'Tis the season to find a job

BY BRIANA DUNCAN
Antelope Staff

During the school year, many college students have part-time jobs to help fund their education. What about when school isn’t in session? Christmas break is a great time for college students to make some extra cash.

Most wouldn’t complain about having an extra income during the holidays. Between shopping for gifts for family and friends and throwing festive parties, the money can get a little low. Seasonal jobs are the perfect solution to get your bank account back up and boost a biweekly paycheck. Retailers often offer store discounts, which can be used for gift purchases or a Christmas day outfit.

Seasonal jobs can also allow students to try a new job field, meet many new people, try new skills and also possibly continue as a full-time job. Most employers make a flexible schedule during the holidays, so students can possibly take on another job or visit family at home.

The big question is, where is the best place to find this holiday employment? Two industries extremely grateful for holiday staff: retail stores and restaurants. Places such as Old Navy, Toys "R" Us, or even Party America are great seasonal stores that need the extra help.

Hotels also offer seasonal jobs due to the travelers visiting families near and far.

Logan Bruner, a junior pre-nuclear medicine and radiography major of Shelton knows exactly how he’s going to spend his Christmas break. “I plan on refereeing basketball in surrounding towns like Elm Creek and Gothenburg,” Bruner said. Bruner referees during break but also continues when classes are in session.

Some students may not be working the entire break due to busy schedules but use the time off to get in some extra hours.

“I am working for just half of the

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REACH FOR THE DIPLOMA

Photo by Teri Shepard
Clinton Norgaard, a senior theater major with a minor in performing arts from Maywood is planning on staying in Kearney until May, and afterwards is moving to Austin, Texas. "I'm trying to make it as an actor while teaching youth, and I'd also like to take some classes about film. I'd love to be in film," Norgaard said.

Meet more seniors & see who's graduating page 8
Cranky and ready for a real Christmas
One mom's hope for herself and others during the season

BY DEANN REED
Antelope Staff

The holidays can make the most civil person turn into Ebenezer Scrooge. Live long enough and you begin to resent the ever-increasing commercialization of a holiday that wasn’t meant to be about us.

The other night my family and I watched Tim Allen in “Christmas with the Kranks.” Poor guy—he just couldn’t win. He didn’t want to celebrate Christmas like everyone else; he wanted to take his wife and head out on a Caribbean cruise. His neighbors, however, just wouldn’t leave him alone because they wanted him to comply with what they cherished most at Christmas—lawn decorations.

Why is it that the birth of Christ has somehow become the celebration of us? Instead, “Merry Christmas” becomes the politically correct “Happy Holidays” because we are so afraid of offending anyone who might not like the idea that Christmas is the celebration of Christ’s MAS!

Okay look. Happy Holidays is still Happy Holi-Day! It doesn’t matter what you call it. Christmas was meant to focus on the birth of the Messiah. Believe or not, Christmas isn’t about gifts. It’s about the Gift: a beautiful precious gift that was given with no regard to our standing, our position or even our class. And for that I am eternally thankful.

I love the Christmas story. I love it because it reminds me that the greatest things in life are often wrapped in the clot of innocence. A child can change everything. As a parent, I remember holding each one of my children right after their birth and being reduced to sobs over their frail, sweet bodies and knowing what a failure of human being they would have for a mother. I was lost. Lost in the joy of knowing I couldn’t do it right and recognized that Mary probably thought the same. She had no clue of what the future held for her son, and like her, I don’t either.

I worry that my children will live in a world that will teach them that the value of life is all about them. And then one day when they have had the career they have always wanted: the car, the house and the two point five kids, they will hold in their arms the empty values that many have tried before and found wanting. The truth is, life isn’t found in the temporary trappings of this existence.

That’s why at Christmas it is so important to understand why and what this celebration means.

Christmas opens the door to hope and the truth about life. Christmas holds out to each of us that the way to find life, laughter and yes, joy is in sacrificing what is best for something better. Christmas is realizing that our vain attempts to buy that next gadget or toy won’t mean as much as the time we spent valuing people over possessions and eternity over the now.

I always ask my kids one question at Christmas time. What did we buy you last year? Seldom do they quickly come up with last year’s gift. Shoot, sometimes they can’t even find it! Then I say, see that’s why gifts are so lame—they leave no lasting impression on what is important.

Perhaps, Mr. Krank had it right. He wanted to focus on his plan and treasure his most prized possession—his wife. He may have seemed like a selfish son of gun to his neighbors, but he wanted something different, something that he could cherish in the twilight years with his wife, his memories.

“…And Mary cherished these things in her heart.” This season instead of cherishing gifts, let’s cherish what the season is really about. And in case you were wondering, it ain’t us!

ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS

With Christmas fast approaching, many students are making a list and checking it twice of all the items they would like to see under their Christmas trees. Among the most popular items are the XBox 360, Playstatation 3 and the Nintendo Wii.
A three-year degree may be the solution to rising costs of higher education

BY TRAVIS SCHOTT
Antelope Staff

Students at UNK must complete a minimum of 125 credit hours to earn a bachelor’s degree. In order to accomplish this in four years, they must successfully complete 16 hours per semester. According to UNK factbook, just 22.4 percent of those students who enrolled as freshman in 2004-05 are on schedule to graduate in four years. Additionally, graduation rate information fails to reflect the number of students who already attained advanced placement credits while in high school.

It may be safe to assume many of those students actually procuring a degree in four years likely amassed some college level credits before enrollment at the university level.

The truth is, according to an October Newsweek publication, the average time it takes students to procure an undergraduate degree at UNK in three years, but it takes a high level of commitment. The numbers reflect few are willing to tackle such an undertaking. According to UNK factbook, 1.5 percent of students enrolling in 2006 are on schedule to graduate this year. Once again, however, these statistics neglect to note what percentage of those students already had college credit from another university or how many are transfers.

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It's about the journey, not the end result.

BY CHEVONNE FORGEY
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It’s only days now until I walk down the plank to receive my college diploma and jump into a world full of 40-hour weeks and paying my own health insurance.

This graduation though, differs greatly from my high school graduation. My college degree has been my own pursuit, my own personal desire to obtain what some may call “just a piece of paper.” It’s my way of strategically placing myself in this world and setting myself up for the future.

The hours of endless studying, the papers, the group projects and the financial struggles that engulf a college student have been tiresome and stressful, and now the payoff is here.

I wouldn’t change a single day of my college career. I was never a perfect student, and in college I learned to be a better student. Sure I’ve missed my fair share of classes. I’m not ashamed to say I’ve failed a course or two. (Note to all freshmen or incoming freshman: Never schedule 8 a.m. or 8:30 a.m. classes unless you are 100 percent secure in your ability to make it on time, every time.)

I’ve also overslept a few tests. I’ve missed assignments, but that’s what makes this graduation all that more important. I never gave up. College is the place where anyone can succeed as long as the hard work and effort is there.

I can still remember my first week of finals ever, back in the winter of 2005. I was a freshman at UNL. Sitting up in the eighth floor of my dorm, I didn’t even think to start studying for my analytical music final until six hours before the test. Trust me—I never studied for a final like that again.

Along with all of the academic endeavors, college also taught me how to be an adult. I learned all about backing up my documents on my laptop and renters insurance after getting robbed my junior year of college. I’ve also learned how to pay my monthly bills and how to part with “necessities,” such as cable TV and Internet for a whole year.

All the obstacles in the classroom and in life have attributed to my success and my accomplishment of receiving my degree. And on Dec. 18 I will close one chapter in my life, only to open the doors of another.

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INTERNSHIP TO THE REAL WORLD

Speech pathology graduate student Tessa Howsden from Kearney will attend UNK for one more semester before her semester-long internships. She will first work in Lincoln at School Middle School in hearing intervention and speech/language therapy. Then, she will work in Syracuse at Good Samaritan Hospital with clients who have dysphasia.
After graduation, Howsden hopes to work for a travel agency to travel and work across the country.

AN EXCITING EXPERIENCE

Tiffany Bloomquist, a senior business administration and accounting major from Cario, signs up for her last semester of classes at UNK. After graduation in May, Bloomquist plans to find a business auditing job within the tri-city area.
Celebrating a blue and gold Christmas
UNK athletes spend holidays on the court instead of in front of a fireplace

BY MATT TOMJACK
Antelope Sports Staff

As you head home for the holidays, keep in mind that not everyone is so lucky. The members of the UNK men’s and women’s basketball teams and the men of the wrestling team have to remain here in Kearney for part of their break. As we all head home for some much needed relaxation, these athletes compete for the pride of UNK.

For all three of these teams, their semester break is limited to around a week. “When all of the other students are gone, it can get semi-lonely in the dorms,” said Vanessa Leeper, a business marketing major from Colorado Springs, Colo. “Other than that, it is nice being able to focus on basketball and having a laid-back schedule.”

Vanessa Leeper
Sophomore/Colorado Springs, Colo.

According to May the athletes consider each other family, especially during the holidays. “I believe that we are one big family away from a small one. Each of us plays an instrumental role in the program, and when you bring all the instruments together, it’s just about like being at home surrounded by family. That helps keep our morale up during break.”

Coaches take notice of the strain placed upon their athletes and take action to lighten the load. “In years past we’ve had a little fun with some of our conditioning workouts. This has included an array of different sports,” May said.

While being away from your family can be disheartening for these athletes, they all agree that there are perks to competing during the break. “It’s great not having to worry about homework and being able to focus solely on basketball,” said Josiah Parker, a senior business management and pre-physical therapy major from Lincoln. Parker, May and Leeper all agree that this break would be a lot worse if they didn’t have their teammates by their side.

As you are sitting around your house, keep those who are competing for you in your thoughts. You can rest assured that these athletes will do everything they can to bring their respective championships back to UNK. I think May put it best when he says “Happy Holidays and Go Lopers!”

'The Crew' is looking for you

BY JENNIFER KARDELL
Antelope Sports Staff

When you think of Nebraska, the first thing that usually comes to mind is Husker football. The last thing you would probably think of is the sport of hockey.

However, the mind-set may have changed in the last couple years. There are three United States Hockey League teams in the state of Nebraska. One of them is located right here in Kearney, the Tri-City Storm.

Even though Kearney has many athletic events and sources of entertainment, UNK students still find time to get together to create and become a support group for the Storm. Known as “The Crew,” this group is led by Nathan Gile, a senior business management major from Clay Center, Kan.

To some, hockey may not seem to be very interesting, especially if you have never been to a game. Head Crew member Gile thought along these lines until he witnessed the sport firsthand. Gile realizes you this is not the case with hockey, “I went to my first hockey game the season before last, and when I went, I wasn’t really expecting it to be fun. I never really got into hockey before I went, but once I went I became a hockey fanatic.

“I think this is the same with most of the college kids around here. They don’t know the game and don’t think it would be much fun, so hopefully we can get people to go once. I think that if they go just once, it will bring them back again and again. I went to all the games last year and haven’t missed one this year.”

‘The Crew’ is one of the many new additions to the arena and to the team this year and will have a section in which they will sit for 10 of the Storm’s 30 home games. The purpose of the members is to be loud, rowdy and above all, have fun while supporting the team.

Students can join “The Crew” on Facebook and will also have many benefits such as discounted $5 tickets to be a part of a great hockey experience. The benefits don’t stop there. With the purchase of the ticket, students will receive a drink and will also be able to get discounts on team merchandise as well the opportunity to get “Crew” shirts to support the group as well as the team.

HOLIDAY LOPER ATHLETIC EVENTS

MEN’S BASKETBALL
Dec. 18 - @ UNO | 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 2 - vs. Doane | 7 p.m.
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL
Dec. 18 - @ UNO | 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 2 - @ Drury | 2 p.m.
Jan. 6 - vs. York | 6 p.m.
WRESTLING
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Dec. 19 - @ UNL | 2 p.m.
Jan. 2 - Dana Open | 9 a.m.

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Lopers place eight in top six during Loper Open

133-pound senior Joey Morrison of Lincoln goes for a pin this past weekend during the Loper Open. The Lopers, ranked 8th in Division II, host this event every year, and it brings in larger and better competition each time. This Loper Open saw wrestlers competing from schools such as Wyoming, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Chadron State and UNO. The event is a non-team scoring contest, so wrestlers can feature their skills individually. Leading the way for the Lopers was 149-pound sophomore T.J. Hepburn of East Hampton, Conn. He captured his second tournament title in two weeks by finishing 5-0 in his weight class.

The Loper wrestling team faces a tough challenge Friday when they will dual both Central Michigan and Nebraska in Lincoln. From there, the Lopers will kick off 2010 traveling to Dana for the Dana Open on Jan. 2.

Men's basketball splits two-game road trip to Colorado, second in East division

BY JASON ARENS
Antelope Sports Staff

The UNK men’s basketball squad had a pair of games in Colorado heading into this past weekend. First on the 11th, the Lopers took on opponent Adams State College in Alamosa, Colo. After trailing early, the Lopers grabbed a halftime lead and never looked back, getting a 86-76 victory. Max Froehlich led the way for the Lopers with a career-high 30 points in the win. Chris Deans nailed four three-pointers, and ended the game with 14 points. Co-head coach Tom Kropp stressed how important it would be for someone to step up in the absence of Drake Beranek, and Froehlich’s 30 points did just that.

Following the Friday night win over Adams State, the Lopers traveled 150 miles further west to Durango for a match-up with Fort Lewis on Saturday. Fort Lewis, with only one loss on the season, jumped out to an early lead and held on to defeat the Lopers 85-70, thanks in part to 14 three-pointers made throughout the course of the game. Josiah Parker was top scorer for UNK with 15 points, to go along with nine rebounds.

The Lopers return from Colorado with a 6-4 record and will prepare for a road match-up against the University of Nebraska at Omaha on Dec. 18. UNK is currently rated second in the East Division of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference behind Metro State.

Antelope NFL Picks of the Week

BY JASON ARENS
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Eric Korth, Hastings
Former Antelope Sports Editor, 43-32

Jason Arens, Springview
91.3 KLPR Sports Director, 50-27

Garrett Ritonya, Omaha
Current Antelope Sports Editor, 52-25

Cassondra Keck, Blair
Special Guest Picker
UNK softball savior

Dallas Cowboys at New Orleans Saints
Miami Dolphins at Tennessee Titans
Cincinnati Bengals at San Diego Chargers
Green Bay Packers at Pittsburgh Steelers
Chicago Bears at Baltimore Ravens
New York Giants at Washington Redskins
More total yards: Kurt Warner/Detroit

New Orleans
Tennessee
San Diego
Green Bay
Baltimore
New York
Kurt Warner

New Orleans
Miami
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Loper track team off to a fast start

BY CLAYTON KUSH
Antelope Sports Staff

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Loper of the Week

Brooke Harris, a sophomore music education major from Dickens, competed in her first track race of the season this past Friday, Dec. 11, at the UNK Pre-Holiday Open. Harris ran the mile and was a part of the women’s 4x400 meter relay. Harris took first in the mile with a time 5:20.11, and the relay she was in also took first with a time of 4:16.39.

What is your favorite:
- Color: Pink and yellow
- Movie: "Phantom of the Opera"
- Song: “Absolutely (Story of a Girl)” by Nine Days
- Band: Relient K
- Actor: Orlando Bloom
- TV Show: "Lost"
- Food: Cereal

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?
- Talking to friends, or taking a nap!

Besides running, what is your favorite hobby?
- Playing my flute and piano, listening to music and writing.

What is your favorite sport to watch?
- Anything track and NBA Basketball.

What is a quote you live by?
- "There's nothing left to prove. I'm just trying to be a better version of me for you." -Relient K
Fall 2009 Graduates

ALBION
Sarah Ahlers BA JOURN: MASS MEDIA

ALMA
Jessica Vickers MSE COMMUNITY COUNSELING

ARCADIA
Shane Fernau BAE HEALTH & PHYSICAL ED K-12
Kelli VanSlyke BAE MILD/MODERATE K-6 FIELD MILD/MODERATE 7-12 FIELD

ARNOLD
Kerri Coleman BS SOCIAL WORK COMP H.M.

ASHLAND
Patrick Christiansen BS CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMP
Megan Smits BAE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6 EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED

ASHTON
Kayla Schachta BS SOCIAL WORK COMP

ATKINSON
Debra Ecklund BS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP Magna
Sarah Ryan BAE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6 EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED
Kylie Tielke BS JOURN: PUBLIC RELATIONS
Kevin Vrooman BS CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COMP Magna

AXTELL
Kael Anderbery BS CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMP H.M.
Nancy Oertle BS SOCIAL WORK COMP Summa

BATTLE CREEK

Stephanie Bonner BS BIOLOGY COMP Cum Laude/H

BEatrice
Brandy Brodersen MAE READING PK-12
Nathaniel Eskra BFA VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS & DESIGN

BELLEVUE
Amber Hatch MAE CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION
Erin Inselman MAE SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP PK-8
Ozzie Smith BS BUSINESS ADMIN COMP

BENKELMAN
Charles Hall BS CONSTRUCTION

BENNINGTON
Konni in den Bosch MSE INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

BERTRAND
Katie Forster BAE HISTORY EDUCATION 7-12 ENGLISH AS 2ND LANGUAGE

BATTLE CREEK

Congratulations, Seniors!

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Are you a graduating senior and know of family members or friends who are unfortunately not going to make it to this year’s commencement?

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GRADUATE UNDER PRESSURE

A few weeks after completing his nursing classes, senior Douglass Haas of Oshkosh, practices taking the blood pressure of his cousin. Haas has received a position in the Progressive Care Unit at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Haas’ mom bought this blood pressure cuff at a garage sale for him at a bargain price. At 22, Haas is very relieved to graduate and finally begin his nursing career.
**CONGRATULATIONS, SENIORS!**

**CAMBRIDGE**  
Matthew Depperschmidt  BS  SPORTS ADMIN  
COMP BUSINESS ADMIN  
Levi Hilker  BAE  ELEMENTARY EDUCATION  
K-6  *Magna/PKP*

**CEDAR BLUFFS**  
Matthew Buchanan  BS  GEOGRAPHY  
POLITICAL SCIENCE  *H.M.*

**CENTRAL CITY**  
Keisha Anderson  BAE  MIDDLE GRADES 4-9  
*Summa/H*

**CLAY CENTER**  
Melissa Anderson  MAE  SPECIAL EDUCATION  
David Essink  EDS  SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

**COLEBRIDGE**  
Heather Leapley  BS  FAMILY STUDIES  *Cum Laude*

**COLUMBUS**  
Adeline Kluth  MAE  SPECIAL EDUCATION  
Jason Lescelius  BS  PSYCHOLOGY COMP  
April Marty  BS  CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
Elizabeth Uchtman  BA  THEATRE  
Rhett Wurst  BSE  BIOLOGY EDUCATION 7-12  
HEALTH EDUCATION 7-12  *Magna*

**COMSTOCK**  
Joshua Granger  BS  BIOLOGY

**COZAD**  
Teresa Osborn  MAE  SCHOOL PRINCIPALSHIP 7-12

**CREIGHTON**  
Mary Johnson  MAE  SPECIAL EDUCATION

**CROFTON**  
Jessica Thunker  BAE  EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED  
ELEM ED K-6  *Magna*

**CURTIS**  
Taylor Wolfe  BAE  ART EDUCATION K-12

**DANNEBROG**  
Nathan Christensen  BS  BUSINESS ADMIN COMP

**DESHLER**  
John Riens  MS  BIOLOGY

**DUNCAN**  
Justin Stamm  BS  APPLIED COMPUTER  
SCIENCE

**ELK Horn**  
Amy Tranmer  MAE  CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

**ELM CREEK**  
Logan Brodine  MAE  PHYSICAL ED EXERCISE  
SCIENCE  
Jami Ellis  BAE  LANGUAGE ARTS 7-12

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Senior travel and tourism major Allison Shinstock of Lincoln, writes her last paper after her internship in Hawaii. Shinstock spent the semester in Hawaii learning hotel management. "It was sad to leave Hawaii but I am so excited to graduate. All I have left is my internship write-up and I am done," Shinstock said.
CONSTRUCTIVE CAREER

Congratulations, Seniors!

Senior Noriaki Naruse takes time off to read. Naruse graduates at semester with a degree in construction management and hopes to pursue a career in the United States with a construction company. He is currently taking advantage of the recent snowfall since his hometown, Miki, Japan, lacks the drifts. Naruse will definitely miss all the people he has met while in college and the atmosphere UNK brings to its students.

Hildreth
Alisha Eden BS FAMILY STUDIES
Matt Fritz BS BUSINESS ADMIN COMP H.M.

Hoffrege
Jennifer Nelsen BS CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Nicholas Weaver BS RECREATION/PARK/TOURISM

Hooper
Jordan Katt MS BIOLOGY
Meredith Roberts BAE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION K-6

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SUMMARY

My experiences at UNK have been both rewarding and challenging. I have learned a lot about myself and my abilities through my coursework and extracurricular activities.

My favorite course was Introduction to Psychology. The professor was very engaging and made the material interesting and easy to understand. I also enjoyed the hands-on activities that were part of the course.

I was a member of the Psychology Club and participated in several activities, including a community service project that involved volunteering at a local animal shelter.

In the future, I plan to pursue a career in mental health. I believe that the skills I have developed during my time at UNK will be valuable in this field.

Thank you for your support and encouragement throughout my college journey. I am looking forward to what the future holds.

Sincerely,

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Congratulations, Seniors!

Some lessons can’t be learned in the classroom!

Contact SSG Cliff Poessnecker 308-440-1725
Senior family studies major Danielle Shultz studies for her last round of final exams before graduating. Shultz not only has the stress of finals to deal with, but also the additional strain of working part time at the Kearney Public Library and finishing up volunteer hours at the YWCA before the semester is over.
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UNK senior Casey Baney a marketing major graduating in December strums his guitar to pass some time between his last classes. Baney was originally born in Seoul, Korea, and moved to Benkelman, Neb., when he was 3 months old. He enjoys a variety of different hobbies from playing guitar to video games and has a passion for extreme sports such as snowboarding and wakeboarding. Baney also has served a 4-year term for the United States National Guard.
Congratulations, Seniors!

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Andy Loseke is a senior business administration major with a marketing emphasis from Kearney. Though Loseke is graduating in December, he kept school a priority his last semester. “I focused on classes I needed to get done because my advisor helped me figure out what I needed to take, but after I completed that I was left with 12 credits of non-businesses hours to take,” Loseke said. He finished his college experience with classes such as country and ballroom dancing, volleyball, swimming and Adobe software classes.
Travel back in time with the Frank House this holiday season

BY JESSICA HUEBERT
Antelope Staff

Get in the holiday spirit by taking a trip back to the late 1800s during this year’s Holiday Walk for the Frank House. Come enjoy the 1889 home, decorated in its holiday finest, along with holiday music and hot cider during this annual benefit for the historic home located on the southwest corner of the UNK campus.

“The volunteer group, Friends of the Frank House, have put much time into making the house beautiful for the holidays,” said KrisAnn Sullivan, the director of the Frank House. “Kearney Floral and the Country Crossroads Quilt Guild have also donated much of the décor. We are still in the process of rehabilitating the home and making it true to its original 1890s look. Quite a bit of headway has been made over the last year, and we want to share it with the community.”

The Frank House was completed in 1889 and was one of the first houses west of the Missouri River to be wired during the construction for electricity. It was home to George W. Frank, his wife Phoebe and their children. The family has a very rich and interesting history. George’s father was a doctor, abolitionist, conductor on the Underground Railroad and a pioneer for what is now the Republican Party. Phoebe was a direct descendant of William Penn, and when the family arrived here in Kearney they were very involved with the early electric development of the city.

The house has numerous pieces that actually belonged to the Franks when they lived there over 100 years ago. The home was considered a mansion in its day, and is still as stunning as ever with its grand staircase, chandeliers and Victorian architecture.

The house will be open 1 to 7 p.m. from Tuesday, Dec. 15 through Saturday, Dec. 19, with guided tours at 1:30 and 6 p.m. each day.

“We’ve been having the holiday walk since the 1970s,” Sullivan said. “It’s a festive celebration that allows us to share the history and beauty of the house with the community.”

The Frank House’s regular hours are 2 to 5 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays, and noon to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. It is also available for group tours, receptions and other events by reservation.

The Frank House is dressed in its holiday best for its annual benefit, Holiday Walk for the Frank House, Dec. 15-17. Guests can enjoy hot cider and Christmas music as they explore the late 1800s mansion.