



Peer health draws shades on rape

Chelsie Flanagan
Staff writer

UNK's Peer Health Education is bringing two programs highlighting rape preven-

tion to campus.

"Drawing the Shades," a program only for women, will be presented by the Hastings Peer Health group in the Ponderosa Room of the Student Union on Sept. 6 at 6 p.m. The presenta-

tion will follow a series of "girl's night out" spa treatments like manicures, pedicures, facials and massages.

Peer Health and sponsors are offering a hot-wings eating contest and a root beer keg to

quench the Thursday night thirst, also in the Ponderosa Room, on Sept. 8 at 6 p.m.

Afterwards, the One in Four group will be putting on a program for men entitled "No More Rape." This presentation focuses on encouraging men to work at preventing rape and sexual assault instead of creating it.

Peer Health organized "Drawing the Shades" and "No More Rape" in partnership with Residential and Greek Life, Counseling & Health Care, UNK Athletics, Spirit Squad, Panhellenic Council, Interfraternity Council, Sigma Tau Gamma and the UNK Affirmative Action/Equal Rights Office.

Besides sexual health, Peer Health also focuses on students' consumption of alcohol.

When surveyed how many alcoholic drinks the average UNK student consumes a week, students predicted the average amount of drinks consumed in a week to be eight drinks. However, according to Health Education Coordinator, Ismael Torres, the average UNK students surveyed said that they had an average of zero to four alcoholic drinks a week.

"We want students to know that it's okay not to get involved in high risk activities . . . they are in the majority," Torres said.

Surveying students is one of many things that Peer Health

Education does to uncover the truth about the myths of alcohol, tobacco, body image and sexual health surrounding the UNK student body.

"By providing information to the students, it allows them to make informed decisions about very important real-life situations," Jessica McCune, a senior from Sutherland and president of Peer Health Education explained. "Peer Health Educators work very hard to be visible on campus through the programming the organization puts on. We are one of the few organizations who go into both the classroom and the residence halls to reach students."

Heidi Lammers and four students started Peer Health Educators three years ago. It has since grown to a team of seventeen diverse students with different backgrounds and majors who work alongside Torres as Peer Health Educators on campus.

Throughout the year, the members of Peer Health Education devote their time to classroom and residence hall presentations and through campus-wide outreach activities. By the fifth day of school, the students and Torres had given three presentations to student audiences. Peer Health Education differs from other organizations that sponsor health-related activities because health issues

are their main focus.

"We can focus on the issues and we put in a lot of time and energy into this," Torres said. "Students come here with questions and we have a number of resources to help answer them."

Look for more activities sponsored by Peer Health Education throughout the year, including their annual "Alcohol-free Night" on Sept. 15 and "The Great American Smoke-out" coming up on Nov. 17.

Photo by Kathlene Jordan

Ismael Torres, pictured below, poses by a poster promoting events he and others helped organize.



CSF eats and greets with all nations

Matt Ringen
Staff Writer

The Sunday evening gathering of UNK students from numerous parts of the world featured foods from different countries including Brazil, India and Japan for International Food Night sponsored by the Christian Student Fellowship (CSF).

all students to join and experience what the group does at various events and activities throughout the year.

Sarah Tomkins is a student who joined the group four years ago and has been active in the leadership program for three years.

Tomkins said that she joined the group because she felt included by the older students and wanted a place to feel welcome and make new friends.

CSF is also planning for Freshman Night, which will take place on Sept. 7 at 6 p.m. Activities for the night include a dinner with prizes and a scavenger hunt.

"Freshman Night is a great way to get new students and current members of CSF together to make friends and get to know each other," said Gray.

On Thursday nights, the CSF group meets, and all students are welcome to come and join.

The group meets in the large tan brick building across from the Hyper Sports Complex electronic signboard.

Greg Swinney, campus minister, said that these are just the first of numerous events and activities that CSF will sponsor throughout the year.

The organization is located on four different campuses in the state including Lincoln, Omaha, Norfolk and Kearney.

Photo by Mika Arai

Kay Tira, at left, and Yuri Kawamura, at right, take part in the International Food Night.



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"This is like an extended family for American and international students alike."

Kathy Gray
Women's Ministry Director

Kathy Gray, Women's Ministry Director, said she was pleased with the turnout for the food night.

She said, "This is like an extended family for American and international students alike."

The fellowship encourages

Jared Blanton
Staff Writer

Dr. Randall Heckman, a professor of Mathematics and Statistics taps his forearm while he decides his next move. His opponent scans the board, looking for any weakness in his strategy.

"I don't like what he's doing to me, he's getting me tied up here," said Heckman.

His opponent quickly moves his queen forward and just as quickly, Heckman moves his queen to take his opponent's Bishop.

This is a typical scene on a Monday night for a group of chess enthusiasts who have been competing, learning, and socializing with each other at the Nebraskan Student Union for four years.

Monday night saw the return of the group after the summer recess. Heckman hopes to attract more student players in the coming months.

"We're looking for as much student participation as possible," he said. "If someone doesn't know the game, come on in, we'll teach it to you."

Heckman also said the analytical and strategic skills gained by playing chess could carry over to other areas of interest to students.

"There are studies that suggest that people who play chess tend to do better in academics," he said.

A new member to the group was Russell Crawford, a sophomore from Holdrege, who recently transferred to UNK. Crawford enjoys chess for the game's strategic elements.

"Unlike other games, chess is pure strategy," he said. "While other games have luck, chess is more what you know about the game."

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Your weekend weather outlook :

Friday

Partly Cloudy
High 87
Low 60



Saturday

Partly Cloudy
High 87
Low 61



Sunday

Clear
High 91
Low 59



ACROSS

3. In addition to salary, what a worker expects to help prepare for the future.
4. What the American worker shall have to do this winter to keep warm: decide either to HEAT or EAT.
6. An organized system that describes the financial strengh of a country.
9. We consider this particular “season” to end with the celebration of Labor Day.
11. The surname of a venerated Latino labor leader.
13. A place where RV’s go on Labor Day.
15. Fathers like to barbecue at one of these outdoor activities.
19. The avowed occupation of the students who edit THE ANTELOPE.
21. The persons to whom Labor Day is dedicated because he and she give strength to much of the nation’s strength, freedom and leadership.
24. Another term for job.
26. The kind of trip a computer geek can take on Labor Day without leaving cyberspace.
27. A current practice used by many companies that hurts the American worker.
28. Where loved ones might have a picnic on Labor Day.
30. We use our salaries to pay off _____.
34. Yes or No? Nebraska was one of the first states observe the celebration of Labor Day for its workers.
36. A governmental unit, similar to the U.S. Congress, which officially recognized Labor Day as a holiday in Britain.
38. A place where a fisherman goes on Labor Day.
40. This government program, for retired workers, will not be there in the future if Congress keeps taking money out of its funding for other things.
41. The old saying: “A _____ day’s pay for a _____ day’s work.
44. Sometimes, people use this term to describe the practice of worshipping money: the _____ dollar.
48. The surname of the legendary lumberjack who worked with Babe, The Blue Ox.
49. Where we might stay this upcoming weekend because of the inflated price of oil.
51. Meryl Streep portrays this courageous American worker in a movie by the same name.
52. The first state to officially recognize Labor Day as a holiday in 1887.
56. A neighboring nation that celebrates Labor Day.
57. The surname of the president who established the Department of Labor.
58. This remuneration for the average worker is only 1/400th of what the average CEO makes in America.
59. Tennessee Ernie Ford does not want a worker to owe his soul to this entity of the company.
60. A new word that has entered the vocabulary to describe the greed of oil producers: GROIL.

DOWN

1. The American worker thinks he is making MORE or LESS in the current economy, due to inflation.
2. Jimmy Hoffa was one of these.
3. He was bad, but everyone knew you would “give no lip” to him when he showed up to work at the mine, according to lyrics sung by Jimmy Dean.
5. Some people take off and do this on the three-day weekend.
7. What we might hear from an elected person on Labor Day.
8. Labor Day provides time for the whole family to play together over the _____.
10. Where we want to be on Labor day: with _____.
12. Typically, what workers do through training before they take charge of a job themselves.
14. Another term to describe the well-being of a nation brought on by the American worker.
16. A major American organization founded by workers.
17. The character Sally Field portrayed, rallying the female factory worker in a movie by the same name.
18. She is called “The Miner’s Angel,” not being motherly at all.
20. The city where Labor Day was selected as a holiday in 1884 by the Knights of Labor.
22. A drive around a local lake makes this a good destination on Labor Day.
23. The kind of “town” that a worker tries to avoid.
25. Jesus said, “Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you _____”



Labor Day Crossword Puzzle

29. Locally, where someone might view history on Labor Day.
31. The name of a working pig admired by Farmer Arthur Hoggett in a movie by the same name.
32. The surname of the American president who served when the legislation for Labor Day was passed during a time of labor unrest.
33. One of the most dangerous occupations of the American worker prevails in Nebraska.
35. One of the American symbols that we revere on Labor Day.
37. What we do to pay our bills.
39. Some might refer to Labor day as the last _____ of summer.
42. The type of organizations that support the laborer.
43. An organization that could not exist without the hard work of the laborer.
45. The founder of Labor Day, who worked with the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.
46. The name of a local park where students might be found on Labor Day.
47. The day of the week upon which Labor Day falls.
49. Mustard goes good with this during a family outdoor get-together.
50. The month that the former USSR used to celebrate the worker.
53. This might be used for the last time during the year to cook an outdoor steak on Labor Day.
54. _____ for the night is coming.
55. An event with which communities often celebrate Labor Day.



PHOTO of the WEEK

Photo by Mika Arai

Louie the Loper waves the UNK flag to get the crowd ready for the season opener game against the UNO Mavericks on Aug. 27, 2005.

To submit pictures for inclusion in next week’s **Photo of the Week**, save pictures as JPEG files and send to **antelope@unk.edu** , or call **865-8716** for assistance.

The Bottom Line

The Antelope listens to the voices of UNK

What is your impression of International Food Night?



“ It is kind of the small world. I can feel various cultures. When I come here, I feel I am growing.”

Haewoo Jeong, South Korea sophomore



“ I am disappointed, because there was not much sushi when I arrived.”

Shozaburo Takahashi, Japan sophomore



“ It is good because you get to know different cultures and what they believe.”

Kevin Meyer, Inman graduate



“ I think it is wonderful, because I can meet students from all over the world.”

Candida Carvalho, Brazil



Another
visual
comment
by

The
Antelope's
cartoonist,
Mike Adelman

Journalists play freedom of speech kickball for all



Kent Lutt
Managing Editor

A hand and a question were raised in class yesterday.
It was one of those questions that slowly eats at you, a tiny worm of an idea that burrows into your brain. The student queried, "If we have bosses and corporate leaders above us who tell us what to write and say, then do journalists ever tell the truth?"
No resolution was given in the teacher's answer. Probably because there isn't an answer.

How truly sad it is that the mass media world is so untruthful and divided these days. The speakers of "truth," journalists and mass communicators, are in a giant kick ball game with one another. The bosses and corporate leaders pick their players in the first amendment game and tell them to shoot for the goal: protecting the mega-corporation's set of beliefs.
Television networks, radio stations and most other media so obviously lean to one side of the nation or the other. Journalism is politics nowadays. One side democrat, one side republican.
The reporters and editors who prepare the meat of these medium-rare media are shoved into the fray to tell us how the big guys want it to be told. Reporters aren't reporting everything, or they are not allowed to do so. Editors are having caffeine shakes from late nights of cutting out entire quotes and captions containing "no-no" content that disagrees with higher-ups in the business.
Journalism shouldn't be played like this. It makes me wonder why I sit in journalism classes all day. Once I hit the floor running in the work force, my boss will plop me

down in a leather chair to give me the beliefs system we must abide by to keep everyone happy. Where's the unscrupulous, true-journalistic model I was taught to hold sacred in my college years?
That model is found in a place that those big corporations can't touch. It's in our youth, the elementary school, high school and college students growing up to become the new speakers of the truth.
And that is why, as I sat in class with those ideas racing through my head, I knew that it's more important than ever to stay right where I was. Students are learning every day about the rights and wrongs of our nation in class. Those fortunate enough to hear lectures from our elders will become the victors of the first amendment game.
My hope for the future of journalism: keep raising your hands, mass communicators, and keep raising questions. That is the model for true journalism.

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Downtown was destination for fun

Heather Bearney
Layout/Entertainment Editor

The second annual celebration of Destination Downtown last Thursday brought in about twice the merchants, more food

and about three times the entertainment as last year. Destination Downtown was implemented last year by Cami Wacker, Associate Director of Student Development and Retention Programs. “We wanted to draw a connection between the UNK cam-

pus and downtown Kearney,” Wacker said. “We did some research and spoke to area businesses ourselves. What started as a relatively small event has grown significantly from last year.” Dennis Miller, co-owner of DMilaco, assisted with the plan-

ning and positioning of Destination Downtown’s entertainment. Miller said that the expansion in the entertainment area is most accountable for the event’s growth. “After careful positioning, the bands and independent acts were placed efficiently. If this event continues to grow, we’ll have to rethink the overlapping of music,” Miller said. Chais Meyer, staff member at Computer Hardware, said that the event is a significant determinant in how the city of Kearney is viewed by other places.

Meyer said that happenings such as Destination Downtown show the diversity of talent within Kearney. “Showcasing the talent of local bands is a great way to show other towns what Kearney is really about,” Meyer said. “We did this to make Kearney a better place and prove that UNK is more than just a party school.”

Photos by Jamie Knuth

(Above, right) Guitarist Ryan Head of Tres Diablos gets the fiesta rolling with a little hardcord swing

(Left) Johnathon Zach of Feariscalm walks the fretboard of his bass at thursday’s “Destination Downtown” concert.



Photo by Jamie Knuth

Adam Disconnected (Adam Schliecer) opened the lineup of bands who performed at Computer Hardware. Adam Disconnected is a singer/songwriter who will be playing the Kearney area in the near future.



Christensen turns crowds into toons

Derek Wakefield
Staff Writer

Destination Downtown featured many free events for college students to enjoy. One of the events offered at the Mona was Quick Draw Caricatures by Dirk Christensen. Starting at 8 p.m. until midnight Dirk guessed that he would draw about two hundred caricatures.

Within minutes of setup, Christensen’s tent had a line of people excited and waiting to get their pictures drawn. Christensen’s tent was decorated with many of his colored caricatures and was free for college students who showed their student IDs. The sketches he drew were done in pen and ink and took about three to five minutes per person. Christensen was able to capture each person’s features and turn them into animated art using a couple different sizes of pens.

Christensen said that he first became interested in drawing when he was on vacation with his family in California at Knots Berry Farm. He was watching a man doing acetate clear plastic drawings that were projection silhouettes. About 20 years later, he started to get involved in caricatures.

Christensen would guess that he has done over 5,000 caricatures. He has drawn caricatures for profit for about 15 years.



Photo by Derek Wakefield
Derk Christensen puts the finishing touches on a caricature at MONA.

Christensen said doing caricatures has turned into something larger than a hobby, although caricatures are not his only source of income. “I enjoy doing free setups, but sometimes I charge and donate back,” Christensen admitted.

Many people waited in line to get their caricature drawn while others stood behind Dirk watching him work. Jake McGlade, a freshman from Omaha, said he had seen caricatures in theme parks, but had never seen them done up close before. “It’s awesome that it’s free and the drawings are just as good as any I’ve seen done before,” McGlade said.

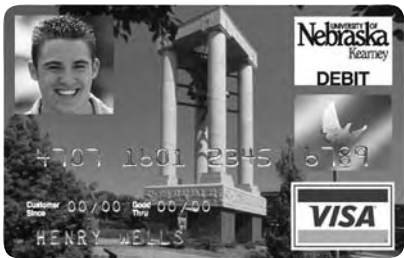
Heather Steinke, a freshman from Central City, said, “When [artists] draw it, it’s you, but it looks like a character in a reality cartoon. It’ll be funny. They all have big smiles.”

For more information on Christensen’s caricatures, visit www.kwkdraw.com.

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-September 9th
-Ten Cent Redemption
- **The Roman**
-September 10th
-Evening Glow
-8p.m.
- **Elizabeth Kronfield: Sculpture Garden**
-Now until March
-MONA

‘Destination’ rocks for number of reasons

Sheena K. Rader
Staff Writer

Paint by Numbers was among four other bands that performed at Computer Hardware on Thursday as part of Kearney’s Destination Downtown event.

Paint by Numbers is a skater punk band from Portland, Ore. Band members include lead singer, Justin Silva; guitarist, Stuart Barnett; singer and guitarist, Shawn Pike; bass player, Adam Pike; and drummer, Nick Arneson. They have been playing together for four years.

The band has been touring from coast to coast for the past month and a half. Adam Pike said, “I think we’ve been everywhere, every state it feels like. We’re nearing the end of the tour right now and excited to get our new album out.”

Lyrical content comes from personal experiences, mostly about living on the west coast. Arneson said, “We work collaboratively on the lyrics. We inspire each other and just have fun.”

Paint by Numbers created their band name from a mocking magazine review saying their punk style was too Paint by

Numbers. They chose to make a joke out of it and not take it personally.

Jason House, UNK senior from Kearney majoring in English and philosophy, said, “I’ve never heard them before, but they put on a really good performance. I would see them again if they came back to Kearney.”

Arneson said, “We have an original style and don’t want to be compared to other bands. We really don’t cater to any type of audience. We mostly see people who are 21 or younger at our shows. We basically play for anyone who will listen.”

Adam Pike said, “Our band just has fun. There’s really no other word to describe what we do.”

Other bands that rocked the crowd included Adam Disconnected, Tres Diablos, Groundling and Feariscalm.

Destination Downtown brought people to the downtown area to experience all it has to offer, and it gave businesses the opportunity to promote their products and services.

The staff of Computer Hardware held a drawing and gave away one free laptop computer and one free I-Pod MP3 player.

Jess Feltz, UNK sophomore from Ogallala, said, “There are a lot of interesting things to do [at Destination Downtown]. It

seems that it’s more planned out this year, and there are more things going on. The merchants are more involved.”

Photo by Jamie Knuth
Lead Singer of Paint By Numbers delivers an intense performance at the second annual “Destination Downtown”



Getting to know the ‘real’ Ben Dennis

Heather Berney
Layout/Entertainment Editor

“We’re literally seconds away from another song . . .”

Ben Dennis, UNK sophomore from Ord, spoke these words to the audience and passers-by as he played his acoustic guitar on the corner of Central

and 23rd St.

With no microphone and an amplified guitar, a crowd gathered only feet away from Dennis’s open guitar case. Dennis participated in the festivities as an independent act for Destination Downtown on Thursday.

He performed songs that he had written himself as well as numbers by bands such as Bright Eyes, Smashing Pumpkins and Taking Back Sunday.

“I don’t try to emulate anyone. I put myself into my music,” Dennis said.

Dennis has been playing guitar for over five years.

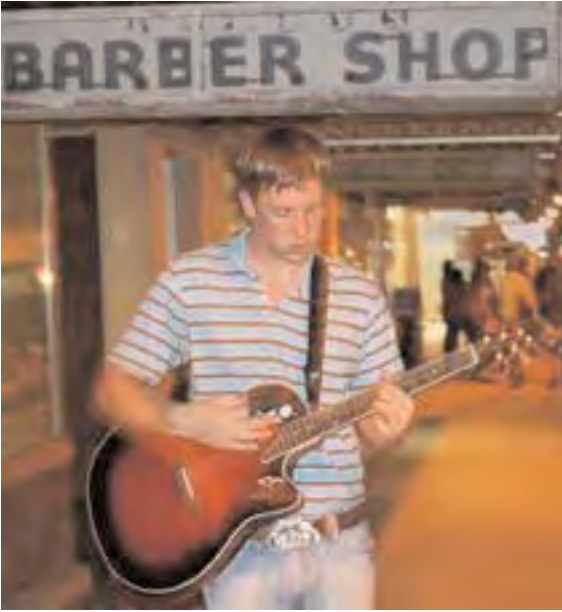
dent bands and a genre of music labeled emo.

“It’s obvious when an artist puts his whole self into a song,” he said. “It’s amazing when you see an artist almost break down singing one of his songs. It’s his whole life . . . and that feeling is what I want to recreate.”



Photo by Daniel Nickel
Ord sophomore, Ben Dennis, plays and writes his own music. Dennis was one of many musicians who played the streets of Kearney.

Photo by Daniel Nickel
Ben Dennis plays to Central Avenue.



“My mom said buying me my first guitar was the best thing she could’ve done for me,” he said.

When asked why he chose acoustic, as opposed to electric or bass guitar, Dennis explained, “The acoustic sound is much more raw. It’s a really stripped-down version of music. I like the intimate sound it creates.”

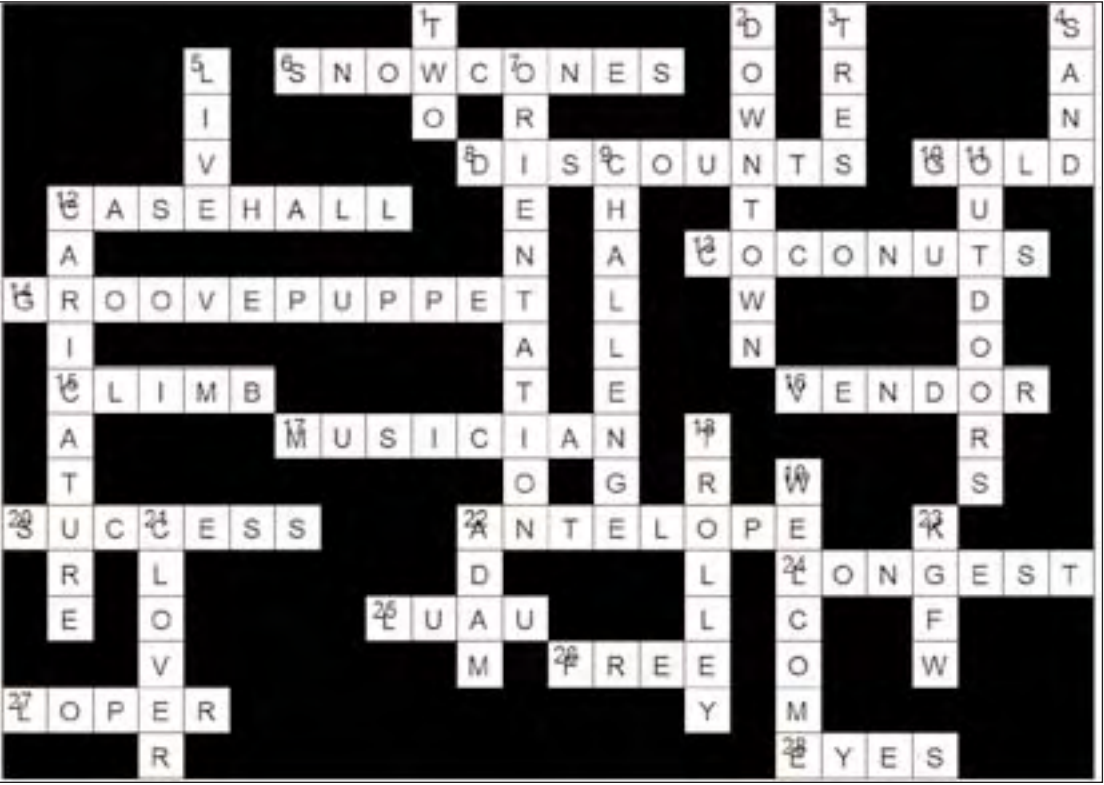
Emily Norquest, UNK sophomore from McCool Junction, temporarily joined the crowd of listeners.

“Ben’s talent is not only astonishing, but sincere,” Norquest said. “I hear honesty in his voice. Females appreciate the fact that he can write about his feelings, put the words to music and perform them openly.”

A song that Dennis wrote himself includes lyrics such as, “Some might say I’m bitter, and I am. Some might say forget her, well I did, and remembered her again.”

Another crowd member, Amanda Fells, UNK freshman from Hastings, said, “He sounds like a hopeless romantic. I think he’s a good singer, and he does well as a solo act. It’s cool that he writes his own music.”

Dennis said that his influence for music comes from indepen-



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UNK ousted by in-state rival UNO

Chris Parks
Staff Writer

The UNK football team was defeated by the UNO Mavericks 41-17 Saturday night at Foster Field. The Lopers were outplayed by the number-eight team in NCAA Division II as UNO picked up their eighth straight win over UNK.

The Mavericks showcased a potent offense by racking up over 500 total yards. Senior wide receiver Chris Denney led the way for the Mavericks with two touchdowns off of ten catches for a career best: 260 total receiving yards.

“They were a well-rounded, deep, good football team,” Darrell Morris, UNK Head Coach, said.

After a slow start to the game, the scoring picked up with 5:12 left in the first quarter on a one-yard run by UNO run-

ning back Nate Wurth, which was the capstone to a twelve play, 91-yard drive.

It didn’t take UNK long to strike back. Loper quarterback Marcus Goldenstein hooked up with wide receiver Richie Ross for an 85-yard touchdown run on the Lopers’ first offensive play after the UNO touchdown.

“He [Marcus] checked to it. He saw one-on-one coverage and it was just the perfect time, perfect throw,” said Ross of the play.

The Mavericks would go on to score on their next two drives and once more before the end of the first half, following a punt block.

The 28-7 halftime deficit was too much for the Lopers to overcome and an early Maverick score in the second half took all the excitement out of the air for the 8,823 fans in attendance at Foster Field.

One highlight for UNK was Ross becoming the all-time reception leader in school history, surpassing Mike Smith’s mark of 195 receptions. Ross now holds a total of eight school records and needs 1,322 yards to become the all-time receiving leader in NCAA Division II history.

When asked to comment on Ross’s record, Morris said, “Richie is a great player. He’ll have more records.”

The Lopers now have to regroup and prepare for a road trip to play Wayne State Saturday at 1 p.m.

Coach Morris said for the Lopers to improve, they “have to be a better tackling football team. That’s something I’m going to be on this week.”

Ross thinks the team is “a few [corrected] mistakes away from being a good football team.”

Photo by Erika Dimas
Senior linebacker Bryan Caha (No. 42) pursues the UNO Maverick offense in the opening game of the 2005 season. The Lopers lost in a one-sided contest, 41-17 at Foster Field.

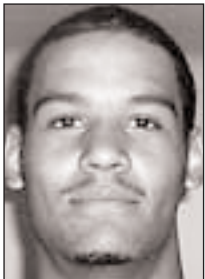


Photo by Erika Dimas
UNK’s defense clashes with the powerful UNO offense. The Lopers had a tough time keeping the Mavericks out of scoring position at Saturday’s season opener.



Player Profile

Photo and information by
Darnell Wood



Name: Richie Ross
Year: Senior
Hometown: Lincoln
Major: Teacher Education
Team: Football team
Position: Wide Receiver
How many years have you played the sport? 5 seasons
How many years have you played it here? 3 seasons
Why do you love/play the sport? “It’s the best sport, it’s the most intense, it’s a man’s game and it is the ultimate team sport!”
Do you have any predictions for the year? “10-1, RMAC championship and make the playoffs.”
How about for the next game? “A win against Wayne State, no score though.”
Favorite Quote: “God bless the child who can hold his own,” Tupac.
Favorite Movie(s): “Enter the Dragon” and “Return of the Dragon,” with Bruce Lee and “Shaolin Temple” with Jet Li.
Favorite Snack: “Warm apple crisp with vanilla ice cream.”
Favorite Activity: “Playing Halo 2 and Madden 2006.”
Why did you choose UNK? “They throw the ball and give the receiver the chance to make big plays!”
What is your best/favorite thing about UNK? “The people are cool and down to earth.”
Closer: “Like a fat kid playing dodgeball, I’m out!”

Fan-power strong

Brittany Johnson
Staff Writer

As UNK athletes gear up for the 2005 sports season, fans also look forward to the upcoming season and the chance to support their favorite teams and athletes. While many UNK teams have yet to begin competition, both the volleyball and football teams have started out their seasons with home games.

The Lopers football team bumped heads Saturday against the UNO Mavericks at the newly remodeled Foster Field, while the Lady Lopers volleyball team hosted the Fall Classic tournament, Thursday through Saturday.

UNK football fans filled the stadium on Saturday adorned in blue and gold, and even paint, to show school spirit and support for the team. As the game progressed and defeat seemed eminent, the students and fans never stopped cheering and encouraging the Lopers.

With a final score of 17-41, the fans could have easily been discouraged, however they still spoke highly of the effort and look forward to future games.

Jason Houston, a former UNK student, said, “UNO came through with the win because they are a really good football team. This game can still be a

good learning experience for UNK. It gives them a chance to see what they need to work on. The team has great potential.”

Senior Misty Howerter sat in the first row of the game cheering on the players. She said, “This is only the first game of the season. There are many more chances for the team to show its talent and potential. I have high expectations for the upcoming games.”

The Lady Lopers started the season off in winning style, defeating each of the four teams they met in the competition and losing only one set in the four-day tournament.

Sophomore Eric Schmidt said, “I think this year they will do as good, if not better, than last year.” Eric was one of 1,243 fans that supported the Lady Lopers in the stands for their first home games.

Senior Matt True, said, “I think the volleyball team is going to continue to succeed just as they did last year. The first games showed that the Lopers still have the ability to be the best.”

With a new season under way, the volleyball and football teams have nothing to worry about when it comes to support from their fans. Whether the game ends in triumph or defeat, the Loper fans never fail to cheer on the home team.

Photo by Erika Dimas

The Loper faithful were on hand at Saturday’s meeting between UNK and UNO. Fans got their first taste of gridiron action and the revamped Foster Field, which is nearing completion. The Lopers travel to Wayne for the next test on the 2005 campaign.



Athletes receive preseason awards

Darnell Wood
Staff Writer

The season has just begun, but UNK athletes have already received awards.

Preseason rankings for the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and the NCAA have been released and many individuals on the Loper football and volleyball teams were recognized as All-Conference and All-Americans.

Coming off of a sub-par sea-

son with a 5-6 record and 4-4 in conference play, the Loper football team was picked to finish fourth in the conference, with four members making the All-Conference team.

The list is headed by senior wide receiver Richie Ross of Lincoln, senior defensive tackle Danny Ostransky of Gretna, senior defensive back Byrone Bell of Denver, Colo., and junior kicker Jessup Pfeifer of Northglenn, Colo.

Ross and Ostransky also earned All-American preseason

honors by Don Hanson’s Football Gazette, while Pfeifer earned first team All-American by Lindy’s Magazine.

The volleyball team, after finishing with their best record ever at 40-1, was picked to win the RMAC championship after receiving 13 of 14 possible first-place votes.

The Lady Lopers also received the No. 1 ranking in the nation in the preseason.

Along with the high ranking, three Lopers made the preseason all-conference team. Senior

hitter Erin Gudmundson of Kearney was selected as the Preseason Player of the Year, senior Bethany Spilde of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was selected as the Preseason Setter of the Year and senior middle hitter Erin Brosz of Grand Island was also named to the Preseason All-Conference team.

Not only did Gudmundson receive preseason RMAC honors, she received Preseason All-American Honors as well.

UNK the best all around



Ben Goetz, Brandon Wright
Guest Columnists

Those of us who attended the UNK-UNO opening football debacle are certainly disappointed. The Loper football team was tossed aside by the in-state rival Mavericks, and the 35-17 victory in Omaha in August 2002 seems further away than a shut-out for this year's Loper defense.

Nevertheless, a UNK-UNO match-up is a storied in-state rivalry that continually seems to come in a hard-fought and entertaining battle, regardless of the sport.

Each sport adds its own spice to the rivalry to create hard-nosed, yet good-mannered

and spirited competition, with each side finding its own share of success.

Looking at the past three seasons and only the sports in which the two institutions compete head-to-head, the results seem fairly even.

Football, for example, has been a UNO victory the past three seasons. The last time the UNK wrestling team beat UNO in a duel was during the 2002 season.

Volleyball and basketball are different stories, however. UNO has not defeated the perennial powerhouse that is Loper volleyball in the past four years. The women's basketball team has won their last four match-ups against the Mavericks, and the men's team hasn't lost to UNO since 2001.

These kinds of accomplishments show what kind of athletic department we have here at UNK. We routinely defeat UNO in many different sports, despite the fact that our athletic

budget dwarfs that of our neighbors to the east.

For example, UNO offers 36 football scholarships, while UNK is only able to offer 13. In addition, UNO's enrollment is approximately 15,000, nearly three times UNK's 6,000 undergraduate students.

Because of higher enrollment and the sheer population numbers of the Omaha metro area, the Mavericks have a much greater pool to draw from. Despite all these factors, UNK athletics continue to enjoy great success.

For example, the Lopers have won an unprecedented ten straight Wells Fargo trophies, an award which recognizes the RMAC All-Sports Champion. This takes into consideration not only the headline sports, but every sport – baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track and field, volleyball and wrestling.

Simply put, the Lopers

teams are tops among conference competition, no school is better.

Another admirable attribute of UNK's athletic department is their status in the greater-Kearney community. Attendance at Loper games consistently ranks among the best in Division II. The Lopers are the number one sports draw in the Tri-Cities region and maybe even between Lincoln and Denver.

So join in to support your Lopers. Attendance is free for all UNK students with an ID, most sports games are conveniently located on campus. The reasons not to attend are minimal. So get out there, go support your Lopers.

The football team will surely rebound and volleyball is still ranked number one. Good luck to all Loper teams competing this fall.

That's our advice for getting through the semester: a healthy diet of blue and gold.

Lady Lopers take tourney

Volleyball opens season by winning UNK Fall Classic

Megan Kulhanek
Staff Writer

The roaring sound of 1,687 Loper fans ushered in the 2005 UNK volleyball season Thursday night in the Health & Sports Center.

The volleyball team won three straight sets to shut down the **UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, OILERS.**

Middle hitter Erin Gudmundson, a senior from Kearney, dominated the court with 13 kills and five blocks, as the No. 1 ranked Lopers swept Findlay.

Also shining for the Lopers was Erin Brosz, a senior from Grand Island. Brosz finished with 10 kills and hit .500 for the evening.

Clint Hay, a freshman from Lexington, said, "From the looks of things, UNK is going to have a lot of potential this year."

"Yeah," his friend Riley Gruntorad, a sophomore also from Lexington agreed, "they are ranked No. 1 in Division II. This could be the team to win it all."

UNK was ranked No. 1 in the Division II Coaches Preseason Top 5 for the 2005 season. Last season the team finished with a 40-1 record, scoring 845 points against their opponents.

Friday afternoon brought another sweep for the UNK Lopers as they dominated **NEWMAN UNIVERSITY JETS** during the UNK Fall Classic presented by the Country Inn & Suites and Runza.

Notable players in the match-up were again Brosz and Gudmundson who paired up for 12 kills and 11 blocks against the Newman University Jets. Leading the team in kills, however, was sophomore outside hitter Kelli Bunker of Grand Island, with nine.

Also worth noting was Bartlett, redshirt freshman Lauren Nordhues with eight kills and two digs, and setter Rachel Gerdes, a senior from Johnson, who had 14 assists.

Set scores were 30-19, 30-19, 30-19, all UNK victories.

With the third Loper victory Friday night, also came the

500th career win for Head Coach Rick Squires.

However sweet, the victory was hard-fought as the UNK volleyball team won the match in four sets. The third set slowed the winning process as the **SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MUSTANGS** served the Lopers 21 kills, winning the set 30-21.

After the defeat, UNK returned to the court to administer a 30-23 defeat over the Mustangs. As Squires' accomplishment was announced, the Loper players ecstatically congratulated him among the thunderous applause of the 1,243 fans filling the Health & Sports Center.

As the Lopers were warming up before the game, Becca Brunssen, a senior from Henderson, said, "It's fun to watch a team when you're confident they will win. I haven't been to a volleyball game in over a year, and I've forgotten just how hard they spike the ball."

Set scores were 30-26, 30-26, 21-30, a Minnesota victory, and 30-23.

The UNK Lopers added another win Saturday afternoon against the **UNIVERSITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD CARDINALS** in just over one hour.

Bethany Spilde, a senior from Council Bluffs, Iowa, once again displayed her top-notch ability as a setter for UNK. Spilde had 40 assists and three blocks during the final UNK game of the weekend.

Sarah Campbell, a senior from Omaha, said, "More freshmen need to come support the Lopers. It's a blast to come and hang out with friends, and especially watch our team win."

Set scores were 30-16, 30-19 and 30-18, advancing UNK to a 4-0 record.

Next week the UNK Loper volleyball team will travel to Seattle, Wash., for the Emerald City Classic.

The next home stand for the Lopers will be Sept. 9 against Metro State and Sept. 10 against Colorado Christian. All games will start at 7 p.m. in the Health & Sports Center.

Fall sports previews

Megan Kulhanek
Staff Writer

FOOTBALL

The start of the 2005 season for the Loper football team is looking strong with the experience of both the players and the coaching staff.

Head Coach Darrell Morris is in his sixth year at UNK and the team also returns 14 starters and 36 letter winners this fall.

"I think we will be a good defensive football team this year. The scheme we run on defense creates a fair amount of confusion for our opponents," Morris said.

UNK will have six regular-season home games this year in the newly renovated stadium.

"Our football team is very excited about the renovations at Foster Field," Morris said.

will be Fort Hays State and Metro. He also commented on Mesa State, an NCAA qualifier in 2004 that had no seniors leaving the team.

"This year, our strength will be experience and depth. We have six seniors and a host of other veterans who have been through a lot of matches together. They know the game and how to compete," he said.

WOMEN'S GOLF

This year brings a seasoned team to the fairways in the form of UNK golf.

Coach Mark Brosamle said, "We are an older team with two seniors and two juniors in addition to a sophomore and a freshman. I think we have some experience behind us that we can call on to help us this year."

According to Brosamle, the players with the most tournament experience are Lindsay Vivian and Amber Vanneman. However, the team will be depending on everybody, all the way down to the freshman.

As the team tries to prepare for the season, they must be geared up to play during both fall and spring. Brosamle said the team will play five games in each season, all with the goal of qualifying for the post season next spring.

"If we can get about our business this fall, we could have a very good chance next spring," he said.

Look for more previews on fall sports next week.

"The majority of our players have accomplished everything except a national championship . . ."

Rick Squires
Head Volleyball Coach

VOLLEYBALL

Following a season like 2004 will be a tough task for the UNK volleyball team. Last season's team recorded 40 wins and only one loss.

Coach Rick Squires, as quoted in a July 27 press release, said, "We will certainly have high expectations again this year. The majority of our players have accomplished nearly everything except a national championship so I'm sure that will be on their list of goals."

The Loper volleyball team faces a strong schedule this season. In the RMAC conference, Squires said tough competitors

UNK students take the ice as new hockey team

Chris Parks
Staff Writer

UNK takes to the ice with the newest competitive sport on the UNK campus.

Club Ice Hockey is becoming a reality at UNK. A group of students, along with the help of some UNK faculty and staff, have taken the initiative to form the Loper Hockey Club.

The club is the brainchild of Joel Buysse and Nick Pacifico. The two had an interest in hockey and thought there was enough interest around campus to get a club team going. Buysse is the president of the Club and Pacifico is the vice president.

UNK Intramural Coordinator Shelly Urkoski is the advisor for the group. She said the goal is to have the team organized and start practicing this fall.

"It's not guaranteed but we hope to get started soon. We need 15 to 16 members to have a team," Urkoski said.

The Loper Hockey Club is working to be associated with the American Collegiate Hockey Association.

The ACHA is a multi-divi-

sional organization with teams grouped in divisions by size. The UNK Club will be in ACHA Division III.

The team will not be associated with the NCAA or the UNK athletics department. It is strictly a club organization with members paying dues.

Urkoski hopes the group provides another great athletic opportunity for UNK students.

"I'm always trying to think of ways to step outside of the box. We try to give the students different options," she said.

The Loper Hockey Club will practice and eventually play competitively against other schools at the Kearney Event Center.

"The Kearney Event Center has been very good with working with the team," said Urkoski. "We wanted to take advantage of having an ice center. Not many towns in Nebraska have ice centers."

The team is looking for more members. More information can be obtained from Urkoski at the intramural office or from any of the club's officers.

An organizational meeting is planned to take place in September for new members.

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Honors students scream for ice cream

Katherine Thomas
Staff Writer

Thursday, the Honors Program hosted an ice cream social welcoming back honor students and giving freshmen the opportunity to meet upper-classmen and their assigned mentors. The event, which was originally planned for Monday but was rescheduled due to rain, started off a year full of events for the program.

From freshmen to seniors, the courtyard was crowded with students lining up for the melting ice cream and assorted toppings. Two tables were set up featuring chocolate and vanilla ice cream.

The ice cream social has been an Honors tradition for almost 20 years and the director of the program, Gary Davis and the assistant director, Jane Christensen, used this opportunity to express their enthusiasm for the program and students and to expound on the upcoming

plans and events during the 2005-2006 school year.

"I am very excited about this

"This is an opportunity for all of the honor students, both new and returning, to congregate in the spirit of comradeship, delicatessen and have a darn good time."

Ben Goetz
Honors student

upcoming year. This is the first time in the last few years that the freshman class has had such a high average ACT score. Its average this year is around 28," Davis said. "We have some really great students in the program

and I have high hopes and dreams for the program."

Among the events planned for the Honors students this year are community service projects including "Math Madness," a volunteer program for honors students to interact with third graders and help them work on their math skills, and "Reading Rendezvous," in which students read to elementary students.

Approximately once a month, the Honors Student Advisory Board, HSAB, organizes a social activity. Also the students have one dance and a banquet. The dance is hosted by Stout Hall, the Honors hall, and is usually a theme dance.

Other activities include poker tournaments, pitch tournaments, kickball and an annual pancake feed the Sunday before finals.

Though Davis and Christensen direct the program, the students have a chance to get more involved by becoming members of HSAB.

Senior marketing major Ben Goetz, a board member himself, said, "The Advisory Board

plans, leads and organizes social, volunteer and educational events throughout the academic year for the honors students."

One major benefit of being a part of the Honors Program is the opportunity to receive scholarships such as the Omaha World Herald/Kearney Hub scholarship, room waivers, tuition scholarships, and endowed scholarships.

This year the 25-year-old honors program has 480 students. Of those 480 students, 123 are in the freshman class.

The Honors Program Web site offers information about the program and how to become a member. Specific requirements must be met in order to participate in the program. If one is already a member, there is also an online application to join HSAB.

For more information on the Honors Program and upcoming events, search online at www.unk.edu/acad/honors/ or call 402-476-2222.



Photo by Jamie Dusin

John Nuxoll, left, clowns around while J.T. Watson, right, gets ice cream at the Honors Ice Cream Social.

UNK students gather in fellowship of rock music

Matt Ringen
Staff Writer

To jump-start the new year, the Christian Student Fellowship organization has been active, firing up various events and activities throughout the first few weeks of the fall semester.

CSF sponsored both a music concert on Thursday, Aug. 25 and an International Food Night on Sunday, Aug. 28. Both events were free to students.

Tenth Hour Calling rocked the stage performing for a crowd of numerous UNK students in front of the water fountain on campus Thursday evening.

Greg Swinney, Ministry Director of CSF, said, "The students and staff of Christian Fellowship believe that UNK students want to do something meaningful with their lives and invest their time into something significant. A goal is to draw our students together so they can connect with each other."

Swinney said he thought the concert would be a great way to welcome new students to campus and also inform the students of what is going to happen with CSF.

Two of the band members were a part of an original worship team for CSF while attending UNK.

For more info, search online at www.tenthhourcalling.com.

Chess

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Crawford also said it is important to study the game as well as understand your opponents.

"It takes me three or four games to know an opponent pretty well," he said.

The culmination of the year will be Feb. 4 when the group holds its annual tournament. The tournament is open to anyone.

There will be classes for elementary, middle and high school students as well as an open class for the general public and college students.

"We are especially interested in student competition. There will be a trophy for the best college player," Heckman said.

This has been a popular tournament in the past as players from as far as Omaha have come to Kearney to participate.

But for now, this group of chess enthusiasts is looking for more students to play and get to know.

The chess group meets in the Oak Room of the Nebraska Student Union on Monday nights from 7-10.

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Professor Randall Heckman, at left, plays Jason Randall in chess.



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