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This is the Antelope staff’s second edition of our newest publication, the *f-stop. If you all remember last semester was the first publication of this outstanding tabloid magazine.

This issue of the “*f-stop” features the best of our photographer’s and guest photographer’s spring break experiences. There is a variety of elements displayed in their original and not so original forms.

Spring break 2007 took people far beyond where they expected to go! Some found themselves among the athletes. Others rediscovered their creative passion. Personality of each artist, is brought out as a result of their photographic eye.

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The Relay for Life is coming back to the University of Nebraska at Kearney campus!

Friday, April 13th at 5 P.M., students from UNK and Hastings College will gather together at Cope Memorial Fountain to join the fight against cancer. The event will conclude at 5 A.M. on Saturday.

Relay for Life is a fun-filled overnight event designed to bring together those who have been touched by cancer in our campus community.

Come celebrate survivorship and raise money to help the American Cancer Society in its mission to save lives, help those who have been affected by cancer, and empower individuals to fight back.

This year's goal is to raise $15,000 for the American Cancer Society.

Get involved! Start a team, join a team, or support the students of UNK and Hastings College through financial donations.

To find out more information about the event and how to get involved please e-mail unkrelay@unk.edu or visit the event website: www.acsevents.org/unk.

Photos Submitted by Josh Hanshaw

Cancer survivors walking the opening lap, dedicated specifically to them

The ChiO Symphony

To live constantly above snobbery of word or deed;

to place scholarship before social obligations and character before appearances;

to be, in the best sense, democratic rather than ‘exclusive’, and lovable rather than ‘popular’;

to work earnestly, to speak kindly, to act sincerely, to choose thoughtfully that course which occasion and conscience demand

to be womanly always; to be discouraged never

in a word, to be loyal under any and all circumstances to my Fraternity and her highest teachings

and to have her welfare ever at heart that she may be a symphony of high purpose and helpfulness in which there is no discordant note.

Ethel Switzer Howard, Xi Chapter Northwestern University, 1904

Photos Submitted by Whitney Clark

The Lopers went Hollywood as the ladies and gents of Sigma Lambda Beta, Chi Omega, Sigma Tau Gamma supplied spirit to the Homecoming 2006 Lip Sync competition.

The men of Pi Kappa Alpha celebrated their 20 year Anniversary on campus during the weekend of March 3rd. Approximately 60 alumnus members of the Iota Gamma chapter attended the two-day event.

The active and alumni brothers invaded the UNK Alumni House on Friday evening for a kick-off event and reception.

Saturday morning, 14 former presidents of Iota Gamma attended a breakfast and goal setting retreat. This retreat served to rekindle the Platte Valley Alumni Association to further enhance the relationship between alumni and activities.

A banquet was also held at the Holiday Inn. Approximately 120 members of the fraternity gathered for the dinner, an awards presentation, and a slideshow depicting the history and successes of the fraternity.

Pi Kappa Alpha is a Greek-letter social fraternity founded on over 200 campuses nationwide. The Iota Gamma chapter was named UNK’s Department of the Month in June of 2005 and UNK’s Community of the Year for 2005. The chapter has also received six Robert Adger Smythe trophies awarded to the top 5% of Pike chapters internationally.

Famous Pikes:

- Jon Stewart - Host & actor
- Tim McGraw - Country singer
- Ted Koppel - TV personality
- William Nester - UNK Chancellor Emeritus
- Bobby Bowden - FSU head football coach
- Adrian Uberto - Past director of World Bank

Pi Kappa Alpha preamble

“For the establishment of friendship on a firmer and more lasting basis; for the promotion of brotherly love and kind feeling; for the mutual benefit and advancement of the interests of those with whom we sympathize and deem worthy of our regard; we have resolved to form a fraternity, believing that, thus we can most successfully accomplish our object.”

All photos submitted by Kevin Wait
Senior Trevor Charbonneau, of Green, Kan., locks up with a Pittsburgh-Johnstown wrestler during the second round of the tournament.

The 2007 NCAA Division II Wrestling National Championships were hosted at our very own Health and Sports Center here on the UNK campus. The championships took place March 8-10.

Redshirt freshman Taylor May, of Imperial, battles an opponent. May finished the season eighth in the nation.

Bennington junior Brett Algood tries to take down an opponent during the final day of the tournament. Algood, who won a national title last year, finished third this year.

Omaha junior Joe Ellenberger hugs coaches Marc Bauer and Ty Swarm after a hard fought victory.

Jeff Rutledge, junior of Lincoln, hammers an Adams State opponent into the mat during the consolation match for fifth place.
The Loper wrestling team brought home the second place trophy. The Lopers qualified nine wrestlers and eight earned All-American honors. The Lopers had two national champions, one third-place finisher, three wrestlers finishing fifth in the nation and two finishing eighth.

Green, Kan., senior Trevor Charbonneau flexes in front of the crowd after winning the championship in the 125 lb. weight division.

In the first match of the championship session, Trevor Charbonneau fought hard against Central Oklahoma’s Tyler Zukerman. Charbonneau defeated Zukerman 5-2.

At 3:16 in the match, Tervel Dlagnev put the finishing touches on Central Oklahoma’s Josh Leading Fox by pinning him to win the national title. Dlagnev finished the season 49-1.
This spring break, 25 people headed down to Port Arthur, Texas giving up their free time to help others in need. Thirteen of those were UNK students; the other 12 were members of the Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Kearney.

Fellow UNK students in attendance were: senior Shandra Yost, Lincoln; juniors Matthew Sallman, Belleville, Kan.; Jaime Coolidge, Indianola; Brett Kluever, Union, Iowa; Ashton Klahn and Eric Nelson, Bennington; sophomores Kimberly Heil, Alton Kahle, Holy Cross member from Kearney, and I worked on that. After it was built, we decided that the lawn needed something else.

Michelle Foley thought that we could do some landscaping, so she and I went to Lowe’s and picked out the flowers. We also helped the grandchildren make handprint stepping stones so that their grandmother would have something to remember them by when they went with their mother went to Georgia in the upcoming months.

Not only did we rebuild and repaint in the house, and spend time getting to know each other better, (through paint fights and teasing), we also took time to play with the children in the neighborhood. It seemed like something they needed. It was just a really good feeling to see the excitement on the faces of the kids.

Michelle Foley, sophomore of Utica, repaints the wall of the upstairs bathroom of Anniebell Barnes’ house in Port Arthur, Texas. The house was damaged by Hurricane Rita in late September 2005. Reconstruction is still going on throughout the city.

Eric Nelson, junior of Bennington, leads the group down the nature trail near Sabine Pass, Texas, where Hurricane Rita came ashore. From the trail, you could see the Gulf Coast, and had to watch for alligators.
every day we were there. It was also one of the saddest days when we had to leave, knowing that we may never see those children again.

We wanted to do something special for Niara before we left, because her birthday was coming up and we weren't going to be there to celebrate it with her. We had our cooks get a birthday cake from Wal-Mart and bought her some fingernail polish and held a surprise birthday party for her. When she came outside and we started singing “Happy Birthday,” she said, “I didn't know you guys were going to do this! I thought my mama was just taking me out to the street.”

The birthday party was also a going-away party for us. We bought all the kids a little something, mostly picture frames with photos of them with us, just so that they would have something to remember us by:

It took a lot not to cry on the way back to the church to get ready to go out to supper that night. Just knowing that the next morning we would be on our way back to Kearney made our hearts drop.

That night, we ate at Tuffy's, an authentic Texan seafood restaurant. While there, we were introduced to the “all you can eat crawfish” and other original Southern favorites. It made me a little sick to my stomach to walk in a restaurant and see a platter full of little crawfish that a lot of Nebraskans use to catch other fish.

Our waitresses were helpful in our new experiences. One said, as she showed us how to properly eat the little things, “I can't believe ya'll have never eaten crawfish before.”

Needless to say, it was quite the time. The next morning, a few of the guys were complaining about stomachaches. Why

that was is still unknown to me. Or maybe not: it could have been the hot spice on the crawfish they had eaten the night before.

Saturday, March 17, we were headed back home. The movies we watched in the bus made the trip to Guthrie, Okla. seem a lot quicker. We watched “Ice Age,” “Ice Age II” and “Pirates of the Caribbean.”

We arrived at the Sleep Inn, and almost immediately jumped in the pool. It was a relaxing night filled with pizza, swimming, hot tubbing, and sleeping. It was the most comfortable motel I had ever been in, and I was sort of sad to leave the next morning.

Around 9 a.m. Sunday morning, we were on our final stretch back to Nebraska. It seemed as though the trip back took half the time as our original journey. It could have been the fact that I slept most of the way back, and that we watched “The Chronicles of Narnia.”

It was 4:30 p.m. when we returned to Holy Cross. We unloaded the trailer and the busses, had a final prayer about the safety of our trip, and said goodbye to each other. It was sad to leave the people that I had just spent a whole week with, but it was a little more sad that we had to start school again on Monday, and that we wouldn't be in Port Arthur helping Anniebell with her house and playing with the kids.

My advice is if you ever have a chance to do something special for anyone over spring break, go for it. It is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Look at options when planning your spring break trip next year. There are many different organizations you can sign-up with, just keep your eyes open.

Marc Anthony Barnes (below at left) and Niara Barnes (below at right), grandchildren of Anniebell Barnes, have a blast with the camera while students from UNK spend their spring break fixing up houses in Port Arthur, Texas.

(Abbottom left) A ship pulls into the harbor of the Pleasure Island Marina while spring breakers toured in the rain.

(right column) Brett Kluever, junior of Union, Iowa (top), gives Niara Barnes a piggyback ride while UNK students were taking a break from their work.

Matthew Sallman, junior of Belleville, Kan. (middle left) and Jaime Coolidge, junior of Indianola (middle right) help stomp the ceiling of the upstairs bathroom of Anniebell Barnes’ house.

(bottom right) A palm tree at a pit stop outside of Houston, Texas.
To me, photography is an art of observation. It's about finding something interesting in an ordinary place . . . I've found it has little to do with the things you see and everything to do with the way you see them. –Elliott Erwitt

Photo by Ashley Stuhr
Sticker art of Colonel Sanders can be found decorating many street signs in downtown Kansas City, Mo.

Photo by Ashley Stuhr
Decorative garden spheres hang from the ceiling of a shop in downtown Kansas City.

Photos by Ashley Stuhr
Contemporary artist Claes Oldenburg's “Shuttlecoks” found in the sculpture garden at the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art.
This year for Spring Break, I set out on a spontaneous road trip to Kansas City. In the weeks prior to Spring Break, I began to feel the need to get out of Kearney, away from the computer and designing.

I felt my creative passion waning and was determined to get it back. So, I set out to find the perfect city within driving distance. After a week of research, I settled on Kansas City.

The city seemed to have the perfect mix of upscale shopping, thrift stores and art museums to keep me entertained.

A couple friends and I hopped in the car and took off to Kansas City, Mo.

While there, we blew all of our money on shopping at Country Club Plaza and a few thrift stores, eating, drinking and discovering as much of the city as possible.

We also made a trip to the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, as well as the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, which were conveniently located right next door to our hotel.

While I was overall disappointed with the local flavor of Kansas City, the city’s art museums and historic district inspired me.

So I set out with my brand new Canon Digital Rebel and snapped pictures of everything and anything that inspired me, most of which turned out to be local sculptures and city signage.

While I’m sure I annoyed those who were traveling with me by my frequent stops to take photos, I came home with more than 250 pictures.

In Kearney, I felt as though I was being stifled creatively, but it turns out, all I needed was a little change in scenery to bring back my passion.
Graffiti displayed on the side of a parked Union Pacific train expresses the artist’s ability to draw attention.

It is nap time for animals across the world as this Golden Retriever sleeps soundly under a chair while basking in the sun's rays.

An artistic tribute to Billy Joel's "Piano Man."

Love of a mother for her child is displayed beautifully.

An undershot of a chandelier at the Kahler Grand Hotel in Rochester, Minn.
The meltdown to spring

Top: Photo by Kanako Kusunoki
A field with slowly-vanishing traces of winter.
Right: Photo by Jason Gill
A milk weed after a snow fall in Desoto Bend, Iowa.

Photo by Jon Blaha
A shoreline exposes its cover as the ice melts off into the water.

Photo by Jonathan Rouse
A bird’s nest as seen in a tree from a birds-eye view.

March

A blue day, a blue jay and a good beginning.

One crow, melting snow spring’s winning.

-Elizabeth Coatsworth

Beyond Winter

Over the winter glaciers I see the summer glow,
And through the wild-piled snowdrift
The warm rosebuds below.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson
The men of Alpha Tau Omega at the Greek Basketball Game.

Top Left: Greg Smith sitting outside the house on the ATO Bells.

Bottom Left: Members of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity cheer on for the Lopers at the Omaha basketball game.

Below: The crowd plays on as the Alpha Phi chapter holds their annual poker tournament. The event raised almost $10,000, 3 times more funds than last year.

Mark Dunn... Otherwise known as 'Super Loper Fan'

The men of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity have been working hard and playing hard by working with the UNK Buddy System, and helping out with Buddy Bowling at the Big Apple. We are looking forward to attending the Elite 8 basketball tournament here at UNK, while also running the BrackeTAUlogy contest for March Madness with the proceeds going to the Red Cross. ATO has been planning a house camping trip sometime in the next month. We have been preparing for their annual Founder's Day weekend/Golf tournament, April 13 and 14, and planning out summer events as well.

To bind men together in a brotherhood based upon eternal and immutable principles, with a bond as strong as right itself, and as lasting as humanity; to know no north, no south, no east, no west, but to know man as man, to teach that true men the world over should stand together and contend for supremacy of good over evil; to teach not politics, but morals; to foster not partisanship, but the recognition of true merit wherever found; to have no narrower limits within which to work together for the elevation of man than the outlines of the world; these were the thoughts and hopes uppermost in the minds of the founders of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

- Otis Allan Glazebrook, 1880

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