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Both sides square off on pipeline

Landowners, TransCanada debate pipeline, eminent domain at Judiciary Committee meeting

BY ALYSSA SOBOTKA
Antelope Staff

The battle between TransCanada and Nebraska landowners has been through county court systems where landowners prevailed in both Holt and York County. President Obama already vetoed the bill Congress passed, which would have provided TransCanada power to construct the Keystone XL Pipeline. TransCanada has been temporarily halted, but Nebraska Legislator Ernie Chambers is not satisfied.

Chambers says it is time for the people to have their say about the proposed TransCanada pipeline.

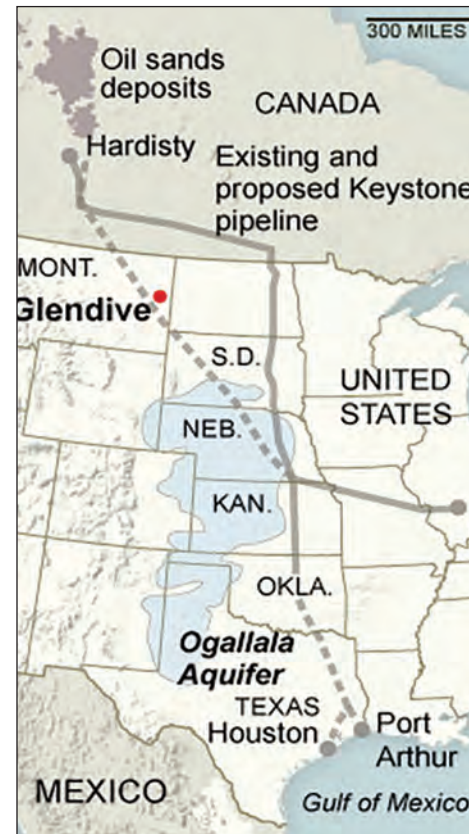
He introduced LB473, "No eminent domain for private gain," in late January.

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Sen. Ernie Chambers

“ I want it to be a formal government established forum such as a legislative hearing where they can come and present what their views are. Not be governed by the political flunkies who have already been co-opted to do what TransCanada wants.”



What is Sen. Fischer thinking?



BY AUSTIN KOELLER
News Editor

The U.S. Senate voted on Jan. 29 to approve the Keystone XL pipeline, which is expected to run tar sand oil from Canada to Texas. A portion of the pipeline will lie directly on top of the Ogallala Aquifer in the Nebraska Sandhills. Despite the opposition of her constituents, Nebraska's own Deb Fischer voted to approve the pipeline.

“ Her thinking seems to be more in line with big oil, rather than with rural Nebraskans who are fighting against the pipeline and TransCanada's use of eminent domain to seize their private land.”

Yes, the same Deb Fischer who hails from Valentine, Nebraska, in the heart of the Sandhills. Yes, the same Deb Fischer who is a rancher herself. Yes, the same Deb Fischer whose former Nebraska legislative district included Rock, Holt and Keya Paha counties – three counties in which the Keystone XL pipeline is projected to go through.

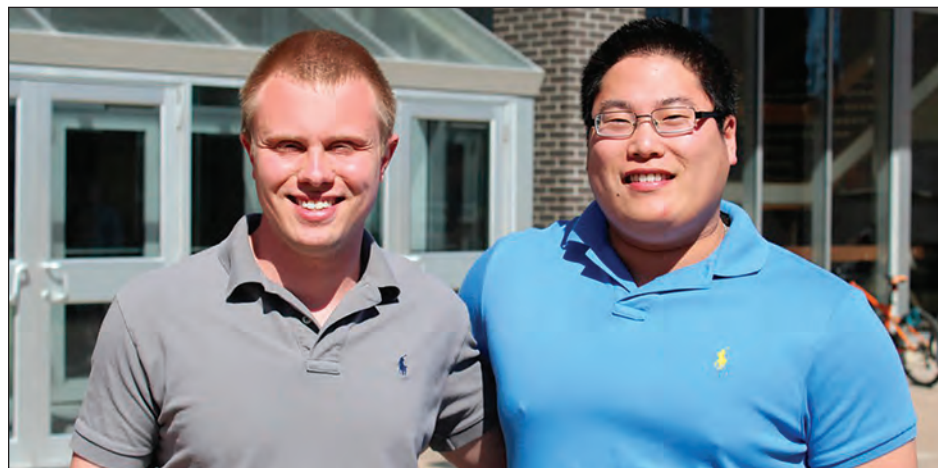
What is Senator Fischer thinking? She seems to be more in line with

Runoff winners ready to govern

BY EMILY MOSER
Antelope Staff

For the past two weeks, students have been campaigning and running for spots in the student body government. Three different parties joined in the running for student body president, but after two weeks of elections Evan Calhoun, a junior business administration and marketing major from North Platte, and Nick Stevenson, a junior journalism major from Columbus, have been elected as the upcoming student body president and vice president, respectively.

Natasha Angulo and Ryo Suzuki faced off against the winners in the runoff



Vice president Nick Stevenson (left) and President Evan Calhoun will take office April 7 after Student Government inauguration.

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election. Dallas Doering and Natalie Jansen were eliminated in the first election.

"Running for Student Body President/Student Regent has always been an idea in the back of my head," said Calhoun. "I figured since it was going to be my last year at UNK that I might as well try and run for the position. I want to give back to UNK because UNK has given so much to me."

Calhoun said that he has met many great students here at UNK and he feels like he has "grown so much as a person."

Calhoun and Stevenson both said they weren't expecting the re-elections to occur because one party must win the election by majority with over 50 votes.

"At first I was disappointed because we won the popular vote, but just not enough to win the election. I then became very grateful and honored after thinking about it. Evan, Natasha, Ryo and I made history at UNK. That is something you don't hear every day," Stevenson said.

Calhoun also was surprised with the runoff. "Nick and I worked so hard to earn the positions and win the popular vote," Calhoun said. "The entire election just felt like another obstacle for us to overcome."

The team has big plans for their term in the upcoming year. They want to bridge the gap between students and their government, primarily focusing on athletics.

They want to help students become more in tune with the student government, "working with facilities to improve the looks of our campus...working with the university to improve the sustainability aspect on campus," Calhoun said.

Both feel they are up to the challenge.

Calhoun said he felt he offered something different. "I believe I stand out from amongst the other candidates because I am the oldest candidate running, and I have seen the good and unfortunately the bad here at UNK. With my leadership experience and my current job I feel capable of accomplishing any task in front of me."

Stevenson said, "My age and experiences with leadership roles in different organizations make me stand out the most. Even though I have never been on student government, being a student here at UNK and seeing the things in the past, as well as the leadership experiences I have held, help me be 100 percent ready for this position and excited to take this on."

Both Calhoun and Stevenson have

obligations outside of student government. Calhoun was previously involved in student government, as secretary of Student Organizations and Affairs and secretary of Community Relations. Stevenson has previously been involved in the Interfraternity Council. Both have worked at the KLPR radio station, and both are members of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In the runoff elections, Calhoun and Stevenson received 494 votes, while Natasha Angulo and Ryo Suzuki received 385 votes.

Calhoun and Stevenson have high hopes for their terms. Calhoun wants students to know, "I am a very well-spoken and driven individual. For my term, I hope to accomplish everything on my platform because every item is attainable within my one-year term."

Stevenson said, "I am very hard-working and I will do my very best. For the term I want to accomplish our platform because it is very attainable. Evan and I have visions that go beyond just asking people what they want to see. We have goals already set and are ready to go after them."

The new student body president and vice president will be inaugurated on April 7.

Also elected:

College of Business and Technology:

Jesse Zwiener, Albion
Natalie Jansen, Central City
Russell Tappy of Merino, Colorado
Nolan Hollibaugh of Rapid City, South Dakota

College of Natural and Social Sciences:

Dallas Doering, Trenton
Drew Thompson, Aurora
Courtney McClellen, Lincoln
Cody Masters, Kearney
Paige Whalen, Kearney

College of Education:

Landon Killion, Waco
Mallory Ritthaler, Fremont
Tyler Cogswell, Omaha
Carrie Hanson, Kearney
Madeline Maloley, Omaha

College of Fine Arts and Humanities:

Abraham Hermosillo, Cozad
University College
Rachel Ann Flaugh, Hartington

Serving America, one note at a time

Liberty Call of Navy Band Great Lakes to perform on March 20

BY LAURIE VENTEICHER
Copy Editor

The Department of Music and Performing Arts will welcome guest ensemble Liberty Call to UNK on Friday, March 20. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts building recital hall.

"Liberty Call is a 13-piece jazz ensemble with members who have performed with Maynard Ferguson, Tower of Power, University of North Texas 1 o'clock lab band, Parliament Funkadelic and a variety of other professional acts," said Tim Farrell, Chair of the Department of Music and Performing Arts, trumpet teacher and jazz ensemble director at UNK.

Liberty Call is the most versatile ensemble within Navy Band Great Lakes, performing traditional New Orleans-style jazz to modern-day popular music including (but not limited to): country, rock, jazz and blues.

"The leader of the ensemble will be Chief Musician Andrew Conover, who is also the group's guitarist," Farrell said.

The show is sure to be a crowd-pleaser for all ages. Admission is free.

To find out more about Liberty Call, visit <http://www.netc.navy.mil/nstc/navyband/libertyCall.html>.



“ I have never heard the ensemble before. I would like our students to hear professional musicians perform and consider a military career in music.

—Tim Farrell

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As the “Ambassadors to the Midwest,” Navy Band Great Lakes’ primary responsibility is supporting Navy outreach in an 11-state area, stretching from Michigan to Missouri, North Dakota to Kansas and every Midwestern state in between. Liberty Call plays it all and thrills audiences across the Midwest.

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Meatless Mondays

Going meatless isn't ideal for more carnivorous students

BY MICHAELA MCCONNELL
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Nebraska is the land of beef. Everyone who lives in Nebraska should be lean, mean, meat eating machines, right? Of course not.

Nebraskans should be able to live their life as they want. If that means they don't want to eat meat, that's just fine. The problem is that Nebraskans can be so focused on a meat and potatoes diet that vegetarians don't always have good options. This has been a problem in the UNK dining halls. To combat this issue, UNK has established "Meatless Mondays" where the main food line is vegetarian friendly.

This change has not been welcomed by many of the more carnivorous students. In a random Facebook survey online, 24 of the 26 respondents disliked or chose not to eat the vegetarian food offered on Meatless Monday.

On the other end of the spectrum, vegan and vegetarian students appreciate the effort the dining halls are making. Junior Ali Mercado from North Platte said, "It's very nice to know that on Mondays I am able to actually have lunch and dinner in the Union. I have a couple of friends that are vegetarian, and they love it as well. They are able to have one of the main meals instead of a salad."

In the survey, the main complaint from students is that the vegetarian options don't look appetizing. When UNK dining makes vegetarian options no one is willing to try, students choose not to eat them, and then the food is wasted.

When asked if the cafeteria is serving food that represents what most vegetarians and vegans eat, Mercado said, "For vegans a lot of food is fresh, think more of a plant-based diet. I can recreate anything you would eat, but with the change in some ingredients. It takes practice. So for me, no, it doesn't represent how we normally eat. It's not like we CAN'T have that steak; we just choose not to, whether it's for health reasons or animals' rights."

Another problem mentioned by the survey respondents



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Dining Services has stepped up it's vegetarian-friendly game with a new meatless alternative on Mondays in The Market.

was that carnivores who bypass food in the main line back up the sandwich and grill lines. This is causing an issue for people eating on a tight schedule.

Both of these problems could be solved if UNK dining offered vegetarian options that are more appealing to all students. If UNK wants Meatless Monday to be successful, they need to have options that look and taste good. Instead of serving frozen, overcooked garden patties, they could make fresh burgers by hand. It may take more time, but if they do it wisely it could be cheaper, especially since half the food won't be thrown away by students who didn't like it. There are all sorts of recipes online for easy meatless meals, and considering UNK's head chef has impressive credentials, students should be able to expect better food.



"It gives students an opportunity to experience something different. It gives vegetarians a day when they have more of a variety to choose from. Students

experience things they normally wouldn't have like the meatless corn dogs that some of the students didn't even know a difference. We keep meat at the other stations so there are still a lot of options."

—Riley Wright



Anna Wagemann
Sophomore
English
Omaha

"Meatless Monday is the best thing ever. I am a vegetarian,

so I really appreciate having those options and having alternates to meat and honestly I think it's good for Nebraskans to go beyond the meat realm of food, explore a little bit. It really means a lot to vegetarians on campus."



"It's made the other stations really busy because a lot of students want meat, but I've tried the meatless corn dogs and other foods I never would have tried. It's kind of neat to

see what vegetarians like. "

—Rebecca Ost

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Forgey keeps going back to Japan

Senior says if you love culture, choose Japan

BY AKIHO SOMEYA
Antelope Staff

See story about writer of this story, senior Akiho Someya, an international student from Tokyo, Japan, and stories of other international students in next issue.

Megan Forgey, a senior international studies major and Japanese minor from Lincoln, has expanded her world by going to Japan again and again.

Forgey went to Japan as a UNK exchange student in 2014. She has visited Japan three times, once for sightseeing for 10 days (various places: Tokyo, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Chiba), once for an internship in Chiba for four months, and then most recently for study abroad at Sapporo University in Hokkaido for nine months.

"I wanted to learn Japanese so I could speak with a pen pal from Japan I had in middle school," Forgey said. "She had learned English to talk with me, so I decided that someday I wanted to be able to speak Japanese with her. I felt that my best chance to learn would be to study abroad."

Forgey says she spent quality time in Japan. "I would usually have two Japanese classes starting at 9 in the morning, and some days had a class in the afternoon."

She said. "Most days I ate lunch in the cafeteria, which had what I would consider restaurant-quality food for incredibly cheap. After class I would stay on campus



Courtesy

Forgey and friends visited Okurayama Ski Jump Stadium used in the 1972 Winter Olympics. They found they could use the ski jump hill during summer and joined a tour to the stadium as well as to a nearby lavender garden.

to work on my homework, then stay home and cook dinner or go out to dinner with my friends."

Forgey said Japan is such a wonderful place because Japanese people are incredibly kind and considerate. She met some of her best friends while she was there, and even saw some of her Japanese friends from Kearney.

She also met new friends from different countries. "I met so many people from different places around the world like New Zealand, South Korea, China, Russia, Finland and Taiwan. Because we were all studying abroad and understood the struggles the other was going through, I felt there was a strong sense of connection between international students. Study abroad teaches you a lot about yourself," Forgey said.

"I know that I may not be able to meet the friends that I made while I studied abroad often or maybe ever again, but they're some of the most important people

to me in the world. They helped me feel comfortable and taught me so much more than I expected to learn."

Studying abroad is always challenging. We can experience not only happy things, but also difficult things," she said. "One of the most difficult things for me was when I first arrived, and I couldn't speak or read much Japanese. It was so frustrating not being able to say what I wanted to say, or understand what conversations were being had in class. I didn't have a good sense of grammar or vocabulary, so I relied a lot on my Japanese teachers and friends to help me through those tough times."

When it was time to go, she said it was really hard to leave. "One of the greatest experiences I had was on my birthday. There were so many surprises. At midnight, some of my friends that lived in the same apartment as me knocked on my door to give me presents, and we went outside to do fireworks."

"In the morning, another friend came

to my door and gave me a birthday cake before we went out together for lunch and shopping."

Around dinnertime, she said she met with a different friend who told me we were going for donuts, and he took her to a bar where a group of my friends were waiting to surprise her. "We had dinner there and after a while, they brought out a cake decorated like the American flag. It was such a fun day, and I could really feel how much my friends cared about me. It really meant a lot to know I had friends like that."

Studying abroad in Japan gave her a lot of unforgettable experiences, and now she loves Japan even more than before. "Japan isn't just about anime, manga, ninjas and sushi. That's certainly a part of the culture, but it's not everything they have to offer. They have a very rich traditional culture where everything they do has a long history: yosakoi (a traditional dance that is performed at a festival in Hokkaido), hatsumode (going to the first shrine visit of the year), festivals, oshogatsu (New Year's celebrations), and seijin-shiki (coming of age ceremony)," Forgey said. "Japan has a surprisingly comedy-centered TV culture as well. There seem to be new comedians on TV every year, and each New Year's comes with television specials that prank celebrities for fun. If you love culture and learning about new places, Japan is an amazing place to learn."



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Andrew Hanson recap the Lopers' busy weekend. The two recap UNK's national runner-up finish at the NCAA wrestling championships as well as review the Lopers' three All-American's in men's indoor track & field.

Dolan and Hanson will also take a look at the baseball team's weekend trip to Northwest Missouri State and give a preview of what's on schedule for this week in Loper Athletics.

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LOPER SOFTBALL

The Lopers win one, lose one against Missouri Southern State University



Photos by Hannah Backer

Above: Lincoln native Amanda Dunn runs to make it to first base. The sophomore plays both infield and outfield for the Lady Lopers.

Top Right: Huddling up at the bottom of an inning is the Lady Lopers softball team. The team played at Dryden Park this past weekend against Pittsburg State on Friday and Missouri Southern State on Saturday.

Right: Cassie Roessing pitched for the Lady Lopers this past Saturday at Dryden Park. Roessing threw a complete game seven-hitter to help UNK win the first game (7-2) of a double-header against Missouri Southern State.

Far Right: Out in left field, junior Mackenzie Dallas prepares for the batter to hit the ball to her section of the diamond. Dallas hails from Phoenix, Arizona.





Spike it, Pikes

Pi Kappa Alpha holds 2nd annual sand volleyball tournament



BY JESSICA NICHOLS
Antelope Staff

Bro tanks and shorts were a common theme at the Big Apple Fun Center this past Saturday. With the weather on their side, the Pikes held their Pike Spike Sand Volleyball Tournament.

Ty Ottoson, the Fundraising Chair for Pi Kappa Alpha, had the task of putting this tournament together. He said it proved to be more challenging than he expected. "It was more stressful than I thought. I thought I would be able to just say 'pike spike' and a lot of teams would pay up front and want to do it."

It wasn't that easy. "Taking time out of my schedule to do planning for the facility, getting bro tank orders and money, getting times to sit in the Union and people to work at the stands was pretty stressful, but I knew everyone would have good time and it's going for a good cause, so that kept me going – and all the help from my brothers really is appreciated," Ottoson said.

When all was said and done, the junior sports administration major decided on a minimum of seven players, with



a maximum of 10 on each team. Three different types of teams could play: coed, men's and women's. Once put together, each team had to pay \$35 to compete and sign a waiver. At the end of tournament, the first place team received \$110.00.

The tournament was double elimination, and random drawings were done for the first games. Ottoson planned for each game to last 30 minutes.

However, the actual day of the event turned out differently. The tournament ended up ahead of schedule and threw a lot of teams off. Some players showed up to find that their team had already played and felt a variety of emotions. Some were pretty upset; others were just sad they didn't get to play.

Ottoson said, "We weren't for sure how long each game was going to last so we just estimated 30 minutes." All of the teams were present, minus a few players here and there, so they were able to get started early. In the end, they were 45 minutes ahead of schedule.

To get people interested, the Potter native promoted the event on campus, in the union and on social media. "Everyone

Photos by Jessica Nichols

LEFT: Jake Findley, an agricultural business major, jumps and spikes the ball hard and is awarded a kill.

FAR LEFT: Keaton Young (far left) Zach Brown and Grant Holscher, wait for their team to serve the ball.

BOTTOM LEFT: Sophomore molecular biology major Dawson Johnson serves the volleyball with determination and force.

BELOW: Tyler Cogswell, an elementary education and special education major, serves the ball to the opposing team. "My favorite thing about Pike Spike was playing volleyball in the great weather," Cogswell said.



was invited on the Facebook page we created."

In retrospect, Ottoson wishes he could promote the fundraiser more in the community of Kearney. At the end of the registration period 19 teams had signed up.

This is only the second year that Pike has held the sand volleyball tournament. "We knew other fraternities did this in the past and just thought it needed to be brought back," Ottoson said.

With no sand volleyball courts on campus, students don't have the opportunity to play. "It's like a once-a-year thing to do, so it brings out a lot of kids to play some volleyball," Ottoson said.

Overall, Ottoson believes that from the beginning planning stages to the very end, Pike Spike was a success. "It brought everyone together from the UNK community," Ottoson said. "From all the Pikes that helped out on their Saturday to everyone that played, it seemed like they really enjoyed it and were having fun."

The money raised from the tournament and the bro tanks specially created for the event will be used for chapter improvements.

Two seniors leave big shoes to fill

Williams and Ridgwell provide team leadership on and off basketball court

BY DAVID MUELLER
Sports Editor

Seniors Amarah Williams and Mariam Ridgwell have reached the end of their athletic careers after a first-round loss in the MIAA Conference Tournament.

Both players began their collegiate careers at different universities but found a home after transferring to UNK. Each took on a different role for the squad but was equally important to the team's overall success.

Williams, a business administration major from St. Louis, Missouri, acknowledged that her mother has always been a source of inspiration.

"She was a single mother when she raised me. I never went without anything – you would have thought I grew up in a two-parent home," Williams said. "That's definitely an inspiration for me, because even though I will have a husband, I want to be able to raise my kids like my mom raised me – knowing that if I put God first and everything else second, everything is going to be OK."

On the court, Williams was able to cause havoc for opponents. Earlier in the season, she reached a 1000-point milestone, and more recently was named to the All-MIAA team.

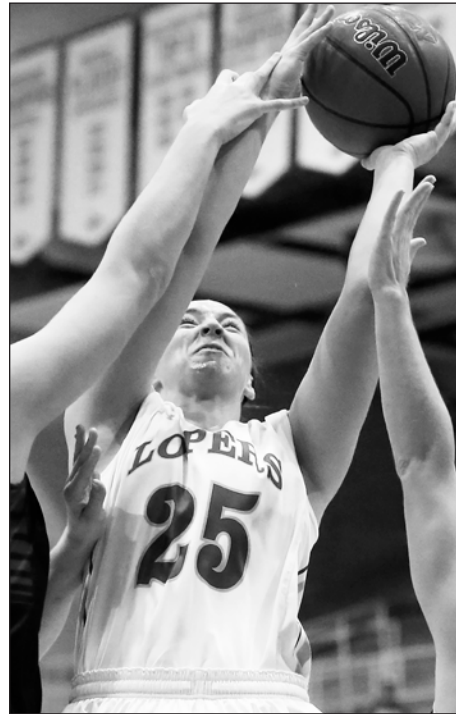
Ridgwell, a psychology major from Boise, Idaho, found her position as more of an unsung hero for the Lopers.

"I was the type of player that holds the team together and helps in more ways than just on the court. With psychology I'm always interested in keeping cohesion and positivity. Focusing on that, and doing what is needed on the court, I've been very adaptive overall," Ridgwell said.

Although her final season didn't go exactly as Williams wished, she was still able to come away with many positives. "I'm definitely happy we were able to come together as a team, play together and maintain a sisterhood. Despite all the odds, we were still able to make playoffs," she said.

For Ridgwell, the season provided lifelong friendships. "It was enjoyable and

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Courtesy

Mariam Ridgwell, a psychology major from Boise, Idaho, rises up for a shot attempt against two opponents at the Health and Sports Center. Ridgwell transferred from Southern Arkansas, and is considered UNK's top reserve post.



Photo by Hannah Backer

Senior Amarah Williams receives the ball down low against Fort Hays State. Earlier this season, Williams reached a 1000-point career milestone, and recently was selected to the All-MIAA team for the second year in a row.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Moorberg, Summers start season on high note

BY STEPHANIE MOORBERG
Antelope Staff

This past Thursday, March 12 and Friday, March 13, the women's golf team traveled down to Buckeye, Arizona, to play in the Southwest Minnesota State Invite. The team was lead by senior Stephanie Moorberg of Keller, Texas, shooting a 167 to place tied for 15 out of 65. One stroke behind was junior Ana Summers of Bellevue, Colorado. The team placed fourth out of nine, shooting a 678. Minnesota State won the tournament with a 628, Indianapolis came in second with a 630, and MIAA team, Northeastern State placed third with a 634.

The women's team will head down to Missouri Western over spring break.



Courtesy

LEFT: Senior, Stephanie Moorberg of Keller, Texas drives down hole 14 at the Southwest Minnesota State Spring Invite. She ended her first round with an 81 and shot 86 in her second round to get her tied for 15 in the tournament.

ABOVE: The Women's golf team started their spring season in Buckeye, Arizona at the Southwest Minnesota State Invite placing fourth out of nine teams with a 678. MIAA school, Northeastern State, took third place with a 634.

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DeShazer, Cotton each win 2nd titles

Wrestlers take 2nd @ Nationals

The UNK Loper wrestling team placed second this past weekend in the NCAA Division II National Tournament.

"We obviously do not like getting second place when we came here to get a national championship. As far as our guys go, everyone contributed to our second place finish. I'm very proud of them and everybody that has been supporting us," said UNK head coach Marc Bauer.

The Lopers also claimed two individual National Champions. Daniel DeShazer, a junior exercise science major, from Wichita, Kansas, won at 133 pounds and Romero Cotton a junior psychology major, from Hutchinson, Kansas, won at 197 pounds.

Both wrestlers became two-time National Champions.

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and uplifting for the most part. I built some relationships with some girls I never expected, and those are friendships that will last forever," she said.

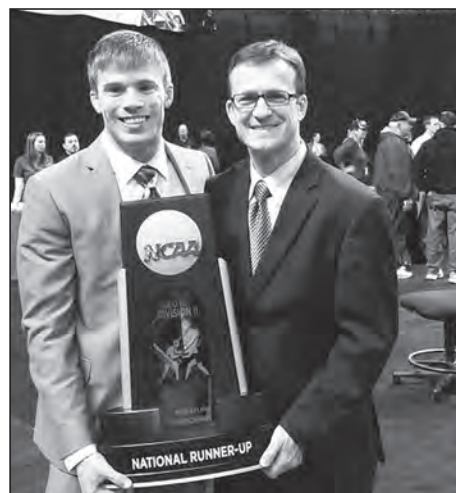
Playing collegiate basketball has done more than the obvious, according to Williams and Ridgwell. Both players have grown in their personal lives through the participation in their athletic careers.

"If you can make it being a college athlete, you can make it through anything in life. I've learned I can overcome any obstacle. I learned a lot about myself – I'm extremely tough, I'm not going to give up and I'm going to work the hardest until the end," Williams said.

"It's taught me about commitment, and pushing through difficult situations. You're not always going to have easy, happy-go-lucky scenarios. You have to push through the tough stuff, so you can enjoy the good stuff," said Ridgwell. "It's also taught me about communication and conflicts."

Each student-athlete recognized senior night as one of their most memorable experiences on the floor at UNK.

"Senior night was cool. I didn't expect



Dalton Jensen (left), UNK head assistant Wrestling Coach, and Marc Bauer, UNK head wrestling coach, show off the team's national runner-up trophy. The team placed second at the 2015 NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships in St. Louis.

“I realized how much my teammates cared about me.”

—Mariam Ridgwell

so many people to reach out because I don't have any family out here. I realized how much my teammates cared about me. It caught me off guard," Ridgwell said.

"I would definitely say people counted us out of that game completely. I can honestly say that was the best game we played all year. We were all able to step up – it was probably my favorite," Williams said.

The two seniors' roles on and off the court made a large impact on the women's basketball program. Both players shared that they will miss their teammates the most.

Ridgwell plans on working with horse therapy in the summer to further her knowledge in the psychology field, and Williams plans on pursuing a career in management.

Schrodt, Wellnitz earn All-American honors



DILLON SCHRODT

Senior Dillon Schrodt and sophomore Cole Wellnitz earned All-American honors at the 2015 NCAA Indoor Championships Saturday in Birmingham, Alabama.

Schrodt (Lincoln North Star H.S.) finished fourth in the heptathlon while Wellnitz (Gordon-Rushville H.S.) placed eighth in the mile. On Friday, senior Brady Land (Kimball) earned All-American honors in the long jump.

Now a three-time All-American in the heptathlon, Schrodt briefly led the event after winning the 60 meter hurdles (8.14) Saturday morning. He went on to place 13th in the pole vault (13:1.50) and ninth in the 1,000 meter run (2:49.65) to end with 5,443 points.

The total allows Schrodt to once again break his own school record; he tallied 5,392 back in December at the UNK Pre-Holiday Invite.

Running a career-best 4:08.57 in Friday's prelims, Wellnitz led to the mile finals for nearly two minutes. Boxed in during the early going, he grabbed the lead at the 58 second mark and didn't lose it until two minutes later.

The pace really picked up over the final minute with, not surprisingly, Adams State finishing first and second. Oliver Aitchison (4:09.39) beat teammate Matt Daniels (4:09.96) to take the national title with Wellnitz running a 4:13.03 to easily finish ahead of another Adams runner in the nine-man field.

Wellnitz is UNK's first D2 All-



COLE WELLNITZ

American in the mile; Dan Pavlik was sixth at the 1983 NAIA national meet to be the last Loper All-American in this event.

The outdoor track season begins for Kearney on March 27.

Beranek named to All Regional first team



CONNOR BERANEK

UNK junior forward Connor Beranek has been named to the 2015 Daktronics All-Central Region first-team.

The team is voted upon by sports information directors from the schools in the Central Region. The three leagues in the Central are the MIAA, NSIC (Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conf.) and the GAC (Great American Conf.).

Beranek (Ravenna), the 2015 MIAA Player of the Year, is the first Loper to make an all-region team since his brother, Drake, made this team six years ago.

In 2014-15, Beranek averaged 19.6 points, 7.6 rebounds, 2.6 assists and 1.4 blocks per game while shooting 56% from the field and 83% at the line. The 41st Loper to reach the 1,000 career point mark, he led the MIAA in scoring, reaching double digits 26 times with five double doubles.

Beranek now moves on to the national ballot where he could earn Daktronics All-American honors.

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Sigma Tau Delta sends 5 to international conference

Five members of UNK's chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the English Honors Society, were selected to present research papers at the chapter's annual international conference.

The event, which hosts more than 1,000 presenters from across the world, is March 18-21 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

UNK students chosen, with titles of their research, include:

Fairbury – Shaun Friedrichsen, "Accepting the Bitter Reality"

Kearney – Kevin Stones, "Reinterpreting Shakespeare for a Modern Audience"

Oshkosh – Hannah Blum, "The Women of Ancient Greece"

Ravenna – Rachel Nozicka, "Street Culture and Moral Development in Colonel Jack"

Stanton – Natalie Hall, "Determinism in 'The Blue Hotel'"



UNK to host education career fair March 31

Employers from several states are scheduled to visit campus to conduct interviews with UNK students about teaching opportunities in their districts.

What:
Education Career Fair

When:
March 31, 2015

Time:
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Who:
Students

Location:
Nebraskan Student Union,
Ponderosa Room

Contact:
Traci Gunderson
308-865-8501

Ethnic studies program hosts speaker on race issues

Dr. Grace E. Hale, a professor of history and director of the American Studies Program at the University of Virginia, and an award-winning author and editor of a book "Making Whiteness: The Culture of Segregation in the South, 1890-1940," spoke to students and staff in the Ponderosa Room of the Nebraskan Student Union on Monday March 9.

"Making Whiteness" explains how and why whiteness came to be such a crucial and distorting concept of 20th Century American identity. Hale said when faced with active citizenship of their ex-slaves after the Civil War, white southerners re-established their dominance through a system based on violence and physical separation.

"Race isn't about white versus black," Hale said. "It's more about understanding each other, as in our psychology, biology and culture. It's important not to blame the other race for our own problems." Hale also said African Americans faced struggles including segregation and focused on lynching in the early 1900s.

Open mic night in Student Union April 7

Open Mic Night encourages UNK students to show off their spoken word poetry, slam poetry, musical talents and comedic expressions. During the intermissions of acts, statistics, facts and safety tips will be presented to raise awareness about sexual assault. This event is in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

When:
April 7, 2015

Time:
7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Location:
Nebraskan Student Union,
Food Court

Contact:
Emily Fierstein
308-865-8279

The Walker Art Gallery presents The Spring 2015 Art Education Senior Exhibition

Featuring:

Trinity Abrams
Jennifer Green
Carolina Ramos



ABOVE: Senior Carolina Ramos created an acrylic rendering of the Venerable Fulton Sheen as part of her senior show. The theme for Ramos' collection is "Be Not Afraid." Her works feature several saints of the Catholic church who were not afraid to live their faith in their daily lives. Ramos says she draws inspiration from these men and women and their examples push her to strive for greatness in her daily life.



ABOVE: Several pieces from senior Jennifer Green's exhibit line one of the walls of the Walker Art Gallery. Green says her work aimed to create a connection between scripture and art.

Photo by Jessica Albin

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**Show runs from
March 16 - April 3**

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Photo by Austin Koeller

A group Nebraska farmers and ranchers pose for a portrait in front of the State Capitol Building in Lincoln on March 11. More than 20 proponents spoke in favor of Sen. Chambers' bill that would prevent TransCanada from using eminent domain to take private land.

If passed, the bill would prevent a foreign oil pipeline from using eminent domain to forcefully take landowners' rights.

"The real reason for bringing this [LB473], in addition to wanting it to pass, is to give the public and the people directly involved a public forum which they've never had before despite a lawsuit," Chambers said. "I want it to be a formal government-established forum such as a legislative hearing where they can come and present what their views are. Not be governed by the political flunkies who have already been co-opted to do what TransCanada wants."

Dave Domina, lawyer for the landowners suing TransCanada for taking

land by eminent domain, provided senators with ideas to consider before making a decision regarding the constitutionality of the use of eminent domain by the foreign pipeline company.

"I'm not here to argue that private enterprise should never happen, but every time it's conferred it should be done with deep and broad and longtime thoughtfulness," Domina said. "That is essential to help the people in the state."

Proponents of Chambers' bill unanimously expressed gratitude for his introduction of LB473 and frustration about previous failed efforts for the landowners' voice came up at the Judiciary Committee hearing in Lincoln on Wednesday, March 11.

Randy Thompson, Nebraska rancher and landowner whose land was in the original pipeline route prior to being rerouted in 2013, let out his frustration about the lack of support from legislators.

"We can't get your attention," Thompson said. "When we went to the Natural Resources committee... we packed that place. We had all kinds of people testify, and again, we couldn't even get it out of committee."

Donna Buller, landowner from York County, agreed with Thompson. "We have had no support. None," she said. "I want it to be a matter of public record because Mr. Chambers thankfully has given us the opportunity of a public forum to publicly state what we have gone through."

The public forum also allowed for opponents of LB473 to voice their concerns.

Andrew Craig, land manager for TransCanada and Nebraska resident, was one of five opponents who testified at the committee hearing.

"With proposed projects like Keystone XL, our [TransCanada's] first tool of choice is to practice good faith negotiations and communications with landowners," he said. "We clearly advise landowners that we are seeking limited, non-exclusive easements rights and that we are not seeking to take their property. Eminent domain is only a tool of last resort; we'd much rather work with the landowner to reach a voluntary agreement."

John Hansen, president of Nebraska Farmer's Union, provided a counter-argument to Craig's testimony. Hansen began by recalling TransCanada's

successful agreements with landowners during the first Keystone pipeline currently transporting oil through Nebraska.

"By virtue of how the company treated landowners and by virtue of the route itself and their [TransCanada's] willingness to work with landowners and communities with respect and make changes, the process was relatively simple...that process worked fairly well," Hansen said.

However, Hansen said the process changed. "I cautioned the company to use the process they had used before that worked well. That was not the way it happened the second time."

One landowner had an opposing view.

"I can sit here today and say that I have had nothing but good results when working with the people of TransCanada and all of them were asking for what still needed to be done," said Douglas Zimmerman, a landowner from Seward that has dealt with TransCanada since 2006. "The land was left in better condition than what it was prior to them showing up."

Rick Hammond, a landowner from York County that has a section of grass in North Platte, disagrees. Under that section of grass runs two natural gas pipelines.

"The land is never the same after a pipeline goes in," Hammond said. "I don't care what they say, it's never the same."

The committee will vote to advance Chambers' bill to a full floor vote at a later date. Litigation between landowners and TransCanada is still pending. Either way, because the pipeline will cross international borders, presidential approval is required.

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big oil, rather than with rural Nebraskans who are fighting against the pipeline and TransCanada's use of eminent domain to seize their private land.



SEN. DEB FISCHER

During her time as a Nebraska legislator, Fischer introduced LB924 to ensure that a private entity does not have the right to use eminent domain. The only problem with this bill was that Fischer inserted wording into the bill that stated

"Public projects or private projects that make all or a major portion of the property available for use by the general public or for use as a right-of-way,

aqueduct, pipeline or similar use" can be seized using eminent domain. This allows TransCanada to legally seize private land for pipeline use.

Fischer's mainly conservative constituents oppose this.

Jeanne Crumly is a Holt County land owner who opposes the Keystone XL pipeline. Her land has been in her husband's family for more than 100 years. She opposes TransCanada's use of eminent domain to seize her land.

"TransCanada's refusal to include liability protection for the landowner is just one example of their flagrant disregard for the land we own," Crumly said. "They make no provision for removal of the pipe at the end of the project. That becomes the landowners problem. Their plan is

to exploit Nebraska citizens for investor gain."

Despite Senator Fischer's conservative constituents being opposed to the Keystone XL pipeline, she has expressed strong support for the pipeline. She told constituents concerned about the pipeline running through the Sandhills: "We build roads in the Sandhills...they recover. It's how you manage it."

In 2012, Fischer campaigned for the U.S. Senate on a promise that she would "fight to protect Nebraska farmers and ranchers," despite being in favor of the Keystone XL pipeline. Nebraska voters trusted her in this promise as she received over 75 percent of the vote in Holt, Rock and Keya Paha counties. Senator Fischer's voting record in the U.S. Senate shows that

she broke this promise to landowners.

Landowners in Holt County are now filing a lawsuit against TransCanada to prevent them from using eminent domain to seize their private land. Senator Fischer, on the other hand, is in Washington, continuing to break her promise to Nebraskans as she votes in favor of the Keystone XL pipeline.

It is time for Senator Fischer to fulfill her promise to Nebraska farmers and ranchers. She needs to reverse her stance on the Keystone XL pipeline and fight for her constituents' opposition. If Senator Fischer can not fulfill her promise, Nebraska voters need to make a promise to vote her out of office in 2018.



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Drumroll please...

Individual talent winners

First: Andrew Spangler

Second: Bobby Jacobs

Third: Aaron McCauley

Group talent winners

First: Alyssa Wetovick/Bobby Jacobs

Second: [Band Name Here]

Third: Golden Castle

Rockin' FAME

Students take stage in annual talent show



Photos by Michaela McConnell

TOP: Andrew Spangler stands with his finished painting. Spangler won first prize in the individual competition.

LEFT: Alyssa Wetovick and Bobby Jacobs sing "Bruises" by Train. They won first in the group competition

ABOVE: Ruiko Saji and Yuki Hattori perform baton twirling and gymnastics as "Golden Castle" to the song "Land of 1000 Dances" by Wilson Pickett.