Sock hop to romance, pay raises

'The Pajama Game'
final production
of the year for
University Theatre

BY MEGAN BLUME
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Catchy songs and energetic dancing bring “The Pajama Game” musical to life during the University Theatre’s final production of the year.

“It is a huge show and we wanted to end our season with a ‘feel-good’ musical,” said Janice Fronczak, director of the musical and theatre associate professor.

The workers of Sleep-Tite Pajama Factory are desperate for a seven and a half cent raise, and they’re threatening to go on strike. Tensions run high with union workers, and love blossoms between two employees on opposite ends of the strike.

“The employees’ stormy relationship comes to a head, setting off a conflict between management and labor, as well as a hysterical battle of the sexes,” Fronczak said. The cast and crew have been prepar-

The true heart of an avid volunteer

UNK Habitat president dedicates Saturdays to building homes

BY LACEY MCPHILLIPS
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It all started by watching "7th Heaven." Alyx Lingenfelter first heard about Habitat for Humanity because Lucy, one of the characters on the show, was involved with the organization.

Lingenfelter, a sophomore wildlife biology major from Roca, was the first person to sign up last year at the UNK chapter during Blue & Gold Week. She is now president of the UNK chapter.

“I was just looking for a volunteer opportunity, and Habitat seemed like the most fun,” Lingenfelter said.

The UNK chapter works together with the Kearney Area Habitat for Humanity to build houses for families in need.

From the last week of March to November, volunteers dedicate Saturday mornings to building houses. They usually build three houses per season. Since 1992, when Kearney began Habitat for Humanity, they’ve built 58 houses.

But that isn’t enough for Lingenfelter. Even during the off-season, she wakes up early on Saturday mornings to build ex-

HABITAT NEEDS YOU

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kran Student Union.

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Call the Habitat Hotline. To find out the location of the build site, call 308-234-4636.

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MICE + 5-HOUR ENERGY = INTERESTING RESEARCH IDEA

Photo by Rebecca McMickell
Audra Kennedy, a senior biology major from Kearney presents her research project on the effect of 5-hour Energy on mice. The 150 research projects presented by students at the April 7 Student Research Day were based on research from classes or through programs at UNK such as the Undergraduate Research Fellows.

Bohl's research impacts testing strategy

BY BETHANY SHINN
Antelope Staff

When Mackenzie Bohl first started her research to evaluate the effectiveness of reflective journaling, she thought of it as just an assignment. Bohl soon learned that the research she was performing could potentially affect all people affiliated with assessment in school systems.

Bohl, a junior from Kearney majoring in psychology and pursuing a minor in special education, found that the research she is doing now could continue to impact her in the future.

“The topic of my research was jointly developed with my Undergraduate Research Fellow faculty mentor, Dr. Krista Forrest. We chose this topic because I intend on going to graduate school to become a school psychologist, and the topic is therefore not only relevant to my current major and minor, but to my future graduate studies as well,” Bohl said.

Psychology professor Dr. Krista Forrest, Bohl’s mentor, said that research allows them to see which strategies work best: online quizing, in-class projects or reflective journals. With that information, instructors can make a decision about whether to keep or drop the assignments, Forrest said.

They began by teaching different journaling techniques in two sections of a large psychology lecture class, and then examined students in order to determine the effects of reflective journaling on content comprehension.

“Forrest said. “Throughout the semester, the students who were enrolled in the class wrote four reflective journals. The grade on the journals was coded through a scale based on Bloom’s Taxonomy of Educational Objectives for the Cognitive Domain (Bloom, 1956). The coded score on the reflective journals was then compared to grades on corresponding quizzes and exam questions,” Bohl said. The information is leading them to a specific conclusion, Bohl said, but they are unable to release the results until the entire study is finished at the conclusion of the semester.

Forrest said, “I have enjoyed the research so far, and especially working with Mackenzie. Without her assistance, we never would have been able to accomplish so much work in such a short period of time. I really look forward to her presenting this work in April at the Rocky Mountain Psychology Association meeting in Salt Lake City.”

Bohl was able to develop research through the UNK Undergraduate Research Fellows program. To learn more about how to become a part of this program, contact the Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity.

“IT is a great opportunity to be able to conduct research that will benefit not only you, but many others in the future,” Bohl said.

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Wang hooked on radio
Chinese student donates free time to produce

KLPR, 91.1 FM 'Susi and Lei Show' with partner

BY BO NESSLEIN
JMC 215

Since she sat in a small grade school classroom, Lei Wang wanted to do radio. While attending grade school, Wang was able to do short news reports at local station in her hometown of Nanning, China.

Wang, an exchange student majoring in English, donates her time in the UNK radio station. After completing the required radio workshop credits, Lei loved it so much she decided to continue. “I just love it,” Wang said.

The opportunity to practice speaking English as well as the quiet nature of a radio studio has Wang hooked. “It is so quiet and peaceful

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Lei Wang

in the studio, I can relax, unwind and play some great music. As an exchange student, it can be very lonely and boring on campus sometimes, so time on the radio helps me speak out loud.”

Wang wants to work full time in public relations or media work, utilizing her time at the station to develop more confidence. “I am always nervous in large groups and I want to improve on my English speaking skills.” Wang said she has greatly improved her speech and confidence being at the station compared to last year, “I feel much more relaxed now from last semester, and it’s a lot more fun than all of my other classes.”

Wang also has a partner on the show, Azucena Vera Chavez (known to most as Susi). Their show is called the “Susi and Lei Show.” Their niche is playing music in Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese, French and English. They discuss current events like the Chinese New Year or St. Patrick’s Day.

For both Susi and Wang, though English is not their native tongue or culture, they find talking about the music and cultural differences between countries as another niche market. They performed recently in the food court of the Student Union building for Campus Conversation Table to encourage more exchange students to join in and practice speaking English. You can catch the normal hours of the “Susi and Lei Show,” Thursdays at 5 p.m. on the KLPR 91.1 FM radio station.

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Loper Baseball rallies back
After three straight losses to Mesa State, UNK fights back with a win

BY GJ HENRY
Antelope Sports Staff

The key weekend series between UNK and Mesa State couldn’t have gone much worse for the Lopers for the first three games. Heading into the weekend, the Lopers held a two and a half game lead on Mesa for the best record in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

Mesa took the first three games of the series by scores of 12-6, 9-6 and 9-5. During game four on Sunday, the Lopers turned to true freshman pitcher Ethan Poulsen from Longmont, Colo. to halt the Lopers four-game losing skid. In the 7-3 victory, Poulsen threw a complete game eight hitter and struck out three en route to his second win of the season.

“Anytime you walk batters and commit errors you make it easy for the other team to score, and it’s tough to overcome those mistakes,” said senior outfielder Daren Grace.

Along with Poulsen’s pitching, the rest of the Lopers turned things around in game four. The Lopers committed only one error and collected seven timely hits.

The Lopers opened up the scoring in the third when the leadoff hitter reached first on a walk and then stole second. Back to back sacrifice flies by senior second baseman Jordan Mitchelhill and senior first baseman Andrew Haake scored the run.

Mesa responded in the top of the fourth with a run of their own when they combined a single and sacrifice bunt followed by another single to even the score at one. In their half of the fourth, the Lopers broke open the game by scoring four runs.

Senior outfielder Jason Trulin led off the inning and got the Lopers first hit of the game with a line drive back up the middle that deflected off the pitcher’s glove. After another single by senior Tim Urban that left runners at the corners, Grace hit a sacrifice fly to right to score Trulin. After another single and walk that left the bases loaded, Haake hit a line drive to left that scored two more and finished the four run inning.

The Lopers added two extra runs in the fifth with three consecutive hits and a sacrifice fly.

Poulsen didn’t look back from there, posting three up and three down innings in the fifth, sixth, and ninth, while striking out two in the seventh. With the win, the Lopers keep a half game lead on the RMAC standings and lead the Plains Division by three and a half games. The Lopers travel to Denver to play Metro State April 15-17.

UNK volleyball: Goes to court with Division I

BY JUSTIN GILSON
Antelope News Staff

The Lopers showed no signs of backing down and held their own against teams from Big 12 and Mountain West conferences to post a 1-2 record for the day when UNK hosted the friendly Spring Quad volleyball tourney at the UNK Health and Sports Complex April 9. Division I teams from Colorado State, Iowa State and Kansas State participated.

The volleyball team started the day off with a victory over Colorado State and then played a Kansas State team to the wire before dropping the match 2-1. The day concluded with a very competitive game against Iowa State, who is considered a top five team in the Big 12 conference for 2012. Iowa State would go on to sweep the Lopers, but not before UNK would push the Cyclones to their limit in both games.

FAST FACTS

- Combined 2010 record for all participating teams in the quad: 89-38
- Quad teams included 7 NCAA 2010 All-Americans for the 2010 season
- Visiting teams carried seven Nebraska natives on their roster representing Kearney, Grand Island, North Platte, Tecumseh, Fremont and Omaha.
SPRING FOOTBALL GETS PLAYERS' ATTENTION

TOP: Defensive Coordinator Bob Crocker has the full attention of the defensive line during a spring football practice Friday afternoon. The Lopers have held practices Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday preparing for the fall season. MIDDLE: Positioning himself for the catch, redshirt freshman Brett Klein (88) looks to receive the ball from junior quarterback Kevin Romero. The Lopers ended their season last year with a 9-2 record. Their only losses were to Wayne State College and Colorado School of Mines, which went into three overtimes. BELOW: Head Football Coach Darrell Morris gives the offensive line some pointers. He has been a member of the coaching staff since 1986 and was named the 16th head football coach in school history in October of 1999. The Lopers will kick off their 2011 season Sept. 1 at Wayne State College at 6 p.m.

Photos By Krystal Nunnenkamp
Meet the Greeks
All you need to know about UNK Greek Life

BY BETHANY SHINN
Antelope Staff

You see them everywhere; hear about their newest fundraiser, but do you know who they really are? Roaming around campus are over 500 students who have committed their college career to the chapter of their choice. These students are a part of the vastly growing Greek Life student body at UNK. Just as any other student organization, students should get to know our Greeks, and find out what they are all about.

UNK Greek Life has four core values — scholarship, leadership, service and friendship.

Scholarship
UNK Greeks consistently have a higher GPA than the all-men’s and women’s averages on our campus. Academic achievement is a huge part of our organizations.

Leadership
Greeks are active inside and outside the Greek Community. Not only do they hold leadership positions in their chapters, but also in student organizations such as student government, giving campus tours, varsity athletics, campus ministries, and academic clubs/honors. Over 90 percent of our Greek students are currently involved in other organizations on campus.

Service
Giving back to the campus and community is something you will ALWAYS find UNK Greeks doing! Greeks raise over $60,000 for philanthropic events, completing over 10,000 volunteer hours annually.

Friendship
Brotherhood and Sisterhood is something you can always count on when you are Greek. You will have friend’s everyday to help you through the challenges of college and support you in all of you accomplishments!

WHY GO GREEK?
Friendship is the cornerstone of fraternity and sorority life, but it doesn’t end there. Greeks at UNK actively participate in intramurals, UNK athletics, and serving the Kearney community. Over $36,000 is raised each year for local and national charities in addition to over 10,000+ hours of hands-on service.

Fraternity and sorority membership can offer a well-rounded college experience. UNK’s Greek community represents 500 diversified men and women belonging to 12 different fraternities and sororities. The Greek community provides its members with opportunities for growth and excellence in academic, leadership, service learning and social opportunities.

UNK fraternity and sorority members are often leaders in various areas of campus involvement. The Greek community has provided a significant outlet for those dedicated to making such commitments. A fraternity or sorority will provide life-long friendships and excellent opportunities for personal growth.

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The gentleman of Pi Kappa Alpha gather for their annual Fireman’s BBQ, a fraternity effort to benefit the Kearney Volunteer Fire Department.

The team for women’s formal recruitment pauses for a photo break during fall recruitment last year.
World Theatre lights up the Bricks again

BY ANDY TIDWELL
Antelope Staff

The lights of the World Theatre’s new facade light up the bricks of downtown Kearney for all to see.

The theatre has recently surpassed its goal in raising over $650,000 for renovations in hopes of reopening the theatre. “We are ecstatic about the Kearney community’s amazing support for our cause. None of this would have been possible without everyone’s support. They’ve all been really great. We look forward for a grand opening to show the donors how their donations were utilized by the theatre to restore it back to its grandeur that it once had,” said Brad Driml, treasurer of the World Theatre Foundation.

The theatre aims to show films as art as well as entertainment. These films will “primarily be the short Indie films, documentaries and older movies like ‘Star Wars,’ ‘Back to the Future,’ ‘Jaws’ and other classics like that,” said World Theatre Foundation president Jon Bokencamp. The World would like to open its door by December 2011.

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ing for the musical since mid-February, practicing dance routines and memorizing song lyrics.

“The audience can expect to leave the show with a smile on their face,” Burling said. “The musical is full of energetic songs and dance numbers, as well as some laughs.”

The original musical opened on Broadway in 1954 and won a Tony for Best Musical. In 2006, the musical was revived and won a Tony for Best Revived Musical. “This is a very fun, fast moving family show,” Fronczak said, “The songs are catchy and the dances are full of color and energy.”

“I am glad we are ending the year with this musical because it is so upbeat,” Burling said. “It also has a very summery feel to it, so it has been getting me in the mood for break.”

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Corinne O’Dea, a sophomore English major from McCook, works closely with Lingenfelter as the Program Chair for Habitat. “She’s very passionate,” O’Dea said. “She’s a good leader. She knows what needs to be done and works hard to get it accomplished.”

Lingenfelter is not only dedicated to Habitat for Humanity, she is also involved in many other organizations on campus. She represents her residence hall in the Resident Hall Association, was recently inducted into the National Residence Hall Honorary, and is a member of the Wildlife Society and Biology Club.

Most recently, Lingenfelter volunteered at an ornithology (bird biology) conference, where she took people to blinds so they could observe the Sandhill cranes.
Check out that wingspan

ABOVE: This 7-year-old male turkey vulture was the largest raptor to make an appearance during the Raptor Recovery Presentation April 7 in Copeland Hall. The birds featured during the program can’t be released into the wild so they are used for education purposes.

TOP RIGHT: Weighing in at two pounds, "Oberon" is one of Nebraska's top predators. This Great Horned Owl was one of three owls included in the presentation.

BOTTOM RIGHT: "Phantom" searches for a dark space to hide during the Raptor Recovery Presentation. This nocturnal owl was part of Raptor Recovery Nebraska's program about some of the 450-500 birds they rescue each year.

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