Meditating in class?

BY HOPE MERRICK
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It’s hard to know what to think of Professor Mosig on your first day of class. He stands straight and tall with an authoritative look that makes you squirm. His cane rests on the chalkboard edge, reminding everyone who sees it of Gregory “House.” He stands for a moment scanning, observing, and taking everything in before he speaks. The voice that comes out seems fitting and yet surprising, a familiar version of Sean Connery. This is psychology professor Yozan Mosig.

Born in Germany during WWII, his family moved to Spain and then to Cordoba, Argentina in 1948. This was home for 15 years, and where his first year of college was disrupted by a motorcycle accident that left him in a cast for eight months.

Mosig came to the U.S. in 1963, starting his college career anew at Eastern New Mexico University, where he was able to graduate with honors in two and a half years. He attended graduate school at the University of Florida in Gainesville, earning his M.A. in 1969 and a Ph.D. in psychology in 1974, while working at his first teaching job at Georgia.
The Big Event happens at universities all over the country on the same day. It’s a way for students to thank the community for what they do for the university.

Time to start planning for this year's Big Event

Volunteer registration forms due March 2

BY SKYLAR LEATHERMAN
Photo Editor

Once a year, UNK students take a time-out from schoolwork to wash windows, plant trees, walk dogs, rake yards and offer just about every other service imaginable. It’s all for The Big Event. Forms to volunteer are out now and due by March 2 for the April 2 event.

The Big Event is a community service day, connected with over 70 other universities across the country. It originated at Texas A & M University as a way to give back to the local community.

Ali Titus, a sophomore math education major from Aurora, has begun organizing the Big Event at UNK this year as student government director of community relations.

“The Big Event is a day full of community service,” Titus said. “It gives students a chance to serve the Kearney community and give back for everything they do for us.”

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Pink or Blue, it's up to you

Sports marketing promotes weekend basketball games

BY STEVE FARRENS
Guest Writer

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‘Mind expanding’
musical experience

New Music Festival offers V-Day alternative

BY JENNY GIERHAN
Antelope Staff

Valentine’s Day is typically filled with overly romanticized acts of love that cost a fortune. This year, if you’re looking for something romantic, don’t buy flowers and an expensive meal. Instead, head over to the New Music Festival in the Fine Arts Building for a free taste of what’s new in the music world.

The festival is everything but the typical music concert at UNK.

“The music is very dissonant, beautiful and unusual. It’s not pop, rock or folk, but also don’t think you’re going to hear classical music like the works of Beethoven,” said Dr. Darleen Mitchell, professor of theory and composition.

Eighteen upcoming and seasoned composers from California to New York and even one from Germany will be featured at the 10th annual New Music Festival Feb. 14-15.

Mitchell began the festival 10 years ago in an effort to bridge the gap between Nebraska’s isolation and the evolving composition world. The festival is a rare opportunity for people to experience innovation that happens all the time in larger cities.

“The festival is a mind expanding experience that redefines the concept of what is music and what is noise.”

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Compositions were chosen because they push musical limitations and offer a unique perspective. Attendees can look forward to a little bit of everything including vocal pieces, electronics, a world premiere and video accompaniment.

UNK junior music composition major Robert Roth has been chosen as the only student composer featured this year. His piece, “Bugs” will be performed by UNK flute student Brooke Harris at a 5:30 performance.

Three totally different performances will be featured at this year’s festival. All performances are free and open to the public.

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Sudoku

How to play:

Sudoku is a placement puzzle. The aim of the puzzle is to enter a numeral from 1 through 9 in each cell of a grid. Each row, column and region must contain only one instance of each numeral. Completing the puzzle requires patience and logical ability. The puzzle initially became popular in Japan in 1986 and attained international popularity in 2005.

Find answer on page 6 www.sudoku-puzzles.net

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Students of the JMC 401 event planning class hosted the Fat Tuesday Forensics Tournament over the weekend as practice for the Forensics Nationals, which UNK will be hosting in April. Front row from left: instructor Rachelle Kamrath, Amanda Raffety and Jennifer Michaels. Back row from left: Ashley Penn and Beth Deardoff.

Photo by Brie Maaske

By Jenny Gierhan
Antelope Staff

The 7:30 p.m. concert on Monday will include the Quadrivium Ensemble of Kansas City, Mo., featuring Cheryl Melf, clarinet; Jonathan Borja, flute; Kari Johnson, piano; and Sascha Groschang, cello.

NEW MUSIC FESTIVAL

Feb. 14
5:30 p.m. Fine Arts Building Recital Hall
Look forward to…
■ “Bugs” composed by UNK student Robert Roth
■ World Premier of “Interior Life” composed by David Wolfson

7:30 p.m. Fine Arts Building Recital Hall
Go check out…
■ The Quadrivium Ensemble, which fuses electronic media and music, taking the audience on a trip.

Feb. 15
5:30 p.m. Fine Arts Building Recital Hall
Who to pay attention to…
■ York Höller a composer from Cologne, Germany, will feature his piece, “Scan.” Höller is said to be “…the most consistently impressive of German modernists,” according to The Independent in London.
There comes a time when every collegiate or professional team has the need to begin building for the future and infuse new blood into the program.

This was true for the UNK baseball team coaching staff as they approached last summer’s off-season. With 22 upper-classmen on this year’s team, and only two returning players from last year’s freshmen class, it was time to bring in a young class of freshmen to prepare for the future.

This year’s freshmen class includes 11 student-athletes, three from Kearney. Most of the freshmen class will redshirt this year and be ready to compete next year as the roster thins out with the departure of 18 seniors.

One of those freshmen is Brandon Landanger from Kearney. Landanger was a four-sport athlete at Kearney High School competing in football, basketball, track and Legion Baseball. Landanger was a two-year letter winner in football and basketball, as well as a three-year letter winner in track. In his senior season Landanger was awarded the Area Athlete of the Year for his athletic performances. Landanger, who decided to stay close to home and attend UNK, also considered playing football and running track for the Lopers.

"UNK offered what I wanted athletically but also could help me find what I want to do with my future,” Landanger said. What he wanted athletically has always been baseball. “Baseball has always been my favorite sport, and if the opportunity ever came, I knew I wanted to take it to play at the next level,” Landanger said.

A turning point for Landanger came last year when an injury sidelined him from sports and gave him time to think about his future.

“When I broke my foot last year, I had a lot of time to think about what I wanted after sports— because after college who knows what will happen,” He said.

Like most college freshmen, Landanger is unsure about what he wants to do after college, and has yet to decide on a major. However, Landanger knew that he wanted to play baseball for the time being and pursue a childhood dream. “Since I was little I’ve always wanted to be a Major League Baseball player, and when I was younger I always wanted to be like Ken Griffey Jr.,” Landanger said.

Griffey Jr. played centerfield just as Landanger will do for the Lopers, and any of his track opponents from the last few years will tell you he has the speed and athleticism to be a great one. For now, it’s just practice for Landanger and the majority of the freshmen class, as they will have to wait for the summer and next season to play in games due to their redshirt status.

“I am looking forward to playing with this freshmen class and turning some heads,” Landanger said.

Brandon Landanger was the Area Athlete of the Year at Kearney High School where he competed in football, basketball, track and Legion baseball. Landanger ultimately chose to play baseball at UNK, and is part of a large freshmen class that will step in after 18 seniors depart after this season.
Just a hop-skip away

UNK triple jumpers looks to gain All-American honors

BY NATHAN KRUG
Antelope Sports Staff

Rewind to three years ago, and it is hard to believe Marty Molina, a junior social work major from Kearney, would be team captain of the jump squad, ranked third nationally for triple jump and a favorite to win the event at the RMAC indoor conference meet.

Coming out of a successful high school track career, Molina, a junior from Kearney, was looking to work right after school and skip out on college. It wasn’t until a few people encouraged him that he changed his mind.

“Coming out of high school I had intentions to come to college—but not really the motivation or willingness behind it. I was talking to some of the athletes in 2007-2008, and they kind of encouraged me. So being from Kearney, it seemed like the right pick,” said Molina.

Molina was the national leader for triple jump at one point, but fell to third after sitting out a weekend. Such a high ranking might cause an athlete to brag—but not Molina. He knows that attitude is everything and boasting will get you nowhere.

“I do my best to remain humble. I see that being cocky doesn’t really get athletes to far, and it’s a huge turnoff to people, so I really try not to be that guy.”

There’s no question that the coaches look for leadership in Molina as captain this year. “I know I’m expected to give a lot of encouragement to the younger guys and really be a team leader,” he said.

Molina has set high goals for himself. Taking home first in both the triple and long jump at the indoor RMAC conference will not be an easy task, but he believes he can do it.

“I really want to lead my team to the gold and be there to support them at conference.”

Marty Molina
Junior track and field jumper

The Lopers are known for winning the RMAC All-Sport Award 16 out of 19 seasons, but with the new move to the MIAA (Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association), a push for more scholarship money is crucial.

The RMAC conference allows its schools to hold 26 full-ride scholarships, while the MIAA allows 36. This number is staggering because the Lopers currently hold the lowest amount of scholarships in the RMAC with an undisclosed amount (well under the limit).

With a combination of top-notch coaching and some of the best athletes in the region, the Lopers have continually had winning seasons.

“The push to get more scholarships available for UNK Athletes does not have the goal of maxing out MIAA limitations, because that’s just unrealistic right now, but we do want to have enough available scholarships that is conducive to competing in the new conference,” said Shawn Fairbanks, the assistant athletic director of marketing. However, the move to the MIAA was accomplished with a state agreement that there will be no additional funding provided by the state of Nebraska; thus, a need for more fundraisers.

Last year, the Inaugural Blue/Gold Rush for Scholarships was a huge success in raising over $25,000. This year is already looking to top last year and increase scholarships across Loper athletics.

Junior Rustin Dring knows more scholarship money is needed. “God knows we need the money here (UNK). Even without the full amount of scholarships, we still manage to win against schools like Chadron and UNO who have more money than they know what to do with. It’s really a tribute to our athletes and especially coaches to do so much with little funding. Once we build up our scholarships, across the board, we’ll be unstoppable.”

This year’s top prizes include a hotel in Florida with two tickets to a Florida Gator football game and a Jaguars or Buccaneers game with $500 in spending cash. There are also home entertainment packages, concert/Husker tickets, 200 pounds of beef and dozens of other door prizes. All prizes were donated from major local sponsors, including Builders Warehouse, Holiday Inn, Russell’s Appliance, Great Lakes Airlines, and the NU Foundation.

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Marty Molina
Junior triple jumper, Marty Molina, takes a leap in the triple jump last year at outdoor conference held in Golden, Colo. Molina took first in the event, helping to bring the UNK men’s track team to a conference championship. This year, Molina sits third in the nation in the triple jump.

“I want to stay in the Midwest, but I’m going into social work.”

Molina says he wants to get into the field as a juvenile delinquent case worker or a similar profession. “I want to move to a bigger city because I know there’s a lot more opportunity, but I would really love to stay in the Midwest because its where I’m from,” he said.
One last hurrah for Kaiser
Kaiser takes talents from the field to the track

BY ANDREW TIDWELL
Antelope Sports Staff

You may have heard of a two time All-American wide receiver, Kyle Kaiser. You can see his name in the top ten receiving records of all UNK and RMAC football seasons, and now also, on the track and field teams’ roster.

Kaiser currently stands in the top three in Loper history for all-purpose yards (3rd; 5,138), receptions (3rd; 193), receiving yards (2nd; 3,355), receiving touchdowns (2nd; 38) and yards per catch (3rd; 22.07). However, the senior sports administration major from Broomfield, Colo. isn’t that bowled over by his own impressive resume.

“Yeah, I know I had some records, but the team’s record was the only thing that really mattered,” said Kaiser about his success.

After completing one of the most successful careers the Lopers have ever seen, Kaiser is wrapping up his senior year on the track. During a pickup game of basketball in Cushing Coliseum, jump coach Ross Fellows was able to convince Kaiser that his abilities could be utilized not only on the football field but on the track as well.

His first meet at Doane College showed his all around athleticism with a win in the 55 meter with a time 6.62. The next week at the Charlie Foster Open, Kaiser took the second spot on the podium, losing only to UNK Senior Cody Klein.

Not only is Kaiser running the 55 meter, but he is also long jumping. The senior has been learning to adjust to coming out of the starting blocks rather than standing in front of a corner back and is getting faster starts every week.

“I’m really looking forward to pre-qualifying. My times are getting better every week. As long as I hit my mark when I long jump, I should be close to qualifying in that too,” said Kaiser after taking first at Doane.

Kaiser makes a run for a touchdown against Fort Lewis this past football season. Kaiser is in the top three at UNK for all yards, receptions, receiving yards, receiving touchdowns and yards per catch.

At a recent meet at Concordia, Kaiser set a new personal record (6.92) in the 60 meter and is just four hundredths of a second from a provisional time to qualify for the National Championships. He took third in the meet.

The now two-sport athlete sets his sights on the Division-II National Championships held Albuquerque, NM, this February. He is currently undecided about continuing to the outdoor track season but is looking forward to showcasing his talents the rest of this upcoming season.

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Big Event from page 2

The Japanese Association at Kearney (JAK), which serves as a cultural bridge between UNK students and Japan, has begun meetings about this semester’s Japanese activities. “This year marks the 10th anniversary of JAK, so we’ll try to bring additional excitement to JAK’s activities more than ever,” said JAK president Kou Muroga (front row, second from left).

“We hold many events throughout the year. The Sakura Festival “Samurai Japan” is one of the biggest events of JAK,” he said. “This festival takes you during the samurai period, and you can enjoy it because we serve Japanese traditional foods and have fantastic activities.”

Helping with a large event like this also helps students meet new people.

“If you are in a group of people you do not know, then you get to meet people you’ve never known before and may not have the chance to meet otherwise,” Titus said. “It’s the self-satisfaction for doing something for someone else. It’s a fun experience and you have a good time with other people.”
Give cards with heart

Many people might agree that the best gift on a day like Valentine’s Day is one from the heart. A great way to show someone how you feel is to get him or her a card, or make one for them yourself.

“Last year, my 4-year-old niece made me a Valentine’s Day card. It meant a lot to me because I knew she made it especially for me and it came from her heart,” said Cassie Almond, a junior elementary education major from Alliance.

Cassie Almond

Cards are such a great gift because you can give them to anyone to help make their day a little more special. If you are in a relationship, take the time out to let your significant other know that you care about them.

However, Valentine’s Day doesn’t have to be all about being in a relationship. It can be about letting people know they are cared about and loved. Cards are inexpensive and easy to find. If you are creative, you can get some supplies and channel that creativity into making a card. Think about whose day you can make this Valentine’s Day with the simple gift of a card.

BY BECKY SEIDEL
Antelope Staff

UNK students, staff and members of the Kearney community gathered at the Frank House Sat. Feb. 5 to create Valentine’s Day cards for their loved ones. The event was free with donations accepted and open to the public. This was its third consecutive year.

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