

THE ANTELOPE

THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2003

U.S. Education Secretary, Osborne help UNK celebrate 100th anniversary

by Stephanie Fielder
Antelope Staff Writer

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the state legislature's approval to build a higher-education facility in western Nebraska. In March of 1903, 111 ballots voted to create the Nebraska State Normal School in Kearney. More than 100 years later, what is now the University of Nebraska at Kearney, strives to provide its students with a quality education. To celebrate UNK's historic anniversary, the Assistant Secretary of Education for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Karen Johnson, was invited as the keynote speaker of a public forum held in the Nebraskan Student Union on Tuesday. Third District Representative Tom Osborne also spoke at the forum.

Both speakers began by congratulating the university on their remarkable 100-year achievement and the recent announcement that UNK moved up to Tier Two in the rankings of U.S. News and World Reports Colleges.

"I think the ranking is well-deserved. It is certainly well-earned," Osborne said.

Osborne spoke of the importance of giving students in rural areas the quality education they need to improve the growth and productivity of rural areas. One of his top priorities included the Rural Education Initiative which now allows rural schools to combine fed-

eral education dollars from selected programs. If the combined sum does not equal \$20,000, rural schools may receive a grant to make up the difference. Osborne considers rural NE to be very productive because of its valuable resources such as land, aquifers and also the people that live there.

"Small town people know how to work hard," Osborne said.

Education in rural areas is especially important because it is the cornerstone for the quality of life in these areas. Technology plays an increasingly important role in the jobs and careers of rural areas, and funding is needed to support technologically based educational programs.

Johnson's speech focused on the key issues regarding the passage of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 and the Higher Education Act of 1965. According to Johnson, the No Child Left Behind Act makes certain that programs supported by the U.S. Department of Education get results. It ensures the framework for the nation's school systems will be strengthened and the achievement gap among differing student populations will shrink.

"The No Child Left Behind Act is vital to the future stability of our nation," said Johnson.

The federal government is spending more than \$23 billion to implement the No Child Left Behind Act. Johnson said that because

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Photo by Heidi VanNostrand

Tom Osborne speaks at UNK's centennial celebration Tuesday.

1-2-3 Hike! Lopers and Mavs face off



Photo by Quincy Cromer

Patriot Act allows FBI new privileges

by Jenni Epley
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Before you check out a book from the library, you might want to consider who has access to your library record. On Oct 26, 2001, less than two months after the attack on the World Trade Center, President George W. Bush signed a new act into law that may have some U.S. citizens concerned about their right to privacy. The act is titled the United States of America Patriot Act and stands for the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act. The purpose of the act is to deter and punish terrorist acts in the United States and around the world.

Among many things, this act allows the FBI and other intelligence agencies to inspect or seize bookstore or library

records; spy on web surfing; intercept wire, oral, and electronic communications for terrorist purposes or computer fraud and abuse offenses; use pen register and trap and trace authority; enable nationwide roving wire-taps, etc.

According to the *Boston Globe*, the law also provides that the intelligence agency is not obligated to reveal the inspection and the bookstore or library is forbidden to disclose of the inspection.

The Federal Intelligence Surveillance Act allows a secret court to authorize U.S. intelligence agencies to conduct surveillance using the mechanisms listed above. For instance, FISA interception orders involving U.S. citizens are issued by a secret court based on an application from the Attorney General stating reasons to believe that the surveillance target is an agent of a foreign power or a foreign

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Local gas prices rise above national average

by Beth Bremmer
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The increase in gas prices affect UNK students in more ways than one.

Local gas prices over the weekend ranged from \$2.04 for a gallon of regular unleaded at Amoco south of I-80, to \$1.89 at Gary's I-80, to \$1.69 at Casey's General Store. Meanwhile, the average national gas price for regular unleaded is about \$1.63 per gallon.

It's obvious to anyone traveling over the Labor Day weekend that gas prices are at an all-time high since the United States went to war with Iraq. It should come as no surprise to most people of the jump that gas prices take dur-

ing a holiday weekend.

A number of events have reportedly caused gas prices to soar. Recent events such as the Northeast blackout caused the prices to rise and remain high. Prices hit record highs because the blackout caused refineries to shut down. Iraq has not been producing as much crude oil as expected, and Saudi Arabia has reduced production due to Venezuela's anticipated increased oil production after a petroleum-industry strike last year. Venezuela, however, still has not fully recovered from the strike and is not producing at optimum levels.

AAA reported that this Labor Day was to be the busiest in nine years. The Automobile Association expected about 33.4

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Photo by Nicole Erb

War with Iraq and blackout in the Northeast have caused gas prices to soar in the U.S. Kearney's prices are higher than average.

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Weekend Weather



FRIDAY
Sunny
High 83, Low 58



SATURDAY
Sunny
High 86, Low 58

SUNDAY
Partly Cloudy
High 86, Low 57

UNK CALENDAR

Thursday, September 4: Loper Luncheon, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. in the East concourse of the Health and Sports Center.

Thursday, September 4: Office of Multicultural Affairs Brown Bag Discussion, 12 p.m. in the Oak Room of the Nebraskan Student Union.

Thursday, September 4: Poetry Reading, sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs, in the Fireplace Lounge.

Friday, September 5: Coffeehouse Performer John Rush, 8:30 p.m. in the Nebraskan Student Union Food Court.

Friday-Saturday, September 5-6: Loper Invitational at Kearney.

Friday, September 5: UNK Volleyball vs. South Dakota, 12:15 p.m. in the Health and Sports Center.

Friday, September 5: UNK Volleyball vs. Rockhurst, MO., 7 p.m. in the Health and Sports Center.

Saturday, September 6: UNK Volleyball vs. Winona State, Minn., 2:30 p.m. in the Health and Sports Center.

Saturday, September 6: UNK Volleyball vs. Doane College, 7 p.m. in the Health and Sports Center.

Saturday, September 6: UNK Cross-Country Loper Alumni Open at Cottonmill Park.

Monday, September 8: Resume Medic, 8:30-11 a.m. in Cushing Auditorium. Come for a free resume critique by a qualified career counselor.

Monday, September 8: Flutist Franziska Nabb, pianist Valerie Cisler and Pianist Marilyn Musick, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall.

Monday, September 8: UNK Chess Club, 7-10 p.m. in the Student Union Food Court. Anyone interested in more information may contact Randall Heckman at heckmanr@unk.edu.

Tuesday, September 9: UNK Volleyball vs. UNO, 7 p.m. in the Health and Sports Center.

Wednesday, September 10: Resume Medic, 8:30-11 a.m. in West Center. Come for a free resume critique by a qualified career counselor.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

UNK MOVES UP AMONG "AMERICA'S BEST COLLEGES, US NEWS NATIONAL RANKINGS"

UNK recently gained entrance into Tier 2 in the Midwest Universities Master's Category in the 2004 edition of U.S. News and World Report's "America's Best College" issue, released Aug. 22. This issue is widely read by parents and students during their college selection search. The magazine ranks university performance in 11 key areas. The reasons for UNK's elevated ranking are a consequence of 1) the increased freshmen retention rate, from 78% to 80% 2) the second highest percentage of classroom full-time faculty in Tier 2 and, 3) a low 6% of classes with 50 or more students. These smaller classes, taught by many of the full-time faculty, is something that makes UNK special. "These rankings are good indicators of the work accomplished over the last several years by faculty and administrators to provide the very best student learning environment possible. And though this ranking system may not be perfect, we know that UNK is on the right track and our students have an unsurpassed university experience," said UNK Chancellor Doug

Kristensen. Congratulations UNK! For more information on U.S. News and World Report please access www.usnews.com.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Ellen Dake has been recognized as the UNK August Employee of the Month. Dake has served as a Clerical Assistant II in the Office of Student Records and Registration at UNK since July of 2000. Her job duties include serving as the primary contact for students, faculty and other office guests when they first come to UNK. In addition, she assists with campus registration, junior checks, and the drop and add process. As a consequence of her dedication and commitment to serving the needs of the students and faculty of the UNK, the Staff Senate proudly bestows this award to Dake.

DEPARTMENT OF THE MONTH

The Office of Admissions was recently named the August Department of the Month. This department is committed to disseminating knowledge about education and the UNK campus. They are the primary

tools by which prospective students learn about the university and what it can offer. The Admissions staff strives to have the UNK name be held in high regard across the state and nation. The public relations duties they shoulder are hefty. However, the department has stated that they feel honored to have the opportunity to serve students. As a result of their outstanding recruiting job this past year, the Staff Senate has recognized the Office of Admissions as an exceptional department. Many commendations should be extended to this dedicated group of individuals.

UNK CHESS CLUB

The UNK Chess Club will be meeting again this year on campus. The club plans to meet every Monday from 7-10 p.m. in the Student Union Food Court. Anyone is invited to join in for an evening of contemplation and fun. For more information, feel free to contact Randall Heckman at heckmanr@unk.edu.

STAFF AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE ANNOUNCED

At UNK's Faculty/Staff Opening Convocation on Aug. 22, Michelle Roggasch,

President of Staff Senate, announced the Staff Award for Excellence recipients. The Staff Award for Excellence was created in 1999 to honor exceptional actions consistently made by staff members to students and the university as a whole. Kimra Schipporeit, Director of Student Records and Registration was the first recipient of the Staff Award for Excellence. Schipporeit has served as director since July 1989 and has developed Web applications for registration, grades and degree audits and the Touchtone Telephone Registration and related applications during her tenure. Charles McGraw was also presented with this award as well. McGraw has been employed at UNK since 1991 as a student assistant in the Department of Physics and currently is the Director of Computer and Technology for the College of Business & Technology. He also serves as faculty advisor to Sigma Phi Epsilon and as a member of the UNK Alumni Association Board of Directors, the National Educational Technology Association, and the Consortium for Computing in Small Colleges and the Nebraska State Drivers Education Association.

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August 7: A Kearney man was cited for the 3rd degree assault of a Holdrege man.

August 8: An unknown subject spray painted a female's black Nissan while it was parked in a UNK parking stall. The damage to the vehicle is unknown at this time.

August 12: Two stolen bikes worth \$400 were located at 3:02 p.m.

August 12-August 13: A Sanyo 19" color television worth \$120 was stolen from Mantor Hall's 3rd floor East Lounge. The theft occurred between the hours of 4 p.m. on Aug. 12 and 2 p.m. on Aug. 13.

August 15: A facilities employee reported that a trash can had rolled into a male's Chrysler at 10:15 a.m. Damage to the vehicle was unknown.

August 22: A black dog bit a child on the hand at 6 p.m. at the Blue and Gold Day festivities. Officers were unable to locate the dog or its owner.

August 22: A male Doniphan resident was contacted at 11:14 p.m. for assault and later informed officers he had taken drugs. The officers determined that the subject was a threat to himself and others and was put into civil protective custody with a police hold.

August 23: A male Kearney

man was contacted for trespassing in Martin Hall at 5:25 a.m. The subject was advised not to return to the dormitory until further notice.

August 24: A URS male and a Kearney male were contacted at 2:15 a.m. in Lot 8 for a liquor violation.

August 24: A female Randall resident was contacted after having posted a note stating she wished to harm herself.

August 24: A female Randall resident was transferred to Good Samaritan Hospital at 10:15 a.m. after having seizures.

August 28: A male Omaha resident was contacted for driving under the influence at 4:30 a.m. after having been seen driving erratically. The case was referred to the Kearney Police Department for further action.

August 28: A male CTE resident was contacted at Foster Field at 10 p.m. for a liquor violation. The case was referred to Residential and Greek Life.

August 28: A male University Heights resident reported that a suspicious person was sleeping on the picnic table near Conrad Hall at 10 p.m.

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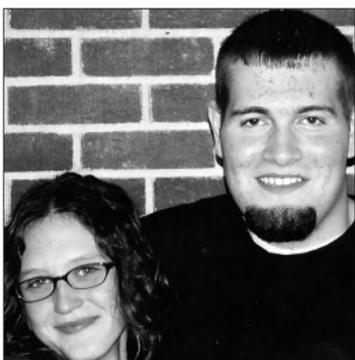
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THE BOTTOM LINE

QUESTION: WHAT WAS THE MOST FRUSTRATING THING YOU ENCOUNTERED IN THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL?



Meghan Farmer & Cade Feurer
Northbend freshmen

"Nothing! We'd take college over high school any day. Especially if you're from a small town like us."



Jennifer Atterbury
Wichita, Kansas sophomore

"There's no water in the UNK pool."



MaryAnn Decker
Kearney grad student

"I've been here forever. I'm so used to it that there really hasn't been anything frustrating."

Illegal immigrants drain healthcare



Jonathan Rehor
Managing Editor

suits, has given way to exponential growth in healthcare costs.

The chain effect caused by the rising influx of illegal immigrants that are utilizing our healthcare system trickles down through the hospital to the insurance provider. Businesses that offer health insurance to their employees are left to decide whether to switch insurance providers, raise deductibles and co-payment plans or to ultimately no longer offer health care to employees.

As federal law currently mandates, hospitals cannot refuse medical treatment to anyone, regardless of their immigration status in the United States. This, coupled with the fact that states do not receive federal funding to help defray the costs of treating illegal immigrants, has accounted for some hospitals spending over 30 one-third of their annual budget treating illegal immi-

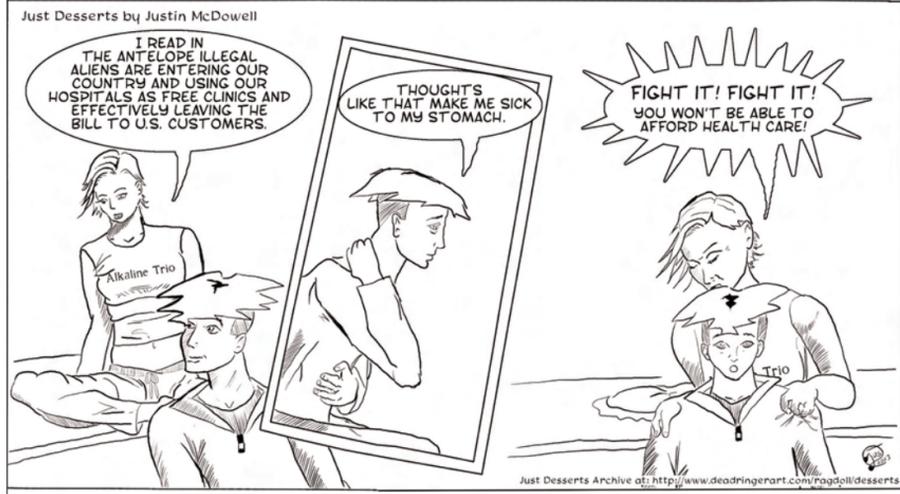
grants.

Over the last three years, Houston's Harris County Hospital has spent just over \$330 million treating illegal immigrants. The same can be said for Arizona's Cochise County's Health Department spending over 30 percent of their annual budget aiding immigrants.

In border states such as Texas, Arizona and California, American ambulances have been sent into Mexico to pick up the ailing and bring them into America, thus further perpetuating the cost each hospital must bear.

According to the Urban Institute, in 1999, California paid for 81,247 deliveries to illegal immigrant mothers, costing the state over \$222 million. Illegal immigrant mothers also attributed for 36 percent of all Medi-Cal births. Medi-Cal, a publicly funded program, is fully supported by the tax-paying population.

Serious questions about



governmental policy arise when over 43 million Americans do not have health insurance, yet the open door allows anyone, as long as they are not a United States citizen, to receive an unlimited amount of healthcare.

One of the most perpetuated cases involved an illegal immi-

grant named Saul Diaz, who was an unemployed and uninsured illegal immigrant living in Georgia. After being involved in a severe automobile accident, his yearlong internment at a local hospital cost the state taxpayers over \$1 million.

While no one can blame all

of our societal problems on illegal immigrants, our government has not done a good job protecting the needs of naturalized citizens. Let us forget, not being citizens, illegal aliens have no right to American healthcare.

Binge drinking problematic for students



Molly Albrecht
News Editor

"What're ya doing?" Not again! Not on Wednesday morning! Doesn't she realize that some people need their rest so they can take exams later? Isn't she cognizant of the fact that her behavior is rude and obnoxious? I want to yell at her, to

scream at her never to call me in a drunken daze again. I want to tell her she's an alcoholic; that she needs to go into rehab, seek therapy; that she'll fail all her classes; and that she'll die from liver failure. I wonder why she's doing this to herself, to me. What happened to the sweet girl I once knew—the one who swore in sixth grade that she'd be drug and alcohol-free forever? What turned her into a 24-hour party machine?

In the darkness, I rebuke myself for forgetting to turn off my ringer.

"What should I dooo?" she wails, "I am sooo wasted, and I think I made out with someone." She squeals with laughter.

I gulp for air, anxiety blanketing me. I am seconds away from cutting her off—my finger, seeming to have imminent psychological issues of its own, is ready to attack the "end" button on my phone.

Then, the stunning climax of the story: She, my insanely drunk, artificially-effervescent, sleep-deprived and bordering-on-psychotic-former-soul-sister, hangs up on me!

I snuggle back into my plump feather pillow, closing my eyes and willing sleep to come again. But it's

stubborn. I load Sigur Ros into my stereo and attempt to float away on a melancholy melody.

I try not to think about her. I try contemplating anything else. I briefly wonder about school. What if I can't pass Geography 101? I'm a writer, not a scientist! What if the *Antelope* becomes too demanding? With all I have scheduled, when will I possibly have time to shave my legs? I'd better do that so I can wear a skirt tomorrow...

But no matter how hard I try to block her out, I return to her. She's like a song I can't stop singing—a song that's lodged itself in my brain, demanding expression. My nostalgia for the girl she used to be is as strong as black coffee. I yearn, because I can't mourn. It's impossible to

report the death of that part of her.

What disturbs me most is that my friend isn't an anomaly. More and more, I hear about my peers trading week-night work and study time for booze—replacing the pursuit of knowledge with the pursuit of oblivion. More and more, I receive nocturnal calls from intoxicated acquaintances. More and more, my tolerance for these behaviors wanes.

I'm all for having fun on the weekends, and I don't condemn those who drink moderately. However, it kills me to witness binge drinking's destruction of friends. I want to ask them: Would you rather have a fuzzy brain or an enlightened mind? A blackout or vivid recall? A police record or a record of achievement?

College is a time for learning and self-discovery—and that self-discovery shouldn't mean a standing date with the bottle. It shouldn't mean waking up and wondering who you might have slept with when you should have been writing a paper. It shouldn't mean letting an addiction destroy your goals and dreams.

A few hours after the call, I rise for the day. Rubbing my eyes, I hope it was a dream. But there is the phone beside my pillow. My CD player's still powered. As I brush my long brown hair, I wonder if my friend has a hangover. I vow to turn off my phone tonight.

It's ironic that even with all the advances in technology, we've lost our connection.

Rape prevention a must on college campus



Lora Slusarski
Sports Editor

soon disappeared and the next thing I knew, I was with Jake (at least that is what he told me his name was) in a bedroom and we were making out. He kept trying to push me to do things I didn't want to do, I resisted, but he did not stop. He proceeded to take my hands and hold

them above my head, and slowly took my underwear off and raped me. I tried and tried to get him off of me, but the fact that he was stronger than me, I could do nothing till he was done. Once he finished his business, he got up and left me there, in a strange bedroom, at a strange

house. I called a friend and had them come pick me up, but never told anyone.

Even though this story is not true, it happens all the time and people don't even know it because it goes unreported.

One in every four women on college campuses are victims of rape. Ninety percent of all campus rapes involve the use of alcohol by either the assailant or the victim.

Most rape victims are female. Not all rapists are strange men that break into your house. Eighty-four percent of victims reported that it was by someone that the victim knew previously. Even if a female is drunk and

flirting with a man, that does not give him the right to have sexual intercourse with a female. Women, like men, enjoy flirting, but that is not an invitation for sex. Ask a woman what she wants, if she is drugged, intoxicated, passed out or incapable of answering straight, back off: a misleading message can lead to rape. Be sensitive to a woman.

Pressuring a woman to have sex is forcing them to do something they normally would not do. As many as 70 percent of college students that engage in sexual intercourse admit to engaging in sexual activity primarily as a result of being under the influence of alcohol.

There are many ways to prevent rape. Don't take a drink from a stranger: There could be more than just alcohol in that drink. If you are at a party and see someone that looks like they are being pressured or coerced into going somewhere or doing something that they do not want to do, intervene: Stop something from happening. Do not put yourself into a situation like the one above—control your alcohol intake, have a friend with you at all times and go to environments where you know and trust people. All these things will help in protecting yourself from something bad happening.

If you are sexually assaulted,

report the crime. You must inform the police of all the details of the attack: from where it happened to any characteristics of the attacker that may help identify him or her. You have to be strong and report it.

Some people are not capable of doing this, whether they believe that contacting the police will just lead to them having to deal with it more or that it will get out all around campus and be an embarrassing situation for them. Don't be the silent one. By reporting it, you could prevent it from happening to someone else.

(Statistics provided by www.scu.edu.)

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Lopers fall to the Mavericks 32-24



Photo by Quincy Cromer

Clay Mankin, Aurora junior(29), and Paul Jimenez, Chino, Cali., red-shirt freshman(18), throw down UNO wide receiver Ryan Krause of the Mavericks after he recovered a fumble. Quarterback Pat Korth, Hastings senior(12), finished the game going 26 of 41 for 256 yards and one touchdown. UNK suffered its seventh straight loss at home to the Mavericks.

Marcus Goldstein, Gretna sophomore, holds the ball for Jessup Pfeifer, Northglenn, Colo., red-shirt freshman. Pfeifer went two for three in field goals, missing the first attempt from 51 yards and making his second and third attempts from 41 and 30 yards away.



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Brett Kjar, Lexington junior(62), Daniel Ohri, Spencer red-shirt freshman(80), Chris Delmont, Norton, Kan., sophomore(49), and Paul Jimenez, Chino, Cali., red-shirt freshman(18), try their best to keep the Maverick defense away from their quarterback. The Mavs intercepted two passes and forced a fumble on the Lopers at the beginning of the game that led to the opening touchdown to take the early lead.

Volleyball 2-2 after season opener

by Erica Wendland
Antelope Staff Writer

The 14th-ranked Loper volleyball team began their 2003 season with four matches at the Doublewood Inn Classic in Fargo, N.D. Although the 2003 volleyball team has three full-time starters and seven letter-winners returning from a team that ended the season with a 32-5 record last year, the team is the youngest in school history. The Lopers 2003 volleyball team has no seniors, only one player who has earned two letters at UNK and eight newcomers.

"We do have a young team, but we've got players that have played a couple of years, and the freshmen come in with a lot of experience and skills." Erin Gudmundson, Kearney sopho-

more said.

Despite their youth, the Lopers came out swinging with a victory over Northern State University in their first match of the season. The sophomores led the way with setter Bethany Spilde, Council Bluffs, Iowa, sophomore, who had 62 assists, just seven short of her career high, as well as 21 digs. Gudmundson tied her career high in kills with 22. Rachel Gerdes, Johnson sophomore and Erin Brosz, Grand Island sophomore, each had career-highs in kills with 17 and 16 kills, respectively, to contribute to UNK's 3-1 victory over Northern.

"We just got to know each other better as a team, playing together and playing against good teams that we weren't used to. The games made us just find out where we were at

compared to the other teams, and that'll make us work harder during practice," Erin Arnold, Casper Wyo., junior said.

The Loper's second match was against 5th-ranked University of Minnesota-Duluth. After a tough game, the Lopers lost in three matches, (16-30, 29-30, 20-30).

UMD had a more consistent hitting game, hitting .348 compared to UNK's .236. Gudmundson once again led the way, contributing 15 kills. Anna Vallinch, Omaha freshman, recorded 15 digs and another newcomer, Kelli Bunger, Grand Island freshman, recorded six kills and three digs.

"Some of them (the young players) were a little scared at first. But it didn't take them long to adjust, and from the first game to the last game we really improved, coming together as a

team," Arnold said.

The third match of the Doublewood Inn Classic was against Emporia State, which UNK easily swept in three games (30-19, 30-23, 30-15). Gudmundson once again led the Lopers with 21 kills, hitting .529. Arnold helped out with 14 kills, hitting .367, while Brosz hit a .588, with 11 kills. The Lopers had a small margin of error, hitting .434, with only nine hitting errors out of 106 attempts.

UNK's final match was against 18th-ranked North Dakota State University. The Lopers fell in four matches (26-30, 30-27, 24-30, 30-32). The more experienced players, Gudmundson and Arnold both stepped up, each accumulating 17 kills while Samantha Danner, Burton, Kan., junior, added nine kills and four blocks,

and Samantha Harvey, Taylor sophomore, added seven kills. Gerdes also contributed 8 kills.

"We played a lot better on our fourth game when we played NDSU. We clicked more, playing together as a team," Arnold said.

Gudmundson was chosen as one of eight players to make the Doublewood Inn Classic All-Tournament Team, with her weekend average of 5.36 kills, 1.00 digs, and 0.57 blocks per game.

"We've had our highs and lows, and probably the most important thing about the tournament is that we learned a lot about our team, we were able to play strong competition and we saw probably as much improvement from the first day of the tournament to the second as I've seen in a team," Rick Squiers, Head Volleyball Coach, said.

"We would have preferred to do better than 2-2, but we probably played two of the best teams in the country, and had a chance to win on one of them, and hopefully we were able to gain some confidence from that."

Although the Lopers ended their season opener with a record of 2-2, Squiers remains confident. "We're looking at the strongest schedule we've had in a long time. The only thing we can control is that we come into the gym each day and work hard, and I'm pretty confident that we'll have a team that can compete with anybody by the end of the year."

UNK hosts its annual tournament at the Health and Sports Center this weekend. The Lopers play Fri. Sept. 5 at 12:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. UNK also plays at Sat. Sept. 6 at 2:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

VMAAs entertain the masses

by Jeff VanRoy
Antelope Staff Writer

MTV's 20th annual Video Music Awards took place Thursday night at the Radio City Music Hall in New York City. The big winners were Justin Timberlake, Beyonce and Coldplay, all taking home three Moonmen.

Timberlake, receiving his first award as a single artist, shocked the industry by winning the Best Male Video and Best Pop Video for "Cry Me a River" and Best Dance Video for "Rock Your Body."

Coldplay received the Best New Video, Breakthrough Video and Best Direction in a Video, all with their hit "The Scientist."

Beyonce received the Best Female Video, Best R&B Video and Best Choreography in a Video, all with her video "Crazy in Love," featuring Jay-Z.

After being nominated for nine awards, Radiohead finally received Best Art Direction in a Video with "There There."

Duran Duran won a very prestigious award with the Lifetime Achievement Award. 50 Cent won the Best New Artist in a Video and Best Rap Video with his hit "In Da Club."

The ceremony was hosted by none other than funnyman Chris Rock. The comedian thoroughly insulted every celebrity in the house, from Timberlake to Coldplay, including many peo-

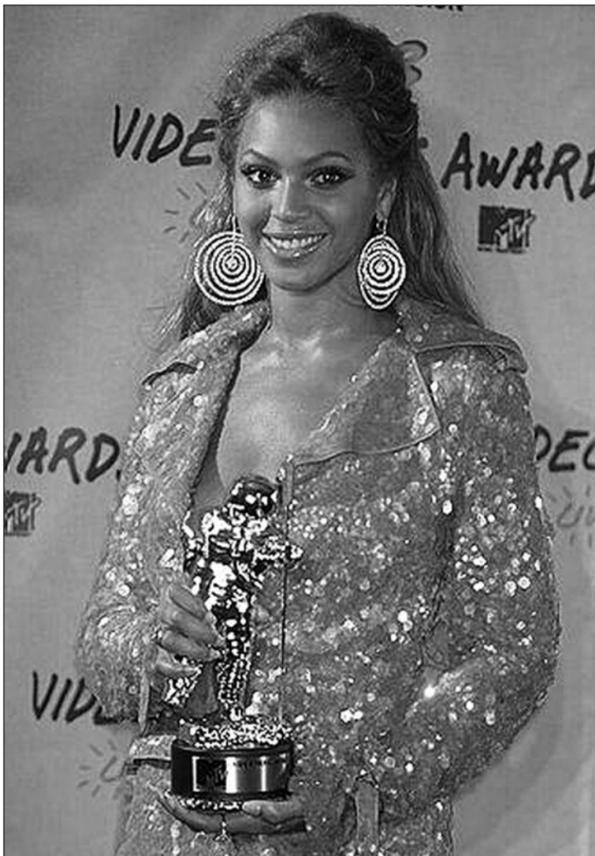


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Beyonce clutches one of her three well-deserved VMAs.

ple watching at home with his usual antics. He did a good enough job keeping the audi-

ence entertained and the show moving to not receive negative remarks.

Fashion always plays an important role in the hype of the VMAs. The Olsen Twins were particularly primed for the occasion while artists like Fred Durst and Iggy Pop presented awards sporting T-shirts and jeans. Once again, the red carpet was full of icons with cameras flashing from all directions.

With those events aside, the most talked about performance of the ceremony was the Britney Spears-Christina Aguilera cover of Madonna's "Like a Virgin" and "Hollywood." Both artists graced the stage in wedding dresses and were joined by Madonna in a black dominatrix outfit.

The performance was rather entertaining with the girls' standard singing and amazing dance moves until Madonna decided to kiss both Christina and Britney in the middle of the set.

"Many viewers may have thought Brittany slipped her the tongue," said one racy viewer, "I am not certain, though I hope she did."

After 20 years of VMA performances, Madonna still ceases to amaze viewers with her extravagant behavior. Justin Timberlake's eyes popped out of his head and he seemed to have lost control of his jaw after witnessing the action.

Other performances included Beyonce's "Crazy in Love" featuring Jay-Z, Good Charlotte's "The Anthem" and Coldplay's "The Scientist."

One final performance

rounded out this wild night in NYC: a powerful Metallica performance, which consisted of a cover from Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit," Michael

Jackson's "Beat It" and Lenny Kravitz's "Are You Gonna Go My Way?."



Photo courtesy of www.rollingstone.com
Justin Timberlake took home the several Moonmen last Thursday night.

Sexy singles shake up "Temptation Island"

by Sarah Skarka
Antelope Staff Writer

Two words...TEMPTATION ISLAND. For those of you still reading this, you must have some interest in the third season of this disgustingly fabulous half-hour of reality TV that we call entertainment, which premiered last Thursday night. After all, unless you can find Jerry Springer on TV around here, it's been two excruciatingly long years since your last dose of cheating and humiliation on national television!

People tend to fall into one of two categories: the fans and the non-fans. The ones who become hopelessly addicted and call friends with the, "Oh my Gosh! Did you see...?," and the ones who change the channel in disgust and then talk about how stupid the show is on Friday.

Hey non-fans, what's your problem? Hey everyone else, oh my Gosh, did you see the singles this season?

You are the fans; once a week you devote your precious time to soak up the island sun, sexiness and the desire of four 'confused' young couples - and, most importantly, the temptation itself: 26 barely clothed sultry singles. For you are the true lovers of deceit and dysfunction, of heartbreak and tears, of breakups and, well, hookups.

Now what are the reasons that you fans have decided to let

this show into your prime time viewing schedule? Is it the bikinis? Boys? Booze? Is it the ladies? Lies? Lust? Maybe just free entertainment and a good laugh before it's off to the bar, while at the same time getting an eyeful of some skin and sin...(and that never hurt anyone!)

Now on the other hand, maybe you look at it from a whole different perspective. To you, it's not just entertainment. You watch the show with great relief, thinking the whole time how lucky and thankful you are that your relationship isn't so messed up that you have to appear on reality TV to embarrass the crap out of yourself and your partner, to find out if your relationship is 'real'. You spend a half an hour in horror, then rush to the phone to call your sweetie, or maybe hug tighter your love who's next to you on the couch, ogling with you at the gore you've just witnessed.

Maybe, contrary to this idea, you watch in a numb daze while fantasizing about two very short weeks away from your honey with 26 hot single members of the opposite sex. You're thinking all the while that "Dreams do come true, dreams do come true..." Sadly (and painfully), you eventually snap back to reality as the credits start to roll and the sickly sweet voice of your true love breaks into your wandering thoughts.

Of course, you could just be watching eight people screw their lives up and put each other through the very pits of hell for the sheer delight of it. For two weeks it's supposed to be OK for the couples to drink rum with every meal, screw around on each other, go on amazing exotic dates with beautiful single people, then torture themselves and each other by watching it on video tape. You engage in this for the simple fact that you love the drama. (And boy, you should be slapped...but welcome to the club.)

Fans, if you haven't yet figured it out, I am one of you. I cannot control this embarrassing addiction, and like many of you, I don't know how it started. I admit that I belong in every category that I've mentioned above, and just as I will, you fans will need to remind yourselves that this is perfectly alright. Why? These couples have put themselves on this island at their own will. Our disgust and our delight, our eye rolls and our laughter are well deserved and, as fans, we have every right to indulge in the sick horror and fantastic fantasy that is Temptation Island. To season three of "Temptation Island" I say this...bring on the seduction, dysfunction, and heartbreak of these four insane couples...as I sit back and enjoy someone else's problems for the next ten weeks!

Hot hip-hop and cool country continue to rock the music industry

by Robyn Sanders
Antelope Staff Writer

The top hip-hop artists are constantly changing, yet a few are indefinitely holding their spots on the charts.

The Black Eyed Peas are at the top of hip-hop right now with a serious, soulful and powerful song about stopping hatred and discrimination called "Where is the Love?." The group's style is distinct with electric hip-hop; they won't use cars or women in their rap to make it to the top.

"Shake Your Tail Feather" is also taking over hip-hop this week and it will make you want to shake it to the floor with St. Louis rapper Nelly and also featuring P. Diddy and Murphy Lee.

R. Kelly went from the African hit "Snake" last month to the "Thoa Thiong" video. The Asian piece mixes rhythm and blues with bikinis and martial arts.

Mya has stayed at the top with "My Love is Like...Woah". The Maryland native has stripped her shyness in this video.

Street rapper 50 Cent has launched his career this year with several songs remaining at the top. You can't get a dollar out of him in his recent

song "P.I.M.P." and now he will come and take your life away in his new hit "Many Men". The video shows the life of a gangster fighting to stay alive with enemies.

Christina Aguilera and Lil' Kim have partnered up in "Can't Hold Us Down". A powerful rap for the girls around the world. Also check out Lil' Kim's new song "Magic Stick."

The Isley Brothers are back with a rhythm and blues style with a new song "Busted." They've been known for gospel, funk and Motown since the early sixties.

Heavy metal and rock has been influenced by new groups and is currently dominated by a few unfading stars.

Evanescence broke out with "Bring Me to Life" and have now released the sci-fi video "Going Under." Classical meets grunge in this Little Rock, Ark. Band, which is influenced by Bjork, Tori Amos, and Danny Elfman.

Another new band, The All American Rejects, have brought catchy rock songs like "Swing, Swing" from a small town in Oklahoma.

Good Charlotte's new song "Girls and Boys" has brought a pop-punk style influenced by the Beastie Boys.

Though Lincoln Park has

been around since 1996, they still have new chart topping hits like "Faint" and "Somewhere I Belong" putting them in the top 40 selling albums.

Staind is also surviving competition from new bands with "So Far Away" and "Price to Pay" also maintaining their spot in the top 40 albums.

Country stars don't seem to fade as fast as other genres, and it is very obvious who is on top of the game.

Brooks and Dunn have dominated since the nineties. Their hit "Red Dirt Road," about life experiences, has given them one of the top selling albums. Writing for the workingman is definitely still working for them.

Toby Keith has teamed up with Willie Nelson for the hit "Beer for My Horses," which has also given him one of the top selling albums.

Brad Paisley is a third county singer to have a top selling album right now with his song "Celebrity." His traditional style, using intelligence instead of beer and cheating on women to sell is songs, has kept him on top so far.

From steamy hip-hop to blazing country, the music industry is sure to stay hot long after this sizzling summer subsides.

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Summer 2003 sounds sweet

by Jessie Mohr
Antelope Staff Writer

The summer may have seemed short and sweet, but the music world was hot with the

received a 4 star review from the August 21 issue of Rolling Stone Magazine. "A Mark, a Mission, a Brand, a Scar is considered the best music this band has ever made," reviewer Rob

them. It's just a different style of music," Tanner Teply, UNL Senior, said.

Ben Harper's new CD, "Diamonds on the Inside" was also released this summer.

Harper has commented about working on a new album due out next year.

The Sacramento, California band Deftones released their fourth album, "Deftones," early this summer. Sticking with their roots, and resisting influence from critics, media, and "pop culture," Deftones front man Chino Moreno said that they're in it for the long haul. He added that being back on tour makes them more committed to blowing people's minds on stage and giving only top-notch performances.

"Deftones are going to stick to their style, whether they sell 10 copies or 10 million," said Brian Allen, Omaha Senior.

Another band getting a lot of attention this summer is Jane's Addiction. "Straits" is the band's first studio album in 13 years, and has been getting a lot of radio play across the country. Not having a hit since the early 1990's, the band finally came up with an album that can stand alongside their previous stand-out records.

One thing noticeably different about the new Jane's Addiction album is the professionalism they have formed over the past decade. Band member Perry Farrell said, "Our music just doesn't seem so dangerous now."

July 22 was the release date for the native Omaha band 311's new CD. "Evolver" is the band's seventh studio album. Although the underlying theme of their music is still "positivity," "Evolver" proves that 311 is not going to become repetitious with the same music they have created in the past.

"As they grow older and more experienced as individuals, their music is going to

reflect these changes," Allen said. "In other words, they are "evolving" as people and as a

Sept. 12th to give us a preview of their upcoming album.

Kansas band "Shaking Tree"

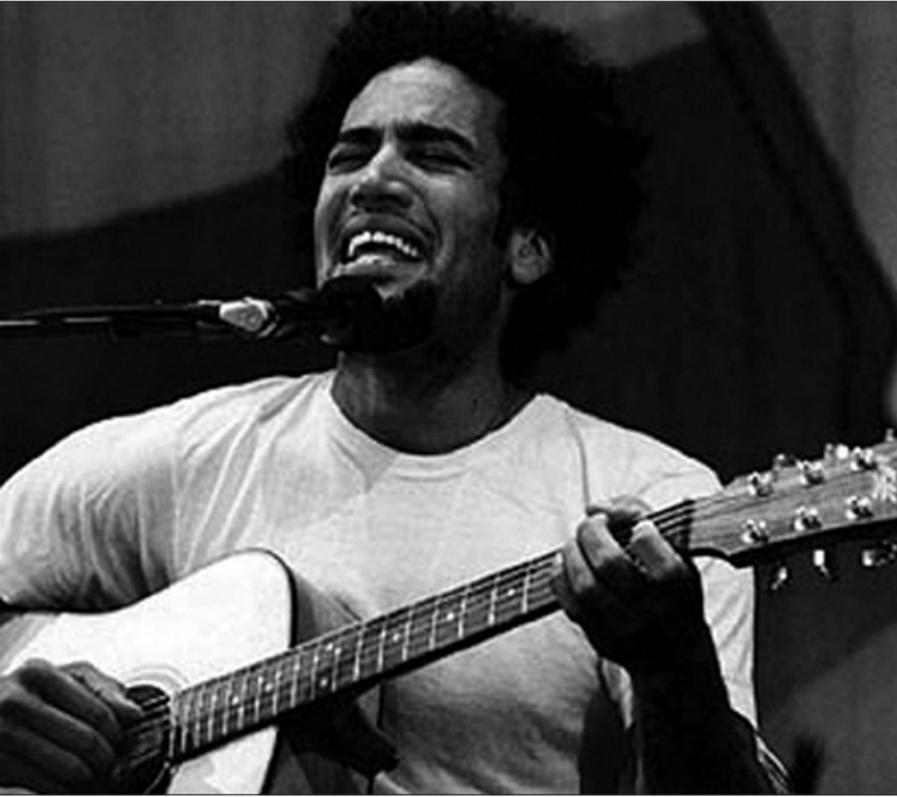


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Ben Harper released his new CD, "Diamonds on the Inside," over the summer.

release of some sizzling CDs. So while you still have time to spend some of that hard earned cash on something other than books, here's just a couple of idea's of what to choose from.

Dashboard Confessional

Sheffield said. "The songs are intimate, sincere, and not too slow."

To listen to their CD, go to rollingstone.com/review/cd. "With Dashboard Confessional, you either like them or hate

Having a Bob Marley and Jimi Hendrix feel to it, Ben Harper reinvents his tender rock-and-roll touch. Just finishing his summer tour with Jack Johnson, who also released a new CD this summer called "On and On,"



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Dashboard Confessional received a 4-star review for "A Mark, a Mission, a Brand, a Scar".

band, hence the name Evolver."

Grasshopper Takeover, a local Omaha band is also planning the release of a new CD later this fall, and will be here

will also release a new album in September. Performances by Shaking Tree are expected in Kearney around Halloween Time.

Labor Day brings fun in the sun

by Kaisa Gleason
Antelope Staff Writer

With gas prices reaching near record highs, some students are finding their budgets won't take them as far this Labor Day weekend. With a gal-

be smarter to send a hello to friends and family back home instead of making the trek by car. Fortunately for those UNK students still awaiting their life saving student loan checks, there are some activities close by that don't require a major

the Huskers' season opener, Lincoln is one option many students are choosing. State fair officials reduced the admission price from seven, to four dollars in hopes of attracting more visitors. While game tickets are substantially higher in price, the

year, is worth it.

While water levels are extremely low at Nebraska's state parks, many are taking advantage of the long weekend and heading to the lake. Lake McConaughy, Nebraska's largest reservoir, is only at 28.5 percent of capacity. Despite the lack of water, Mitch Gersternkorn, superintendent of Lake McConaughy State Park, says park officials are expecting about 30,000 visitors this weekend. Harlan County and Johnson's Lake are 2 other alternatives a little closer to home, that also offer some outdoor adventure.

This weekend is also the annual Pleasanton Rodeo which is always a good time. Although this year there was no street dance following the rodeo, the Sand Bar played host to the thirsty crowd and packed people in until 10'clock in the morning. The trip back home to Kearney is always an adventure in itself.

For those of us that have to stay in town and work all weekend, there are some benefits. Traffic is less congested, lines are shorter, and you're making money instead of spending it. Kearney's nightlife was noticeably slower over the weekend, but still proved to be alive and

well. Cunningham's featured the band Three Degrees of Freedom, O'Malleys although busy, had room to move, and Club 3's dance floor was packed.

close, we can now focus our attention on plans for the next big event. Fall break. Hopefully by then, our bank accounts will have recovered, gas prices fall back to an affordable level, and



Photo by Nicole Erb

Keeping it close to Kearney: Labor Day picnics were a popular holiday option this year.



Photo by Nicole Erb

A game of sand volleyball in the park never fails for some good family fun over Labor Day weekend.

lon of gas costing almost as much as a Hallmark card, it may

blow to the bank account. With both the state fair and

chance to see the Big Red up close for their first victory of the

With the last official weekend of summer coming to a

we survive our first few exams.

Fall TV lineup offers a reality check

by Heather Bunsen
Antelope Staff Writer

The 2003 - 2004 television season does not seem to be bringing anything new into our homes or dorm rooms.

Sure, each station has a handful of "adrenaline fueled dramas" or "outspoken new comedies," but the harsh reality of it is just that. The majority of shows that will be filling the air waves this year are reality shows.

All new seasons of "The Bachelor," "Extreme Makeover," "Fear Factor," "The Amazing Race," "Joe

Millionaire," "Big Brother 4" and, of course the main contributor to all of this chaos, "Survivor" will begin airing as soon as September 22nd.

Obviously reality TV is hitting it big among viewers, but I just don't understand the attraction of such shows. Where is the creativity and drama that is suppose to come along with a great TV. show? How can viewers spend their valuable evenings watching people plot against one another and listening to the rest whine about it?

There are, however, some good ol' favorites that will be sharing air time with these less than mediocre forms of enter-

tainment, along with a few new promising series.

NBC is always a safe bet for at least an hour of quality television on any given night of the week. "Will & Grace," "Scrubs," "ER," "Law & Order," and "Friends" are all widely popular and long lasting series that have proven their worthiness of primetime status. There are some new series that could be quite interesting, however, I think that NBC is relying on the well-known actors in most of their new shows to bring in the viewers rather than the quality of scripts. There are a couple of new comedies this season that begin with an okay

plot, but the obvious backbone to both shows are the stars.

"Whoopi", starring Whoopi Goldberg is about the lives of four people living in the same hotel. The plot seems a little ho-hum, but the experience of the show's star may be worth tuning in.

Another show, which appears more promising to me, is "Happy Family." It stars John Larroquette and Christina Baranski as parents eagerly awaiting their adult children to "grow up". Not only will there be experienced actors in this sitcom, it has a plot that holds major potential.

Along with some comedies

there are also a few dramas that may bring in some viewers due to the leading actors. They are "The Lyon's Den," starring Rob Lowe, "Las Vegas," starring James Caan, and "Miss Match," starring Alicia Silverstone.

ABC, CBS, and FOX will have their usual line up with shows like "NYPD Blue," "Alias," "CSI," "Everybody Loves Raymond," "The Simpsons," and "Malcolm in the Middle." Although there are some new shows premiering on each station, nothing is standing out as an exceptional show to take notice of.

If none of these shows are quite what you are looking for,

you can tune into the always reliable Comedy Central for some old fashioned laughs with "South Park" and one of my personal favorites, "Crank Yankers." MTV and E! Entertainment also have shows that provide pointless, yet intriguing entertainment for many college students.

So for those of you who spend your evenings sitting in front of your television waiting for it to entertain you, your best bet is to tune into NBC or Comedy Central. An even better bet would be to get out and find entertainment for yourself. After studying, of course.



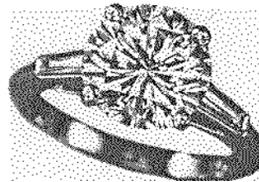
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Over 8,500 fans showed up for the first game of the season to cheer on their fellow Lopers. Students, represented in record numbers, showed their support by donning festive hats, sporting Loper apparel, and cheering from the grandstand. (below) Senior co-captain Ryan Bachman stands tall against the Mavericks.



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Mitchell Center now houses communications department

by Leslie McCormick
Antelope Staff Writer

Many UNK students returning to classes this semester were surprised to find that the communications department has moved to a new home.

The Department of Communications is now housed in the newly renovated Mitchell Communications Center, located on the south side of the Calvin T.

Ryan Library building. Work began last spring to expand the Mitchell Center so that the entire communications department could be located in one area.

The department was spread out between Mitchell Center, Thomas Hall and the Fine Arts building in previous years. Approximately 40 people worked over the summer to reor-

ganize, tear down walls and install a new air conditioning system in the area, which was used as storage for learning materials before, according to communications department secretary Judy Spivey.

In addition to two classrooms, several offices, and radio and television studios, the Mitchell Center gained one new classroom, new faculty offices, and a new reception area. The Antelope news office and Macintosh computer lab also made the move from Thomas Hall over to Mitchell. Two classrooms are now designated as "smart" classrooms, and the new Macintosh lab has more room than the old lab in Thomas Hall.

Most faculty and students are happy with the department's new home.

"It's clean, it's all together,



Photo by Karri Thunker

and there's more room," Spivey said.

The first week of classes went fairly well, although there was some confusion about

which buildings some classes would be held in.

"I actually had more confusion next door [in Thomas Hall]," Spivey said. "People

were usually more confused about where Mitchell Center was."

Many students, especially communications majors, find it easier to have all their classes and communications offices in just one area now, instead of three.

"It's more homey here. I feel more comfortable," Kacey Raile, Benkelman senior, said.

The communications program offers three main majors: journalism and mass communication, multimedia, and speech. The journalism major offers either a broadcasting or journalism option. Four options are available in the speech major: organizational communication comprehensive option, speech communication option, or speech communication 7-12 teaching subject endorsement option.

Minors are available in advertising, broadcasting, journalism, public relations, sports communication, multimedia, speech communication and speech/theatre.

According to the departments mission statement in the UNK 2002-2004 undergraduate catalog, "the Communications faculty will strive to instill in students the necessity to be independent thinkers who are able to develop ideas and clearly express them in oral and written forms; be analytical creators and critical consumers of oral and mediated messages; have an understanding of the history, theory and current issues in their discipline; have an appreciation for the diversity of people; demonstrate team skills important to leaders and followers; and possess basic technological skills."

UNK offers a myriad of student clubs, organizations

by April Refior
Antelope Staff Writer

Campus organizations--so many to choose from, but what are they really like? Three major organizations at UNK include the Industrial Distribution Organization, Campus Crusade for Christ and the LOPER Programming and Activities Council.

The Industrial Distribution Organization (IDO) is the largest of the over 150 campus organizations. The organization recently split into two groups: IDO for freshmen and sopho-

mores and Professional Association for Industrial Distributors (PAID) for juniors and seniors. IDO/PAID informs members about new and existing technology and promotes leadership that will be helpful for future employment. IDO informs members of scholarships and internships, and helps members find employment after graduation. It also sets up different events to help industrial distribution (ID) majors accomplish their career goals.

IDO boasts a career fair each fall and a yearly golf tournament. This year, 20 to 30 businesses are expected to attend the

fair--held on Oct. 13--where graduating seniors and juniors will interview for internships and jobs.

During the IDO/PAID monthly meetings, company representatives are invited to talk to students about their companies. Over Homecoming, IDO/PAID will hold a BBQ for all ID students. This semester, the club will also attempt to make the ID major more appealing to female students. For more information on IDO, contact Dr. Don Enrick at (308) 865-8287.

Campus Crusade for Christ is another organization on campus. It is student-led and staff-

directed.

"Students want to know how God fits in with their college life. It's only natural that discussion groups form to facilitate that process," campus director Matthew Groves said.

So far this semester, Campus Crusade showcased at Blue and Gold days; held Crusader "training" in the Student Union; gathered for a root beer kegger at Harmon Park; and had its first-annual Pizza Bash--including a Pepsi-chugging contest and raffles every 15 minutes.

"I was excited about the students at UNK--it's great to see them involved in the leadership

of putting stuff together. When students can add a relationship with God to academics, intellect and social skills, that's fantastic. It's kind of like developing the whole student," Groves said.

Weekly meetings are Thursdays at 7:30 in the Great Room in the Student Union, and there are many members who are in charge of small groups, residence-hall meetings or Bible-study meetings.

Formally known as SAC, the LOPER Programming and Activities Council (LPAC), is another major organization at UNK. Any student willing to volunteer his/her time and who

likes planning events for the entire student body may become a member of LPAC. LPAC consists of three standing committees and four seasonal committees which assist with Blue and Gold Welcome Week, Homecoming and planning campus entertainment. For more information on becoming a member, contact Tim Danube or Karla Falk at (308) 865-8523.

For more information on these organizations, or to see a complete list of those on campus, check out the UNK website at http://www.unk.edu/student_org/.

Johnson, Osborne emphasize importance of education

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of the continued support for programs created by the No Child Left Behind Act, much progress has been made towards reaching their goal of getting results.

"All states have submitted accountability plans to show how they will improve student achievement and provide options for students who aren't learning," said Johnson.

In addition to the No Child Left Behind Act, the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act also signifies great progress in the improvement of education.

According to the Department of Education, The Higher Education Act was created in 1965 because of a growing need for more educational opportunities among middle and lower income families, thus creating the first universal student loan program. It also gave greater assistance to programs at colleges that needed resources for help with national problems like poverty and community development.

The Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act in 1998 is what gives more than eight million students federal financial aid through such programs such as the Pell Grant, Work Study, Federal Family Education Loan, William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program. Johnson said that by 2007, programs created under the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act are hoped to lead to the following improvements in education: a reduction in the gap among college access and completion among differing groups of students, the improvement of financing options for postsecondary education, the strengthening of the capacity and ability of HBCU's and the enhancement and improvement of adult literacy and employment skills.

Johnson emphasized the importance of education to the economy, national security, and the strengthening of democracy. "A successful public school system is the foundation for a community's quality of life," she said. With the passage of the No Child Left Behind Act and the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, this foundation can

be much stronger.

Both of Osborne's and Johnson's remarks emphasized the immense role that teachers have in the lives of children today.

"Teachers are the real soldiers of democracy. Others may possess it, but teachers create it" Johnson quoted from General Omar Bradley.

UNK has a strong role to play in helping achieve the goals of improving education. According to Rep. Osborne, 25 percent of all teachers in Nebraska are graduates of UNK. Thus, UNK plays a vital role in preparing future teachers of NE for the challenges they will face as instructors, mentors and friends during the careers.

"With UNK providing a quarter of the state's teachers, you have got quite a bit of responsibility ahead of you," Johnson said. "Like your founders, you have laid a cornerstone that will shape the destiny of countless lives."

Patriot Act: invasion of privacy or promise of security?

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power, certifying that "the purpose" of the surveillance is to gather foreign intelligence information, and several other facts and representations. The Attorney General is also not required to report back to the secret court at anytime throughout the investigation. The intelligence agency has 90 days or one year (for foreign power) to obtain information through these methods.

According to the Web site www.fff.com, the secret court's role, however, is quite limited: It is not supposed to "second-guess" the government's certifications or representations. There is also no public information

about what surveillance was requested or what surveillance actually occurred, except for a raw annual report of the number of requests made and the number granted (the secret court has only refused one request). In response to the Patriot Act, 32 organizations have approached Congress about modifying the section that allows the government to secretly inspect America's buying and borrowing habits. These organizations endorse the Sanders Bill, which was filed in March and would exempt bookstore sales records and library-borrowing records from some provisions of the act. Ninety cities and towns across America are also in resistance of the Patriot Act and have passed

resolutions against it, the *Boston Globe* reports.

Has the Patriot Act crossed over into Invasion of Privacy? Katie Campuzano of Kearney stated, "The Patriot Act is lacking our government's checks and balances program. The intelligence agencies are approved by one secret court; more government officials need to be involved in such a big decision.

"Privacy is our right as Americans and I don't feel the intelligence agencies are required to give enough reasoning for why they're spying on people."

Matt Schulte, also of Kearney, has a somewhat conflicting view. "I feel that because libraries are a publicly-funded

organization, the government should have the right to view library records. As for the internet, I feel that I should have security and privacy to use the equipment that I've purchased." When asked if the Patriot Act is a worthwhile method in saving our country from acts of terrorism," he said.

"No, I don't feel this act will accomplish what the government thinks it will. I actually think the

Patriot Act is doing exactly what terrorists want. They want Americans to be paranoid and they love the attention they're receiving," Pat Campbell, Kearney sophomore, said. "As long as the government's intentions are to stop terrorists' actions I'm completely for this act. I'm willing to give up my right of privacy for this cause because personally, I have nothing to hide."

The passing of the Patriot Act asks a major question: Should Americans be forced to give up their right to privacy in order to obtain information that may lead to the arrest of a terrorist? Where will it end? The issue is split, with some people willing to do anything to capture terrorists living in our country and others feel that laws like the Patriot Act are giving these terrorists exactly what they want: fear.

Students dismayed with gas

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million people to go at least 50 miles from home, up two percent from last year.

Many students took advantage of the three-day weekend and drove home. But with the budget that many students are on, it is possible that some students chose to save money and stay in Kearney.

However, some believe it seems unlikely that high gas prices will deter anyone from traveling, even students.

"Everyone has to buy gas no matter what, and I don't think it will prevent anyone from travel-

ing. If they weren't going to buy gas to drive home they were going to have to buy gas to drive around Kearney. But it just tends to frustrate people when the prices are so high," Courtney Mimick, Columbus senior, said.

Some students find the gas prices not only a financial nuisance, but also disruptive to other parts of their lives as well.

"The gas prices prevent us from going home as often as we would like," Emily Brady, Wayne freshman, said.

Brady and her friend Alise Bethune, who carpoled home with another friend over the weekend, find that Kearney gas

prices tend to be higher than many other places.

"It's cheaper where we're from so we buy the minimum amount of gas in Kearney and then fill up someplace where it is a little cheaper," Alise Bethune, Wayne freshman, said.

UNK students and the rest of the country should get a reprieve from the high gas prices in the coming weeks and months. Traders expect demand for U.S. gasoline, which soaks up 12 percent of the world oil supply, to ease after the Labor Day weekend. A decrease in demand should drive down the cost the gasoline.



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