of one day home with you. You learn from the experience, and tomorrow’s a new day.”

A different sort of homework, the best kind of learning
At the end of the day Morton prepared for the next day’s teaching and kept a journal of her experiences, recording the advice she got and the lessons she learned. Key lessons: Teachers learn as much as or more than the students, and there is no substitute for being in front of a class when you’re learning to be a teacher. “Student teaching is critical,” says Morton. “Writing a lesson plan for a professor is so different than writing one and presenting it to a real live class of 19 squirming first graders. Then to be a part of every aspect of the child’s day—being at lunch with them, tying their shoes for them, being their support—is such a good preparation for when we are teachers in our own classrooms.”
A front row seat on the work of the Holy Spirit

As director of synodical placement at Concordia, Bill Schranz ’81 receives approximately 500 requests for Lutheran church workers a year. Each one is carefully assessed, prayerfully reviewed.

It is a yearly cycle of interviews, credential file preparation, phone calls and faith-filled assurances. Even a bit of hand-holding. The process nets about 100 church workers for placement within The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod each year from the university.

Schranz facilitates placement for LCMS students graduating with Lutheran teaching diplomas, directors of Christian education, directors of parish music and colloquy candidates. His duties put him in regular contact with principals and call committee members across the United States.

His role, he points out, is minor in the larger scheme of placing a graduate who intends to be a church worker in the LCMS.

“The most enjoyable part of my position is watching how the Holy Spirit works,” says Schranz. “The Lord is truly in control of the process.”

Faculty Notes

Mark Anschutz, resident artist for the Center for Liturgical Art, designed and crafted a 16-panel mural of stained glass for the Mulvane Art Museum at Washburn University in Kansas. Titled “Expanding Universes,” it measures 250 square feet. Each panel includes pieces of opaque blue glass and pieces of a clear glass that are textured with lines similar to the whorls, arches and loops of fingerprints so that light reflects in different patterns.

Dr. Jeffrey Blersch, chair of the music department, had two new compositions accepted for publication with Concordia Publishing House. His arrangement of “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” will premiere at the 2006 Christmas at Concordia concerts by the Concordia Singers. Blersch’s “Crown Him with Many Crowns” concertato was commissioned by The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod for the 2004 National Youth Gathering and is recorded on his “Resounding Alleluias” cd.

Assoc. Prof. James Bockelman had two of his drawings selected for the Sioux City Art Center’s 60th Juried Exhibition in Sioux City, Iowa. The exhibition was curated by Valerie Cassel Oliver, associate curator at the Contemporary Arts Museum in Houston, Texas. Geared toward emerging and established artists in an 11-state radius, this highly competitive exhibition will be on view through Jan. 7, 2007.

Dr. Vicki Boye, associate professor of health and human performance, has written the introductory chapter in the new curriculum guide for health to be published by Concordia Publishing House. The chapter will be included in each of the grade-specific guides (k-8). The curriculum guide is tentatively titled “Health Education: Embracing the Human Species”
Fryar takes the helm of the College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Jane Fryar, Concordia’s newest dean, is wasting no time. Appointed this summer to head Concordia’s College of Graduate Studies, she has already begun work to expand and improve the college’s offerings.

“We have a fantastic opportunity to lead with our strengths and grow into new areas,” said Fryar.

“The number of elementary and high school administrators expected to retire in the next few years opens tremendous possibilities to expand our master’s degree enrollment in school administration and provide excellent administrators for schools nation-wide.”

Citing another potential growth area, Fryar described the partnership Concordia has with the Omaha Public Schools in the area of English language learning (ELL). The College of Graduate Studies is now working toward making an online program for certification in ELL possible as well.

Opportunities beyond education are also in the plans. “Gerontology is one of the fastest growing occupational fields and a certification program is a natural extension of our current family life and degree completion program,” Fryar explained. Courses would offer applicable learning for pastors, DCES, nurses, physical therapists and possibly even financial planners.

She has also had preliminary discussions with the art and business departments to explore graduate studies options.

Fryar is a 1972 graduate of Concordia. After teaching for several years, she went on to serve for nearly 25 years at the LCMS Board for Parish Services and Concordia Publishing House. She was an executive with CTA Inc. in St. Louis prior to joining the education faculty at Concordia in 2004.

and is scheduled for release in 2007.

Dr. Bruce Creed, associate professor of communication, served a joint short-term mission with several Concordia students and students from the Universitas Pelitas Harapan in Jakarta, Indonesia. The projects included service to the areas battered by earthquakes in 2004 and 2005, visits to area schools and orphanages and church building.

Dr. Joseph Herl, assistant professor of music, has several compositions appearing in the new Lutheran Service Book, including three original hymn tunes, 19 tune settings, one liturgical setting and one hymn translation from German. He has also had an award-winning choral piece, “When to Our World the Savior Came,” accepted for publication by MorningStar Music Publishers. Herl’s hymn tune “Glorious Treasure” will be published in Immui Crestin 2006.

Dr. Jean Jones was named the vice president of enrollment management and marketing. Her position will encompass the university’s marketing communication efforts, as well as undergraduate and graduate admission, retention and academic advising and Concordia’s career services center.

Prof. Lynn Soloway’s illustrations have been included in an award-winning DVD produced by The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. The DVD presentation was awarded first place in a competition hosted by the directors of USA and Canadian state parks.

Dr. Janell Uffelman, associate professor of education, was awarded the Richardson Professorship of Education by Concordia’s Board of Regents. The three-year grant award will allow Uffelman to continue her pursuit of improved literacy education by better preparing future teachers to thrive in culturally diverse classrooms.

Buz Wehrman, director of library services, chaired the Annual Sis Midwestern Users’ Group (SMUG) conference held at Bellevue University. He also presented with another SMUG colleague on the subject of setting up a “New Books” location in the catalog.

Dr. Mira Wiegmann, professor of theatre arts, played a role in The Angel’s Theatre Company’s performance of Sailing Septuagenarians at the Great Plains Theatre Conference in Omaha.
Getting out of Lebanon
Rosburg caught in Hezbollah-Israel conflict

With bombs raining down on Lebanon, Stephanie Rosburg was among the thousands of foreigners to board a retired and rusting cruise liner as part of the mass evacuation from the war-bloodied country.

Rosburg recalls with regret what she told her parents before she left for Lebanon. “One of the last things I told my parents was, ‘Don’t worry; I’m not going to die!’ You can probably imagine how either of us felt after the events of the war started to unfold,” said Rosburg.

Rosburg was in Lebanon to conduct mission work in conjunction with Middle East Lutheran Ministry. She learned about the volunteer opportunity through Katia Sahyouni, an employee of the Lebanon ministry center, while the two were studying at Concordia University, Nebraska.

After just four days of assisting with the ministry’s youth camps, Rosburg found herself in the midst of a conflict between Israel and Hezbollah. Although fighting intensified daily, Rosburg continued to accompany Sahyouni and another ministry staff member to youth camps in northern Lebanon.

“When we got back after visiting the camps, we learned that a major bridge and checkpoint that we had passed under two times was bombed two hours after our final pass under it,” says Rosburg. Unaware that the bridge would no longer be standing later that day, Rosburg had snapped a picture of it as a memory of its enormity.

As word of an evacuation of all U.S. citizens spread across Lebanon, Sahyouni began taking Rosburg to the U.S. Embassy on a daily basis.

Each time, they were sent away with vague information about the evacuation.

“I had Stephanie with me all the time, protecting her and taking care of all her needs,” says Sahyouni. “I wanted to keep her spirits high, so I had to be strong for her until she evacuated with the American embassy.”

Once a formal announcement was made urging Americans to flee the war zone, Rosburg’s mother contacted Lutheran Hour Ministries’ headquarters in St. Louis in hopes of getting in touch with her daughter. The staff at LHM were able to communicate with Rosburg and Sahyouni through an online chat service and delivered a message from Rosburg’s mother: “Get out!”

Days later, after multiple trips to the U.S. Embassy, and many false goodbyes, Sahyouni drove Rosburg to the marina in Beirut for their final farewell. Rosburg says that although the evacuation process was emotionally challenging, it gave her a better understanding of what it’s like to serve one another in love and to be a Christian example to others.

Tears of joy and excitement fell as Rosburg was reunited with her mother and grandmother. Her great uncle, Rev. Robert Collins, later used Rosburg’s experience as a sermon on mission work.

“The most difficult lesson, I think, was trust in God,” said Rosburg. “His plan will be carried out even in the midst of turmoil and He will protect His people.”

—Kelly McCann
Originally for Lutheran Hour Ministries; additional reporting by Violet Spader writing for the Sower.
Concordia held a public ceremony in front of Weller Hall on Sept. 11 to recognize past and present military men and women and to commemorate the five-year anniversary of Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

An honor guard from the Gerald Coffey Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4755 and Seward Legion Post 33 raised an American flag that was flown at the 67th Area Support Group Garrison Command Headquarters in Al Aasd, Iraq, in honor of faculty, staff and students at Concordia.

Sgt. Jessica Luebbe, a Concordia student who is currently serving in the Army National Guard, requested that the flag be flown at the base during her assignment to Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Luebbe had the flag sent to Concordia in June and has herself since returned to the United States. She was present at the ceremony to place the flag in the hands of the honor guard.

During the ceremony, President Brian Friedrich gave remarks and read from the letter that Luebbe had originally sent with the flag: “I have been deployed to Iraq for nine months now, and the support I have received from everyone at Concordia has been astounding. The letters I receive bring me home and make me feel like I am not half a world away. Concordia is a special institution that truly touches the hearts and minds of those who fully experience it.”

Current student Zach Schnare, also formerly deployed in Iraq, read scripture and University Chaplain Wes “Bo” Baumeister offered prayers for all involved in conflicts overseas.

Voorman interns at the White House

It all started for Concordia senior David Voorman when his advisor, Dr. Renea Gernant, informed him about an internship opportunity last school year. It wasn’t just any internship, however, it was a chance be an intern at the White House in Washington, D.C.

“I love politics, so it seemed like the ultimate experience,” says Voorman.

Voorman spent his summer as an intern in the office of records management, a division that handles every record that passes through the White House. The office is headed by Concordia alum Phil Droegemeier ’89.

Voorman’s responsibilities included recording, documenting and making copies of these White House documents—everything from meeting notes to photos.

He also spent time sight seeing, playing softball and socializing with other interns while in D.C.

Voorman encourages college students to participate in an internship for the experiences they will gain.

“It is a great thing to do with your summer,” said Voorman. “It is a résumé builder, networking tool and helps to create contacts.”

After graduating in May 2007, Voorman may head back to Washington. He has a possible job opportunity in the White House and is weighing that possibility against attending law school.
Concordia's homecoming celebration highlighted the contributions and long history of instrumental music at the university. The university also added the Homecoming Fair to the schedule, filling Brommer Drive with booths and games for visitors prior to Saturday's football game.

Top row: Kjersten Langewisch and Aaron Schimm practice for the Homecoming Ball. Charles Krutz, center, directs those gathered for the All-Instrumental Reunion; Bethany Heinecke attends rehearsal for the All-Instrumental Reunion Concert.

Middle row: Elaine Hummel HS '59 CO '63 Roysuk tries her hand at a game during the Homecoming Fair. Homecoming court included, left to right, Chelsea Durk, Kali Manning, Lindsey Flaten, Kristin Mattasovsky, Tracie King, William Newell, Dean Flaten, Ruben Solano, Paul Soulek and Daniel Suelzle. Solano and Manning reigned as king and queen. Amanda Williams, right, poses with Dan Kober, in bulldog guise.

Bottom row: The Bulldogs were nipped 26-28 in the homecoming game against the Vikings of Dana College. Cheerleader Janna Virus, right.
How can you tell if a campus is spiritually alive?

A chat with Rev. Wes ‘Bo’ Baumeister, university chaplain

How can you tell if a campus is spiritually alive? Whoa, good question. I can tell you it doesn’t just happen. We have been gifted with the Holy Spirit, but we must let Him work through us and we must be intentional about living out our calling every day.

OK, how do you see that intentionality at Concordia? Some of the more visible things would be all of the students in chapel, and even beyond that, the faculty and staff that join them. It’s seen in the contemporary praise music on Wednesday night and the evening prayers over in the music building. Both those worshiping and those serving are giving evidence of their faith.

Faculty and staff are also intentional about starting class with prayer or discussing their faith with students and each other. Conversations about what God is doing are frequent around here.

So then, what about some less visible activities? The best examples are the spontaneous Bible studies that just pop up on floors or in clubs or on teams. These are desired and led by the students themselves as they continue to grow in their faith. That is God moving us to be intentional.

It also goes beyond that, though, to how all of us participate in the community here on campus. We are a microcosm of the body of Christ. That means there will be joy and there will be struggles, and we will be there for each other in both. I hear about this all the time—how a friend or a teammate was there for someone right when they needed it. The close-knit friendships provide a support net that can allow God to minister through us to someone in need.

What helps foster this community on campus? One practicality that allows this to happen is the fact that so many Concordia students live on campus and are involved in such a variety of activities. It is tough to be anonymous here with so many other people around.

Hymnal help needed from alumni and friends

Concordia University is excited to add the Lutheran Service Book to its chapel resources. Daily chapel is an integral part of life at Concordia, and the new hymnal will be a valued resource for students in worship.

Having the Lutheran Service Book at Concordia will:

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• Memorialize or honor those you choose

Please give a hymnal in memory of a loved one or in honor of an exceptional person. Every $23 donated will provide one Lutheran Service Book to Concordia students. Donations will be noted on name plates placed on the inside cover of each hymnal. Hymnals will be inscribed with the name of those who made the donation unless you specify otherwise:

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For the third consecutive year the Bulldogs led the Great Plains Athletic Conference in number of NAIA/Daktronics Scholar-Athletes. During the 2005-06 season the Bulldogs had 40 scholar-athlete award winners. In order to receive the honor, student athletes must carry a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and be junior or above in academic standing.

Listed to the right are the academic honorees from the winter and spring seasons.

**Baseball**
- Tad Tewes, Jr., Hudson, Wis., Pre-Med
- Drew Urban, Sr., Seward, Neb., Education

**Men’s Golf**
- Ryan Hrdlicka, Sr., Wahoo, Neb., Business

**Women’s Tennis**
- Melissa Burger, Sr., Kearney, Neb., Chemistry
- Chelsea Bartels, Jr., Grand Island, Neb., Education
- Christina Brink, Jr., Storm Lake, Iowa, Business Administration
- Randi Eggers, Jr., Battle Creek, Neb., DCE

**Men’s Track and Field**
- Kyle Johnson, Jr., O’Neill, Neb., Chemistry
- Jonathan Ripke, Sr., Seward, Neb., History
- Nick Suing, Sr., Crofton, Neb., Graphic Design
- Andrew Walquist, Sr., Albuquerque, N. M., Biology

**Women’s Track**
- Lindsey Aurich, Jr., Mayer, Minn., Elementary Education
- Micah Dubbs, Sr., Wood River, Neb., Exercise Science
- Melissa Ruegg, Sr., St. Charles, Mo., Psychology and DCE

**Women’s Basketball**
- Jessica Domina, Sr., Coleridge, Neb., Business
- Marie Wintz, Jr., Hartington, Neb., Biology

**Men’s Basketball**
- Richard Schwartz, Jr., Westminster, Colo., Sports Management
Tomick takes part in summer soccer ministry

Bulldog women’s soccer captain Brittany Tomick and other Christian soccer players from the U.S. and Canada traveled to Paraguay and Brazil to play matches and help at local churches and clinics. The team also had the opportunity after each game to share their faith with opponents.

The team, made up mainly of NCAA Division I players, held a brief training camp in Miami, Fla., before spending a week in Sao Paulo, Brazil. In Sao Paulo they played three matches against top women’s club teams, assisted local churches, played pick-up games in public parks and worked with orphanages.

The second week was spent in Paraguay where the team played in the country’s first ever women’s international soccer tournament. Tomick’s squad played against the Paraguay national women’s soccer team in the final of the tournament, losing on penalty-kicks.

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The trip was organized by Athletes in Action, a sports ministry organization based in Xenia, Ohio. I enjoyed the tour so much. I have memories that will last a lifetime and new friendships that are unbelievable,” said Tomick. “The whole opportunity to share God and play soccer, two things I love, was the ultimate highlight.”

The team also brought soccer balls and other items to distribute to orphans and other underprivileged children. These gifts and the soccer skills of the players helped to drop barriers to ministry that might otherwise have existed because of language and culture.

“This trip made me realize that God can make good come out of any situation. A group of ladies who had never met before were brought together with God as our center to share His Word and play soccer in a foreign country,” Tomick said. “Along the way we had some unexpected travel experiences. However, through it all, God was right there, blessing us with wonderful people to help guide us on our trip.”

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Staying current with the Bulldogs
Can’t make it to a game? In addition to live webcasts, fans of Concordia athletics can listen to the Bulldog Brief, a weekly audio update produced by the Concordia Sports Network during the school year. Visit www.cune.edu/webcast to get the latest on Concordia athletics.

Fall sports
For more information on all of Concordia’s teams, visit www.cune.edu/athletics.

Senior Natalie Koopman-Meyers and freshman Kelsey Affolter (12) team up on a block for the Bulldog volleyball team during a win over Nebraska Wesleyan. The Bulldogs are 19-11 (8-5 GPAC) so far this season.
While he was growing up, Brad Hamann attended Trinity Lutheran School in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Today he considers his four years at Trinity Lutheran to be one of the most positive experiences in his life. He still remembers his mentor and p.e. teacher, Mark Mueller, who taught and coached him in the seventh and eighth grades.

His senior year of high school, Hamann was voted as the Alumni of the Year at Trinity and asked to speak at their basketball banquet. “After the banquet, Coach Mueller asked me what I wanted to do after high school. It was right then and there that the Lord put it in my heart to do what Mueller had done for me,” Hamann remembers. “It was as if the Holy Spirit had put the words in my mouth: ‘I want to do exactly what you are doing,’ I said.”

Coach Mueller talked with the coaches at Concordia University, Nebraska and Hamann was on his way to preparing the path that the Lord had set in place for him. After majoring in elementary education, Hamann became the head basketball coach at Concordia Lutheran School in San Antonio in 2002. From the beginning he prayed that he could give something back and be the role model that he had growing up.

On Feb. 12, Hamann’s middle school team capped a successful season by winning the Texas Lutheran Middle School State Basketball Tournament held in Austin, Texas. The Cardinals won five games to secure the state title, beating their first four opponents by an average of 21.5 points. In the title game, the Cardinals avenged a December loss to Trinity Klein from Spring, Texas, beating them by two points in overtime.

It was a championship that team members will long remember. Victories of another kind, however, were won before and after the team stepped onto the court. “Before every game, before he even talked about what we were going to need to win the game or who was going to start in the game, Coach Hamann would always open his Bible,” recalls team member Oscar Velasquez. “He’d usually give us an example in his life that would go along with the Scripture. After every practice—no matter how tired everyone was—we would always close with a prayer. We all took turns up until every player had said a prayer at least once.”

Velasquez adds that the season was not easy, but that their hard work paid off in the end. “This past year I learned many things such as self discipline,” Velasquez explains. “We could never be late to practice. Everyone had to stay on top of their grades in order to play. Our coaches also taught us to always show good sportsmanship and to never ‘trash talk’ other teams on the court, no matter how much the other team had to say. We also learned to never criticize any of our fellow teammates—whether in practice or in

Coaching for Christ
Concordia alum leads middle school team to state
Bulldogs inducted into Athletic Hall of Fame

Concordia inducted four individuals and one team into its Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, Sept. 29. The Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 1994 to pay tribute and give recognition to former athletes, coaches, teams and others who have made exceptional contributions to the athletic programs at Concordia. Honorees also exemplify the Christian principles to which Concordia adheres. The 2006 inductees were:

**1981 Football Team**

The 1981 Concordia football team enjoyed some of the greatest success in the history of Bulldog football. The squad finished the season with a record of 9-1, a conference championship and a 12th place final national ranking. The Bulldogs gained national attention three games into the season, upsetting fourth-ranked Peru State.

**Karen Brookens**

Karen Brookens ’81 lettered in indoor and outdoor track and field during each of her four seasons. A two-time NAIA All-American, Brookens was one of the top throwers in school history. In fact, her toss of 45’ 8½” in the shot put still stands as a Concordia school record.

**Dr. James Juergensen**

Dr. James Juergensen ’58 CO ’62 compiled an impressive 22 letters during his high school and college years at Concordia. In college Juergensen dominated hitters on the mound, accumulating a school record 25 career wins. He led the nation in strikeouts his senior year, fanning 94 batters, including 18 in a game. An NAIA All-American, he tossed a no-hitter versus Northwestern in ’62.

**Jennifer Ashby Kard**

Jennifer Ashby ’94 Kard participated in two sports, softball and basketball, during her time as a Bulldog. She was a three-time all-conference selection in softball and was named as a conference co-player of the year. A force at the plate, Kard hit .400 or better twice during her softball career, including an impressive .472 during her senior campaign in 1994.

**Dr. Larry Oetting**

Dr. Larry Oetting HS ’58 CO ’62, a football standout during high school and college at Concordia, capped his playing career as the Bulldog’s MVP in 1961 and was selected to the Williamson’s Little All-American Football Team. Oetting returned to serve as a coach and teacher, leading the track and football teams to conference titles. In 1981 he was named the NAIA District 11 Football Coach of the Year.

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a game, we always tried to support each other,” he says.

The boys learned to think as a team. “We learned it wasn’t going to be just one person that was going to do everything. We weren’t individuals; we were one team and when one person struggled it was the responsibility of the whole team to help them as best as we could. When we would lose a game, it wasn’t just one person’s fault. We either won as a team or lost as a team,” Velasquez says.

According to Hamann, having a Christian perspective is a top priority when coaching. “The most important thing is to make sure to emphasize to the kids that the Lord has blessed them with many talents and that we need to use those talents to the best of our abilities,” Hamann explains. “I like to use the parable of the 10 talents to get that point across. We can’t sit on the talents that we’re given; instead, we have to give 100% with them and glorify God in whatever we do in life. We need to be examples of Christ, and we represent Him on the court just like anywhere else.”

—Linda Owen

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Concordia’s Alumni Association honored 12 individuals with awards at a ceremony held during homecoming weekend. The awards are given annually to those who have made noteworthy accomplishments in their professional and personal lives, service in the church or world or to the university. This year’s awards and honorees included:

**Church Worker Alumnus of the Year Award**
Dennis Hintz ’71 of Topeka, Kan., has served for more than 30 years as the director of Christian education at St. John Lutheran Church in Topeka, Kan. He serves a variety of educational needs at the congregation and works on worship planning, finances and Stephen Ministry training. Hintz has served on the university’s Board of Regents for three terms.

**Young Alumnus of the Year Award**
Andrew Knudten ’89 of Broomfield, Colo., has served others as a teacher, volunteer, biologist and church member. Knudten also participates on the President’s Athletic Council at Concordia and the steering committee for the university’s football legacy scholarships.

**Partners in Mission and Ministry Award**
Rev. David and Rachel Selle ’89 of Almaty, Kazakhstan, since 2000. Their work as missionaries includes planting house churches, working on humanitarian aid and evangelizing.

**Church Leadership in Outreach Award**
Rev. Scott Schmieding ’87 of Baton Rouge, La., serves Trinity Lutheran Church and Baton Rouge Lutheran School as senior pastor. Reaching out has been a major focus in the past year as Schmieding and his congregation offered practical necessities, tuition-free schooling and summer camp opportunities to hundreds of people displaced by Hurricane Katrina.

**Lay Worker of the Year Award**
Linda Marquardt ’72 Witham of Ventura, Calif., has been a leader in education, human care and business over the past four decades, including teaching in Columbia and working with immigrants in Singapore. She is a managing partner for Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and volunteers her development advice to Los Angeles Lutheran High School.

**Friends of Concordia Award**
Drs. William ’60 and Judith Walter ’60 Preuss of Seward, Neb., have been friends of Concordia and education for more than 40 years. Bill spearheaded the development of field experiences and student teaching methods at Concordia and established the university’s director of Christian education program. Judy chaired the education department, served as dean of the College of Education and in 1980 was selected for the Outstanding Teaching Award at Concordia.

**Lifetime Service Award**
Dr. Allan and Sandra Schmidt ’95 of Seward, Neb., have taught, consulted and administered in Maryland, Nebraska and China. Now based in Hong Kong, Allan serves as the director for the Asia Lutheran Education Association, and he and Sandy work to build support for the large number of Lutheran schools in the region. Allan was the university’s secondary education director during the late ’80s and early ’90s.

**Honorary Alumni of the Year**
For the past seven years, Sharon Mason of Chicago, Ill., has worked closely with Concordia student teachers in their multicultural workshop sessions.Named Teacher of the Year in 2001 by the Chicagoland Lutheran Educational Foundation, Mason has more than 25 years of teaching experience. She serves as the assistant principal and teaches math at Luther South in Chicago.

Anthony Rainey of Chicago, Ill., also leads sessions of the university’s multicultural workshops, sharing from his career of frontline experience in education. At Luther South since 1983, Rainey has served as teacher, assistant principal and coach of multiple teams, and he is currently the principal and executive director. The Chicagoland Lutheran Educational Foundation named Rainey Teacher of the Year in 1999, and the Illinois High School Association has named him Coach of the Year six times.
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1940s

Erich von Fange ’40 co ’43 of Adrian, Mich., had his recent book In Search of the Genesis World - Debunking the Evolution Myth published. Erich wrote earlier volumes on the ancient world within the framework of the young created world. He was on faculty at Concordia in the late ’40s and is an emeritus professor from Concordia University–Ann Arbor.

1960s


Bonnie Brehe ’67 Smith of Lincoln, Neb., was a recipient of the Alice Buffet award in May. The award is given to 10 to 15 outstanding teachers in the Omaha Public School system each year and comes with $10,000 in cash and $500 in McDonald’s gift certificates.

Karen Wittrock ’67 of Avon Lake, Ohio, was inducted into the Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame in May. She is Ohio’s winningest basketball coach with more than 620 victories. Karen has served at Lutheran West High School for 38 years, and currently teaches physical education and serves as the head of the physical education department.

1970s

Meyer Partners LLC President Dennis Meyer ’70 of Palatine, Ill., announced that the company received third place in the marketing division for non-profit direct mail of Concordia’s fiscal year end and follow-up piece from the Chicago Association of Direct Marketing’s 35th Annual Tempo Ceremony in March.

Linda Cardone ’73 of Manchester, N.H., is in rehabilitation and doing well after complications from diabetes in July.

Dan Gilbert ’73 of Yorkville, Ill., was elected as president of the Northern Illinois District Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod in June. He will serve a three-year term. Dan had been a pastor at Cross Lutheran Church since 1983. His wife, Jan Broughton ’75 Gilbert, is a sales manager for The Pampered Chef.

Marsha Junghans ’73 Maurer had her third book With Healing Wings: Prayers for Those Who Care published. The prayer collection gives voice to the anguish of illness, affliction and heartache and offers words of comfort, hope and healing. Marsha lives in Augusta, Ga., where she writes, speaks with church and community organizations and teaches at Augusta State University.

Nathan Brandt ’72 co ’76 celebrated 25 years of ministry in June. He and his wife, Charlotte Bruns ’76 Brandt, reside in Portland, Ore.

1980s

Melanie WollsLAGger ’81 Dehning received a master of science-family life degree from Concordia University, Nebraska in May. She and her husband, Mervin ’80, moved from McAllen, Texas, where Merv was the principal at St. Paul Lutheran Church and School; which included a student body from over 40 countries. Merv currently serves as principal at Trinity Lutheran Church and School in Lincoln, Neb., where he and Melanie have made their home.

Robert Ziegler ’81 of Fort Myers, Fla., was named the 2006 Lutheran Education Association Distinguished Lutheran Elementary Administrator and received his award at the LEA National Administrators Conference in March. Bob has served in LCMS schools for 25 years and currently serves as principal at St. Michael Lutheran School in Fort Myers.

Jonathan Zimmerman ’81 of Orange, Calif., joined Biola University in La Mirada, Calif., as the head track and cross country coach in July.

Lesley Hilgendorf ’85 Back resides in Chapel Hill near Brisbane, Australia, with her twin sons and teaches at St. Peter’s Lutheran School in Indooropilli.

1990s

Ryan and Laurie Johnson ’90 Hanson announced the birth of Quinn Henry on April 4. Quinn was welcomed by brother Augustus, 5. The Hansons reside in Helena, Mont., where Ryan teaches high school English literature and Laurie works at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana, where she has been for 15 years.

Bret and Christina Ruggles ’91 Abney of Kansas City, Mo., welcomed Liberty Katharyn on April 24. She joins sisters Coryelle, who is away at college, and Mercedes. 4. Christina teaches science at a public high school and Bret works in the pharmaceuticals industry.

Corey ’93 and Brenda Pfeiffer ’93 Nelson rejoiced at the birth of Isaac Pfeiffer on March 27. Isaac has two sisters, Hope, 2, and GraceAnne, who lives in heaven. Corey teaches second grade at Rochester Central Lutheran in Rochester, Minn., and Brenda is a stay-at-home mom. The family resides in Rochester.

Kristi Schulz co ’93 cr ’04 of Poplar Bluff, Mo., married Todd Sittig on March 19, 2005. Rob and Laurie Evans ’94 Parton of Parker, Colo., celebrated the first birthday of daughter Rachel on July 28. After teaching for 11 years, Laurie is now a stay-at-home mom.
Tracy and Rochelle Ruhter ’96 Ahrens of Jerome, Idaho, rejoiced in the birth of Leif Alan on Aug. 10, 2005. Tracy is a civil engineer of JTR Corp. and Rochelle is a stay-at-home mom.

Wesley ’99 Baedke and wife Laurie of Blair, Neb., celebrated the birth of Quinn Wesley on Feb. 7. He was welcomed by sister Sophia, 2. Wes is a senior project manager, finance division, for Union Pacific in Omaha and Laurie is the president of LIFeworks Healthcare Group.

David ’99 and Radoslava Cernakova ’05 Fiala announced the birth of Vaclav Cernak on Nov. 2, 2005. The Fialas are serving as long-term volunteer missionaries in Tisovek, Slovakia.

Brady Gurganious ’00 was accepted into graduate school at Eastern University in Philadelphia, where he will pursue a master of science — non-profit management degree. He and his wife, Lark, reside in Baltimore, Md., with their son, Noah.

Derek ’01 and Jennifer Weaver ’02 Engelbart of St. Louis, Mo., were blessed by the birth of Dayton Joel on April 21.

Erin Hall ’01 received a master’s in teaching from Lindenwood University in August. She teaches high school English at North County High School in Bonne Terre, Mo.

Rachel Leising ’01 and Wai-Kin Soo were united in marriage on April 8, 2005. Wai-Kin is a landscape architect for Ridge Landscape Architecture and Rachel is an assistant professor of graphic design at Concordia University Irvine. The couple resides in Irvine, Calif.

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Each gift and every dollar has helped to move the university forward in its mission and service, benefitting our church and world.

CONCORDIA FOUNDATION INC.
A record-breaking year

The goal was daunting: raise $12 million—a million dollars a month—during fiscal year 2005-06.

Guess what? With God’s blessing and the hard work of the entire development staff (Carol Brehm, Pete Kenow, Al Koepke, Shirley Liesener, Steve Sirek, Kay Thaden-DeBoer, Jan Tonjes, Mike Vincent) $14,222,003 was received from July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2006. Wow!

This is more money raised by Concordia than during any fiscal year in our history. Combined with funds raised in the previous three years, we have raised $35,363,955 toward our goal of $60 million for the On A Mission campaign for operation and scholarship support, endowment and capital funds for the Health, Human Performance and Athletic Center.

But the work of our wonderful development staff and the dollars raised are only part of the story. You, dear friend, are the “rest of the story.” Your passion to prepare students, your Christian stewardship and your sacrificial giving enable us to support and expand our students, faculty and programs. You are a joy and inspiration to us each day. In 16 years at Concordia and in three as president, I cannot remember a workday during which Concordia failed to receive a gift. What a miracle!

Thank you for all you did during the year past. Thank you for all you will continue to do for us in the year and years ahead. Long ago Jesus multiplied loaves of bread and pieces of fish to feed thousands. Today may He bless and multiply all of the gifts you provide as together we prepare students who will serve and lead in church and world and, in so doing, feed multitudes with Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Praising the Lord with you,

Brian L. Friedrich
President and CEO, Concordia University, Nebraska
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Concordia was once again ranked among the “Top Schools” in the *U.S. News and World Report*’s “America’s Best Colleges” rankings. For 2007, Concordia is 137th out of 142 Midwest colleges in the Universities-Master’s Division. This ranking is an improvement from its 41st position in the 2006 survey.

There are 537 universities nationwide in the Universities-Master’s Division, ranked in four geographic regions. Schools in this category provide a full range of undergraduate and master’s programs.

To determine the rankings, *U.S. News* uses up to 15 areas of evaluation, including peer assessment, retention, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, graduation rate performance and alumni giving rate.

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### U.S. News ranks Concordia University, Nebraska among its ‘Top Schools’

Concordia support by class.
Walz begins work at new Concordia Foundation office in Omaha

The Concordia Foundation Inc. has expanded its reach 75 miles east to Nebraska’s largest city, Omaha. An office was opened for the Foundation at 533 North 86th Street, just off Dodge Street in the heart of Omaha. The office space itself came as a donation.

Rev. Dr. Orville Walz, president emeritus, will use the office to assist the Concordia Foundation.

Walz described his role with the Foundation as, “continuing the process of raising more friends for Concordia University who are excited about the mission of preparing servant leaders for Jesus Christ, while expanding the ownership of that mission to more and more fellow Christians.”

Walz retired as president of Concordia in July 2004 and relocated to the Omaha area with his wife, Marilyn.

Calling this a retirement for Walz would be misleading, however. For the past five years he has served on the Commission on Theology and Church Relations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and in June he was elected third vice president of the Nebraska District. Walz also assisted a congregation during a short-term pastoral vacancy and serves congregations on Sundays when pastors are on vacation.

### Builder’s Club

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### Total Giving By Source

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Faculty and staff break giving records

No lack of imagination, no lack of initiative

In December 2005 the faculty and staff at Concordia were challenged to meet a $1.75 million goal for raising funds toward Concordia's Imagine The Mission campaign, a subset of the larger On A Mission campaign undertaken by the university. By July of this year, the faculty and staff had gone from imagining the mission to getting their part accomplished.

“From a leadership standpoint, the faculty and staff surprised all of us,” said Pete Kenow, president of the Concordia Foundation and vice president for institutional advancement. “The $1.75 million target was a huge goal and we thought it might not be attainable; the whole community came forward in big ways.”

Like its parent campaign, Imagine The Mission focuses on three components that donors can elect: endowment, annual fund, and the Health, Human Performance Athletic Center capital campaign. Direct gifts, pledges, payroll deductions and deferred gifts were included in the campaign total.

The biggest discovery was that current and former employees of the university had included Concordia University in estate plans, and decided to share this commitment as part of their contribution to the campaign.

“The faculty, staff and faculty emeriti raised the standards by breaking all past giving ceilings,” said Kenow. “It’s such a wonderfully positive statement for the people who know us most intimately to show their confidence in the way they have.”

### Campaign Progress as of June 30, 2006

![Campaign Progress Chart]

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Members of the Imagine The Mission steering committee set what they believed would be a challenging goal for faculty and staff in December 2005. By July the Concordia community had reached and surpassed the goal. Committee members pictured include Chad Thies, Dr. Eunice Goldgrabe, Dr. Stan Obermueller, Pete Kenow and Dr. Bruce Creed.

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Regents give go-ahead for HHPAC building plans

Concordia’s Board of Regents gave its approval to break ground on the Health, Human Performance and Athletic Center (HHPAC) in spring 2007 as long as fundraising and financing are in place.

Phase one of the HHPAC will see the completion of classrooms, offices, weight room, locker rooms, Hall of Fame room, arena and shell of the field house. Phase two will include the pool, interior of the field house and remodel of the current gym.

“The HHPAC facility is long overdue,” said Pete Kenow, president of the Concordia Foundation and vice president for institutional advancement. “In my visits with alumni from the ’70s and ’80s, they remember that our facilities were the worst in the conference when they were in school.”

The university has also found an early wellspring of support from the Seward community for the project.

“People in the Seward area appreciate what it will mean for the community to have a venue of this kind in town, and they are excited about it. Gifts from local businesses to this initiative have, in many cases, been the largest gift the business has ever given to Concordia University.”
Decades of making due
P.E. building facilities put Concordia in a pinch

- There is only one classroom in the current P.E. building. This has meant moving other health and human performance classes to other areas on campus, including the old president’s residence on Faculty Lane.
- Spectator seating does not accommodate Concordia’s largest indoor athletic events.
- The current facility’s training rooms are inadequate.
- There is a general shortage of locker room space and amenities.
- There is a lack of office space. Closets are currently being used for some coach’s offices.
- Bleachers in the pool area are condemned. The route to the pool from the women’s locker room is no longer accessible. The pool filtering system is outmoded and in a few years replacement filters for it will no longer be manufactured.
- Concordia’s indoor track team has no on-campus facility to use for practice or meets during their season.

“It’s amazing you are able to do what you are currently doing with the facilities you have.”

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Current P.E. Building classroom.
Right: After the ribbon-cutting ceremony, Jonathan Hall resident Sarah Trinklein, left, welcomed those gathered to tour her apartment. The apartment-style amenities include a kitchen area, bedrooms, a living room and bathroom. The new hall also borrows the best from dorm designs of old, featuring a central common area where students can socialize and study together. Facing page: Architects, builders and campus staff were recognized for their work on the project.

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Current Gifts
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$16,000,000
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Concordia Hall welcomed to campus

Concordia dedicated Jonathan Hall, its new apartment-style residence for students, on Aug. 24. Jonathan Hall is the 11th residence hall at Concordia. The name Jonathan was chosen because Jonathan means “gift of God.” Jonathan Hall is also a neighbor to David Hall, a reminder of the Biblical example of Jonathan and David and the friendship they shared. “Friendships like theirs are the foundation of a community based in Christ and reaching out to each other,” said Rev. Dr. Brian Friedrich, university president. Jonathan Hall contains 36 fully furnished four-person suites, accommodating a total of 144 residents. The dedication ceremony included a ribbon cutting, recognition of those involved with planning and building the hall, and remarks by students and administration members.
Calendar

December
1-2 Volleyball National Tournament, Columbia, Mo.
2 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Northwestern, Orange City, Iowa, 2/4 p.m.
Christmas at Concordia concert, St. John Lutheran Church, 3 p.m.
Holiday Buffet, Janzow Campus Center, 4:30 p.m., featuring guest pianist Peter Prochnow ’88
3 Scholarship Parade of Homes, Concordia, Mo.
Christmas at Concordia concerts, St. John Lutheran Church, 3/7 p.m.
Holiday Buffet, Janzow Campus Center, 4:30 p.m., featuring guest pianist Peter Prochnow ’88
5 Journey to the Manger, Weller, 6:30-8 p.m.
6 Men’s Basketball vs. Doane College, 7:30 p.m.
8 Visit Day
Jazz Band Concert, Heine Hall, 7:30 p.m.
9 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Morningside, Sioux City, Iowa, 2/4 p.m.
10 Handbell Concert, Heine Hall, 3 p.m.
Advent Candlelight Service, St. John Lutheran Church, 7 p.m.
12 University/Community Band Concert, Cattle Conf. Rm., 6:30 p.m.
Chorale Concert, St. John Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
15-16 Women’s Basketball vs. Midland, 6:30 p.m.
25-Jan. 1 Christmas Break, university closed
28-31 Men’s Basketball, Clarke College Holiday Tournament, Dubuque, Iowa
30 Women’s Basketball vs. Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kan.

January
3 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Hastings College, 6/8 p.m.
6 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Briar Cliff, Sioux City, Iowa, 2/4 p.m.
8 Spring Term Begins
9 Women’s Basketball vs. Dana, 7:30 p.m.
10 Men’s Basketball vs. Dana, 7:30 p.m.
12 A Working Relationship: James Lodge & Concordia’s Permanent Collection of Prints & Multiples exhibit, opening reception and talk, Marxhausen Gallery, 6-8 p.m.
13 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Dordt, 2/4 p.m.
13-14 Indoor Track/Field, Holiday Inn Invitational, Lincoln, Neb.
16 Men’s Basketball vs. Neb. Wesleyan, Lincoln, Neb., 7:30 p.m.
17 Women’s Basketball vs. Neb. Wesleyan, Lincoln, Neb., 7:30 p.m.
19 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Dakota Wesleyan, Mitchell, S.D., 5:30/7:30 p.m.
20 Visit Day
Indoor Track/Field, W. Haylett Invitational, Lincoln, Neb.
23 Women’s Basketball vs. Midland, Fremont, Neb., 7:30 p.m.
24 Men’s Basketball vs. Midland Lutheran College, Fremont, Neb., 7:30 p.m.
27 Indoor Track/Field, Adidas Classic, Lincoln, Neb.
30 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Briar Cliff, 6/8 p.m.

February
3 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Mount Marty, 2/4 p.m.
Indoor Track/Field, Fred Beile Classic, Crete, Neb.
6 Women’s Basketball vs. Dana, Blair, Neb., 7:30 p.m.
7 SIFE Outstanding Woman in Business Luncheon, Cattle Conf. Rm., Noon-2 p.m.
Men’s Basketball vs. Dana College, Blair, Neb., 7:30 p.m.
9 Photographs: A Tale of Two Cities exhibit, opening reception and talk, Marxhausen Gallery, 6-8 p.m.
Indoor Track/Field, Buena Vista Invite, Storm Lake, Iowa
9-11 C-Club Girl’s Basketball Tournament
10 Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Hastings, Hastings, Neb., 2/4 p.m.
13 Men’s Basketball vs. Midland Lutheran College, 7:30 p.m.
14 Women’s Basketball vs. Midland, 7:30 p.m.
16 C-Club Boy’s Basketball Tournament
17 Indoor Track/Field, Prairie Wolf Invite, Lincoln, Neb.
16-18 Indoor Track/Field, Prairie Wolf Invite, Lincoln, Neb.
Women’s/Men’s Basketball vs. Univ. of Sioux Falls, 2/4 p.m.
20-27 Women’s/Men’s Basketball GPAC Tournament
22 Career Fair, Cattle Conf. Rm., 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
24 Indoor Track/Field GPAC Championships, Lincoln, Neb.
25 Musical Arts Day Concert, Lied Center, 3:30 p.m.

For the most current event information, visit www.cune.edu/calendar

Spring Music Tours
Feb. 1-5, 2007, Chamber Choir to Southern California:
Carlsbad, San Diego, Escondido, Long Beach, Orange, Torrance, Lake Forest; Home concert, St. John Lutheran Church, Feb. 11
March 2-4, 2007, Singers to Iowa: Denison, Algona, Spencer;
Home concert at St. Gregory the Great Seminary, Seward, March 4, 7 p.m.

March 9-18, 2007, Wind Ensemble to Southeast U.S.: St. Louis, Mo.; Knoxville, Tenn.; Jacksonville Beach, Fla.; Ocala, Fla.; Lakeland, Fla.; Atlanta, Ga., Evansville, Ind.; Davenport, Iowa
April 11-16, 2007, A Cappella to St. Louis area: St. Louis, Mo.; Peoria, Ill.; Concordia, Mo.
May 7-27, 2007, Wind Ensemble to China
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