Sex Signals keeps audience involved

BY TARA PURDIE
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The halls of the Fine Arts Building were buzzing with lines of people awaiting entrance for “Sex Signals” on Oct. 1. Alcohol, fraternity members, resident advisors and many other students flooded into the Rec Hall to watch the sexual awareness presentation.

Some students get more than they expected from the event and said there are usually three main types of students who attend career fair. The undecided or deciding students are usually freshmen or sophomores. These students haven’t decided what type of career they are interested in. They were able to consider careers ranging from government agencies to nonprofit organizations at the Career Fair.

The second group is students who are looking for an internship and the third type of students are seniors looking for a job.

“Two weeks ago, I was really just looking for an internship, and today I have a couple of job offers,” said junior Erin McGovern. “I have been talking with financial firms and they have contacted me about a job opportunity.”

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I thought that her work was very interesting - the mediums that she used, how she put them together with other pieces of art and how it’s set up and arranged,” said Jennifer Richardson, an art historian from Dundy County.

“UNK is creatively working to grow its enrollment in ways that will keep the institution strong, and at the same time, provide a rich and diverse environment for all our students to live, study, and learn,” Curtis Carlson, Vice Chancellor for University Relations.

The Walker Art Gallery is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Thanks to the Pentecostals of Nebraska and the Nebraska Book Award, the Mitchell Center for the Arts is proud to present a new exhibition, "The Register Series: Ceramics and the Book".
Homecoming theme brings on decades of fun

BY MEGAN WENZ Antelope Staff

UNK tradition falls upon another year as homecoming. “Through the Decades” began this week. School spirit, lip-sync, tricycle races and a parade are just some of the events scheduled.

Homecoming is one of the most competitive weeks for students throughout the year. Each residence hall, Greek organization and some student organizations are assembled to create teams that compete in the event-filled week.

Each team has opportunity to earn points each day by participating in these competitions with four or more team members.

For each event, students are asked to participate with their respective residence hall, Greek organization, or other student group.

For the spirit competition, students create a cheer using the theme of this year’s homecoming, along with other specifications set by the judges.

For the tricycle race, each team can have four members participate.

Lip-sync can have as many contestants as needed. Each activity brings a good representation of campus to compete.

“Lip-sync is my favorite homecoming activity. It’s really funny to compete and see what the teams come up with and who wins,” Annie Adams, a junior from Sutherland, said.

A different aspect added to this year’s event is that each team is able to gain more points by having their team members dress to the decade. On Monday, for the limbo competition, team members are asked to dress like they are in the 1950s and so on throughout the week.

To find that competitive urge, come challenge your fellow classmates and enjoy UNK tradition at the same time. Homecoming royalty will be crowned on Thursday during the football game and the balls have been distributed to UNK student email accounts. The queen candidates include Brittany Davison, Claire Bryan, Kamy Jorgenson and Justin Lyons. The king candidates include Caleb Craig, Mason Douglass, Tony Lopez and Chris Hcin.

Homecoming highlights Sigma Phi Epsilon traditions

“Lots of planning and creativity goes into making the Lip-sync and other events successful. Winning is a big plus, but it doesn’t always mean the most for the fraternity.”

Burke Wilson

Vice president of recruitment

Homecoming is a continuous ritual among many high schools, colleges and universities throughout the United States. It’s famous for welcoming back alumni and hosting events for fellow students and visiting organizations for fellow students.

As the University of Nebraska Kearney (UNK), six days span in the month of October to host the festivities. Activities such as limbo, lip-sync, trike racing and spirit competition battles between campus residence halls, fraternities, sororities and other UNK organizations.

One of the Kearney’s oldest fraternities and biggest member of the Greek resident hall, Sigma Phi Epsilon, is one of many groups that keep school spirit alive during the week. Most recently in 2007, Sigma Phi Epsilon placed third in all combined events. In 2004, the group claimed gold with a first place overall finish.

“Everyone just loves getting involved with it and having a good time,” junior vice president of recruitment Burke Wilson said. “It’s a great time to take some time off from classes and express a little creativity in another area of UNK.”

Seventy males represent Sigma Phi Epsilon. Their house, which is located on University Drive, couldn’t represent anything other than sports. Upon entrance, you’re greeted with trophies and plaques that decorate the main hall. Nearly 40 trophies show the fraternities excellence in sports and other campus activities, which is in the top amongst other Greek chapters. It’s apparent the group breathes organization and you’re greeted with trophies and plaques that decorate the main hall.

Although Homecoming is a big asset to Sigma Phi Epsilon, it is not used as a recruiting tool. “We don’t place a lot of emphasis on Homecoming with recruits,” Wilson said. “We highlight the fact that it is a great time to meet other members of the Greek community.”

Sigma Phi Epsilon is set to travel “Through the Decades,” the Homecoming theme, as festivities kicked off on October, Monday, Oct. 6 with a limbo activity. They run through Oct. 11, which ends in fashion with the UNK football game against New Mexico Highlands. In the previous seven Homecoming games, the Lopers are 5-2. If tradition holds true, celebration will continue into the night for everyone involved on campus.

Meet the candidates for 2008 Homecoming King and Queen

How to get there:

Take 1-90 to 120th Street exit
Take 120th Street North to 43rd Street
Take 43rd Street West to 11th Street
Take 11th Street South to 3rd Avenue
Take 3rd Avenue East to 23rd Street
Take 23rd Street North to the Homecoming Parade Field

Lunch Specials end at 2:00 P.M. Monday-Friday
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Freshman QB Spitzlberger leads Lopers

BY GARRETT RITONYA
photo courtesy of Lopers.com

At the beginning of the year, we were supposed to rotate every two series between myself and Hobby," said Spitzlberger. "After my performance against UNO in the second half, I was put in to start against Western State, and I haven't looked back since.

Two weeks ago, Spitzlberger led the Lopers against the 11th ranked Chadron State Eagles, putting in a valiant per- formance before the Eagles put it away in the fourth quarter for a 37-14 win. Said Spitzlberger, "I lost some confidence earlier in the game, but I think we learned from that experience so far this year.

The Chadron State game was far and away my favorite game of the season, despite the loss," said Spitzlberger. "The competi- tion level was so high, with the crowd talking trash and that is what any quarterback playing college football loves.

Coming out of high school in Denver, Spitzlberger said he had a lot of offers from different colleges that wanted him to play defense back, but UNK gave him the opportunity to come in as a quarterback with a chance to start all four years. That was the main selling point for Spitzlberger, and after redshirting last season, he is now the starting quarterback for a Loper squad that looks to finish the season strong.

"We know the Chadron game would be one of ouroughest battles, and we hung in with them all game and should have won," said Spitzlberger, "I don’t see us losing another game for the rest of the season.

A rather bold statement for a freshman quarterback, but Spitzlberger said he has the tools to back it up. He said he spent 10 to 15 hours a week studying game films of other op- portunities, learning their defensive schemes. The Lopers offense is filled with audibles that are called at the line of scrimmage, giving Spitzlberger the run at the quarterback spot.

This week, the Lopers take on RMAC opponent New Mexico-Highlands in a home- coming matchup. The following is a full

Storm hockey ready for fresh start in '08

BY GARRETT RITONYA

A new era of hockey has be- gun in Kearney and the Tri-City Storm want you to experience it. Fans should expect a Barry of goals and a blend of speed and power that the Storm haven’t seen in quite a while.

"The team has a press conference Thursday afternoon at the FirstFire Event Center to dis- cuss their outlook on the upcoming season.

"This is an interesting time for the Storm hockey franchise," said Kyle Mean, VP of Sales and Marketing for the Storm. "We are entering a new era and lots of eyes will be looking to see what will happen.

"This week is a coming off a disappointing season last year after finishing 34-1-2 and missing the playoffs. The Storm are re- turning only five starters from last year’s team as they are look- ing to rejig their offensive and defensive line-up.

One of the Storm's return- ing starters is leading scorer Mike Ciche, a starting Forward from New Hartford, Conn. He led the team last season in points with 35 (16 goals and 19 assists) and he entered his second career in the Tri-City hockey franchise last year.

"We really want to get more students here to see the Storm, and we hope this new era of hockey can usher in a new brand of fans," Means said. "This team will be filled with hometown pride, the community and the fans that this team is one to watch out for!"

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Cross country ready for Loper Open

BY JONATHAN CANNON
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UNK’s Cross Country Team has gotten off to a great start with many runners performing well this year. The Lopers are currently ranked first in the region after the men’s team has been the best times I’ve run since my freshman year, and I think we’re doing it well. I think we’re doing it well as a team as well."

This year, the Loper Open could give the men’s and women’s cross country teams previews into re- gional rankings. Schools from both the RMAC conference and the region will be in attendance to run and to preview the course that will be used for the regional meet which will be held in Kearney on Nov. 3. Kearney will host this meet for the first time since 2001.

Photo by Charlie of Lopers.com
Chris Hennessy, a senior from North Platte, is the captain of the men’s team that has performed well this year. UNK will host the Loper Open Saturday at the Kear- ney Country Club.
Despite its name, the focus of UNK Band Day is not on UNK’s band; instead, it is all about mentoring the high school bands that attend.

Each year the UNK band invites area high school bands to march in a parade down Central Avenue onto the UNK campus, giving those bands the opportunity to be critiqued by judges as well as gain marching experience.

“Judges from all over Nebraska attend the band day, giving high school bands insight into what to improve upon. ‘We bring in bands and give them feedback on marching styles, [and we] offer this opportunity before any state marching band contest. It’s mostly for the high schools and what can we do to help them improve, what can we do to make them the best possible band they can be,’” said Stacy Laue, a senior language arts major from Kearney.

The day is enjoyable for UNK band students as well. “Our purpose is just to be a band. We’re not worried about the judging, because we know that we can already perform our absolute best,” Laue said.

“Parades are my favorite, just because we’re not the only band there. This parade is a chance for us to enjoy a parade and see other high school bands from around the state,” Laue said.