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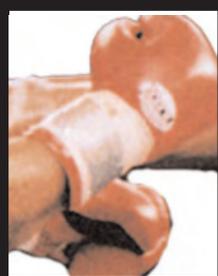
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Photo by Cory J. Helie
Applications for those wishing to take advantage of the new law regarding concealed handguns are available on the Nebraska State Patrol website. http://www.nsp.state.ne.us/Docs/Forms/CCW_NSP1710_Application.pdf.

Concealed Weapons Out in the Open

Permits for handguns now available

Sarah E. Schreiter
Antelope News Staff

Nebraskans wishing to carry a concealed handgun may apply for a permit to do so as of Jan. 1, 2007.

The new law, titled LB 454, known as the "Concealed Handgun Permit Act," was passed last year.

This law allows persons over the age of 21 to apply for a permit at the Nebraska State Patrol offices.

Applicants must submit a completed and notarized application form, proof of identification, proof of citizenship, proof of address, and proof of vision abilities. A current Nebraska motor vehicle operator's license or a current statement by a Nebraska licensed ophthalmologist or optometrist are acceptable forms for the latter require-

ment. Many students at UNK are surprised and worried about the effects this new law will have.

"I don't like it. It really makes me feel unsafe...I think the crime rate will increase. I'm sure that they have restrictions on who will be allowed to apply for a permit, but there are a lot of people out there who just haven't had the opportunity to commit a crime yet. I'm uncomfortable with the fact that Nebraska is giving people that opportunity," said Melissa Frahm, a freshman from Wayne, Neb.

Liz Uchtman, a junior theatre major from Columbus, Neb., said, "Everybody should get the

chance to apply for a permit, but if they have one strike against them they should get that chance taken away."

Even though some believe that the permit allows the holder to carry a concealed weapon anywhere, the laws are still strict.

Permit holders may not carry a concealed handgun if they are under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance not legally obtained.

Concealed handguns are banned from courtrooms, bars, places of worship, political rallies and fundraisers, and financial institutions.

They are also banned from jails

and detention centers, polling places during elections, meetings of the Legislature, schools and school-sponsored activities, emergency rooms or trauma centers, professional, semi-professional, or collegiate sporting events, and other places previously outlined by state and federal law.

Other locations may prohibit concealed weapons by posting notice, or asking the permit holder to remove any firearms from the premises.

The cost for the initial permit is \$100, and renewals are \$50.

Permits are required to purchase handguns in Nebraska, but the registration of firearms is not required.

All firearms are required to have serial numbers and manufacturer's identification marks intact.

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Photo by Jason J. Gould

Realizing the Dream

Lindsay D. Schlutz
Antelope News Editor

Thursday, Jan. 11, the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Planning Committee hosted a Holiday Celebration and the 2nd Annual Educational Forum titled "Equality Speaks: Awakening a Dream."

The Holiday Celebration was held in the Atrium of the Nebraskan Student Union. The program consisted of prayer, a moment of silence to honor Martin Luther King, Jr., and the reading of the works of the civil rights hero by members of the MLK Planning Committee.

Brian Shreves, a junior Political Science major served as the moderator for the panel discussion regarding the impact that Luther has had on hot button issues such as immigration, racial equality and economic distribution.

The panelists who participated in the forum Thursday night in the Ponderosa Room E of the Nebraskan Student Union were as follows:

- Dr William Aviles, Associate Professor, Political Science
- Dr. Eduardo Gonzalez, Associate Professor, Modern Languages
- Juan Guzman, Director, Office of Multicultural Affairs
- Dr. Claude Louishomme, Associate Professor, Political Science
- Greg Swinney, Director, Christian Student Fellowship
- Dr. Linda Van Ingen, Associate Professor, History.

The very diverse combination of individuals that composed the panel was very beneficial, as it provided several different angles on the topics discussed.

Matthew Sallman, a junior Criminal Justice and Social Work major from Bellville, Kan. said that having such a diverse



Photo by Luke D. Saulsberry
Panelists discuss the freedoms that Luther had once only dreamed of.

combination of viewpoints and experiences with the subject of immigration was helpful to help expand his perception of the issue.

Peter Malual, a junior Sudanese American Political Science major, shared his thoughts concerning the idea of having such a blend of individu-

als sharing his or her knowledge. "[Martin Luther King, Jr.] had a dream that everyone, regardless of color or gender or amount of money they make would be able to be known for who they are on the inside, not the outside. Having these people talking together shows that his dream has been realized."

This Week In Review

- January 18**
1644 - Perplexed Pilgrims in Boston reported America's first UFO sighting
1896 - First demonstration of an x-ray machine in the US, New York City NY
1964 - Beatles' first appearance on Billboard Chart (I Want to Hold Your Hand-#35)
1964 - Plans for the World Trade Center announced
1993 - Martin Luther King Jr. holiday observed in all 50 states

- January 19**
0570 - Mohammed Islamic prophet (Koran) born
1809 - Edgar Allan Poe Boston, (poet) born
1919 - "Tidal wave" of molasses 15 meters high x 25 meters wide killed dozens in Boston
1946 - Dolly Rebecca Parton, (country singer) born
1955 - "Scrabble" debuted on board game market
1985 - "Born In The USA" by Bruce Springsteen peaked at #9

- January 20**
1892 - First basketball game played in Massachusetts
1930 - Edwin E "Buzz" Aldrin Jr., (USAF/astronaut) born
1969 - Richard M Nixon inaugurated as President
1970 - Skeet Ulrich, (actor) born
1971 - John Lennon met Yoko Ono's parents in Japan
1981 - Ronald Reagan inaugurated as President
1993 - Audrey Hepburn (actress) died of colon cancer in at age 63
1993 - Bill Clinton inaugurated as 42nd President
1997 - Howard Stern Radio Show premiered in New Orleans, La. on KKND 106.7 FM

- January 21**
1905 - Christian Dior Normandy France, (fashion designer) born
1976 - Emma Lee Bunton "Baby Spice", (Spice Girls) born
1986 - 100 participated in Nude Olympics race in 38°F weather, Indiana

- January 22**
1969 - Judy Garland (Wizard of Oz), died at age 48 of an overdose
1973 - President Lyndon B Johnson died at age 64
1964 - World's largest cheese (15,723 kg) manufactured, Wisconsin
1982 - 75% of North America covered by snow

- January 23**
1865 - General Robert E Lee named Commander-in-Chief of Confederate Armies
1899 - Humphrey Bogart, (actor) born
1953 - NFL Dallas Texans became Baltimore Colts (now Indianapolis Colts)
1983 - "A-Team" with Mr T premiered on NBC
1991 - "Seinfeld" debuted on NBC-TV

- January 24**
1939 - Ray Stevens, (singer) born
1949 - John Belushi, (comedian/actor) born
1965 - Winston Churchill, (prime minister of Great Britain) died at age 90
1993 - Thurgood Marshall, (1st black supreme court justice) died at age 84
1922 - Eskimo Pie patented by Christian K Nelson of Iowa (NOTE: Nelson was not an Eskimo)
1962 - Jackie Robinson 1st Negro elected to Baseball Hall of Fame

WEATHER

FRIDAY
Sunny
High 32
Low 16



SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy
High 38
Low 21



SUNDAY
Few Snow Flurries
High 38
Low 21



Zodiac Future: Comedic Horoscopes

All horoscopes created by Cory Helie and Eric Korth. Enjoy.

March 21 – April 19
aries



A Rod Stewart song will make its way into your iTunes playlist and play 355 times within the next week. You will then find out that you or a loved one will be bearing a child, and for some reason you will be compelled to name the child Maggie May.

July 23 – August 22



You will be mauled by a lion.

November 22 – December 21
sagittarius



You will take up archery. Shortly after shooting a close friend on accident you will realize that it was a big mistake. Then you will run for Vice President as a Republican...and win.

April 20 – May 20
taurus



You will buy a new car. Take a guess what kind?

August 23 – September 22



After years of playing World of Warcraft you will finally...lose your virginity...online. If you have a life, your horoscope predicts that you will have a boring week. Tough luck.

December 22 – January 19
capricorn



While walking on a sandy beach you will step into a large pile of chewed bubble gum, and become immensely pissed.

May 21 – June 21
gemini



You will become close friends with a Taurus and a Leo. Days into your friendship you will have to chase down a lion in your friend's new car.

September 23 – October 22



You will meet your soulmate after hours of browsing Facebook for a partner. Your week will get even better when you find out that you've landed the job of your dreams. Then out of nowhere you will get "served" and your entire life will be ruined.

January 20 – February 18
aquarius



Two geminis at once. You're welcome.



Photo of the Week

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Photo by April D. Refior

Snow illuminates the American flag outside the Mayo Clinic in downtown Rochester, Minn.

June 22 – July 22



Crabs or Cancer? Which one will we curse you with? Just kidding, you too will be mauled by a lion.

October 23 – November 21



Stay away from Cancers...and lions.

February 19 – March 20



A freak electrical storm will hit Kearney and you will be transported into a parallel world, where you are forced to watch Ernest movies at all hours of the day.

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at UNIVERSITY of
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- The **CAMPUS KITCHEN** at UNK has set an initial goal of delivering 5000 meals its first year.

This program is growing rapidly and needs your help. UNK's Chartwells has provided food and a kitchen but has a limited food supply. The growth of this program depends heavily on the donations it receives from the community

The **CAMPUS KITCHEN** at UNK needs:

- Food donations from businesses and individuals.
- Monetary donations for communication, travel and hygiene products. (gloves, aprons, etc.)
- Volunteers for this program to meet its goals.

PLEASE CONTACT: Megan Boss at bossml@unk.edu
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Cory and Eric

Give it to



PRIMEVAL

Eric M. Korth
Antelope Assistant
Managing Editor

Last Saturday, with the snow beginning to fall upon Kearney, two of my friends and I braved the elements and searched for something to kill time. Our senses led us to Kearney's downtown World Twin Theatre in search of a cinematic adventure.

For the past few days, I kept seeing previews on television for a new movie called *Primeval*. The trailer enticed me with its suspenseful story line.

"In one of the most remote places on earth, a bloodthirsty serial killer has claimed over 300 victims, and is still at large to this day," boasts *Primeval's* trailer.

Deciding that this movie may have potential to be an exceptional, I convinced my friends to give it a chance. Normally I would not spoil the ending of a movie for another person, but this movie is an exception. At all costs, avoid seeing this movie!

One thing I did find amusing about this movie was the fact that it takes place in Africa, yet the first person to be shown murdered by this "serial killer" is a white female. Now I'm not trying to sound racist, but this negates the stereotype that black people always die first in movies.

The movie stars a lackluster cast led by the "7-Up" guy, Orlando Jones. Jones, who I

hate to say, is the only decent thing about this movie.

The beginning of *Primeval* still leaves hope for a decent film, but as I diverge further into the plot, you will understand my reasoning for avoiding this movie.

In the opening scene we see our "serial killer" absolutely eviscerate a European specialist sent to solve previous murders. The murder of this prestigious individual reaches media across the globe and a crew consisting of a reporter, a cameraman, an animal expert and a crocodile specialist is assembled to find this killer, simply known as Gustave.

So I'm sitting there in my seat thinking back to the trailer, and I laugh to myself thinking that this crew is in for a treat because they think they searching for a crocodile, when in reality it's going to end up being some ruthless and ingenious assassin.

Well, looks like I was the one in for a surprise. Turns out, it was a big crocodile. Needless to say I was thoroughly disappointed in this discovery. From then on I began my criticisms of this movie. I mean honestly, don't tell me that it's a "serial killer" when it's actually a 25-foot crocodile. Oh, I forgot to mention that this crocodile runs through the African plains at 30 miles per hour. How realistic is that?

I give this film two thumbs down, and regardless of whether it's a true story or not, may God have mercy on the soul of the person who wrote its misleading trailer!

ROCKY BALBOA

Cory J. Helie
Antelope Features Editor

My blood was pumping as 17 years of cinematic frustration ran through my body. It was a Friday night and mere minutes until I would finally be able to see the latest and final Rocky movie.

I have invested hours upon hours of time into watching the Rocky movies and now, the culmination of my favorite movie series of all time. I took the drive to my local Wal-Mart and did what any respectable Rocky fan would have done minutes before going to see *Rocky Balboa*. I walked in the door and bought a gray stocking cap; similar to the one Sylvester Stallone wore while running up the steps to the Philadelphia Museum of Art. I then drove to the cinema and could hear the tune "Gonna fly now" as I got in line to get tickets to a dream world of magic.

The movie began, and joy was racing through my bones minute by minute as this film's positive energy flowed. With a strong supporting cast, such as Milo Ventimiglia and Geraldine Hughes, Stallone was able to grasp my attention and my heart. I am sure there are people who highly doubt the ability of a 60-year-old man playing an "any which way but loose" tough guy, but believe you me movie fans, Stallone does a stellar job of

doing what he's done best.

As the film progressed, so did my past memories of Balboa knocking out boxer after boxer, and the sadness of when Adrian was hospitalized after giving birth to Rocky Jr. The physical and emotional damage Balboa went through in the previous films got my mind even deeper in to the movie as the climax to *Rocky Balboa* came about. While the final fight scene between Balboa and Mason "The Line" Dixon played by Antonio Tarver (who is, in fact, a professional boxer) was engaged, some tears came to my eye.

I refuse to ruin the ending for anyone, but I must say that they could not have thought of a better way to end such a splendid set of films. All of the actors and actresses did a superb job of playing their roles and it was very interesting to see how they revived old characters in the movie such as Spider Rico and Little Marie. This film deserves a definite two thumbs up for wonderful performances by both Stallone and Burt Young, who played Paulie.

I cannot imagine the next Rambo movie to be nearly this good, but I must advise that we do not count Stallone out. As far as his career and my respect for the man is concerned, "It ain't over, 'til it's over."

Only in the Antelope can you find Cory and Eric
Give it to Hollywood!

Be sure to check every week for reviews of Kearney's local movies



Wrestlers not settling for second

UNK gains champion status at National duels

Melissa M. Hinkley
Antelope Staff Writer

The UNK wrestling team isn't satisfied with being ranked second in the nation. They have one goal in sight, and that is a National Championship. This past weekend, January 13 and 14, the wrestlers won the US National duels and proved that they deserve to be number one.

"This shows that everything is coming together for us and we are wrestling as a team and having fun doing it," Tervel Dlagnev, junior of Arlington, Tex., who is ranked first nationally, said.

UNK was seeded second at this prestigious tournament where only the 16 best teams in the nation compete. As the tournament progressed, UNK and UNO rose to the top to compete for the title. UNK rolled past Minnesota State-Moorhead, Western State, and Minnesota State-Mankato to finally face their in state rival UNO.

"We match up really well against UNO," said Dlagnev, "We're favored in 6 out of the 10 matches. We did a good job of not getting our heads out of it."

UNO was up 19-14 coming into the final match. In order to win the tournament, UNK's Dlagnev had to pin UNO's heavyweight. Dlagnev pinned his opponent with 13 seconds left in the first period to give the Lopers a 20-19 victory over UNO.

"I knew that I had to get a pin," said Dlagnev, "I just focused on what I had to do. I knew he would be stalling and I just had to get as

many takedowns as I could."

The wrestlers were also led by Trevor Charbonneau, senior of Clay Center, Kan., Brett Allgood, junior of Bennington and Matt Farrell, sophomore of Omaha, all who went 4-0 on the weekend. Joe Ellenberger, junior of Omaha, also went 3-1 during the tournament.

On December 8, the Division II Coaches Wrestling Top 25 poll had seven UNK wrestlers ranked nationally. Dlagnev (Hwt.) and Allgood (133 lbs.) are ranked first in their weight classes. Other ranked Lopers include Jeff Rutledge, junior of Lincoln, (141 lbs.) at second, senior Charbonneau (125 lbs.) at third, Ellenberger (157 lbs.) at seventh, Farrell (184 lbs.) at sixth and red shirt freshman Kelsey Emptying of Ponca City, Okla. (197 lbs.) at sixth.

The wrestling team is loaded with talent this year, and spectators have caught a glimpse of their greatness as they began their season by defeating the University of Wyoming 23-13. The Lopers fell to the 18th ranked Huskers 30-18 but had some outstanding performances as Ellenberger pinned his opponent and Allgood and Matt True, senior of Mitchell, (149 lbs.) won by decision.

"The highlight so far this year was beating a division one team," said Charbonneau.

Following UNK's victory over Wyoming, three UNK wrestlers were invited to the 2006 Midlands championships at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill.

This tournament features the best wrestlers in all divisions in the United States. Dlagnev beat three Division I wrestlers on his way to claiming a championship at the



Courtesy Photo

The UNK Wrestling team poses with their National duels championship plaque this past weekend. The Lopers are back in action this weekend.

Midlands tournament.

Charbonneau went 3-1 in the tournament and Rutledge went 1-2 to combine for 25.5 points to give the Lopers a 15th place standing

out of 56 schools at the end of the tournament.

The wrestlers are finally getting into RMAC play as they are scheduled to go on the road and wrestle

Colorado Mines, Mesa State and Western State this coming weekend.

"It was definitely a big deal winning the National duels," said

Dlagnev. "We're going to have to not get big-headed. We start RMAC and we haven't seen a lot of the conference guys yet."

Spot light on: Tervel Dlagnev

Melissa M. Hinkley
Antelope Staff Writer



Tervel Dlagnev

enth grade basketball and didn't make it."

He claims to have been the "chubby kid" in high school and so decided to start wrestling because he saw how hard the wrestlers worked out. Dlagnev practiced his sophomore year and wrestled his junior and senior years accumulating a 95-10 record. He placed fourth in Texas at 180 lbs. his junior year and third at 215 lbs. his senior year.

"A lot of the time, you see kids starting wrestling in kindergarten or first grade and who will wrestle their whole life," McCurdy said. "They feel unnecessary pressure, but Tervel sees the sport for what it is -- a raw battle."

Coming out of high school, Dlagnev decided to leave his Texas upbringing to wrestle at UNK. He wrestled 184 lbs. his freshman year, and faced some of the best wrestlers to come out of UNK. He dedicated himself to becoming stronger, quicker, and an overall better wrestler.

"My first year here, Jeff Sylvester beat the junk out of me," said Dlagnev. "But whenever I could get a workout in, I would. I just take little pieces of everyone's technique and see if it works for me and then I apply it."

Dlagnev is now 31-1 on the year and looking to claim his second National Championship. Next year, Dlagnev is hoping to take an Olympic red shirt year. He will move to Cedar Falls, Iowa and train with the best wrestlers in the world. Dlagnev is currently studying biology, but may not need his degree because he could be making a living on the Olympic wrestling team.

"I'm just taking it year by year," said Dlagnev. So where can you find Dlagnev when he is not working on an aspect of his wrestling game? He likes to dance, play racquetball, play videogames and he is known to be seen at TCBY.

"I like to dance. I took ballroom dancing class but I am still looking for a girl," said Dlagnev.

Swing batter, batter, swing

Take me out to the ball game

Joey D. Larsen
Antelope Staff Writer

The Loper baseball team is coming off a record setting year for single season wins with 28, breaking the previous record of 27 and also returning to post-season play for the first time in 10 years.

With high expectations and motive to improve on last season's accomplishments, the team must come together with one common goal.

"As a coaching staff, we have seen the new and returning guys come together and fill the missing holes that were our weaknesses last

season," head coach Damon Day said.

It will not be hard to find leadership on the team with nine returning seniors in the 2007 season. Day said, "I hope to see every senior have some part in the leadership role sometime throughout the long season."

Among the nine seniors, infielder Cody Lusero, Omaha, and pitcher Paul Schleifer, Grossmont, Calif., were named to the All-RMAC team for the 2006 season.

During the baseball off-season the RMAC conference was split into two divisions with one side being named the Plains Division and the other being the Mountain Division.

UNK will be joined by Regis, Colorado State Pueblo and Colorado School of Mines in the

Plains division.

The Mountain division will consist of Metro State, Colorado Christian, New Mexico Highlands, and the defending champions Mesa State.

The are many opinions among the RMAC baseball coaches about the conference being split.

Day said, "It has its pros and cons, but I believe the conference is too small to be split. It needs to have 10 to 12 teams before they split it but, I feel it will benefit us with helping with regional points."

Splitting the conference makes each team play more conference games, unlike previously where a school played 32 conference and regional games.

Teams will now play 40. Playing each school in the division eight times and playing three Mountain

division teams four games apiece. Each conference game counts towards regional play.

The conference is not set up to help different teams win the conference. Although, the conference has been overpowered by Mesa State, New Mexico Highlands and Colorado State Pueblo for the last few years.

The conference is set up to benefit every team to reach the regional tournament by boosting their RPI ratings.

The Lopers will open their season up on February 2-4 in Pueblo Colo. against CSU Pueblo with three nine inning contests. Last season the Lopers had a 3-2 record against the Wolfpack which they are looking to improve on during the 2007 season.

Game, set, match

Shannon J. Matthews
Antelope Staff Writer

New season, new schedule, new players. The Loper women tennis team is excited for the spring 2007 tennis season.

Mckenna Irwin, a junior marketing major from Bellevue said, "I think we will have a pretty good season, we should be better than last year, we have experienced players and new recruits."

The lady Lopers have already started practices for their first match on Feb. 10 in Minnesota.

"We have been conditioning and running to build our endurance. We are also getting together as a team and bonding," Irwin said.

Last year, the UNK tennis team held try-outs for the women's team, this year try-outs are not necessary.

The team has three returning players and four new players.

Jesse Plote, men and women's head tennis coach said, "We have a very experienced women's team coming back, and a good supporting team. We also have a talented youth to look forward to."

Kristen Messbarger, Kara Deyle, both freshmen from Kearney, Amanda Longly, and Claire Bryan, freshman red-shirt from Katy, Tex., will all be starting their first season with the lady Loper tennis team.

Messbarger is a class B State

champion at No. 1 singles.

An exciting match has also been added to the schedule for this season. This year, the women's tennis team will be competing against Creighton, a Division I school.

"Some of the Division II schools we play are very good, we should be prepared for this team," Irwin said.

"Creighton should open our eyes," Plote said.

The UNK women's team will begin their first match on Feb. 10, at 12 p.m. against South West

Minnesota State. Another match will be held that day at 4 p.m. against the University of Minnesota at Deluth

The men's team is also excited for a new season to begin.

"Last year, the men finished first in the conference, and ended up losing in the Sweet 16, while the women's team finished sixth out of seven," Plote said.

This year the men's tennis team will have ten players.

"The freshmen this year include Tony Lopez from Omaha, Drew Mercier also from Omaha, and Akihiro Sakai and Noriaki Naruse both from Japan," Plote said.

The men start the season at home against Hastings on Feb. 17 at 12 p.m. The meet will be held at the Kearney Indoor Tennis Center.

“We have a very experienced women's team coming back, and a good supporting team.”

Jesse Plote
Head Tennis Coach

UNK improve to 11-3 on season

Lopers out-score the Mountaineers, 84-67

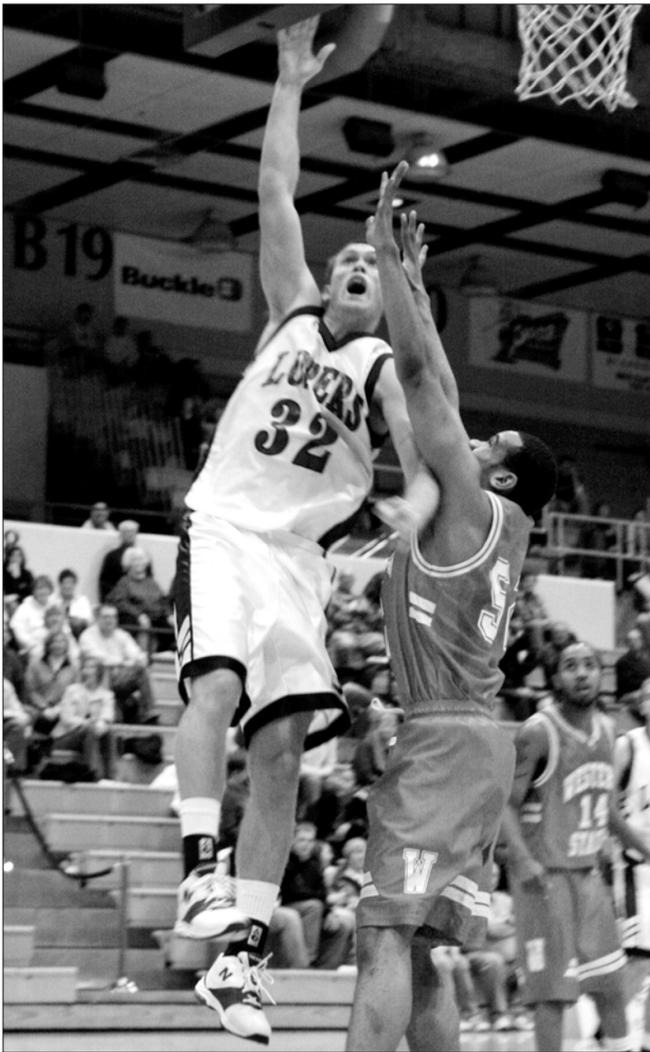


Photo by April D. Refior
Chad Burger, No. 32, goes up against a Western State defender Thursday, Jan. 11 in the 84-67 Loper victory. The Lopers will take on Regis tonight at the Health and Sports Center at 8 p.m.

Peter A. Yazvac
Guest Writer

The Nebraska-Kearney men's basketball team shot 56.6 percent, tying a season-high, and shut down Western State in the first half in an 84-67 win over the Mountaineers last Thursday night at the Health and Sports Center.

UNK, 11-3, 6-1 RMAC, pushes its win streak to five straight and has now beaten Western, 8-6, 3-3 RMAC, eight straight times.

During its latest win streak, the Lopers have shot at least 50 percent in each contest. UNK made 63 percent, 17 of 27, of its shots in the second half to end up 30 of 53 for the game. The Lopers were also 30 of 53 from the floor Saturday, Jan. 6, in a win at Colorado State-Pueblo.

UNK was especially strong from the perimeter, sinking 11 of 18 three point shots.

Meanwhile, Western was absolutely frigid in the first half, making only 6 of 25 shots (24.0 percent). They tallied just eight points and two field goals in the first 14 minutes of the game.

Behind the shooting of true freshman Jeff Martin, Bellevue, UNK jumped out to a 20-5 lead 10 minutes into the game. Martin, who has started the last five games, had 11 of his season-high 20 points in this early

run. Western did cut a 20 point deficit down to 12 by the break, 35-23, and then hung around in the second half, coming back several times to get the Loper lead down to ten.

On two occasions when Western cut it to ten, senior Chad Burger, Colorado Springs, Colo., hit a three to stop the rally.

The Colorado Springs native couldn't miss in the final half, scoring 14 of his 20 points and going 4 of 5 from behind the arc.

Also having a big second half, was senior guard James Lane, Colorado Springs, Colo. After not attempting a shot in the first half, he went 5 of 7 from the field, 3 of 3 three pointers, to finish with 13 points.

Martin ended the night 6 of 10 from the floor and was a perfect 5 of 5 at the line. Since entering the starting lineup, Martin is shooting 50 percent from the three point line and averaging 12.5 points per game.

Finally for UNK, senior Dusty Jura, Columbus, had 15 points, seven rebounds, three assists and three steals in 31 minutes.

With his offensive effort, he moves past former teammate Nick Branting into seventh place on the career list with 1,772 points.

Four Mountaineers ended up in double digits, led by Josh Anfang with 15 and Justin Avalos with 12.

UNK will host Regis tonight at 8 p.m.

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Right: James Lane, No. 10, looks for an open teammate during the Western State game Thursday, Jan. 11.

Bottom: Dusty Jura, No. 40, takes it to the hoop while Nick Morrell, No. 24, awaits the possible rebound. The Lopers defeated the Mountaineers 84-67. Catch the Lopers in action tonight against Regis at 8 p.m.



Track and Field ready to roll

Lisa K. Elson
Antelope Staff Writer

The 2007 UNK Track & Field team started the New Year running, jumping and throwing. The indoor season began strong with eight provisional national qualifiers and one automatic national qualifier.

Lance Pfeiffer, senior of Eustis, ensured himself a trip to Boston, Mass. for the NCAA Division II National Championships. His throw of 58'9.5" in the shot put surpassed the NCAA Automatic Qualifying mark by approximately 9.5".

Head Coach Andy Meyer was pleased with the results of the UNK Pre-Holiday Open, held Dec. 8. "It

was a good kick-off to the season," he said.

Meyer is very optimistic about the upcoming season. His main goals for the season are to represent UNK strongly at RMAC by being one of the top three competitors for the title. He also hopes to qualify as many individuals as possible for the National Meet.

The following eight individuals have achieved provisional qualifying marks and their names are on the list for possible NCAA National Indoor Championship contenders: sophomore Kelli Dring of Kearney, in triple jump and long jump; sophomore Sam Murphy of Franklin, in shot put; junior Shayna Fruit of Ogallala, in high jump; sophomore Dakota Cochrane of Fairbury, in pole vault; sophomore

Derrick Murphy of Cheyenne, Wyo. in the high jump; sophomore Dane Tobey of Waco, in shot put; and freshman Nick Theis of Grand Island in the weight throw.

The men's team is showing strength in the jumps and throws, but are lacking depth in the sprints. "We have a few break-out athletes in the sprints but not enough to compete with Adams State," Meyer said.

Adams State has been favored in the RMAC Preseason Coaches Poll and has been a competitor for Lopers in the past at the RMAC meet.

Even though the women's team is down in numbers compared to previous years, Meyer feels the team has good chemistry and a positive attitude. Meyer believes their

strength is in the distance and jumps events. Freshman Kaci Lickteig of Dannebrog, competed in the NCAA Division II Cross Country National Championships and is expected to do well on the track this season. Dring is also expected to have continued success in the jumps.

A new RMAC make up poses new strategy for the meet. Fort Hayes State is no longer in the RMAC and, in previous years, has been the main focus for the Lopers.

Adams State and Western State will be in the running for the RMAC title. Even with the tough competition, Meyer said, "It doesn't take an army to win RMAC, just the right people in the right events."

Meyer plans to build each week for the conference meet. "I hope by

conference the team's confidence level will be up and we will have our legs under us ready to compete," Meyer said.

"We have to step back and then forward in some cases," he said. "We had good marks before winter break, and now we will need to rebuild to that level."

The Lopers traveled to Lincoln,

on January 12 and 13 for the Holiday Inn Invite. The Lopers had 13 top five finishers. The next meet for the Lopers will be the UNK Loper Open held this Saturday, Jan. 20 starting at 10 a.m. in the Cushing Coliseum.

Lopers defeat Western

Bridget L. Correll
Antelope Staff Writer

The lady Lopers are now 11-3 after defeating the Western State Mountaineers 75-47, last Thursday, Jan. 11.

The Lopers bounced back from a two point loss to Colorado State-Pueblo last week and defeated the Mountaineers for the 17th time in a row.

"We worked on what we can do against Western's changing defenses and the game plan for the defense we wanted to play in the game. I thought our players really executed our defensive game plan," head coach Carol Russell said.

The Lopers took an early lead in the first half, making five three point shots which lead to an impressive 50 percent shooting average and holding Western State

to only 30 percent from the field.

"We really just played the way we have been playing all season - set the tone with our defense and let that spark our offense," Russell said.

"When we were able to get defensive stops and steals, that led to us being able to fastbreak and transition against Western."

With a strong defense, the Lopers held Western State to only 27 points at the end of the first half and lead in rebounds with 21 to Western's 13.

The score at the half was lady Lopers 38 and Western State 27.

In the second half, the Lopers continued to improve their

stats.

Their overall shooting average jumped up to 54.5 percent and a gain held Western State to a mere 34.5, and had 44 rebounds overall.

Russell thought that overall the girls had a great night, but still needed some work at the free throw line. "I thought our team did a great job shutting down their scorers and

“ I thought our team did a great job shutting down their scorers and crashing the offensive boards. ”

Carol Russell
Head Women's Basketball Coach

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A Minus for A Minus

Joseph C. Borowski
Antelope Staff Writer

For the first time in a long time, it actually seems alright to feel sympathetic for all the grade obsessed who hyperventilate when given a course grade lower than an A. Although I personally do not let my grade point average affect my breathing patterns, I do understand how frustrating the UNK grading system can be.

Imagine taking a class and working countless hours studying, reading, and preparing so that you can get a good grade at semesters end, and after a successful semester you are told that you received a 91 percent. You are happy that you received an A for your hard work and effort, and are pumped that you will keep your 4.0 grade point average, but think again!

In a competitive world where everyone is competing for internships, jobs, and awards, the university puts its students at a clear disadvantage by lowering quality points earned for students who are at the lowest percentage points of their respective letter grades. Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated by dividing the quality points earned by the quality hours. For example, if a student should receive a B in a course with three quality hours, then he or she would receive nine quality points, and by dividing the nine quality points by the three quality hours it would equal a 3.0 GPA. If the same student received a B- then he would only receive 8.01 quality points, and that would only equal a 2.67 GPA for the student.

While I am very happy with the education I am receiving at this fine institution, the minus system is a big flaw in the otherwise wonderful education that we receive. To counter the point of the minus system, there is also the plus system, which adds quality points to the students who are at the highest percentage points of their respective letter grades, except for A. To break it down in simple terms, you

can get a plus and a minus for every letter grade except for an A, you either get an A or an A-. To me the whole plus and minus system seems silly, especially for the A students, in their situation the system can only hurt you and your future.

Do scientists and Mathematicians only receive a part of the Nobel Prize for their endless work? Do musicians only get a part of their Grammy Awards? Do actors get a big minus written on their Academy Awards? The answer is no to all of the questions, and it should be no to the minus system as well. It is a system that puts UNK students at a disadvantage when competing with other students for internships, jobs, and recognition, especially when competing against students from schools without the minus system.

In a perfect world, a student who receives a grade of 90 percent or higher should be awarded four times the quality points of quality hours earned. A student who receives a grade of 80 to 89 percent should be awarded three times the quality points. If 70 to 79 percent is reached, the student should be awarded two times the quality points, and if the student should fall on hard times and receive a 60 to 69 percent, the quality points and quality hours should be equal.

UNK is a wonderful school with many positive things, but allowing the minus system to hinder the students who attend is hypocritical, and in the end we only hurt ourselves. I urge professors to consider the benefits of losing tradition and ponder what getting an education here is really about. Are we here to learn and prosper or will we let the rest of the universities minus us out?

Entertaining or Harrowing

We take a look at Saddam's death

Siobhan E. Duffy
Antelope Staff Writer

Although "Night at the Museum" has been the reigning box office champ for the past three weeks, it has officially been dethroned. No, not by "Stomp the Yard," but by the controversial Saddam Hussein execution film. Violent, gory films have long been part of the American tradition, from "The Wild Bunch" to "The Departed." However, the Saddam Hussein execution video is a new kind of violence and gore. It is completely, totally, 100 percent real. Despite the shoddy camera work, poor lighting and lack of subtitles, the film still managed to make an impression on viewers (since the film's release, at least two boys have hanged themselves, and their families say it is because the boys saw coverage of the execution on the news).

This controversial film is a stark contrast to the official video of the execution, which was produced by the government of Iraq. The official execution video has no sound, and ends when the noose is placed around Saddam's neck. The second video, which was secretly filmed in the execution chamber, has sound and picks up where the official video stops. It is not filmed in English and, as previously mentioned, contains no subtitles. A quick search at any major news Web site will produce a script for the movie. There are shouts and cries all directed at Saddam, the noose is around his neck. SNAP! The floorboard is dropped and Saddam is dead. More cries are heard from the crowd as the camera focuses solely on Saddam's face. There is cheering from the

crowd as his body swings.

Although this "film review" of the newest Saddam Hussein blockbuster seems light-hearted, it is what people all over the world are doing with his death. Since Saddam's death on December 30, 2006, there have been over 14 million views on Google video of his execution. That is just on Google video. The number does not even take into account the number of times the video has been viewed on other Web sites or e-mailed to people. Best of all, a viewer can even rate the video, if he or she desires. So far, over 23,000 people have rated the video, and it is setting at four out of five stars on

ly plague Iraq.

Instead of giving the Iraqi people closure, it has turned Saddam's death into a three-ring circus. Dr. Aaron Dimock, a Professor of Communications at UNK, says, "It makes his death a spectacle, a form of entertainment. Even if you absolutely hate him, his death shouldn't become a spectacle."

Aaron Dimock
Professor

Google video. On YouTube, the video has been posted multiple times, and while most have the category listed as "News and Blogs," a few have listed the execution video as "Entertainment."

This leaked video is important for a couple of reasons. First, it shows the execution was not carried out the way it should have been. The people in the execution chamber, instead of being solemn and serious, are yelling, cheering and jeering as Saddam is led to the platform. He is taunted up until the last moment of his life. Another reason this video is important is because of the religious undertones. Saddam, a Sunni, is being taunted by the Shiites who are witnessing his execution. This has outraged some Sunnis and highlights the religious tensions that current-



of making him into a martyr for their cause, which is exactly what we don't want," Dimock says.

Tony Blair said it best when, at a press conference, he responded to questions about Saddam Hussein's execution. Blair said, "The crimes that Saddam committed does not excuse the manner of his execution and the manner of his execution does not excuse the crimes." Sadly, the manner in which he was executed is getting as much, if not more, attention as the number of deaths linked to Saddam.

Unfortunately for Hollywood, their newest box-office sensation has gone the way of James Dean. Saddam Hussein will never make another film, nor take another life. Death is no a laughing matter. It is a serious thing whenever a life is taken. No matter whether the person was good, as in the case of Steve Irwin, or bad, like Saddam Hussein, their death is not entertainment. That is why this Saddam Hussein execution film gets two thumbs down.

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TRUMP TAKES ON ROSIE

With all of the controversy surrounding Donald Trump and Rosie O'Donnell, I have decided to take it upon myself to see who would win in a fight. With both of their pants being weighed down by either money or cellulite, it may hinder their performance. I would put my money on Trump. He is a male, therefore he is superior.



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Born: March 26, 1962, Queens New York
Collects: McDonald's Happy Meal toys.
Entered World: Same day as Matthew Broderick.
Television: Rosie O'Donnell Show and The View.
High School Fame: Voted Most Popular.
Has Appeared in: The Flintstone's Movie, A League of Their Own, and some disturbing Nip/Tuck episodes.
Famous Quote: Stop at a drug store, buy a condom, and put it over your head. If you act like a d*ck, you might as well dress like one."

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Television Show: The Apprentice on NBC.
Goes Number 2: In the closet.
High School Fame: Voted Biggest Ladies Man.
Catch Phrase: "You're fired."
Has appeared in: The Little Rascals, Home Alone 2 and Zoolander.
Famous Quote: Show me someone without and ego, and I'll show you a loser."

"Accepted" Falls Short

Elizabeth C. Stevens
Antelope Staff Writer

Imagine a college where classes like 'The Decline and Fall of Chevy Chase,' 'Bumper Stickers,' and 'Wingman-ing 101' are invented and taught by the students. Not only that, there are no tests, essays or required reading.

For smooth-talking Bartleby Gaines, a few of his friends, and hundreds of other misfits who couldn't get accepted to any other

schools, this out-of-the-box kind of learning is a reality.

Bartleby (Justin Long) is horrified when he receives rejection letters to every college he applied to attend. His parents' disappointment is too much to bear. Out of desperation (or brilliance) Bartleby creates a fake acceptance letter to a fake school he calls South Harmon Institute of Technology, with S.H.I.T. as the oh-so-clever acronym.

The scheme grows when Bartleby enlists the help of his best friend Sherman Schrader (Jonah

Hill) to create a realistic website for the fake school, as well as a bank account. A few more of his friends join in, including Hands, who lost his athletic scholarship after an injury, Rory, who only applied to Yale and didn't get in, and Glen, who got a zero on his SATs.

The group leases an abandoned mental health hospital and fixes it up to look like a legitimate college. They hire Sherman's loony Uncle Ben (comedian Lewis Black) to be the college dean. The parents are fooled and all is going as planned, until a crowd of students who regis-

tered online arrive for orientation with their tuition checks in tow. Sherman apparently made the website functional with "acceptance is one click away." Everyone who applied received an acceptance letter.

Instead of sending them away, Bartleby and his friends develop a free thinking, experimental and liberal brand of education, using the million plus dollars they received in tuition from the students. He asks everyone what they want to learn and encourages them the write it on a gigantic white board, which becomes the curriculum.

Life and unorthodox education is going well at South Harmon Institute of Technology until the upscale, exclusive Harmon college nearby becomes suspicious and starts investigating the new school. Inevitably, the truth comes out and the scheme unravels.

In the middle of Bartleby's duties running the school, he also has a love interest. Monica (Blake Lively) attends Harmon college and dates one of the Harmon guys trying to ruin South Harmon. She eventually dumps him, spends a day with Bartleby and considers transferring. When the truth is revealed about South Harmon, she gets angry with Bartleby.

Bartleby, Uncle Ben and the stu-

dent body of South Harmon to appeal to the State Board of Accreditation with the uptight dean of Harmon college and his minions present to protest. In a predictable unfolding of the scene, Bartleby makes a heartfelt speech and the board allows them to keep their school. Monica and Bartleby make up, and the school continues to thrive.

The premise of this movie is absolutely absurd, and it's not as funny as it tries to be. The acronym S.H.I.T. quickly becomes a tiresome running joke. Sure, the film has its funny moments, but nothing really laugh-out-loud worthy.

The best performances come from Justin Long and Lewis Black. Long, who has had appearances in "Dodgeball" "Waiting" and the MAC ad campaign plays Bartleby as a Ferris Bueler of his time. He's cocky, fast-talking, fast-thinking, optimistic, and irresistibly likeable.

"Listen, guys there are plenty of successful people who didn't go to college," he tells his parents. "Albert Einstein . . . Pocahontas . . . never went to college," he says.

Black plays Uncle Ben, a psychotic former educator who washed out years ago when he became fed up with the system.

"I did send in my resignation in a rather unorthodox fashion," he

explains.

"You send the dean of the university a bag a dog s—t," Sherman says.

"It was a metaphor," Uncle Ben insists.

"For what?"

"For you're full of s—t."

Uncle Ben agrees to be the dean. He takes his trailer with him and spends his days drinking beer sitting in his lawn chair and giving lectures about taxes, health insurance, and other ways life has bit him in the butt. He employs profanity in his vocabulary quite consistently, says inappropriate things at inappropriate times and uses his restless hands and crazy eyes to further demonstrate his psychotic state. Still, Black is not as funny as he's supposed to be.

This film is obviously intended for a younger audience. High schoolers will find it more amusing than college students. The adolescent humor may be more suitable for less mature minds.

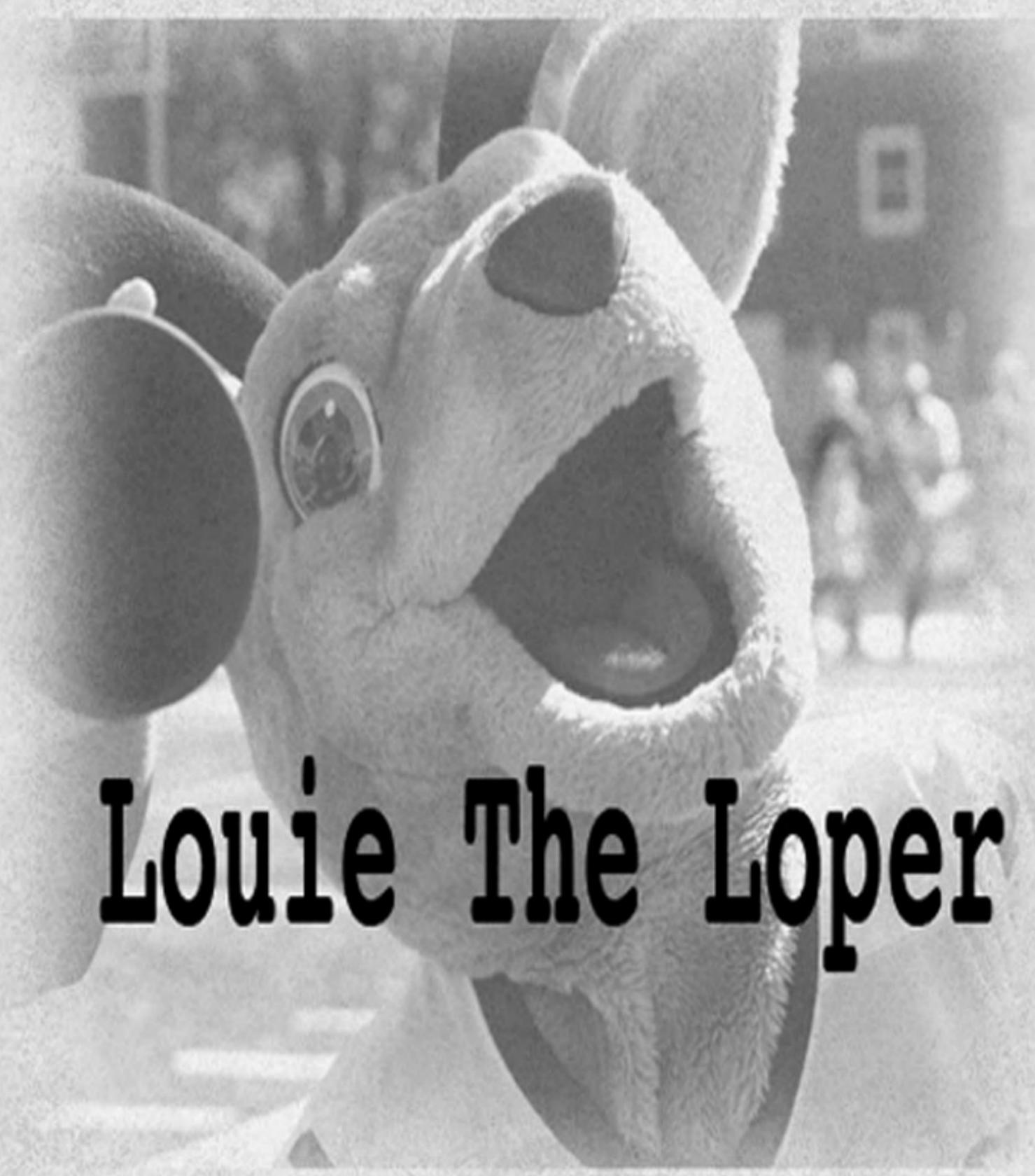
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Welcoming Madam Speaker

Nancy Pelosi: first female Speaker of the House

Kyle A. Petersen
Antelope News Staff

Nancy Pelosi, a former public relations consultant and representative for the 8th District of California since 1987, can now add Speaker of the House of Representatives to her resume.

After the Democratic Party won back the House and the Senate in November, it was assumed from the beginning that Pelosi would become the first woman Speaker of the House.

Previous to her speakership, Pelosi was the first woman in Congressional history elected as minority whip or minority leader for either party.

Trudy C. de Goede, director of the women's studies program at UNK, said Pelosi's ascension to the speakership is important in that it marks a continuation of a trend of women obtaining higher political offices.

"If we're just looking at the impact of women on the political process in the United States, the very fact that women have made it to the Supreme Court already, and being accepted there, is an important precedent," de Goede said. "This seems to me to be part of a trend. There's no reason now to think that there won't someday be a [woman] Vice President, who is after all president of the Senate."

Dr. Diane Duffin, UNK associate professor of political science said, along with managing the schedule of the House, any Speaker has to decide if he or she wants "to be the leader of the entire House or the leader of his or her party."

Despite the 15-seat advantage the Democrats hold in the House, Duffin said that Pelosi and her party may have no choice but to work in a bipartisan manner due to their slim majority and the fact that Republicans will control the presidency for at least another two years.

Duffin also said the Democrats feel as though they were mistreated under Pelosi's Republican predecessor, J. Dennis Hastert, and do not want to reciprocate that type of House leadership.

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”

Dr. Diane Duffin
UNK Associate Professor
Political Science

Nevertheless, Duffin said that Democrats have been utilizing some of the practices used by the former Republican leadership. Items on the Democrats' first 100 hours agenda, which include issues from ethics reform to stem cell research, are being brought to the Floor of the House without committee work or hearings.

"The real test will be what happens after they get through those half dozen things they want to accomplish in their first 100 hours

more of the routine lawmaking, not their high-profile agenda items," Duffin said.

According to de Goede, the bills that Pelosi and the Democrats are tackling in their first 100 hours agenda could be viewed as issues pertaining specifically to women.

wants to deal with don't necessarily point to concern on the basis of gender only, or the basis of gender most of all."

de Goede said Pelosi could influence a number of women to run for office and pursue a political career.

"I think her potential to be a role model by having this position is really valuable, and it might very well make some young person out there decide, 'This is what I want to do,' and I'm thinking of girls particular-ly. I think she could be very attractive and positive for girls," de Goede said. Duffin said that while Pelosi's speakership may influence more women to run for office, there may not be an impact on the national scale "The most powerful explanation for there being fewer women in American national

1980s who were willing to serve in lower offices and earn their stripes and then kind of move up," Duffin said.

Regardless of whether women will be holding a greater number of public offices, Pelosi's election as Speaker of the House marked an important achievement for women, and the new Speaker touted her selection as the House leader as a breakthrough for women in her opening address for the 110th Congress.

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Thick ice wreaked havoc on the trees in the Kearney area following the recent ice storms. Although the trees may not be fixable, the public power companies are working hard to replace the downed power poles.

More Energized Efforts

Power companies strive to restore power after storms

Sarah E. Schreiter
Antelope News Staff

Without a doubt, many University of Nebraska-Kearney students were disappointed when classes began as scheduled on Jan. 8.

The ice storms to hit the Kearney area are certainly some of the worst many students have ever witnessed.

In a statement on Southern Public Power District's web-

site, Gary Hedman, President and CEO said, "Overall this is the worst ice storm in district history and maybe the worst ever for Nebraska. We are receiving 15 to 20 truck loads or close to 1,000 poles per day and the drivers of those trucks are telling us this is worse than anything they have seen."

In a press conference Jan. 10, Southern Power District showed 3,425 outages and 6,352 broken poles in their seven-county area.

The district showed distress at being unable to predict when individual customers would have power restored, and will not be able to predict that with any accuracy until they have only 500 customers left to restore.

The reported estimate for the cost of repairing damages "could easily reach \$80 million," and the district was hoping for FEMA reimbursement for 70% of the cost.

As of Jan. 12, Dawson

Public Power District estimated in a press release that 400 customers were still without power.

Since the district began working to restore power to customers on Dec. 30, over 5,600 customers had their power restored.

Over 320 linemen from four states have been working to restore power to this particular district, and Operation Manager Kerry Teetor projected in a Jan. 12 press release that all residential services would have power restored by Jan. 17, weather permitting.

Gibbon resident Dave Dwiggin, a member of the Dawson Public Power District's board of directors, was without power for 12 days.

In a Jan. 12 press release, Dwiggin said, "Coming home to a dark house was hard. It wasn't really like being home. Not everything worked. The routine things

in life were harder. It wasn't life threatening, but it was disruptive. We found out how fast paced our lives are when we had to put them on hold."

After watching workers make progress near his home, Dwiggin observed, "They've worked long hours, maybe even worse than farming."

Power districts have been repairing power lines for consumers as manpower and supplies will allow. Some power districts have drafted retired employees for help, as well as hiring short-term employees.

Students returning to the University of Nebraska-Kearney's residence halls were greeted with information on conserving energy until power is completely restored.

Signs posted asked residents to turn off electronic devices when not in use, including televisions, computers, printers, stereos, and unplugging cell phone chargers.

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