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Murderer's sister speaks out

Heather Berney
Antelope Staff Writer

"My brother was one of the men pictured in your presentation. Everything said about the element of childhood was accurate. I was the sister that couldn't save him. He was dead before he was executed. Most people see a monster, but all I see is the 5-year-old boy that was molested and mistreated. If you kick a little puppy in the head every day from the day its born, it's gonna grow up, and it's gonna bite you."

This is what Lynda Dornhoff, a woman in the audience at Ken Carnes' "Last Words," a presentation on Feb. 22 in the Nebraska Student Union Ponderosa Room, said about her brother, David Martin Long. Long was convicted of murder in the slaying of three women in Lancaster, Tex. and executed in 1999.

Dornhoff, his sister and long-time Kearney resident, is now coming out about her past in California, a life that she said seems very far away now. Dornhoff has recently spoken to at-risk youth in an attempt to deter a life similar to her long-lost brother's.

"It's been five years since the execution, but I still catch myself thinking that there might be a letter from David. Maybe today there will be a letter. But he's gone now. I raised him. I did the best I could, but I couldn't save him," Dornhoff said.

Dornhoff and her three brothers were raised in an atmosphere of abuse and neglect. Simply put, they were forced to fend for them-

selves at a very young age. Long was placed in reformatories, for no better reason than having no other place to go. Dornhoff explained that her father and these detention facilities were primarily responsible for creating Long's psychological make-up.

"David was pretty cold-blooded," said Dornhoff. "He was very angry. At a young age, he was starting fires and mutilating animals. He carried a lot of rage. I guess he fits the stereotype of a murderer."

"Nobody listens to their children. Nobody listened to us when we screamed for help."

**-Lynda Dornhoff
Sister of
David Martin Long**

In his final words before execution, Long said, "I'm real sorry for it. I was raised by the California Youth Authority. I can't pinpoint where it started, but believe that's the bottom line. I was raised in their reformatory schools and penitentiary, but they create monsters in there. That's all I have to say."

Lynda explained that the

time has come to let people know about their childhood. "You cannot look back on your own childhood when you're raising your own kids," said Dornhoff. "I'm going to tell people why he was on death row. He was like that because people made him like that. Our parents were...beyond words and nobody helped us. But, I've left that life. You get to a point when you have to deal with it. Now, I want to use it."

On Dec. 9, 1999, Lynda Dornhoff wrote her little brother's obituary. Following is an excerpt from the obituary featured in the Dallas Morning Newspaper:

David Martin Long spent his childhood looking for love and parental guidance. He spent his adolescence becoming bitter and turning to crime. He spent his years as an adult incarcerated, lonely and lost. He is survived by his sister and two brothers, who are heartbroken because they couldn't save him. They prayerfully request your memorials in the form of unending, nurturing love, fierce protection, and guidance of your children by you, their parents.

Dornhoff said, "Nobody listens to their children. Nobody listened to us when we screamed for help. The kids will tell you what they need. They need their moms and dads. Stop worrying about the boats, and the three cars and the big house and start paying attention."

Long wanted to be cremated. He wanted his ashes scattered over Laguna Beach in Scottman's Cove, Cali. This summer, Dornhoff will make

that trip to California.

Dornhoff sometimes reflects on her past. "I don't begrudge anything that happened to me," she said. "It made me who I am. I'm proud of who I am. I step outside and look around. This is my house, my yard, my family, my tree. I still can't believe I'm free."

For more information on Ken Carne's "Last Words" presentation dealing with capital punishment, visit page eight of this issue of the Antelope.



Photo courtesy of Lynda Dornhoff. Lynda Dornhoff, shown here, attended Ken Carne's presentation on capital punishment. She experienced first-hand the effects of abuse with her brother, David Martin Long.

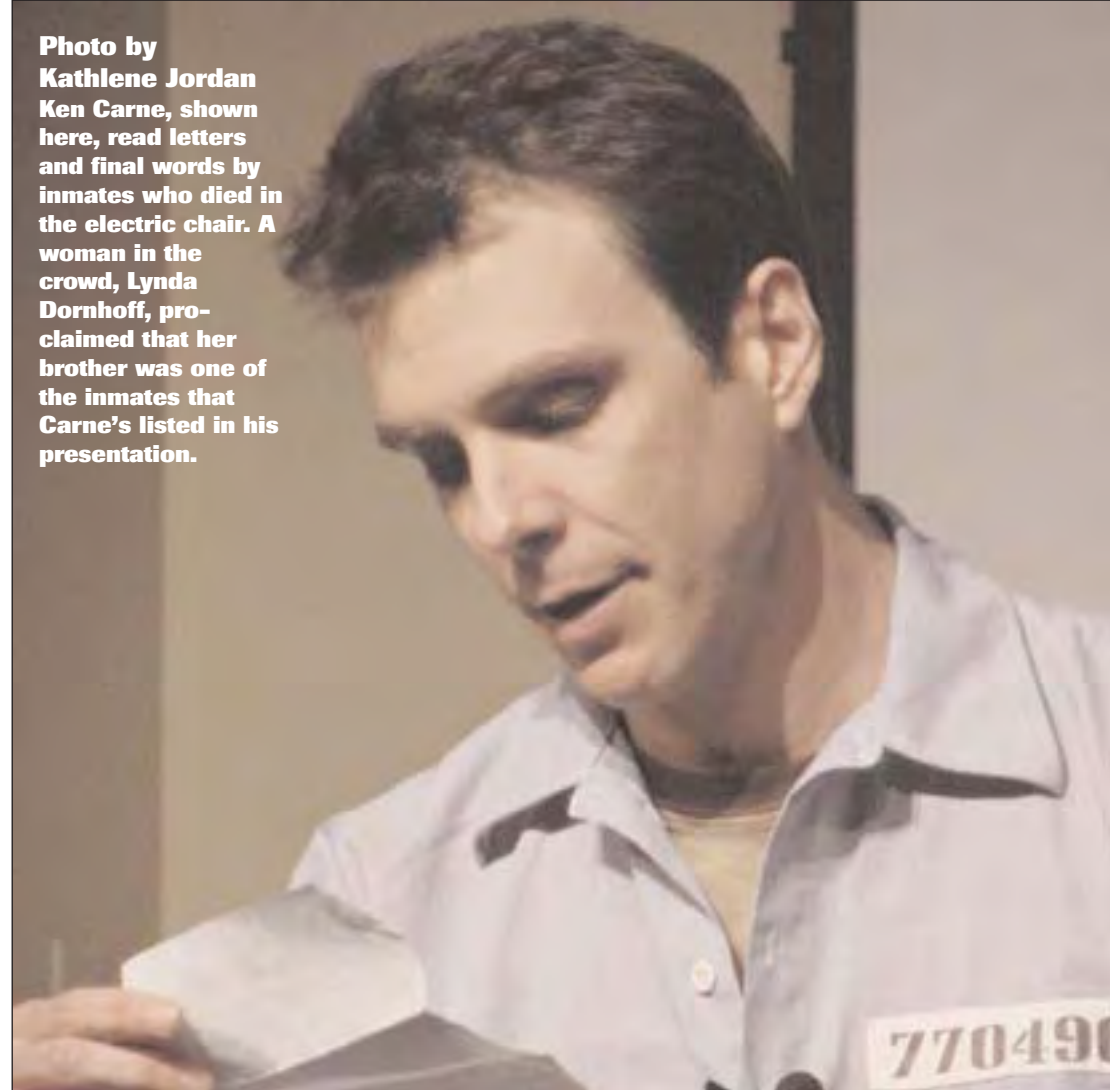


Photo by Kathlene Jordan. Ken Carne, shown here, read letters and final words by inmates who died in the electric chair. A woman in the crowd, Lynda Dornhoff, proclaimed that her brother was one of the inmates that Carne's listed in his presentation.

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Navigators discuss Jesus and politics

Jamie Dusin
Antelope Staff Writer

The Navigators are challenging people to think outside the box.

Last Thursday, the Navigators, Christian organization on campus, hosted a NavRally entitled "Would Jesus be a Republican or a Democrat?"

Encouraging students to "think outside the box," the Navigators brought in Don Lenze, a Navigators staff member at the University of Massachusetts. Lenze's political views are different because of the regions in which he grew up.

"In Nebraska, they think, how can you be a Christian and be a Democrat, whereas in Massachusetts they think, how can you be a Christian and be a Republican?" Brian Petersen, a Navigator campus minister, said.

Explaining the differences in the Republican and the Democratic themes, Lenze said, "In American politics, it seems to me that Christ followers, who identify with the Republican party, who think,

I'm going to vote this way because of my faith, have really embraced this value of righteousness."

Lenze also said that the Democratic and other parties, such as the Green party, feel the same way about the value of social justice and wanting to move toward people of this context because they have nowhere else to invoke that value.

"It seems like these two political parties have kind of co-opted some of these values, and there's not really a choice out there that allows you to embrace both as well as extending to some other values and convictions that go beyond this," Lenze said.

He said that it is an intricate thing and it is hard to grasp those big ideas and take them apart in a way that helps you to understand them completely, but when you figure that out and decide how you feel about those two issues, it will drastically change the way that you feel about many things that run your life and this nation.

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Sesame Street Trivia Crossword Puzzle

Across

- 2. I look like a large, furry elephant, and my best friend is a bird.
- 10. Cookie Monster wears one of these when he hosts "Monsterpiece Theater"
- 11. Oscar's worm.
- 12. I named myself Super
- 15. The non-profit organization behind this show.
- 16. Elmo's best friend.
- 19. The name of the insect family living in Ernie's window box.
- 21. Host of "News Flash."
- 22. Bert's favorite kind of bottle cap.
- 25. Person who plays the part of both Big Bird and Oscar.
- 26. I said "A-la peanut butter sandwiches."
- 27. Bert's pigeon.
- 28. This song was a big hit in Germany.

Down

- 1. Tickle me
- 3. The name of Elmo's goldfish.
- 4. I am large and gray, and I live in Oscar's can.
- 5. A popular last name.
- 6. Telly's hamster.



- 7. I sing, "C is for cookie; that's good enough for me."
- 8. I wish I could land on the moon.
- 9. I live in a castle with bats.
- 13. Big Bird's teddy bear.
- 14. "Sweeping the _____ away."
- 17. Version of Sesame that has featured an HIV-positive character.
- 18. I had an imaginary friend who turned out to be real.
- 20. I carry Oscar's can when he travels.
- 23. Approximately the number of years this show has been on the air.
- 24. Luis's wife.
- 29. Last name of the person who originally owned the general store.
- 30. I live in a trash can.

Campus Police Beat

On Sunday Feb 20 there was a possible sexual assault reported. The victim is an adult female. The suspect is an adult male. The incident occurred at Mantor Hall.

On Saturday Feb 26 there was a call reporting loud music. A disturbance was cited at Mantor Hall room 141.

On Sat Feb 26 there was an incident of false reporting recorded and a citation was given to a male individual in parking lot four.

Campus Briefs

Applications for the Mortar Board Outstanding Organization and Outstanding Sophomore and the Rosenlof and McKenzie Scholarships are due on March 23. Applications are available at www.unk.edu/student_org/mort_board/mb_home.htm. For more information, contact Dr. Kenya Taylor at (308) 865-8305.

The Museum of Nebraska Art will present the "Mayhem to Marvels" class series on March 10, 17 and 31 from 6-7 p.m. This popular class is offered in a six-session series for children to explore the world of art.

"No Limits", the women's studies conference, sponsored by the women's studies programs of UNK, UNL and UNO will take place on March 4 from 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m. in the Nebraskan Student Union.

Mochas and Music Coffeehouse will present "Easily Amused" on March 4 at 8:30 p.m. in the Nebraskan Student Union.

The Great Plains Political Science Association Conference will take place on March 5 in the Nebraskan Student Union. This conference provides a forum for those with an interest in political science to present papers and discuss ideas on faculty development and community affairs workshops. There will also be a presentation from the keynote speaker, Dr. John Hibbing, Foundation Regents University Professor of Political Science at UNL.

In association with the "No Limits" women's studies conference and the James E. Smith Conference on World Affairs is the presentation of "Tres Vidas". "Tres Vidas" is based on the lives of three legendary Latin American women. The show will take place on March 5 in the Fine Arts Recital Hall from 8-10 p.m.

In association with the James E. Smith Conference on World Affairs, the International Food Festival will take place on March 6 from 6-10 p.m. in the Nebraskan Student Union. On March 7 and 8, World Affairs Conference presentations will begin at 9 a.m. and last until 5 p.m. in the Nebraskan Student Union.

For more information contact Anne Marie Harr, coordinator of World Affairs at UNK, at (308) 865-8944.

The UNK Chess Club will meet on March 7 from 7-10 p.m. in the main entry of the Nebraskan Student Union.

"Moving up with Manners," an etiquette seminar, will take place on March 8 from 4-5 p.m. in the Nebraskan Cedar Room.

Editor's Note: The answers to last week's "Funny Facts" crossword puzzle will be revealed in next week's the Antelope



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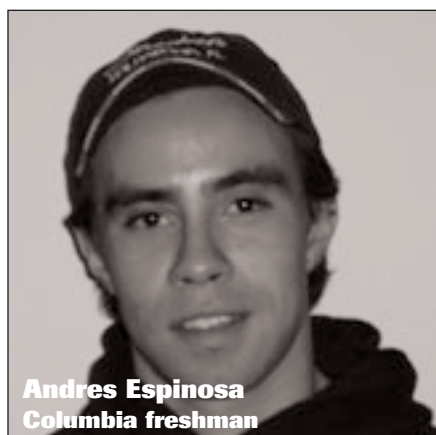
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What are you doing for spring break?



Shannon Webster
Kearney junior

"I'll be staying in Kearney to work, so I can save money to spoil my girlfriend."



Andres Espinosa
Columbia freshman

"I might be going to Colorado or maybe staying here to play tennis."



Jamie Koch
Wynot freshman

"I am going to Honolulu, Hawaii with my friends for a week."



Ryan Watts
Omaha Freshman

"I'm going to take part in extracurricular activities in the Badlands of South Dakota."

HI, I'LL TAKE A COMBO ONE WITH A LARGE FRY, COULD I GET THAT WARM PLEASE?

I'M SORRY SIR, THAT WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL FIFTY CENTS!



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Strudels and stress make good midnight snacks



Kent Lutt
Antelope Entertainment Editor

It's 1 a.m. The fluorescent glow from my lamp has already started to put a strain on my eyes. My fingers are resting motionless on the home row of the keyboard. The "Shift" key glints with the oil from my pinky finger.

I can't stop worrying. I can't think of anything to write about. I'm too tired and stressed to think straight. I wonder, am I thinking about not thinking straight?

1:07 a.m. I'm growing more and more nervous with each change to the digital readout on my clock. I notice that the numbers look like a beady-eyed man with a crooked smile when I turn the clock on its side. I know that I'm wasting time, and I know that I'll never get all of my work done by tomorrow.

My fingers run through my hair and my head tilts down in defeat. Then I see the three

small hairs fall down onto the keyboard. Two fall on the spacebar and form a fibrous bridge over to the other hair sitting on the "H" key. I pick up the three strands with my fingers, noticing my roots have started to fade. Then I smile, knowing exactly what to write about.

I find it ironic that I decided to write about worrying too much. It's such a common thing in my life these days that I don't sit down and think about the effects it has on me. Losing sleep, losing sanity, and losing hair all added up at once and punched me square in the nose last night.

First, I know that too much stress from schoolwork has taken its toll on my body. Running to and from classes, meeting deadlines for assignments, and participating in extra curricular activities all weigh heavily on me by the end of the day.

Last night when I wrote this little article, I had to edit papers for the Antelope, finish some query letters from another class, and prepare a two-minute newscast. Before that I had lifted weights, jogged two miles, and skipped a meal.

So what did I do to make things more difficult? I worried about my schoolwork. I spread more icing on my strawberry-stress-strudel and took a bite.

Then there are the worries people have about things that have already happened or will happen in the future. What's the point in this type of torture? I do it too, so I under-

stand the reason behind it.

About a week ago I remembered that I had set my utility bills under some books on my shelf. I was a nervous wreck for most of the day sitting in my classes, most likely not absorbing the proper amount of information needed for the mid term examinations coming up the next week. Just because of those bills, probably late by then, that I could do nothing about at the moment. Turned out they weren't overdue at all and needed to be sent in by the end of the month. Take another bite from your strudel, Kent.

At about 1:30 a.m. last night I started brainstorming some ideas that could prove to be solutions to my problems. I knew that the flow of schoolwork and stress from things in my past and future would not cease anytime soon. So I thought some late-night therapeutic sessions were probably healthy enough.

Even though I think schoolwork is important for every college student, it also carries many negatives with it. I admit, I don't learn very much from busy work. Hands-on activities in class and lectures are much better for drilling facts and terms into my cranium. I'm sure many students would agree with this. We just want to finish our homework and make time for better things.

So I thought, if I do learn what I need to know in this way, why worry so much over homework? Of course I still have to do it, but

just spend more energy listening to the lectures and participating in class to make the homework easier. Place emphasis on more important things in your schooling, and try not to rush through anything. This is where most of my stress seems to come from, anxiety dashing around in my head like a marathon runner without a finish line.

As for worrying about things that already happened, this is a no-brainer. Just don't. I need to work on this myself, but seriously folks, the solution to this type of stress is so simple. You can't do anything about that spilled milk. Maybe you cleaned it up, maybe you left it to rot on your carpet. It already happened, and now it should be but a fleeting memory.

The future. A huge hand of doubt in our minds squeezing us like a boa constrictor. And one of the worst worries you can imagine. So break free of its grasp. Prepare for whatever it is you're thinking so gloomily about, and give it your all when it arrives. Stare at your fear or distress with beady-eyes and a crooked smile. Time will keep marching on, so have confidence in your future. You might say to yourself, "What was I worrying about?"

It seems like worrying is a sweet, strawberry-filled dessert. Once you finish it, you just need to have more. If that's the case, then it's time for this worrywart to go on a much-needed diet.

To spring break or not to spring break is not even a question

Okay, so I know I started writing my last editorial at 1 p.m. on the Tuesday it was due, but now here I sit at 6:21 p.m. with another editorial to write and it's due in about 10 minutes, fun fun. So here I go again, trying to set the UNK record for the fastest editorial written. I should mention that I do not even have a story idea in mind, well it worked last time, ready, set, go!

Since spring break I feel it as my duty to dispense the little information I have on the subject, ultimately there is only one thing I can say about that, LEAVE! Everyone should have the opportunity sometime during their college tenure to take a road trip for spring break. It's every college student's God-given right, it's an American tradition, it's a beer drinker's paradise.

There are many places to venture during spring break, the more popular locations are: Cancun, South Padre Island, Lake Havasu, and Daytona Beach. However, if one desires a cooler climate for break, Colorado has great Skiing. Whether it be an exotic location, the side of a mountain or gambling in Iowa, everyone get outta this town!

During my sophomore and junior year I went to South Padre for spring break, which I will do again this year. This year will be a different for me, I actually have reservations at a hotel and I actually know where I am going, oh yeah, and this is the first real spring break trip where I am 21. During my other two visits to the land of beaches, beer, and babes, I had no hotel reservations and \$300 in my pocket. On my first trip to South Padre I didn't even know I was going to Texas. My friend and I just started driving and headed south. We hit Texas about midnight and decided to drive as far as Corpus Christie, we arrived there at 6:30 a.m. We woke up the next morning and decided to drive south some more and we just kinda ran into South Padre Island. Yes, in case you are wondering, we did find a hotel to stay in every night, however this involved switching rooms every night, but it wasn't a big deal.

Half the fun of those two trips was leaving without a plan or a destination in mind. It was fun knowing that we could be sleeping in our car if we couldn't get a hotel room.

You may be asking yourself "why does he always go to Padre?" Well there is a simple answer to this question and that is, money. Going to South Padre is relatively cheap as compared to other locations like Cancun or Daytona Beach. The most I spent during my two trips was \$400 dollars. That's including hotels for a week, food and souvineers. No, I did not mention alcohol. Let me tell you one thing, if you go to Padre and you are not 21, DO NOT GET CAUGHT DRINKING. The police there really crack down on the whole underage thing. Not that I didn't want to drink, but for one, we didn't have a person with us that was 21 and for two, I didn't feel like spending my spring break in jail.

Oh and by the way, if you are wondering if what you see on those Girls Gone Wild videos actually happens at Padre let me tell you that it does, and that's all I have to say about that. What I can tell you about break is, leave, don't get caught drinking underage, don't get arrested in Mexico, get drunk and have a hell-of-a-time doing it. Oh and if you happen to get arrested in Mexico, be sure to have enough money to pay for the federales or you can kiss your butt goodbye. Well, I hope I have dispensed some useful information for your spring break ventures. Gosh, I feel like this editorial thing is kinda turning out like a "Dear Abby" letter, oh well. It's 7:13 p.m. and I didn't set the UNK record for the fastest editorial ever written, I guess it just wasn't meant to be.



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Navigators discuss Jesus' political views

Photo by Jamie Dusin
Speaker Don Lenze compares politics and Jesus Christ at Thursday's Nav Rally, sponsored by the Navigators.



the secrets and the mysteries of the human heart and of the universe. And be very slow to give your allegiance to a man-made institution or an organization, whether it be a group like the Navigators or a political party."

He also challenged everybody "to learn how to ask questions and to listen to people who sit across the political table or issues from you." He said to ask the people who think differently why they think differently and to let them into your life to confront you with their viewpoints.

Lenze's last bit of advice was, "In light of that humble posture, to not be afraid to form your own world view, to have strong, passionate convictions, to care deeply about these things and to be engaged and to be involved."

In preparation for the event, Petersen conducted a survey of 241 UNK students. In this survey, 21 percent of UNK students actually thought that Jesus would belong to the Republican Party, while 49 percent thought that he would not belong to any party.

Petersen said that he conducted this survey because he wanted to get a political outlook of the campus, to increase awareness about Jesus Christ and to make people think about Him.

"To my surprise, maybe half [of the students surveyed] didn't know anything about the Republican or [the] Democratic party," Petersen said.

Another question asked on the survey was whether each person considered his or herself a follower of Jesus Christ. The results showed that 85 percent of people did, but Petersen was not sure how to interpret those results.

"It appears it can be a part of the Nebraskan culture to be a Republican, the same might be true [of] being a follower of Christ, everyone checks yes, but what does [that] actually mean?" Petersen said.

"[Lenze] analyzed that well and encouraged us to step outside of our culture and really examine both sides," Petersen said. "He encouraged us to vote, and he also encouraged us to investigate Jesus in the scriptures because some of the stuff he said is too bold to not investigate."

The Navigators chose this political topic because they thought it would spark some interest on campus.

"Navigators doesn't claim to know all the answers, but we certainly aren't afraid to take the challenge of trying to tackle a controversial topic in a biblical way," junior John Nuxoll, a member of the Navigators student service team, said. "We're both trying to tailor NavRallies to an interest, but also, at the same time, trying to make Christ more known throughout campus."

The Navigators meet regularly on Thursday at 7:30 in room 310 of the Union. In addition to these "Nav Nights," the Navigators also hold two "NavRallies" a semester to focus on hot issues and to try to draw in more students to think about Jesus.

Jobs come to campus

Students make future plans at First Annual Career Fair

Julia Stumkat
Antelope Staff Writer

The first UNK Career Fair attracted 60 companies and organizations from 10 different states that offered internships as well as jobs to students.

The Career Services office organized the fair that took place at the UNK Health and Sports Center last week.

Nancy Kneen, the director of the Career Services office, said that the Career Fair is a good opportunity to gather information about potential employers and start networking with them.

"Students get a better sense of what is out there, in terms of positions and companies," she said. "They have a face to face opportunity to promote themselves."

Kneen said that the Career Fair was a positive experience with 260 students and faculty who signed the attendance sheet.

"For our first year, it was successful," she said.

In addition, Kneen said that out of the 25 students who filled out the evaluation sheets for the fair, 45 percent were invited for an interview.

The Career Services office wants to organize another Career Fair next year and hopes to increase the number of students attending the event.

"The key is our student participation to draw employers to come back," she said.

Barnes Distribution was one of the 60 companies and organizations that offered jobs to students.

Hank Schelling, the vice president of the North Division, said that he set up some interviews with students.

"We are looking for young graduate students to go into our management development program," he said.

Schelling added that the Career Fair is a good idea for students to discover different options regarding the job market.

"It opens your eyes and minds to other opportunities, which you may not be able to see through the Internet or word-of-mouth," he said.

Mosaic, a nursing home for people with disabilities, was also part of the Career Fair. They were looking for students in the field of public relations, social work, business management and nursing.

Linda Fecht, the manager of human resources at Mosaic, said that students should take advantage of the Career Fair to gather information about different employers.

"It is a great place to get information and explore job opportunities," she said.

The Eaton Corp. attended the fair to recruit accounting interns and full-time supervisor reserves.

Renee Swan, human resources generalist at Eaton Corp., said that the participation in a fair helps students to get their foot in the door.

"They can talk to different employers and make contacts," she said.

Erin Ostberg, a senior from Omaha, said that she was looking for positions in communications. She said that the Career Fair made it possible to get in contact with certain companies.

"I had some interesting conversations," she said. "I found opportunities I did not know about before."

Sue Ellen Scofield, a senior from Verdigre, said that she attended the Career Fair to find out what job openings are out there.

"It is a good opportunity to meet people and start networking," she said.

The Career Services office will organize the 28th annual Educator's Employment Fair on Mar. 29 at the Student Union, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Career Services office also provides workshops and seminars on how to write resumes and prepare for interviews. For further information, contact the Career Services office at 308-865-8501 or careerserv@unk.edu.

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The way you begin to understand these issues is by figuring out if you really care and if you have an interest in caring what Jesus thinks, Lenze said.

To make his point, Lenze pulled out a student directory and he opened to a page and randomly picked a name.

"Does anybody know Sarah Casper? Does anybody care if she's Republican or Democrat?" Lenze asked.

"If you're a follower of Christ, you desperately need to know the answers to these types of questions: what does Jesus care about these things? Does he have anything to say about these things?" Lenze said.

He explained that people throughout history, such as Nebuchadnezzar, Alexander the Great, Caesar and Hitler, have tried to unravel these questions by being a leader.

"Just pick a century, you'll find a host of people who have stood up and said, 'let me lead, I can worry about what we need,'" he said.

Lenze said that America has been trying to unravel this since the beginning of its time in what he calls "the great experiment."

"Every four years, these men and women stand up and they say, 'I want your vote because I believe that I can do the best job at unraveling the complexity of these types of issues so that we can bring everyone to the table and do the best thing for the good of all the people in this country,'" Lenze said.

He explained that this was a big claim to make and he used Revelations 4 and 5:1-4 to describe how humans would never be able to figure it all out.

"There's nobody who's able to step up to the plate and say, you know what, I've got the solution and the answer," Lenze said.

"Who will step forward and give us the answers? Is it going to be John

Kerry? Is it going to be George Bush?" he asked.

"Jesus is worthy. ...He is the one who has the ability to bring forth the teaching and understanding in its fullness that we need to unravel these complex issues of social justice, of righteousness and it's done in a context and tone of humility and love and devotion," Lenze said.

He said that with the issues, the people who claim to be followers of Christ have to remember to leave room for

"In Nebraska, they think, how can you be a Christian and be a Democrat, whereas in Massachusetts they think, how can you be a Christian and be a Republican?"

**-Brian Petersen
Navigator campus minister**

perspective.

To drive his point home, Lenze challenged the audience with four things.

For those who do not consider themselves true followers of Christ, Lenze challenged them to discover the person of Jesus and to consider His character and His stories and to challenge His followers so you can honestly understand.

For those who do consider themselves followers of Christ, he urged them to not be too quick to identify themselves with a political party. And Lenze reminded them that, "Only Jesus is going to have the ability to unravel

Hispanic students host conference

Anne Cady
Antelope Staff Writer

The Hispanic Student Association will host the third annual Cultural Unity Conference on April 1 and 2 in the UNK Fine Arts Building.

"The Cultural Unity Conference aims to promote cultural diversity in higher education," Juan Guzmán, interim assistant director of Multicultural Affairs, said. "The focus of the conference is to provide information on higher education to high school students of all cultures."

Guzmán said that recruiting high school students to UNK is not the goal of the sponsors of the conference. Enrollment of Latino students has increased at UNK since the conference last year. However, he said the goal of the members of the Hispanic Student Association is to make higher education an attainable reality for the high school stu-

dents. Therefore, students that decide to further their education at a community college as a result of the conference are also deemed successful.

"Most of the students that came to the conference last year and chose to attend UNK are first generation college students," Eddie Quintana, a senior from Kearney and member of the Hispanic Student Association, said. "It is often a matter of educating students who then educate their parents about furthering education after high school."

The sponsors and speakers at the conference will provide information on scholarships and financial aid. Guzmán said that the Hispanic Student Association hopes to convince high school students that the obstacles to a higher education can be overcome.

"Through a series of workshops, meetings and discussions, we hope to recruit and inspire high school students from under-represented groups to consider and commit to a

college or uni

Guzmán said that UNK faculty has been very supportive of the conference. "This year about half of the workshops will be presented by UNK faculty," he said. "The hard work of the volunteers is greatly appreciated in the effort to further our cause."

There will be two keynote speakers on the first day of the conference, Dr. Joseph White and Richard Santana.

Guzmán said that White was a pioneer in the field of Black psychology and is affectionately referred to as the "Godfather" of Black psychology by his students and younger colleagues. White received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Michigan State University. He is currently an author and a Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Psychiatry at the University of California at Irvine.

Richard Santana's story is different. Guzmán said that Santana became the third

generation of his family to join one of the largest gangs in California. He eventually left that life, accrediting education and teachers with paving the way. He graduated from Harvard University's Graduate School of Education, Human Development and Psychology/Risk and Prevention program.

"Richard heightens educators' awareness and takes them through a process of understanding at-risk youth," Guzmán said. "Those who partake in Richard's unique and powerful presentation learn how to re-channel their energy towards strategies that produce positive outcomes in at-risk behavior."

The conference will be from 11 to 1 a.m. on Friday. A semi-formal dance will be the entertainment on Friday night. The conference will resume at 8 a.m. Saturday and conclude at noon. For questions and applications regarding the conference, contact Juan Guzman at 308-865-8197 or guzmanj@unk.edu.

Wishes can come true

Jamie Dusin
Antelope Staff Writer

The Iota Zeta Chapter of the Chi Omega sorority helped to make a wish come true.

Last Saturday, the girls of Chi Omega turned two Kearney gas stations into full-service stations to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The girls pumped gas and washed windows at Casey's on 39th and N and at Bob's Total Service on 2nd Avenue for four hours for free-will donations.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions. The \$527.03 that the fraternity raised will be used to help one child's wish come true.

"We will just hand over the money to Make-A-Wish as a whole and they will let us know whose wish it goes to," Brittany Reiman, Chi Omega community service director, said.

Reiman, a Geneva freshmen and elementary education major, said that they always do an event for the foundation and this is one event that they have done in the past and had great success with. The fraternity has tried different locations in the past and these are the two that have worked out the best.

Because of the great success of this event, Chi Omega is thinking about adding an additional location for next semester.

Columbus junior Ruth Udey said, "I thought it went extremely well. The people from the community that donated were very generous and caring, and several people expressed how glad they were that we were raising funds for such a good cause."

Udey, a chemistry major, said she was excited that they were able to see where the money was actually going to.

"A little girl that had just gotten her wish granted a few weeks ago

stopped by, so it was awesome to see the effect the money we raise had a on a real child; it made her dream come true," Udey said.

The Chi Omega sorority is currently working on setting up a signature event and is preparing to help with the Make-A-Wish booth at Kids Explore in April.

The sisters of Chi Omega raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation by washing cars.

Sophomore Sarah Stefkovich, a Chi Omega sister, washes the windows of a Kearney SUV on Saturday at Casey's.



Freshmen Katie Moore washes the windows of a Kearney vehicle as the Chi Omegas turn Casey's into a full-service gas station.



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Senior Dara Keck washes the windshield of a Kearney resident to help Chi Omega raise money.

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Track team ends indoor at RMAC's

Cordes and Fellows chosen by RMAC coaches to receive honors and awards

Mik Dickson
Antelope Sports Staff

The UNK track and field team was at home over the weekend to take part in the RMAC Championships.

The women's team finished in second place with 198 points behind rival, Adams State College who scored 228. On the men's side, UNK finished in third place with 125 points behind Adams State and Western State.

"I am really proud of the character that our teams showed throughout the meet," Head Coach Andy Meyer said. "We showed a lot of heart and support for each other."

Hooper junior Cali Cordes won the pentathlon with

3,438 points and the pole vault in the same day. Cordes broke her own school record in the pole vault with a height of 12 feet 2 inches. Her previous record was 12 feet .75 inches. She is now ranked No.10 in the nation in the pole vault.

Cordes was named Female Athlete of the Meet for her performance.

"Cali was very worthy of her Athlete of the meet award," Coach Meyer said. "She could have chosen not to compete in the pentathlon, but she choose to for the team."

Kearney freshman Ross Fellows finished second in the triple jump, with a distance of 45 feet 2 inches and third in the long jump with a mark of 22 feet 7.50 inches.

Fellows was named Freshman of the Year for his performance throughout the indoor track and field season.

Fellows is ranked No.11 in the nation in the triple jump and No.17 in the long jump.

Culbertson sophomore Sara Wagner finished first in the triple jump with a personal-best distance of 39 feet 11 inches. With the jump, Wagner is now ranked No.2 in the nation.

Wagner also finished third in the long jump with a distance of 18 feet 5.50 inches. She is ranked No.10 in the nation for the event.

Walhill senior Derek Frese had a personal-best throw in the weight throw, finishing first with a distance of 62 feet 1.50 inches. Frese is

currently ranked No.5 in the nation for the weight throw.

Central City junior Shauna Birchard finished in second place in the shot put with a distance of 47 feet 6.50 inches. Birchard is currently ranked No. 2 on the NCAA Championship List.

Elkhorn senior Lesley Crutcher had a season-best jump with a height of 5 feet 7 inches in the high jump. Crutcher is currently ranked No.12 in the nation for the high jump.

Bertrand senior Mike Ford won his second RMAC title in the pole vault with a height of 16 feet 2 inches. Ford is currently ranked No.6 in the nation.

In the 400-meter dash, Bellwood senior Kate Semin finished first with a time

58.88 seconds. Semin is ranked No.20 in the nation for the 400.

Finishing second in the event was Springfield senior Denise Kolar in a time of 59.85 seconds.

North Platte junior Craig O'Dell finished first in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.22 seconds. O'Dell is currently ranked No.17 in the nation behind teammate Al Stahlnecker who is ranked No.16.

Colorado junior Yly Rock, a spectator at the event and former track athlete, was disappointed to see UNK come in second place.

"There were some really good performances from both the girls and guys team. Unfortunately, it was not enough," Rock said.

This is the second consecutive year that the teams have fallen to Adams State College.

"We competed well but Adams State is a national powerhouse," Kearney junior Abigail Lewis said. "We knew that their distance team would probably gain the most points that we would not be able to make up."

The next event slated for a handful of UNK athletes is the NCAA Championships in Boston, Mass. in the middle of March. The Indoor NCAA Championships will be held at the Reggie Lewis Center.

UNK begin their outdoor season at the UNK Open March 26 at Kearney High.

Hoopsters sweep Chadron

Sarah Stitch
Antelope Staff Writer

Midway in the first half, a 14-point surge sparked the Antelopes to a 96-80 triumph over Chadron State in Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference men's basketball action last Friday night at the Health and Sports Center.

The Eagles led the match 13-10 before Kearney's pressure defense turned the tide. A 24-7 Loper run put UNK in the lead for the rest of the game. The Lopers led 49-36 at halftime and never allowed CSC to get closer than nine points in the second half.

UNK freshman guard Nick Morrell said that Kearney's guard play is exceptionally good this season and emphasized that many of the Loper players do a great job getting the ball. The team also has good passing, and the "inside game is very key this season," he said.

Kearney shot 58 percent or 10 of 12 from the field, while the Eagles ended with 47 percent or 3 of 8. With their second best shooting performance this year, the Lopers sunk 36 of 62 shots this game with a 61 percent effort in the first 20 minutes. UNK also held a 40 to 28 rebounding edge for the match.

California junior forward Chris Dean finished with 11 rebounds in just 26 minutes. Dean also earned a double double by scoring 19 total points.

Senior guard Marty

Levinson led Kearney by adding 21 points to the scoreboard.

The Eagles were paced by senior forward Eric Griffio who scored 17 points, 13 of which were scored in the

of the tournament." The Friday win ensures this won't happen.

The Lopers wrap up their regular season at 22-5 overall and 16-3 in the conference, while the Eagles end

along well."

The Kearney women's basketball team also ended their regular season victoriously as freshman Amy Mathis led the Lady Lopers to an 88-77 win over Chadron Friday.

Mathis scored 13 of her game-high 20 points in a 7-minute stretch late in the match. Kearney led 40-28 at halftime, but the Eagles pulled ahead on the scoreboard with Bec Kyba's 3-pointer. The game was nip and tuck for awhile before Mathis took charge.

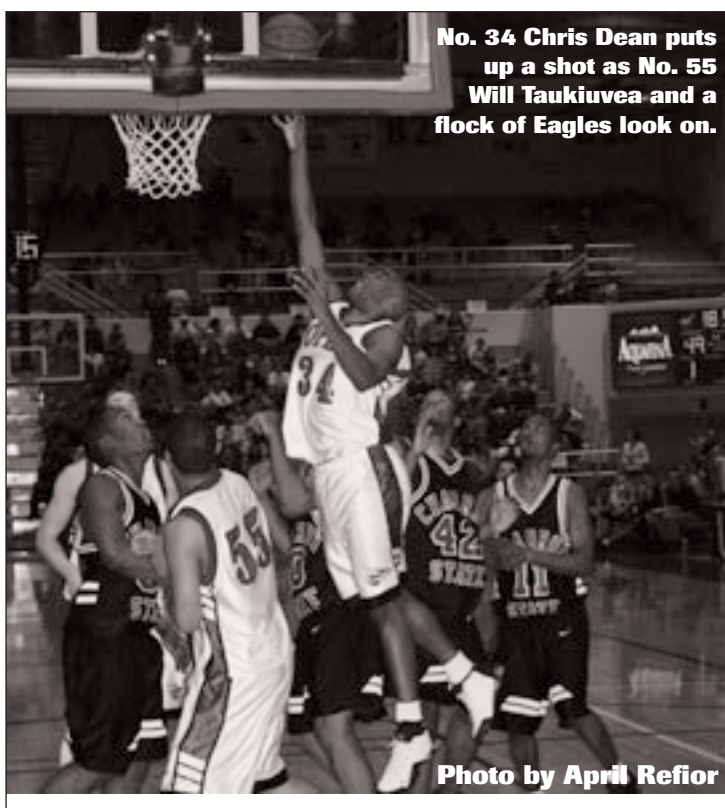
CSC led 64-63 with over eight minutes remaining when Mathis went on her rampage and sank three consecutive 3-pointers during the splurge.

Iowa junior Kalee Modlin backed Mathis' production and got her sixth season double double scoring 17 points this game.

Chadron guard Erin Scherry led the Eagles with 18 game points. Kyba and Lindsay Erwin added 12 points. CSC shot an icy 32 percent from the field in the first half and was 8 of 11 from beyond the arc in the final 20 minutes.

The Eagles, who have not won in Kearney since 1988, finish at 7-20 overall and 6-13 in conference play. UNK improves to 14-13 overall and 12-7 in RMAC.

The Lady Lopers have made the eight-team RMAC Tournament, which begins Wednesday, and will be no higher than a fifth seed. This will be the first time UNK had played an RMAC Tournament game on the road.



No. 34 Chris Dean puts up a shot as No. 55 Will Taukiueva and a flock of Eagles look on.

Photo by April Refior

first half. Eagle center Elijah Collins followed closely by scoring 15 points total.

Kearney Associate Head Coach Kevin Lofton is pleased with this season's team. The Lopers have added five new guys, four with heavy minutes, and have had 20 wins so far he said. This was before the CSC victory.

It is near the end of the season and every game could be our last Lofton said.

"Every game from this point on is pretty crucial," he stressed. He added, "one loss could mean we are out

the year at 13-14 and 7-12. The triumph does secure Kearney at least a share of the RMAC title.

UNK won conference titles in 1998 and 2003 and will now be a top three seed in the eight-game RMAC Tournament. The Lopers host a first round RMAC game Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Morrell, who is from Ogallala, was excited about the ending season and said, "I'm having a really great time." Morrell's major is undecided, and added, "everyone on the team is a great guy, and we all get

Men's tennis earns a big win

Lesley Crutcher
Antelope Staff Writer

In their home debut at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds, the men's UNK tennis team defeated the Ichabods of Washburn University 7-2 while the women's team fell 8-1.

The men's team had an exciting set beating a nationally ranked Ichabod team and taking five out of six singles wins on the day.

Florida freshman William Jacome, Colombia freshman Camillo Espinosa, York junior Cory Ciccone, Colombia junior Jorge Ramos and Columbus senior Tyson Thomas, all defeated their respective opponents in the singles competition.

In doubles action, Jacome and Ramos teamed up to defeat Washburn's Rutger Vliegenburg and Andrew Plum to collect UNK's only doubles win.

"This is a really big win for us," said Omaha senior Mike Saniuk. "Washburn is a good team and this gives us some confidence for the rest of the season. We're really excited."

The UNK men are now 3-2 and ranked No. 4 in the North Central Region.

On the women's side, Alliance sophomore Brooke Carpenter scored the only point of the day for the Loper squad when she defeated Washburn's Kris Castillo in singles competition.

The UNK women are currently ranked No. 10 in the region and are 2-5 for the sea-

son.

"The match between Jacome and Vliegenburg was really exciting to watch," said tennis fan and Omaha senior Andrew Linn. "Willy really wanted that match."

Both teams will have their next appearance March 5 in Lincoln for matches against the Prairiewolves of Nebraska Wesleyan.

Their next home match at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds will be March 26 against the Mavericks of conference rival Mesa State University. Mesa State is currently 0-3 on the season.

Men tame Tigers

Team earns No. 1 seed in RMAC

Jason Miller
Antelope Staff Writer

The Loper men's basketball team defeated the Tigers 83-51, and extended their home record winning streak against the Tigers to 10 straight games.

"It's going to be a tough game, they will probably be riding a three-game winning streak, and they will be a focused and talented team," said Kevin Lofton, associate head coach, about the Fort Hays State Tigers prior to the game.

The Antelopes were prepared for a challenge. Winning by 32 points was not anticipated. "We practiced hard for this game we know how talented they are," said Columbus sophomore Dusty Jura. "Winning big against a team like Hays was unexpected."

UNK controlled the pace of the game with their three-quarter court press. The Lopers defense held the Tigers to a season-low of 51 points and forced 28 turnovers, while the Lopers offense played a solid game.

"The Lopers controlled the tempo," said North Platte senior and basketball fan Kyle Rupp. "They controlled the ball and Hays couldn't hit an outside shot."

Four players in double figures led UNK. Dusty Jura and Salt Lake City senior Will Taukiueva lead all scorers with 17 points. Jura also tallied his third straight double double pulling down 12 rebounds to go with his 17 points. Bellevue senior Marty Levinson was six of 12 from

the field scoring 15, and Colorado Springs sophomore forward Chad Burger came off the bench and scored 16.

By winning, the Lopers avenge a loss to the Tigers from earlier in the season.

"It felt good to play well and win," Jura said. "They're one of our biggest rivals and we beat them in front of our fans."

The Antelopes lost 90-72 to the Tigers at Hays.

"To come back, play well, and beat a rival at home definitely builds our confidence for the post-season," said Jura.

The Lopers improved to 21-5 overall and 15-3 in the conference. The Tigers fall to 18-9 overall and 13-7 in the conference. With only one game left in the regular season the Lopers hosted the Chadron State Eagles on Friday night.

With a victory the Lopers have assured themselves the No. 1 seed in the conference tourney. By losing to UNK, Hays falls to the No. 5 seed in the tournament.

With the top seed the Antelopes will host the New Mexico Highlands in the first round.

"Highlands has been hot lately," Lofton said.

With the season series tied 1-1 the Antelopes and Tigers both look to advance in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference where they may meet again. If the FHSU and UNK both win their first-round games they will play each other in the second round in Colorado Springs in the conference tournament.



No. 5 Marty Levinson gets some air saving a loose ball against Hays.

Photo by April Refior

Offense leads UNK baseball to split series at RMAC Pre-season Tournament in Denver

Lesley Crutcher
Antelope Sports Editor

The Antelope baseball team returned home on Sunday with another split under their belts.

UNK spent their weekend at the RMAC pre-season tournament in Denver, Colo.

The Lopers finished the tournament with a 2 and 2 record beating Mines in twice and losing to No. 24 ranked Regis University and CSU-Pueblo.

The first game saw Ontario, Can., junior Jason Stergiadis on the mound. Stergiadis threw five innings giving up six hits, collecting five strikeouts and two earned runs.

Valentine junior Blake Beebout took over for Stergiadis in the sixth inning finishing with three hits and two earned runs.

Columbus junior Joey Larsen than came on to finish the eighth.

Kearney sophomore Cole Archer, Louisiana sophomore Gerald Sell and San Diego junior Eric Smith all went 2 for 5 at the plate. Archer also tallied on two RBIs. Lincoln freshman Brad Hull also added a 2 for 4 appearance at the plate and a single RBI.

Going into the eighth inning, the Antelopes were tied with Regis 5-5 until UNK managed only one run with two Lopers left on base to end their offensive appearance. The Regis

Ranger bats then lit up at the bottom of the eighth with five runs scored on five hits.

"It was a tough loss for us. Unfortunately, they had one big inning where they scored four runs and it happened to be in the bottom of the eighth," said Blake Beebout. "Overall though, I thought we played well."

Game two was a different story for UNK against Mines. Chadron senior Nick Abegglen started the game throwing 3 2/3 innings giving up eight hits with three earned runs. Larsen than came on in relief again to pitch 3 1/3 innings giving up only one hit to earn himself the win.

Colorado sophomore Ryan Bucher had a solid offensive day going 3 for 3 with two RBIs. Smith also added a 2 for 4 showing with an RBI.

Overall, Mines had five runs on eleven hits while the Lopers tallied eight runs on twelve hits to win the game with a score of 8-5.

The afternoon game saw UNK up against CSU-Pueblo.

North Platte senior Jason Miller was on the mound for UNK throwing three innings of the ballgame. Miller acquired six hits and five earned runs with one strikeout and three walks.

Archer was the offensive all-star going 3 for 4 at the plate with three RBIs. Unfortunately, Archer's bat

was not enough and the Lopers fell 4-10.

The final game of the tournament matched UNK with Colorado Mines for a second time with a similar result and then some.

Nebraska City freshman Ryan Dettman took care of business on the mound pitching seven full innings allowing only six hits and four earned runs in a 14-6 victory.

The Loper bats were hot with Travis Kerkman and Ryan Bucher leading the offense. Kerkman's performance included 2 for 4 at the plate with a home run and four RBIs. Bucher's appearance included going 4 for 5 at the plate with three RBIs.

Totals for the game included 14 runs on 18 hits for UNK and six runs on six hits for Mines.

"It was a good win for us," said Kerkman of the victory. "Hopefully we can feed off this and take some momentum into next weekend."

As for the 2-2 split for the tournament assistant coach Seth Vontz considers it a fairly good weekend.

"It was good to salvage the weekend and go 2-2," said Vontz. "We played some pretty good teams and it was a good experience to see them before conference."

UNK will be in action March 5 at home at Memorial Field against Dakota Wesleyan.

Grapplers storm regionals

Brittany Johnson
Antelope Staff Writer

Loper wrestling took first and dominated at the NCAA Division II West/Regional Wrestling Championship tournament last weekend.

Ending with 135.5 points the team took first place for the fifth time in six years. It was the fourth consecutive win for the Lopers.

There were five wrestlers that took top spots on Saturday.

At 125 lbs., Bryce Abbey, a senior from Goodland Kan., at 133 lbs., Adam Keiswetter, a senior from Kearney, at 165 lbs., Aaron Dalton, a senior from Fremont, Neb., Jeff Sylvester, a junior from Lyman, Neb., and at heavy-weight, Tervel Dlagnev, a freshman from Arlington, Texas. Keiswetter beat Raymond Dunning of Adams State, who was seeded first. Dunning had defeated Keiswetter earlier on in the season.

Aaron Dalton beat, No. 2 seed Evan Copeland and ended the tournament in first place for the first time in his wrestling career.

Dlagnev, Abbey and Sylvester all went into the tournament seeded first. Dlagnev was named RMAC freshman of the year. With a bye in the first round of the tournament, Tervel will go into the championships in Omaha one win short of meeting the record for wins in a single season. The cur-

rent record at UNK is 37 wins. Zac Rice, a junior from Pocatello, Idaho, placed second at 174 lbs. He was beat in the finals by Matt Trout of Western State who was seeded first in the tournament. There were two fourth place positions taken by Pat and Matt True. Matt placed at 141 lbs., while Pat wrestled at 149 lbs.

Dan Hospodka, a freshman from Gretna, Neb., who had only one college match under his belt, placed third with a pin against Dillon Blackman from the Colorado School of Mines. Dan was Oklahoma sophomore Caleb Young's replacement because of an injury at 184 lbs. Lewis Hyatt, a red-shirt freshman from Canon City, Colo., placed fifth at 157 lbs. Hyatt beat Matt Weingart to take the fifth place position. Lewis' matches on Saturday were the first in a long time due to an injury that he was suffered earlier in the season.

Cole True, a freshman student at UNK and brother to Pat and Matt True, attended the tournament on Saturday in Chadron. "The team dominated the tournament," he said.

UNK's 135.5 points came in second in the school's history to the record score of 138 points. Adams State came the closest in points at the end of the tournament with 112.5 points. This was the largest margin of points in the history of UNK

wrestling.

The nine wrestlers that the team will be taking to the NCAA Championships in Omaha is a new school record. While Adams State had no champions, they will be taking ten wrestlers to the NCAA Championships.

"Our team performed very well. We showed a lot of bright spots. Our team is really clicking right now," said assistant coach Riley Ross. The UNK wrestling team will be attending the NCAA Division II Championships on March 11 in Omaha.

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Jazz Cafe embraces heritage month

Megan Kulhanek
Antelope Staff Writer

In celebration of African American Heritage Month, several singers from Kearney and the surrounding area entertained guests Saturday night with their musical talents at the Jazz Café event in the Nebraskan Student Union Ponderosa Room.

The Office of Multicultural Affairs and the African

American Heritage Month Planning Committee co-sponsored the event, celebrating diversity during African American Heritage Month. Entertainment for the evening was provided by the Oswald Quartet, Dr. Beverly Merrick and Chrisna Clark.

Daphne Darter, a freshman studying business administration from Lincoln, Neb., said, "I'm glad the Multicultural Affairs Office

has brought diversity to the UNK campus through this program. This type of program will make students aware of the various cultures that are represented on our campus."

Among the planners bringing this event to UNK from the Office of Multicultural Affairs were Bryan Samuel, director, Juan Guzman, assistant director, and Jenny Holen, secretary. Committee

members for the African American Heritage Month were Anita Adkins, Horacio Alvarez-Ramirez, Cecil Devers, Emily Dunlop, Brian Shreves, Rocio Soria and Larramie Timmins.

Dr. Beverly Merrick, an assistant professor of journalism at UNK, has performed in venues outside Nebraska. She has performed as Abby in "Arsenic and Old Lace," as Gay in "You Can't Take It With You" and the housekeeper in "Witness for the Prosecution." Dr. Merrick performed a variety of music including "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" and "Kansas City."

Chrisna Clark, a mass communication junior from Alma, Neb., performed selections from Jill Scott's first album, "Who is Jill Scott? Words and Sounds, Vol. 1." Clark began singing at age 12. She was a contestant in the 2003 American Idol competition in Hawaii, where she advanced to the second round of national auditions.

Lisa Elson, an undecided freshman from Curtis, Neb., said, "I really enjoyed listening to Chrisna Clark. She was really good, and I was amazed that she tried out for American Idol."

The Oswald Quartet consists of drummer Luke Oswald, guitarist Mike



Photo by Silvia Martinez
Chrisna Clark sang songs off of "Who is Jill Scott? Words and Sounds, Vol. 1" at the Jazz Cafe event.

Radliff, bass player Aaron Graddy and pianist Spencer Hansen. They have all been members of the UNK Jazz Rock Ensemble and other UNK bands and choirs.

The Oswald Quartet also plays as "Tenth Hour Calling," where they are joined by lead singer Ben Shafer of Grand Island.

Sarah Ternus, an undecided

freshman from Columbus, Neb., said, "I really enjoyed the event. It gave me a chance to dress up, and brought excitement to what would typically have been a boring day of studying. I was glad to have the opportunity to attend the Jazz Café, and I hope there will be many more events like this one."



Photo courtesy of Silvia Martinez
Dr. Beverly Merrick, at left, is joined by members of the Oswald Quartet. Luke Oswald, at center, keeps the rhythm going with Aaron Graddy, at right.

Choraleers sing about glory of music

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UNK's choirs performed their third major concert of the year this past Sunday at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The performance was entitled "Above Heaven and Earth: The Glory of Sacred Music." "The music and the setting are just so beautiful," Dr. David Bauer, the university's choir conductor of 21 years, said. "Both of them compliment each other wonderfully."

The concert consisted of many different performances. The University Men's Chorus was the first to take the stage. The group performed three songs.

"The music created by these men is very nice to hear," Ron Bauer, from Amherst, said. "The music is great, plus it's a family thing. My parents sang, I sang, and now all of my children have sung here."

The University Women's Chorus took the stage next and performed five songs of

their own, one called "Prayer of Peace." "This is a very interesting piece of music. It is a song with a mixture of vocals, strings, bass and piano. This is very unique yet beautiful," Dr. Bauer said.

The University Choraleers then performed as the final act. The music they performed was a piece of a requiem composed by Gabriel Fauré in 1888. Fauré's "Requiem" is composed of seven different songs which are in Greek and Latin.

"This type of requiem is very different from others composed before it," Luke Backhaus, a junior from Omaha and member of Choraleers, said. "Most requiems were about mourning and being sad. Fauré's is about celebrating life, which can be heard in his music."

The Choraleers have practiced this piece since the beginning of this semester. "We practice Monday through Thursday for about 50 minutes a day as a group. Its hard, sometimes it seems like we don't have enough

time," Backhaus said. "But when you get done with a performance it's great to hear how you sound. It makes all the hours worth it."

Over the school year the Choraleers try to perform in at least four major concerts. "We try to have a performance for Homecoming or Parents Day, Advent, a holiday performance and commencement as well," Dr. Bauer said. "These young men and women have such glorious voices I want to give them the chance to show off their talents."

The choruses will be starting to work on a new piece of music for one of their last major concerts of the year. The performance will be entitled "Five Mystical Songs of Ralph Vaughn Williams." "This will be a really fun performance. The pieces are all pretty upbeat and really fun to listen to," Dr. Bauer said. "I am excited for the chance to work with this group again. This group has such a high quality to them, they always amaze me."

Photo by Reito Yamaguchi
The Choraleers sang with emotion and power at St. Luke's Episcopal Church last Sunday.



Barista's brings great wine to Kearney



Photo by Kathlene Jordan
Barista's offers a wonderful environment for wine tasting. Water fountains, soft lighting, and a beautiful location downtown help make each experience special.

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Barista's has free wine tasting on Fridays and

Saturdays after five p.m. They offer several varieties from all over the world, including some made from

wineries in Nebraska.

The current collection of 18 vineyards, each producing many wine selections, is only going to get bigger with time. Barista's Select Wines will offer wines that consumers wouldn't be able to buy from liquor stores in the area. Their selection is made up of wine from Nebraska wineries, as well as wineries from all over the world.

With soft music playing in the background, water fountains running, and fire places setting the mood, Barista's gives a free sample of up to three different wines. The customer can choose from either white or red wine. The server brings out each selection one at a time and explains where it came from,

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what kind of taste the customer can expect, and what foods go well with it.

Barista's received a liquor license in December. The

wine tasting has already become "overwhelmingly popular," even though "we're just getting our feet wet," Jasmin Addy, Barista's wine steward, said.

The general consensus from customers is that the wine tasting is very enjoyable. Much of the popularity is credited to the fact that Barista's carries a lot of wines consumers can't get anywhere else. "That's why we have them," Ben Dunnagan, a wine server, said.

"I think it's awesome that there's a place to buy imported wines here in Kearney," John Kennedy, a junior from Rocky Ford, Col., said.

Barista's serves between 14 to 18 people per day that want to sample the wine.

However, Addy said a lot of people still don't know about it. They are relying on word of mouth to spread the news.

A few select employees go through testing and education to understand the product. The servers learn the differences in taste, what kind of foods go best with a certain selection, and how that food will affect the taste of the wine.

As soon as warmer weather hits Kearney, Barista's will expand the wine tasting to an everyday event.

Barista's is located on Central Ave., and the samples are free to the public. Of course consumers must be at least 21. Hors d'oeuvres are also served with the wine at an added cost.