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MADE AT UNK.

Campus keeps up with competition

Kathlene Jordan
Photo Editor

Chancellor Doug Kristensen recently held campus and community briefings at UNK to inform the campus community about the residence hall construction beginning March 2006.

Changes are now occurring on campus to prepare for the project. A fence outlines development of a staging area for construction. Students will have to maneuver around it for the remainder of the project, set for completion in July 2007. Occupancy is expected to begin by August 2007.

"This is an exciting project for the campus and the community," Kristensen said. "This is something long overdue."

The demolition of Case and Ludden Halls will commence the project in January 2006. Three halls offering suite-style units will be constructed. Two halls will be constructed on the sites of Case and Ludden Halls, and the third will be between Case and Founders Halls.

"By and large, we are really heavy on traditional housing, and we need to change that," Kristensen said. "Our competition is moving quickly, and they are ahead of us."

Lincoln-native Kevin Clark, architect for Sinclair Hille, said, "It is about competing, and it is about attracting students to this campus. There are better conditions elsewhere, and that's what this is all about. It's really about the next generation."

Kristensen showed slides of residence life projects competing with UNK. Creighton University, Hastings College, UNO and UNL are some of the nearby campuses that have recently completed construction of suite-style residence halls.

There will be a mixture of two and four-bedroom units, UNK's chancellor said, designed primarily for upperclass students.

"The suite-styles are really going to be designed for sophomores and above in a ladder living arrangement," he said.

"We talk about ladders, ladders of independence. Your first year as a freshman or sophomore, particularly as a freshman, you don't want to have just a totally private room, because you'll go in, shut the door and never come out. So, you'll have a roommate to interact with. As you get to be a sophomore and a junior, you're probably ready for a little more independence. That's where these suite-styles will come in."



Drawing provided by Sinclair Hille architects
Outline of residence hall construction project.

Kristensen and Clark unveiled drawings of the halls to be constructed. Each will include a common living space, one or two bathrooms and a kitchen area consisting of a microwave, fridge and sink. The halls, suites and individual bedrooms will have locked doors with accessibility

through a card-swipe system. Also included in the halls are study lounges, community spaces, offices for residence hall advisors and directors, closets for storage, mechanical and trash rooms, and support facilities such as mail, community kitchens, laundry and front desk.

According to Kristensen, there will be about 300 beds available for students in the new residence halls, with a net gain of 30 to 35 beds. Thus, the number of students on campus will not increase.

Randy Haack, Vice Chancellor of Business and Finance, said that room rates

increase about 5 percent per year, and the room rates in the new residence halls will raise about 15 percent more than the current rate in those halls.

Another feature of the halls is a campus bridge area, developed to create a

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Vietnamese family discovers American dream

Julia Stumkat
News Editor

The Nguyen family recently celebrated the recognition of their

American citizenship with friends from the Kearney community after passing the citizenship examination.

Ri Nguyen, of Hastings, and his family have been living in the United States

since August of 2000. They applied for naturalization this May and went to the Homeland Security Department in Omaha to take the multiple choice citizenship examination on

Nov. 8. The examination included questions about American history, government structure and English proficiency.

Ri Nguyen, who served for the American government, celebrated his family's dual citizenship with American friends. He received an American flag from World War II from Bill Rasmussen, a retired project manager and friend of the family.

"I am very proud," Nguyen said. "Bill has kept the flag for a long time. It is a very big surprise for me. The flag is special to me."

Rasmussen, a Vietnam veteran, said he gave Nguyen the flag in appreciation for his hard work bringing his family to the United States.

"That American flag was given to me when my grandfather died," he said. "He was a World War II veteran. The flag flew over the White House. I've had the flag all these years, and when they became American citizens, I've thought it would be a meaningful gesture to him."

After receiving the American flag as a symbol of appreciation and friendship, Ri Nguyen sang a military

song that he used to sing as a soldier:

"Here here OCS [Officer Candidate School]

You look at us you see the best.

Wake up in the morning and out of the rack,

Do PT [physical training] with friendly tac [tactic].

Get down and give me ten [ten push-ups]!

You're too slow, do it again!

Here here infantry,

We're up type you follow me."

"Bill has kept the flag for a long time. It is a very big surprise for me. The flag is special to me."

Ri Nguyen
American citizen from Vietnam

Although they became American citizens, Nguyen's

family will not forget about their Vietnamese roots. Ri Nguyen said, "We came over here as refugees, but we still love our country. We might go back if the situation in my country changes. I believe we will have a better life without communism."

He was born in 1946 and grew up in Da Nang, South Vietnam. After one year of studying literature and law, he had to leave college to join the army.

In 1969, Ri Nguyen started working with the U.S. government when he attended Officer Candidate School in Georgia. After his graduation, he returned to Vietnam to serve as a weapons instructor for the Vietnamese army.

In 1975, the North Vietnamese jailed Ri Nguyen, forcing him to build roads and houses.

"It was a hard life," he said. "We just got rice and corn to eat."

After two and a half years, Ri Nguyen was released with the help of the U.S. government. He started working as a teacher at a high school. By that time, he had three sons. His family

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Photo Courtesy of Diane Wysocki
Bill Rasmussen, left, gives Ri Nguyen, right, an American flag as a symbol of appreciation and friendship.

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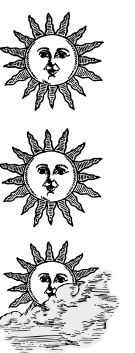




PHOTO of The WEEK

Photo by Beverly G. Merrick

This photo was taken while Merrick taught in the Republic of Georgia on a Fulbright Scholarship. A local Georgian vendor displays hand-crafted goods for sale.

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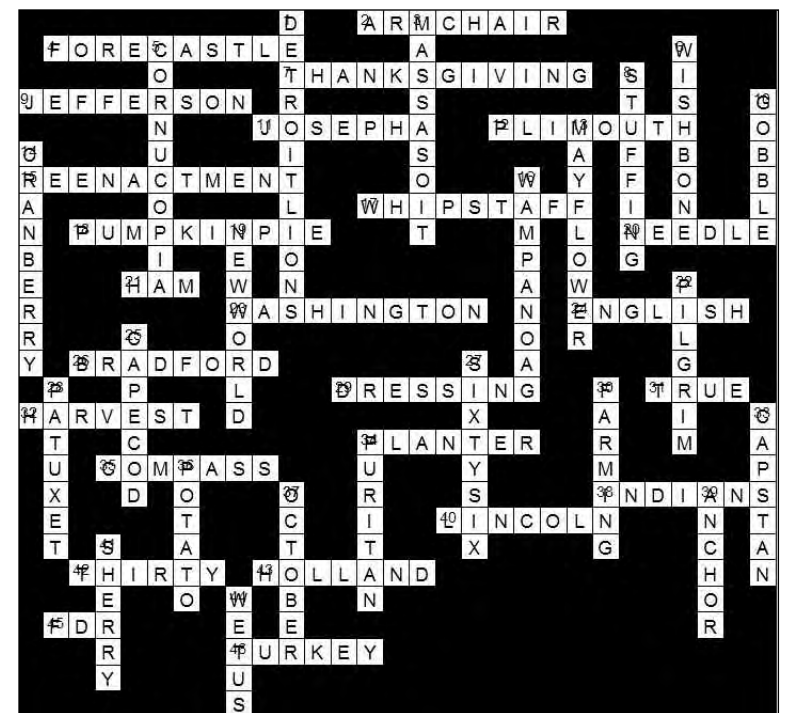
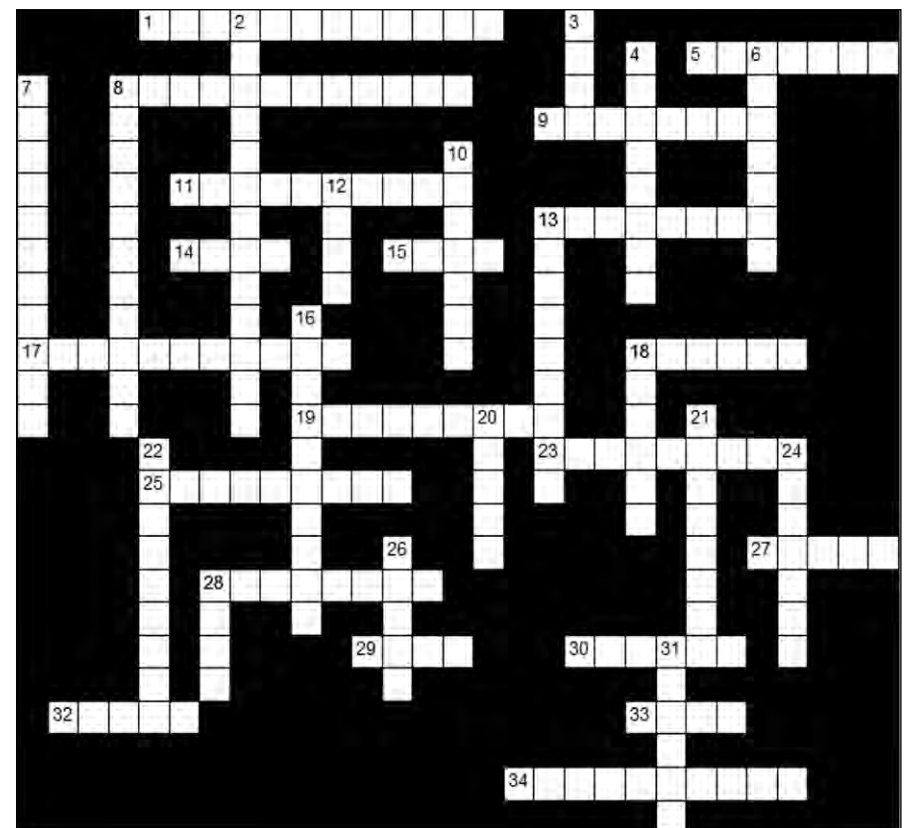
A look at the Republic of Georgia:

ACROSS

1. The surname of the dissident, scientist and writer who became the first democratically elected president of Georgia in the post-Soviet era.
5. Perched high on a bluff by the Mtkvari River, this Tbilisi church had served as a theater and a Soviet prison.
8. The surname of a past Georgian president who received the Medal of Freedom in the same ceremony that it was awarded to First Lady Hillary CLinton.
9. In Georgia, this national food is as famous as the hamburger in America.
11. Another name for the Republic of Georgia.
13. A mountain chain that runs through Georgia.
14. The flower representing the peaceful, non-violent 2003 revolution in Georgia.
15. The natural outcome of a hot spring in Georgia or elsewhere.
17. A Georgian cave city carved from rocks around 1000 BC, being an important trade center along the Silk Road of Fourth Century BC.
18. This nation adjoins the Republic of Georgia.
19. The surname of a Georgian revolutionary and politician who was founder of the Social-Democratic (Menshevik) Party.
23. The surname of writer, poet, philosopher and public benefactor, who was one of the founders of modern Georgian and German psychological novel.
25. These persons traveled with Jason in search of The Golden Fleece.
27. This sea adjoins the Republic of Georgia.
28. The nationality of the Cossacks who rode in Buffalo Bill's Frontier Show.
29. This venerated person from Vatican City visited Tbilisi in 1999.
30. The ancient name for Iran, a nearby neighbor to Georgia.
32. The Georgian bishop and philosopher from Iberia.
33. During the Soviet Regime, the Kremlin banned this type of music in Georgia.
34. The surname of the famous international Georgian actor who played an aging peasant in "Father of a Soldier."

DOWN

2. The surname of an American general of Georgian ancestry, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
3. The surname of the American president who visited Georgia on the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II.
4. This was abolished in 1911, when Georgia became a part of Russia.
6. The capital of Georgia.
7. The term used to define Georgia's natural resource of harvested grapes and wine.
8. The surname of the U.S.-educated president of Georgia.
10. The surname of a Georgian dissident who was sent to Siberia and was later nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.
12. A mode of transportation shared in Tbilisi and New York City.
13. In the Georgian cuisine, this garden vegetable is often featured with tomatoes.
16. This Georgia staple is similar to tortillas stuffed with cheese.
18. A famous queen in Georgian history.
20. Georgia's most famous king, of the 12th Century.
21. Georgia is about the size of this state in the Midwest.
22. This musical instrument was banned in Georgia during the Soviet regime.
24. One of the languages spoken in the Republic of Georgia.
26. He went to Georgia in search of The Golden Fleece.
28. Stalin's hometown.
31. This Georgian was given the name meaning "Steele," following his imprisonment in a Siberian labor camps.



Answers to last week's Thanksgiving puzzle; See next semester's first issue of The Antelope for this week's answers



the bottom line

What are your beliefs regarding ethics and human rights?



"The marketplace of ideas is a theory referred to in opinions about the First Amendment written by the U.S. Supreme Court. However, not everyone is an equal participant: race, class, income difference, fear of rejection and big money all play a role in the law."

Ann Chihveidze- Republic of Georgia



"I like the words of Dionese, who said that God is absolute kindness and he created the world without evil, because absolute kindness could not create evil."

Guram Lemonjava- Republic of Georgia



"Sometimes a government becomes aware of a forthcoming publication, or a particular program, and seeks to prevent it. But, the public has a legitimate interest in knowing information, especially of a public person's decisions."

Nutzi Kandelaki- Republic of Georgia



"Not many people have their own opinions, and it's a pity. I have an opinion about everything, always."

Nino Mamardashvili- Republic of Georgia

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The Antelope is currently recruiting writers and editors to join the staff for the upcoming spring semester.

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The real meaning behind the term **“dead week”** doesn't entail a lack of things to do; rather a premonition of your physical condition by week's end.

Michael Adelman feels your pain.

Visiting death row: a student's account



Heather Berney
Entertainment/Layout Editor

We'll say that the journey began when the driver told me that, upon arrival, I

would be strip-searched. I spent the next few nervous seconds psychologically preparing for said strip-search. It turns out, he was merely kidding. There was no strip-search. After a 40-minute car ride, we came upon our destination; a series of land and buildings surrounded by fence, topped with razor wire. Soon I would meet the men that had graced the front pages of many newspapers with their evil-looking mug shots; the men that had either held their heads high at trial, maybe even winked at a jury; or the men that had hung their heads in shame. I would soon meet the men of Nebraska Death Row. I pictured shackles and chains, 10 guards with loaded guns, mean-looking eyes, taunting gazes, catcalls and glass separating me from them. Corporal H. instructed us through the security check, similar to that of the airport, then several doors, until we finally reached a large room filled with chairs. Within a few minutes, the inmates arrived. Some

walked timidly, hunched over. Some watched their visitors as they walked. Some swaggered. They did not look angry. They wore tan button-up shirts and pants of the same color. There were no shackles or chains, and no glass casing. There were guards, nonchalantly visiting amongst themselves about 40 feet in either direction. The inmates sat down, and we sat down right next to them. I was within three feet of six men that had allegedly shot, stabbed, raped, beaten, battered, dismembered and killed. The inmates asked that I not use their names in this article, making this whole account a little less personal.

Even still... After a three-hour visit, one inmate gave me advice on what to do with my life when I graduate from college in a couple weeks. We talked about folk music and families, favorite foods and letters from loved ones. Another inmate is an artist, another a musician. Yet another has one of the biggest, nicest smiles I've ever seen. I sit here, three weeks after the visit, safe and warm in my apartment and wonder what my next visit will hold. I look further to the future and wonder how I'll feel when I find out that the first will be executed. More importantly, I wonder how he will feel.

I imagine hearing the date on which he will die. Day 444, day 130, day 90, day 20, day 2... My journey was made possible by a group called Nebraskans Against the Death Penalty. The mission was to lighten the burden of men that society has forgotten. To some of those men, we are their only visitors. I've done my research. I know why they are where they are. I know about their crimes, their victims, their victim's families. Soon, I hope to know them... not as monsters, not as caged animals; as humans.

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Speaker talks of injustice in Asia

Chelsie Flanagan
Staff Writer

The English Department and Women's Studies program at UNK recently hosted guest speaker, Dr. Angana P. Chatterji, for her presentation "Gendered Violence: Notes from Postcolonial Present."

Dr. Chatterji is an associate professor of Social and Cultural Anthropology at the California Institute of Integral Studies (CIIS) in San Francisco, Calif. She worked with policy and advocacy research from 1989-97 before working for CIIS.

Her work focuses on connecting the roles of being a citizen and of being an intellectual through the tools of scholarship, research and activism, and focuses primarily on advocating for social justice in India and South Asia.

Chatterji's presentation to UNK faculty and students stressed the need to make the world aware of the injustice and violence precipitat-

ing out of India and South Asia by governments that rule through violence and oppression.

"In my work I am interested in uncovering the violence in the everyday, in the little things," she said.

Chatterji spoke on her research of the violent genocide that occurred Feb.- Mar. 2002 in Gujarat, a region in Western India, in which Hindu extremists killed more than 2,000 people. The victims were mostly Muslims and those of minority religious following.

In her article, "Orissa: A Gujarat In The Making," which was published in Nov. 2003, Chatterji relates the reality of violent oppression that minorities in India are facing.

"Raped, lynched, torched, ghettoised. A year and a half later, Muslims in Gujarat are afraid to return to their villages, many still flee from town to town. Ghosts haunted by history. Country, community, police, courts - institutions of betrayal that broke their destitution. This is India

today," she wrote.

According to Chatterji, the Eastern Indian state of Orissa is now the target of Hindu extremists and the Hindu Nationalist Party. In Feb. 2004, seven Christian women and a male pastor were humiliated and had their heads shaved as a sign of Hindu conversion by Hindu extremists.

"They were saying 'Where is your God now? Where is your Jesus,'" she said.

Chatterji interviewed the women about their experiences during the attack in 2004. One woman stressed the importance of making the world aware of the religious injustices in India. Chatterji read an excerpt from her article "Orissa: Gendered Violence and Hindu Nationalism - Part I."

"Speaking is necessary," she [one of the women] says. "In speaking and writing, if what happened to us is broadcast, it can be a wall against their zulum (injustice) on us. If we keep this to ourselves, they have no reason to think that we are not

alone. Bahut aghat ashuchi. Write to let us know we are not alone."

Other attacks against minorities and women have occurred including brutal rape, torture and extreme violence by political parties.

"Bodies begin to function as the weaponry. Sexual violence equals gender control," Chatterji said.

Part of her mission is to make the world more aware of the violence occurring in India and South Asia. She said that it is the responsibility of academics, like herself, to advocate for the social justice of minorities there.

She has conducted workshops, served on human rights commissions and lectured at many universities and organizations around the world including the United States, India, Mexico and Europe.

"My hope is that speech may act to heal," Chatterji said.



Photo by Chelsie Flanagan

Dr. Angana P. Chatterji presents "Gendered Violence: Notes from Postcolonial Present."

Wal-Mart film raises debate

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Editor

After the premiere week for "Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price," Brave New Films has exposed the reality behind the labor, manufacturing and retail practices that make Wal-Mart the highest grossing company in the U.S. by over hundreds of billions of dollars a year.

The movie known as "the Wal-Mart documentary" recently made it's way into the hands of the UNK Democrats, who sponsored a public showing as well as a reactionary discussion.

The movie tells the stories of several local stores, allegedly put out of business by Wal-Mart, as well as many former and current employees who share their struggle to provide for their families as a result of low wages and expensive company insurance.

"This film is a documentary about the hidden negative effects that Wal-Mart has on the American ideal," said Marjorie Brownyard, President of UNK Democrats.

"It shows the poor business practices, lack of equality and overall effects on the local economy."

The question to be answered now: does this affect local businesses in the Midwest?

Bob Wilson, owner of Bob's Super Store explained that Wal-Mart is just another competitor. Bob's Super Store has been in business since 1969, decades before the implementation of the Kearney Wal-Mart in the 1990s.

"It's just another store," he said. "They're a little bigger than we are, but we just find out what their strengths and weaknesses are and treat them the same as any other store in town."

Doug Cunningham, director of Hometown

Merchants Association based in Lincoln, represents a strikingly different opinion.

"In one year, the amount of dollars earned by Wal-Mart would be enough to make it the 13th largest economy in the world," he said.

Hometown Merchants Association works to ensure a level playing field for all businesses and represents 45 businesses across the state of Nebraska.

"Wal-Mart is threatening purely because of its size," he explained. "It is three times larger than the second highest grossing retailer in the world and larger than the second, third and fourth highest retailers combined."

Cunningham said that these factors make it literally impossible to maintain a level playing field for all businesses.

The number one goal of the association is to ensure that any new Wal-Marts within Nebraska do not

receive corporate tax incentives, or tax breaks. In the past, many cities have not only excused Wal-Mart from paying taxes, but actually paid the organization to implement the new store. "They already have all of the advantages simply because of their monopolistic size," he explained. "They don't need anymore breaks."

According to Cunningham, the second most important goal is to educate consumers regarding where their tax dollars are going.

"Wal-Mart is costing tax payers 8.7 million dollars every year in order to have the employees and their families on Medicaid," he said. "Consumers are paying for the benefits that Wal-Mart should be providing."

In Lincoln, a second public hearing was recently held to decide if a third Wal-Mart will be built within the city limits. For the second time, the city council postponed the decision for two weeks.

Halls

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centerpiece for UNK. It is a glass-encased lounge, with a fireplace, television, tables, restrooms, and kitchen, storage and laundry facilities. The view will allow onlookers to oversee the entire campus, with the ability to watch the sun rise and set. It will be built atop the current visitor's parking site.

"We're going to have to find some visitor's parking at some time," Kristensen said. "Parking is not good. We understand that, and we're going to continue to work on that."

The construction site was chosen after 13 sites were considered including the cornfield west of campus, green space, parking areas and other existing buildings.

"We've only got \$20 million to work with," Kristensen said. "There is no legislative funding."

"No site is perfect," he said. "Case and Ludden rated the lowest in terms of being able to be renovated, remodeled or used, and so that's one factor as to why we chose this area. The other is that they're close to food service and the Nebraskan."

Other considerations are that the bed count can be optimized versus duplicating services by moving farther from east campus. There are existing infrastructures including utilities, and the site has minimal impact on parking. Opportunity to reconfigure green space and enhance the 26th Street Mall was another consideration when choosing the site.

"We're going to make it a tree-lined walking mall. So, we're going to be moving trees," Kristensen said.

Impact that construction will have on existing trees in the area has been a concern to many. Kristensen said that of the 46 trees in the area, 13 will be moved, 13 will be protected and 20 will be removed. Of the 20 trees to be removed, 2 are inside the construction-building limit, 13 are dis-

eased or diseased-susceptible and five are in poor condition.

"There are 8 trees that when they rate them, 100 is the best. So, good trees range from 85 to 100. We have eight trees that are what they call really good trees," Kristensen said. "Three of them are going to remain and be protected; four of them are going to be moved; and, one of them can't be. So, we're going to lose that tree [Colorado Spruce]."

During his briefing, Kristensen thanked students for their cooperation, saying, "We really appreciate their patience. They're going to give up some things so the campus can long-term improve the conditions for students. We're asking them to do things that are a little out of the ordinary, because we've got to make changes. We've gone 40 years and not done anything with these residence halls. It's time for us to do it. Students, in three or four years, are going to enjoy the benefits of this a lot."

At the briefing, Dr. Lois Flagstad, Dean of Student Life at UNK, said, "As of yesterday, all of the students in Case and Ludden have been assigned a space on campus." They will begin to relocate following the end of fall semester.

Future plans of the UNK administration involve renovating several of the residence halls. In addition, it plans to create more landscaped areas on campus.

"Conrad may be next on the list. It is not a done deal yet. It is sort of in the next stage of thought process," Kristensen said.

"Conrad is not handicap accessible, and it is so close to the Union. It crowds the Union, and we really can't renovate it without major repair. There aren't a lot of people that live in Conrad, and we would like to open that space up and have a green space- more of a park area, buffer zone, to the Union. But that is not part of this first plan."

Nguyen

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suffered from poverty and missed out on education. Ri Nguyen's two oldest sons, Andy and John, worked most of the time on a fishing boat to support the family.

"We were poor," he said. "They could not learn English."

In 1988, Ri Nguyen applied to immigrate to the United States. In 1995, the U.S. government approved his application.

The Vietnamese government made it difficult for the Nguyen family to escape the communist regime. Ri Nguyen said they earned about \$1.20 a day, but a passport was \$70.

On Aug. 2, 2000, the Nguyen family came to Hastings, Neb. Ri Nguyen and his wife started working at Con Agra Foods. His sons, Andy and John, got their licenses as mani-

curists and opened their own nail salon, Pretty Nails, in Kearney.

The Nguyen family has had a difficult past. However, their experiences made them stronger as a family. Ri Nguyen said, "I am proud of my sons. They worked from early childhood on to support their family. We are very close. They take care of their family members."

Thai Nguyen, the youngest son, said he did not forget about the people in Vietnam.

"They have freedom here in the U.S.," he said. "But I will never forget my home country. It's the place where I was born and grew up. We are from a poor country. I might go back someday to help the people in my country."

Thai Nguyen, who plans on majoring in physical education and math at the community college in Kearney, said \$1 is worth 15,000 ngÇn in Vietnam. Learning from their homeland experiences, Thai

Nguyen's family now financially supports family members left behind in Vietnam. Thai said he has another brother and a sister in

Vietnam who are both married and have children.

American Citizenship Requirements

According to the Web site of the American Immigration Center, you must be at least 18 years old. You must also be ONE of the following:

- A Lawful Permanent Resident for at least 5 years; or
- A Lawful Permanent Resident for at least 3 years, and you have been married to and living with the same U.S. citizen for the last 3 years and your spouse has been a U.S. citizen for the last 3 years;
- A person who has served in the U.S. Armed Forces and you are a Lawful Permanent

Resident with at least 3 years of U.S. Armed Forces service and you are either on, active duty or on, filing within 6 months of honorable discharge. OR you served during a period of recognized hostilities and enlisted or re-enlisted in the United States (you do not need to be a Lawful Permanent Resident);

• A member of one of several other groups who are eligible to apply for naturalization (for example, persons who are nationals but not citizens of the United States).

Congratulations

Fall 2005 UNK Graduates

Ackley	Elizabeth	R	Omaha	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Adams	Jill	L	Broken Bow	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Aird	Jean	M	Kearney	BA	THEATRE
Albuquerque	Evaldo	J	Teresina	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Anderson	Lukas	D	Grand Island	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Anderson	Melissa	S	Clay Center	BAE	VOCATIONAL BUSINESS ED 7-12
Andrews	Keela	A	Burwell	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Armstrong	Kerri	M	Fremont	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Arnold	Erin	M	Casper	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Aufrecht	David	W	Kearney	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Badura	Laurel	A	Kearney	MS	BIOLOGY
Balcom	Amanda	D	Kearney	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Barger	Scott	A	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Barnes	Brenda	C	Merna	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Bartling	Andrew	G	Deshler	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Bartos	Patrick	G	O'Neill	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Battershaw	Elissa	R	Kearney	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Bauer	Linda	M	Spalding	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Bauer	Alesia	A	Oak	BS	AGRIBUSINESS
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Beahm	Robin	A	Glenvil	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Beckenbauer	Joseph	M	Norfolk	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Bennett	Sara	M	Reno	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Berney	Heather	J	Wolbach	BS	JOURN: PUBLIC RELATIONS
Betke	Steven	J	Ravenna	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Bienhoff	Jennifer	A	Kensington	BS	PSYCHOLOGY
Birnie	Milissa	K	Broken Bow	BAE	SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION 7-12
Bishwakarma	Purna	S	Chitwan	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Blankenship	Heidi	M	Kearney	BS	PSYCHOLOGY
Blanton	Jared	W	Kearney	BS	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Bliven	Justin	M	Lexington	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Bock	Leigh	A	Grand Island	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Boggie	Adam	T	Fort Collins	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Bolling	Kathleen	M	LaCrosse	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Bouc	Sheila	M	Valparaiso	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Bourland	Tina	M	Grand Island	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Brecht	Matthew	J	Kearney	BA	ENGLISH: WRITING EMPHASIS
Brehm	Trisha	J	Talmage	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Brewster	John	C	Kearney	BAE	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Briggs	Tamra	N	Omaha	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Brooker	Aaron	W	Kearney	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Brooks	Kari	M	Indianola	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Brower	Jake	A	Kearney	BAE	HISTORY EDUCATION 7-12
Brown	Spencer	L	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Bruntz	Sarah	E	Oxford	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Buckley	Derek	D	Lincoln	BAE	ART EDUCATION K-12
Burbach	Sarah	J	Central City	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Carbonneau	Melissa	R	Chester	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Cawthra	Skyler	J	Kearney	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
ChiemchitvanichaBoonyarat			Bangkok	MAE	SPECIAL EDUCATION
Chramosta	Nicole	R	Kearney	BGS	GENERAL STUDIES
Christensen	David	R	Alliance	BS	SOC SCI COMP W/HISTORY
Clark	Camalynn	S	North Platte	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Classen	Ted	W	Amherst	EDS	SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT
Coldiron	Nathaniel	J	Seward	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Combs	Jimmie	L	Compton	MSE	SCHOOL COUNSELING - SECONDARY
Cooney	Drew	F	Clay Center	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Cooper	Samantha	S	Ft Lauderdale	BS	BIOLOGY COMPREHENSIVE
Cox	Sally	M	Bladen	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Crawford	Staci		Minden	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Crawford	Cory	J	Minden	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Crawford	Megan	M	Fremont	BS	SPORTS ADMINISTRATION
Crockett	Debra	S	Kearney	MAE	SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP 7-12
Curtiss	Mattie		Hastings	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Cyza	Rebecca	A	Gibbon	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Dankert	Rachel	R	Grand Island	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Davey	Timothy	J	Omaha	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Davis	Lindsay	A	Clay Center	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Davis	Courtney	D	Utica	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Davis	Greggory	A	Kearney	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Dearmont	Denise	D	Burwell	BAE	MILD/MODERATE K-6 FIELD
Deisley	Paula	L	Giltner	MAE	SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP 7-12
Delehant	Cheryl	M	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Devers	Cecil	W	Chicago	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Dobashi	Runa		Kamakura-shi	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Donner	Marcus	J	Madison	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Donohue	Shawn	W	Kearney	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Duval	James	L	Sterling	EDS	SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT
Egge	Stacy	M	Shelton	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Eggers	Mary	K	Elkhorn	MAE	SPECIAL EDUCATION
Endo	Takayuki		Fujinomiya	BA	SPANISH
Engel	Kory	J	Columbus	BS	JOURN: SPORTS COMMUNICATION
Ernstmeyer	Phillip	W	Grand Island	BA	ENGLISH
Evans	Theodore	R	Holdrege	BAE	SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION 7-12
Fernau	Kristin	M	Kearney	BS	RADIOGRAPHY COMPREHENSIVE
Fink	Mary	C	Kearney	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Fisher	Shawna	K	Arapahoe	BAE	MILD/MODERATE K-6 FIELD
Floyd	Crystal	M	South Sioux City	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Frame	Timothy	J	Lincoln	MBA	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Franzen	Michelle	R	Cozad	BAE	EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED
French	Hilary	R	Mitchell	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Frerichs	Ashley	N	Kearney	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Friesen	Zachary	R	Henderson	BFA	VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS & DESIGN
Fryda	Nicolas	J	Kearney	MS	BIOLOGY
Fuhr	Holly	A	Leigh	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Furman	Melinda		Garner	MS	BIOLOGY
Gabriel	Bradley	O	Douglas	MAE	SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP 7-12
Garrett	Sheila	M	Central City	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Garrett	Erin	E	Polk	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Gerdes	Sara	J	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Geyer	Matthew	D	Meadow Grove	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Glinsmann	Dianah	E	Bertrand	BSE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Goetz	Benjamin	E	Bennington	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Golden	Michael	R	Riley	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Goodrich	Jessica	L	Valentine	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Graf	Ronald	D	Grand Island	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Grandt	Marcus	C	English	BS	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Gray	Angela	C	Kearney	BA	GERMAN
Gregg	Amber	L	Bertrand	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Gross	Jennifer	M	Earling	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Gunderson	Lance	M	Elm Creek	BS	BIOLOGY COMPREHENSIVE
Guzman	Juan	C	Grand Island	MSE	SCHOOL COUNSELING - STUDENT AFFAIRS
Haas	Justin	D	Riverdale	MS	BIOLOGY
Haberlan	Shelley	K	Elm Creek	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Haessler	Bianca	M	North Platte	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMPREHENSIVE
Hahn	Jerod	D	Johnson	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMPREHENSIVE
Halsey	Cathy	L	Cedar Rapids	MAE	CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION
Hambek	Stephen	A	Kearney	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Hansen	Lucas	J	Lincoln	BAE	HEALTH & PHYSICAL ED K-12
Harada	Takayuki		Ono-shi	BS	MUSIC BUSINESS COMP
Hardin	Kay	E	McCook	MAE	SPECIAL EDUCATION
Harlan	Cassandra	K	Bassett	BS	RECREATION AND PARK MGT-COMP
Hata	Yusuke		Suginami-ku	BS	COMPUTER SCIENCE
Hauck	Katie	A	Kearney	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Haxton	Jade	N	McPherson	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Heathers	Molly	J	Ravenna	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Heibel	Randy	L	Columbus	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Heiden	Melissa	L	Kearney	BS	INTERIOR DESIGN COMPREHENSIVE
Heitman	Amy	J	North Platte	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Helzer	Nathan	M	Grand Island	BAE	MUSIC EDUCATION K-12
Herndon	Andrea	K	Lincoln	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Hersh	Nichole	L	Red Cloud	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMPREHENSIVE
Hickey	Lupe		Hastings	BA	TRANSLATION-INTERPRETATION: SPANISH
Hoard	Season	A	Alma	BS	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Hoegh	Benjamin	L	Aurora	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Holen	Korena	K	Kearney	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Hood	William	C	Alliance	BS	SOCIOLOGY
Hoskinson	Katherine	M	Omaha	BAE	ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ED 7-12
Hosokawa	Yuka		fukui	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
House	Jason	D	Kearney	BA	ENGLISH
Howton	Carrie	J	Lewellen	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Hubby	Jeffrey	A	Prosser	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Huff	David	A	Sutherland	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Humphrey	Derrick	C	Kearney	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Ideus	Stacy	L	Kearney	BS	RADIOGRAPHY COMPREHENSIVE
Ingalsie	Joseph	W	Papillion	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Ingram	John	M	Omaha	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Ishikawa	Asami		Hamamatsu	BA	INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
Iwamoto	Michiko		Mitoyo-gun	BA	INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
Jackson	Angie	L	Norfolk	MS	BIOLOGY
Jegel	Kristina	L	Topeka	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Jensen	Ruth	A	Grand Island	BAE	SPANISH EDUCATION 7-12
Jesse	Frank	C	Kenesaw	MAE	SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP 7-12
Jinden	Toshiyo		Ibara-shi	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Johnson	Catherine	A	Kearney	BS	BIOLOGY COMPREHENSIVE
Johnson	Tasia		Holdrege	BS	BIOLOGY COMP: ENVIRON HEALTH EMPH
Johnson	Mitchell	G	Broken Bow	BS	BIOLOGY COMP: WILDLIFE EMPHASIS
Junge	Rebecca	A	Kearney	BS	TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT
Jurey	Lindsey	N	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Kamler	Andrew	S	Shickley	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6

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Karr	Jeffrey	S	Holdrege	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Keim	Louis	Q	Tecumseh	MAE	SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP 7-12
Keller	Kevin	B	Eustis	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Kelley	Christopher	S	Broken Bow	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Kennedy	Daniel	J	Papillion	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Kenton	Katie	L	Holdrege	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Kester	Jamie	L	Clearwater	BM	MUSIC COMP
King-Witt	Stephanie	L	Cairo	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Kisela	Markay	D	Benkelman	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Klein	Elizabeth	A	Elwood	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Klippert	Kevin	L	Kearney	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Knoedler	Layne	D	Kearney	BS	SOCIOLOGY
Kobe	Hiroaki		Tahara-cho	BA	SOCIOLOGY
Koch	Kent	K	Grand Island	BS	MUSIC BUSINESS COMP
Kofoed	Sharon	L	Kearney	BS	SPEECH COMMUNICATION
Koinzan	Tonya	L	Elgin	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Kolar	Denise	E	Springfield	BS	MUSIC BUSINESS COMP
Kommuri	Siva		Hyderabad	BS	COMPUTER SCIENCE
Kottich	Jill	C	Kearney	BAE	MUSIC EDUCATION K-12
Kreikemeier	Amanda	L	Bellwood	BS	INTERIOR DESIGN COMPREHENSIVE
Kreutzer	Kayla	D	Kearney	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Kreutzer	Brent	E	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Krueger	Adam	M	Gibbon	BS	TELECOMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT
Kruse	Lucas	J	Norfolk	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Kruse	Jared	J	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Kucera	Clement	R	Kearney	BAE	HISTORY EDUCATION 7-12
Kudrna	Kristin	M	Indianola	MAE	CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION
Kula	Trevor	J	Omaha	BCS	GENERAL STUDIES
Kulp	Brent	A	Kearney	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Kurihara	Daisuke		Koshigaya-shi	BA	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Laird	Amanda	S	Harvard	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Lange	Katie	K	Ogallala	BAE	FRENCH EDUCATION 7-12
LaShell	Lindsey	R	North Platte	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Laudenklos	Jennifer	S	Newman Grove	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMPREHENSIVE
Lauer	Joy	E	Norton	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Leishman	James	G	Marysville	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Lemburg	Jessica	M	Grand Island	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Lenser	Tonya	K	Valentine	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Lessmann	Aaron	M	Gretna	BS	SPORTS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Levinson	Martin	B	Omaha	BAE	PHYSICAL EDUCATION 7-12
Lillis	Daniel	B	Kearney	BS	GEOGRAPHY COMP. ENVIRON EMPHASIS
Livermore	Billie	J	Omaha	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Lolley	Kara	G	Houston	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Ludden	Katie	N	Kearney	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Luther	Jill	S	Overton	MSE	SCHOOL COUNSELING - SECONDARY
Macumber	Irish	J	Gordon	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Mader	Todd	A	Grand Island	BS	AGRIBUSINESS
Mankin	Clayton	W	Aurora	BAE	SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION 7-12
Manning	Kelly	A	Kearney	BA	ECONOMICS
Mark	Laura	J	North Platte	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Martinez	Silvia		Spalding	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Mayor	Alisha	R	Broken Bow	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
McCaslin	Jessica	R	Geneva	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
McCurry	Jamie	R	Kearney	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
McGregor	Ryan	J	Hartington	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
McKillip	Jennifer	L	Polk	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
McNew	Heather	A	Kearney	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
McPherson	Zachary	E	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
McQuiston	Clinton	L	Oxford	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Melson	Kate		Grand Island	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Merten	Kate	E	Grand Island	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Miller	Trena	L	Oberlin	MAE	ELEMENTARY ED READING K-12
Miller	Derek	R	Kansas City	BS	JOURN: SPORTS COMMUNICATION
Miller	Zachary	L	Fort Collins	BS	BUS ADM AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS MGT
Mohling	Lorissa	A	Glennvil	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Molek	Alissa	C	Papillion	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Mollner	Joseph	G	Omaha	BAE	POLITICAL SCIENCE ED 7-12
Montey	Tera	A	McCook	BS	INTERIOR DESIGN COMPREHENSIVE
Moody	Evan	B	Kearney	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Morehead	Kaleena	K	Alliance	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Morganflash	Michelle	M	Hastings	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Munson	Kristin	B	Sutherland	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE
Musgrave	Kristi	H	McCook	BAE	MUSIC EDUCATION K-12
Musil	Cassie	L	Central City	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Myers	Michael	F	Bellbrook	MS	BIOLOGY
Naaktgeboren	Camille	E	Mission Viejo	MS	BIOLOGY
Nash	Joshua	M	Grand Island	MAE	PHYSICAL ED MASTER TEACHER
Niemann	Andrea	N	Wayne	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Oates	Jill	M	Omaha	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Odgers	Stacie	L	McCook	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-64
Okuno-	Kyoko		Akaiwa-gun	BS	CHEMISTRY COMPREHENSIVE
Oliver	Kevin	P	Omaha	MBA	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Olson	Wyatt	T	Broken Bow	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Oraro	Teckla	A	Nairobi	BS	BUSINESS ECONOMICS COMP
Ostdiek	Stacy	M	Nelson	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Oster	Mindy	L	Woodbine	BAE	EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED
O'Toole	Holly	A	Fallon	MS	BIOLOGY
Patocka	Paula	M	Wahoo	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Patterson	Kayla	J	Scottsbluff	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Pedersen	Gail	L	Scotia	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Peisiger	Stephanie	L	Alda	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Pella	Laura	F	Tecumseh	BS	RECREATION AND PARK MGT-COMP
Peterson	Carrie	L	Lincoln	BS	RADIOGRAPHY COMPREHENSIVE
Peterson	Zachary	R	Riverdale	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Philips	Amber	M	Loomis	BAE	ART EDUCATION K-12
Phillips	Brittney	S	Sidney	BS	SOCIAL WORK COMPREHENSIVE
Phillips	Ashley		Omaha	BS	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Postany	Kathleen	A	Kearney	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Poynter	James	C	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Pranger	Christopher	D	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Publow	Keri		Valentine	BS	POLITICAL SCIENCE
Quinn	Reve	Y	Kearney	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Rasmussen	Sonya	S	Wood River	BAE	EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED
Raup	Andrea	N	Lake St Louis	BS	PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMP.
Ready	Rodney	E	Wauneta	EDS	SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT
Reitz	Hester	F	Pleasanton	BAE	HEALTH & PHYSICAL ED K-12
Rejda	Betty	D	Burwell	BS	PSYCHOLOGY
Reynolds	James	E	Alliance	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Rhoads	Reginald		Grand Island	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Rios	Sheila	B	Humphrey	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Robinson	Tiffany	R	Kearney	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Robinson	Michael	L	Sutton	BS	ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION
Rodriguez	Xiomara	M	Kearney	BS	EXERCISE SCIENCE COMP
Roe	Lysle	T	Kearney	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Root	Morgan	L	Fremont	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Rosenbaum	James	B	Elkhorn	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Ross	David	O	Westminster	BS	CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMPREHENSIVE
Rotert	Matthew	J	Sutherland	BFA	VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS & DESIGN
Roth	Carra	N	Omaha	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Rothwell	Mason	D	Hyannis	BS	BUS ADM AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS MGT
Saalfeld	Bryan	L	Kearney	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Sagehorn	James	E	Ogallala	BA	THEATRE
Sakai	Azusa		Ichinomiya	BA	INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
Sakuma	Mari		Uwajima	BA	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Salisbury	Rena	F	Omaha	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Samuelson	Casey	D	Grand Island	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Sanchez	Brittany	A	Kearney	BS	JOURN: PUBLIC RELATIONS
Sands	Michael	T	Hastings	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Sanford	Derek	W	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Sasaki	Hiromi		Aichi-ken	BS	SOCIOLOGY
Sato	Masakazu		Higashi Kurume City	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Schaaf	Eddie	R	Broken Bow	MSE	SCHOOL COUNSELING - SECONDARY
Schemm	Naomi	S	Scottsbluff	BAE	ENGLISH EDUCATION 7-12
Schieffer	Carrie	K	Sterling	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Schirmer	Anne-Kathrin		Bad Doberan	BA	ENGLISH
Schroeder	Heather	R	Papillion	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Schroer	Heather	M	Kearney	BS	PSYCHOLOGY
Schwebach	Pamela	D	Monroe	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Sekutera	Dusti	L	Loup City	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Sharp	Tara	A	Milligan	BS	RECREATION AND PARK MGT-COMP
Shiers Blattner	Jessica	A	Gibbon	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Shikano	Yasuyo		Minokamo-shi	BS	RECREATION AND PARK MGT-COMP
Short	Kimberly	J	Norfolk	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Simonson	Brooke	L	Lexington	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Simpson	Dustin	D	Holdrege	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Sinclair	Marisa	L	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Skalka	Kathy	L	Kearney	BS	RECREATION AND PARK MGT-COMP
Slaymaker	Jennifer	L	Atkinson	BS	PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMP.
Smith	Katie	M	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Smith	Jodi	A	David City	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Smith	Tamela	J	Gothenburg	BAE	SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION 7-12
Snyder	Daisy	A	McCook	BAE	MILD/MODERATE K-6 FIELD
Sorensen	Noah	T	Kearney	BS	CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP
Speer	Joseph	O	Omaha	BS	GEOGRAPHY
Springer	Matthew	B	Kearney	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Steele	Eric	D	Kearney	BS	CHEMISTRY COMPREHENSIVE
Stephens	Marcia	L	Kearney	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Story	Kayla	L	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Stuart	Sarah	L	Omaha	BS	JOURN: MASS MEDIA
Stuhmer	Janice	K	Archer	MAE	SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP K-6

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Suchsland	Dawn	M	Superior	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Suzuki	Miwa		Izu-shi	BA	ECONOMICS
Swift	Shannon	R	Kearney	BAE	ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ED 7-12
Takahashi	Satomi		Suwa-gun	BA	INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
Tamura	Satoshi		Tomiya-machi	BS	BROADCASTING
Thayer	Amanda	R	Morrill	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Tiefenthaler	Amber	L	Butte	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Todd	Aaron	M	Grand Island	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Toyomaki	Hiromi		Akita-ken	BA	JOURN: MASS MEDIA
Tracy	Erin	E	Omaha	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Trampe	Nick	W	Riverdale	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Tresner	William	L	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Tripe	Trevor	S	Kearney	BS	INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION COMP
Tubbs	Amy	R	Kearney	MSE	COMMUNITY COUNSELING
Turner	Dustin	D	Longmont	BS	BUS ADM AIRWAY SCIENCE MGMT
Uphoff	Matt	J	Stromsburg	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Vanderheiden	David	J	Aurora	BS	MULTIMEDIA
VanZee	Mark	A	Westminster	BS	AGRIBUSINESS
Veirs	Kendra	J	Arnold	BS	BROADCASTING
Verraneault	Gregory	S	Kearney	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Vetter	Erron	M	Lincoln	MSE	SCHOOL COUNSELING - STUDENT AFFAIRS
Wakefield	Derek	J	Minden	BS	JOURN: ADVERTISING
Walker	Thomas	L	Brady	MS	BIOLOGY
Warner	Angela	F	Kearney	BS	GEOGRAPHIC INFO SYS/SPATIAL ANALYSIS
Waters	Amy	L	Hastings	BS	JOURN: ADVERTISING
Watson	Jennifer	N	Grand Island	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION-
Weatherwax	Mona	J	Niobrara	MSE	INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Weber	Katie	D	Meadow Grove	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Webster	Brandon	L	Kearney	BAE	SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION 7-12
Wedge	Laura	B	Kearney	BS	BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION COMP
Wegner	Jon	M	Palmer	BAE	MIDDLE GRADES 4-9
Wei	Jia		Kearney	BS	CHEMISTRY COMPREHENSIVE
Weibye	Sara	A	Crete	BFA	VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS & DESIGN
Welch	Lacritia	C	Hastings	BAE	MILD/MODERATE 7-12 FIELD
Werkmeister	Casey	J	Maywood	BAE	HISTORY EDUCATION 7-12
Westerbeck	Amber	J	Alma	BS	FAMILY STUDIES
Westermann	Jacelyn	M	Scribner	BS	BIOLOGY COMPREHENSIVE
Whitehead	Sara	M	Auburn	BAE	ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6
Whiting	Tricia	J	Ewing	MSE	SPEECH/LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
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Gamers win big at Halo 2 Tourney

Matthew Fisher
Staff writer

Xbox, Halo 2 and the faint smell of competition were all in the air this past Saturday when Computer Hardware in Kearney sponsored their Second Annual Halo 2 competition. Two-person teams from around the area gathered to game, make friends and of course, win some cool swag.

Thirty-two teams of two gathered in the Ponderosa Room of the Nebraskan Student Union to compete in a competition of Halo 2, for prizes that totaled nearly \$3,000.

Each team took part in a four-round game against three other teams, with the top two teams advancing on. This process weeded out the competitors, and in the end, Jesse Latham and Jake Neff of Omaha won the overall contest, taking home the newly released Xbox 360 for each of them.

Chais Meyer, Computer Hardware Sales Manager, said that there were a variety of prizes on hand.

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Event Organizer

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The competition, primarily consisting of college and teen-aged gamers, put each competitors' Halo 2 skills to the test. The event was an all-day ordeal for Computer Hardware, which reportedly plans on more competitions in the future.

"This was absolutely a success. We always have things we want to improve on, and we get a lot of feedback from everyone on how to improve our events in the future," said Meyer.

The main game of choice, Halo 2, is the second installment of one of the Xbox's most popular franchises. The title, released in November of 2004, ranked in \$125 million in sales during its first week of release.

The main prize of the event, the Xbox 360, is the hottest item not on store shelves this holiday, as retailers nationwide can't keep the system in stock. The 360 is available in two price points of \$299 and \$399.



Graphic by Heather Berney

"You gotta know when to hold 'em" Games, cash and prizes to be enjoyed nightly at Kearney locations

Derek Wakefield
Staff writer

Poker has exploded in popularity all over the world including Kearney Nebraska. For anyone looking for a game, there is usually one going on somewhere in this town where people can play for free and win prizes, points and even cash.

Most of the games are held in bars and feature the poker game "Texas Hold'em." For those of you who don't know how to play, here is a brief explanation.

Each player is dealt two cards face down. These are called your hole or pocket cards. Then there is a round of betting usually referred to as the pre-flop. Following, is a betting round where players can check, raise or fold. After the betting round ends, the dealer discards the top card of the deck. This is called a burn card usually done to prevent cheating.

The dealer then flips the next three cards face up on the table. These cards are called the flop. These are

communal cards that anyone can use in combination with their two pocket cards to form a poker hand. There is another round of betting. After the betting concludes, the dealer burns another card and flips one more onto the table. This is called the turn card. The player to the left of the dealer begins another round of betting. Then the dealer burns a card

and places a final card face up on the table. This is called the river.

Players can now use any of the five cards on the table or the two cards in their pocket to form a five-card poker hand. There is one final round of betting. At this point, all of the players remaining in the game begin to reveal their hands called the showdown. The

player who shows the best hand wins. There are cases where players with equal hands share the winnings.

J.T. Watson from Winterset started the Poker @ UNK group on the Facebook this summer (www.facebook.com). Watson has had nearly 100 people join his group and, with the help of group members, has put together three tournaments this semester.

"We'll play any weekend when we can find an available space. Win or lose, we just like to get together and have some fun playing poker," Watson said.

David Morales from Kearney has been playing poker for about two years and started when one of his friends got him interested in a cash game.

"I'm points leader at the Big Apple and in second in points at the Chicken Coop. Poker is fun because there are so many different games and you can meet a lot of people," Morales said.

Old Chicago has Texas Hold'em at 8 p.m. on Sundays. Monday, you can play at the Chicken Coop at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. The top three winners receive \$50, second gets a \$10 gift certi-

cate to the bar and a shirt and third place gets a shirt or hat.

On Tuesday, The Big Apple has two games, one at 7 p.m. and another at 10 p.m. where players win points and apparel. Wednesdays, Maxwell's Live has Texas Hold'em at 6:45 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. where players can win apparel and points. Thursdays, Shooters offers poker at 8 p.m. where the top three winners get \$50, \$25, and \$15.

Watch out everyone! Those wacky nuns are up to their usual antics as they tape a TV special in the basement of Mount Saint Helen's Convent. With Christmas music and a ballet based on the Nutcracker, these nuns will have you in the holiday spirit before you know it.

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Party like a rockstar this spring break

Sheena Rader
Staff Writer

There are so many things to consider after graduating high school. You can choose to go to college, or maybe you want to start earning a paycheck and get a job. Perhaps you can just stay at home and live off mom and dad for as long as they'll let you. After you graduated high school, did the thought of traveling the world ever cross your mind?

Jonathan Wysocki, 25, from Denver, is now employed with Rock Star Tours after traveling the globe for 11 months upon receiving his high school diploma.

Wysocki has helped many

college students plan the perfect trip for spring break.

"... I put a big map on the table without knowing anything; no books or no Internet, and just looked at different cities I thought might be fun."

Justin Wysocki
Rock Star Tours

His trip allowed him to travel to 14 destinations includ-

ing Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, China, Japan and Germany.

Wysocki said, "My mother and I went to sign up for college, and I just realized it wasn't what I wanted to do. I just took a year off and decided to travel. I had never been to a foreign country before, and I was only 18 years old at the time. I put a big map on the table without knowing anything; no books or no Internet, and just looked at different cities I thought might be fun."

Many high school and college graduates struggle with deciding what their future plans will be after receiving their diploma. Wysocki explained, "The biggest thing people don't realize is that choosing an alternative other than college isn't expensive."

Wysocki spent about \$8,500 during his year-round excursion. He stayed in Fiji for a week at a village and didn't pay a dime. He hung out at the beach, went fishing for his own food and enjoyed the minimalist lifestyle.

"Sometimes you just have to do their dishes while you're there or give them a gift when you leave," he said.

His spontaneity allowed him to travel at a low cost. "I didn't have a plan. I got off the plane with my backpack and just rolled with it," he added.

When Wysocki traveled to China there was very little tourism there, and he could



Photo courtesy of Jonathon Wysocki
Included in his trip around the world, Jonathon Wysocki visited Fiji (pictured above).

interact with the people on a completely different level than anywhere else.

"They have the best food I've ever had. Their Chinese is obviously not anything like what we have in America."

Wysocki's trip ended a little early in Japan. He said he found that he didn't really like it there. It was very fast-paced, and it required a lot of money to stay. He said, "It took a lot out of me, so I came home early."

So here he is, back in the

states, helping college students plan the trips of their dreams for spring break. The Rock Star Tours destination list includes exotic places like Mazatlan, Acapulco, Rocky Point and Puerto Vallarta.

If you're interested in booking a trip with Rock Star Tours, contact Jonathan Wysocki via email at jonathan@rockstartours.com

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Jonathon Wysocki celebrates spring break, 2004.



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Loper volleyball finishes second

Megan Kulhanek
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, the UNK Loper volleyball team fell to the Grand Valley State University Lakers in the championship game.

The Lopers went into the tournament with only one loss and undefeated in the RMAC at 19-0.

In the first round of the NCAA Division II

Championships on Thursday night, UNK beat Truman State in four sets. Round-two competition brought to the floor California State at Los Angeles. In three sets, the Lopers shut down the Golden Eagles to advance to the championship game against GVSU.

Prior to the game, UNK fans were confident of a Loper victory, packing the arena with more than 5,000

fans, a Division II record. However, the roaring cheers of the fans could not spur the Lopers on to a national title victory.

Cleo Ramsey, a Kearney resident and alumna of UNK, said, "It's exciting to see the crowds come out for the game. It speaks well for Kearney and the whole university system."

"We've been here about every game this year," said Ramsey, "My husband and I started following Erin Gudmundson as a senior at Kearney Catholic. The team has done a tremendous job this year."

Traci Harris, a sophomore at Lexington High School, said, "This is my first Loper volleyball game. I think the Lopers will do very well, and I'm expecting the ball to move a lot faster than high school."

Named to the all-tournament team were UNK players Rachel Gerdes, a senior setter from Johnson, and senior middle-hitter Erin Gudmundson from Kearney.

On the road to the national tournament, the Lopers also hosted the Southwest Regional Tournament Nov. 18-20. In that tourney, UNK defeated Colorado Mines,



Photo by Keith Terry

UNK fans cheer on the Loper Volleyball team during the championship match on Saturday, Dec. 3. The Lopers fell to the Grand Valley State University Lakers 3-1, 30-18, 30-27, 25-30 and 30-24. The crowd of 5,025 is the largest in Division II history. UNK broke the previous attendance record of 3,520 four times this weekend.



Photo by Keith Terry

The Loper volleyball ladies kept up their spirits during the championship match, even though they lost the first two games.

Mesa State and Abilene Christian.

The regional all-tournament team boasted four Lopers: Erin Brosz, a senior middle-hitter from Grand Island, Kelli Bunker, a junior outside-hitter from Grand Island, Erin Gudmundson, a

senior middle-hitter from Kearney, and Rachel Gerdes, a senior setter from Johnson.

Prior to the national tournament, the 2005 American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-American team was announced. Earning first-

team honors was Gudmundson. Brosz made second-team and Samantha Harvey from Taylor was an honorable mention selection.

Gudmundson was also named the 2005 AVCA National Player of the Year.

Thanks for the memories Lady Lopers *You have given us an immeasurable amount of pride*



Ben Goetz, Brandon Wright
Guest Columnists

To Coach Squiers and the 2005 Lopers Volleyball Team:

Thank you. These past four plus months you have given us an immeasurable amount of elation, pride, fun and excitement. Attending as many games as possible, we feel honored to have witnessed your incredible run and most

memorable season. It almost feels impossible to put so many feelings into such a small space, but we just want to say thank you.

From that first game versus Findlay, Ohio, to the final championship match against Grand Valley State University, we enjoyed every moment you gave us.

You humored our incessant cheering and with every serve, dig, pass, set, kill and block gave us many reasons to smile, clap, sing, jump around and cheer.

We had an intense emotional investment in the team, and there was no team and coaches we could cheer for and follow as

closely. Especially the seniors - we were there with you all four years.

In 2002, when the seniors were freshmen, you played your hearts out for us. In 2003, the senior-less team set the foundation for an amazing ride with your first Elite Eight appearance. In 2004, we continued to believe as you entered another Elite Eight, this time undefeated. And now, in 2005 you finish the run.

It's easy to say we wish it would have ended differently and it would have been unparalleled to watch you triumph one last time on the court at the Health and Sports Center, but in

our hearts we wouldn't change one thing from the past four years.

You had the talent, but you still poured out pure passion and desire for us, day in and day out. Bethany, Brett, Erin, Erin, Rachel and Samantha, thank you.

There's a lot we don't know about how much went in to every game, every practice, every road trip and every team meeting. However, we do know that we found an identity with the Loper volleyball team.

As freshmen, we didn't know what a libero was or what rally scoring meant. Now, we not only know

about the game of volleyball, but you have taught us about heart, determination, dignity, sportsmanship, achievement, integrity and many more admirable qualities. Thank you.

Coach Squiers, thank you for spearheading this incredible run.

Congratulations to all of you.

We are so incredibly proud of you and gracious for all the fantastic memories you have given us. Because of you, we've been fed a healthy diet of blue and gold. You are champions of our hearts. We congratulate and thank you.

Go Lopers.

Courtesy Photo
Brandon Wright, left, Ben Goetz and Matt Breikreutz, far right, stand with UNK libero Mikala Gleason after a game. Gleason's mother requested the picture because the men cheer Gleason on with the song "Hey Mickey" each game.



Wheelchairs raise awareness

Megan Kulhanek
Staff Writer

Wheelchair Races

The Collegians for Integration and Accessibility at UNK, in coordination with the TE 411 class, sponsored wheelchair races during Disabilities Awareness Week on Nov. 16.

The organization's president, Patrick Christiansen, a junior criminal justice major from Omaha, said the goal of the organization is to try to make the UNK campus a better place, not just for students with disabilities, but for everyone.

"Our goal is to help the students, faculty and staff understand that we do have students with disabilities on our campus," Christiansen said. "About 80 to 85 percent of the disabled population at UNK could pass by, and you wouldn't even know they have a disability."

The wheelchair competition consisted of teams of

four students who do not have disabilities. Each student was required to follow the pattern that was outlined in masking tape on the floor. The wheels of the chair had to be on either side of the tapeline, and deductions were taken from the team's time if they didn't keep the wheelchair lined up with the patterns composed of zigzags, circles and tight corners.

When the students reached the end of the pattern, they had to achieve goals with different physical disabilities. One activity was unwrapping a package of gum with big snow gloves.

Darrin Bouray, a junior from Superior majoring in special education, said, "The gloves are huge to try to unwrap a piece of gum. It's a lot harder than I thought it would be."

Another activity involved sight. Students had to read numbers through masks that virtually eliminated their eyesight.

One team completed the

course in nine minutes and 47 seconds. Team-member Melissa Jakub, a junior from Brainard majoring in secondary education said, "It wears you out a lot. My hands and arms really hurt."

Regina Zaruba, a senior from Bennington majoring in special education and TE 411 student, said, "This event is a good way for college students to learn about living with a disability - mental and physical. We are also challenging their abilities to see and hear."

Wheelchair Basketball

To make students aware of the abilities of disabled individuals, a wheelchair basketball game between a team with physical disabilities and a team without was played Nov. 16 in the Health and Sports Center.

Luke Saulsberry, a junior from Auburn majoring in organizational communications and a member of the team without a disability, said, "I take for granted my ability to walk. You have to

do everything with your hands."

The 20-minute game was extended 10 minutes because the crowd enjoyed it so much. Saulsberry said many think that people with disabilities are different, but they just play basketball without their legs.

"It was amazing to see this team of supposedly disabled individuals play basketball," Saulsberry said, "If you were to take this team and an NBA team, show only the top half of the players, the wheelchair team would outperform the professional teams. They are more technically and fundamentally sound."

During the question and answer time following the game, the players said that if no one falls out of their chair, they aren't working hard enough.

Saulsberry said, "It would have been good to go to the game, but it was an even greater experience playing against them."

Fastest runners leave with bird

Darnell Wood
Staff Writer

members.

There were many winners in this 3-mile event. The winners include:

Runners:

College Male: Luke Garringer at 15:26

College Female: Lindsay Higgins at 17:57

College Corec: Luke Estes/Ann Kottmeyer at 17:02

Faculty/Staff Male: Mark Ellis at 16:32

Faculty/Staff Female: Eve Scantling at 22:57

With the winners receiving a turkey, the Turkey Trot took place at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 17. The event consisted of a corec run, a distance of three miles, where one male and one female ran 1.5 miles each. The race was held at the Cottonmill Trail and the winner was awarded a turkey and an Intramural Sport Champion T-shirt.

There were 54 participants, 24 walkers and 30 runners, in the event. In the faculty/staff division there were six male runners and one female runner, with no corec teams. The students had nine male runners, four female runners and 5 corec teams. The walkers consisted of nine males and fifteen females, all faculty/staff

The winners of the walkers were selected by a drawing to determine who got the turkey and T-shirt. The winner's included Mary Ann Lawson, Janet Trewin, Keith Stritt, Marla Trampe and Stacy Darveau.

For information on how to participate in intramural events like the Turkey Trot, call 865-8667 or visit Cushing Room 119.

Hoops 4 Heart

Chris Parks
Staff Writer

The annual Hoops 4 Heart 3-on-3 basketball tournament took place on Nov. 15 in the Cushing Field House. Students from two UNK classes were responsible for organizing and executing the event, which benefits the American Heart Association. Nita Unruh's Sports Marketing class and Marta Moorman's Programming in Recreation and Sport class joined together to put on the tournament.

The event consisted of men's and women's teams in 3-on-3 tournaments, along with individual contests in free throw shooting, hot-shot and three-point shooting. The tournament was open to people over college age for a registration fee of \$10.00 per person, with a maximum of five members on a team. Tournament teams then competed for cash prizes which went to

the first- and second-place teams. Winners of the individual contests received a T-shirt and various other gifts from sponsors.

Many local businesses sponsored the event, which, according to Unruh, "has three main goals.

"The first is to give students involved in organizing the event some hands-on experience with executing a sports event. Second is to educate people about the American Heart Association. The third purpose is fundraising for the American Heart Association," she said.

This year's event is expected to raise over \$1,500.

American Heart Association Marketing Director for Central and Western Nebraska Allison Lieske said, "Funds will go for research and education pursuits in the state of Nebraska. Anyone who has been affected by heart disease will be affected by what the kids are doing in this event today. This event is

great for both the physical activity involved and the donations."

Not only are the funds used specifically for the state of Nebraska, it is likely that part of the money will be used at UNK. Lieske said there is a research grant at the university that is being funded by the American Heart Association.

Lieske also said that the Hoops 4 Heart event "is the only event in the area like this. I will deal with 199 events this year. This is a one of a kind program."

Thomas Harper, a student involved in organizing the event who also refereed, said the event is good because it brings youth together to compete for fun and a good cause.

Senior Kody Salsman participated in the event, and said, "This tournament is great to build relationships with the campus, community and businesses. It's great to see all the sponsors on the back of the T-shirts that supported the event."

Increased sports for cheerleaders

Brittany Johnson
Staff Writer

The UNK Cheerleaders have been practicing all year and supporting all Loper athletics.

The cheerleaders have been cheering at the football and volleyball games, and this year, the squad's coach, Ruth Kirkland, said the girls want to expand the number of sports that they support.

For the first time, the squad went to a swimming and diving meet to support and cheer for the team. Kirkland said the team

also wants to start supporting all the other sports like wrestling and baseball.

"We want to represent all sports because they are all important and relevant," Kirkland said.

This year there are nine girls on the squad. Each member has a chance to choreograph dances and mix the music. Kirkland

said the squad is divided into four smaller groups that choreograph dances for different performances.

"All the girls on the squad have great leadership qualities and this gives them a chance to use them," she said.

To be on the squad, each

"We want to represent all sports because they are all important and relevant."

Ruth Kirkland
Cheerleading Coach

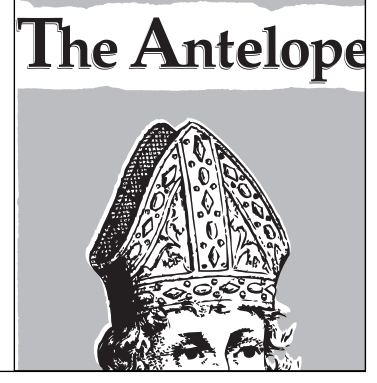
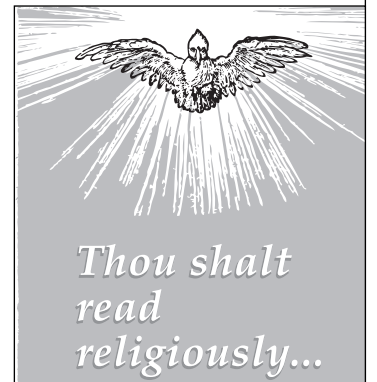
member must maintain a 2.5 GPA. Along with academics, the members are involved in other activities on campus. There are girls that are doing art and music, and for the first time, there is a member of the squad that is also an athlete.

Unlike other sports the squad does not have a season, therefore, they do not really get a break. The girls do get a week between volleyball and basketball to take some time, but other

than that, they practice year round.

Team captain, junior, Colleen McMickel, said, "It's extremely hard to fit everything in. School has to come first and then cheerleading, so there is little free time to do what you want."

With the end of the semester nearing, the squad is getting ready for the basketball season as well as finishing up classes.



Holiday season brings bowl games

Chris Parks
Staff Writer

It's the most wonderful time of the year. Ah yes, college football's bowl season is upon us and eight different Big 12 teams will be taking the field to try to take home some hardware.

The tough reality is that the Big 12 conference is lacking great football teams this year. Outside of the Texas Longhorns, there may not be another great team in the conference, but eight teams fought their way into postseason play and will have a chance to prove nay-sayers wrong.

To the surprise of many, the Big 12 North has more teams headed to bowl games than the Big 12 South, which many contended had more talent before the season started.

The North has five teams headed to bowl games: the University of Kansas, the University of Colorado, Iowa State University, the University of Nebraska and the University of Missouri. The South has just three: the University of Texas, Texas Tech University and the University of Oklahoma. Where is each team going and who will they play?

Fort Worth Bowl
Kansas (6-5) vs. University of Houston (6-5)
Fort Worth, Texas
Dec. 23 at 8 p.m. on ESPN

Champs Sports Bowl
Clemson University (7-4) vs. Colorado (7-5)
Orlando, Fla.
Dec. 27 at 5 p.m. on ESPN

MasterCard Alamo Bowl
University of Michigan (7-4) vs. Nebraska (7-4)
San Antonio, Texas
Dec. 28 at 8 p.m. on ESPN

Pacific Life Holiday Bowl
University of Oregon (10-1) vs. University of Oklahoma (7-4)
San Diego
Dec. 29 at 8 p.m. on

ESPN
Independence Bowl
University of South Carolina (7-4) vs. Missouri (6-5)
Shreveport, La.
Dec. 30 at 3:30 p.m. on ESPN

EV1.net Houston Bowl
Texas Christian University (10-1) vs. Iowa State (7-4)
Houston
Dec. 31 at 2:30 p.m. on ESPN2

AT&T Cotton Bowl
Texas Tech (9-2) vs. University of Alabama (9-2)
Dallas
Jan. 2 at 11 a.m. on FOX

The Rose Bowl Game Presented by Citi
University of Southern California (12-0) vs. Texas (12-0)
Pasadena, Calif.
Jan. 4 at 8 p.m. on ABC

The most exciting of all these match-ups for the conference is obviously "the Granddaddy of them all," the Rose Bowl, where Texas will play against two-time defending champ USC for the national title. There is plenty of great talent to watch in this football game, including Vince Young, Reggie Bush and Matt Leinart. This may be the most anticipated Bowl Championship Series game of all time, and possibly one of the most anticipated national championship games of all time.

Texas Tech will take on an Alabama team that was undefeated until their last two regular-season games against Louisiana State University and Auburn University. Texas Tech will have to hope that their high-octane offense can produce against a tough Crimson Tide defense.

Iowa State looks to bounce back from a disappointing end-of-the-year loss to Kansas that prevented them from going to the Big 12 championship game. TCU is a tough team that owns an early season win over Big 12-member Oklahoma. The Cyclones will have to play good on

both sides of the ball to prevail.

Missouri looks to save some grace after falling out of the Big 12 North race late in the season. Quarterback Brad Smith will need to have a big game for the Tigers to defeat Steve Spurrier's South Carolina squad.

Oklahoma worked their way into a good bowl game against an Oregon team that is feeling left out of the BCS. It will be interesting to see if the Ducks come out to prove they belonged in a better game, or if Oklahoma outplays a team that would rather be somewhere else.

Due to wins at the end of the season and some upsets of other teams, the Huskers end up in a good bowl game against a very good Michigan team. The Wolverines started the year shaky, but played very well later in the year, handing Penn State University their only loss of the season. The Huskers are going to have to play nearly flawless football to even compete in this one.

Colorado looks as bad a team as any at this point in the season and things aren't getting any easier for them. Clemson is a very good football team that has notable wins over Florida State University and the University of South Carolina. The Buffs will struggle to save face.

Kansas earned their way to the Fort Worth Bowl by beating Iowa State in the final game of the regular season. Charles Gordon and Nick Reid are two Jayhawk players to watch, but they will have their hands full against a good Houston offense.

This college bowl season promises to be as exciting as any other. Eight Big 12 teams have something to prove on the field and one team has a shot at a national title. Get ready to warm up that couch and take in some great football this holiday season.

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