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UNK wild for homecoming

BY LACEY MCPHILLIPS
Antelope Staff

Campus is going wild with homecoming activities—literally. This year's theme is "Wild About UNK."

Ariane Aten, co-chair of homecoming, said "It is a 'wild' or 'jungle' theme, which really leaves it up to the creativity of the students to develop it into their own. We are expecting a lot of fun and crazy ideas to come from the students."

Two new events made their way into the lineup of activities this year. Taking the place of the banner competition and trike race will be a canned food build and capture the flag.

"We seem to do a lot of the same events year to year, so we wanted to try some new events out and see what everyone thought," Aten said.

The canned food build Wednesday requires groups to collect canned food and use the cans to build a structure according to the homecoming theme.

"It gives us an opportunity to have a service project in the middle of a spirit filled Homecoming Week," said Heather Wolf, coordinator of student activities.

Capture the flag will take place on Friday. Wolf said it was added for those who are more actively competitive. It is much more of an athletic activity than the challenges usually featured during homecoming.

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And it is going to be capture the flag like no one has ever seen it before—Loper Style. In addition to normal rules, teams will be armed with balloons filled with water and other substances, such as shaving cream. Players hit with a water balloon have to go to "jail" until they are rescued; players hit with other balloons are out for the duration of the game.

Bradley Rediger, co-chair of homecoming, said the wide variety of events allows a lot of opportunities for UNK students to show off their talents and creativity.

Homecoming activities are sponsored

Enrollment growth, higher scores, all affirm UNK status

BY NATHAN BOROWSKI
Antelope Staff

Chancellor Douglas A. Kristensen has announced a fall enrollment at UNK of 7,100 students, the highest headcount in 14 years and a 5.1 percent increase from 2010, marking the greatest rate of increase for UNK in at least 20 years.

Dusty Newton, director of undergraduate admissions at UNK, credits transfer students as a major source for the increase. "There were 413 new transfer students this fall, versus 335 last year. So that was the biggest gain on the undergraduate side," Newton said.

Newton also explained that the economy may have been a contributing factor in the increase of



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NEWTON**

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FIJIS BRING OLYMPICS TO CUB SCOUTS



Photo by Rebecca McMickell

Members of the Fiji fraternity, Phi Gamma Delta, explain the rules of the soccer station to area Cub Scouts at the fourth-annual Cub Scout Olympics. The event at Cushing Coliseum drew more than 32 Cub Scouts to UNK Saturday.

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Umland chosen as interim English department chair

BY ASHLEY LEEVER
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For Dr. Sam Umland, this school year was going to start off like any other. But only two days into the semester, everything changed.

It was announced on Aug. 19 that UNK's English department chair position had been vacated. The Dean of the Fine Arts College William Jurma declined to release the name of the previous chair.

Many were stunned by the announcement including Umland. But after the shock wore off, Umland decided to step up to the plate as interim chair.

"I have a stake and a place here. This is my 24th year here," Umland said. "When you have been at a place that long you feel

some kind of allegiance I guess."

Umland expressed his interest in becoming the interim chair of the English department to Jurma on Sunday, Aug. 21. By Tuesday, Aug. 23, Jurma invited Umland to the position as interim chair of the English department.

Jurma said they went with Umland because he brought some good experience, including previous administrative experience.

"He has been both an associate dean and interim dean of this college," Jurma explained. "And also he has been at UNK 23 years. I think he has a good sense for the role of the department and where the department fits within the big picture of the university."

Although his time as the interim chair has been very brief, Umland has been busy making plans for the department and help-

ing his colleagues move forward.

"I think that rather than looking it as we took a blow or took a hit and feel sorry for ourselves, I think we need to look at the good things we do and build off that," Umland said.

Along with handling budget matters, transcript evaluations, mentoring and working with faculty, and implementing curriculum for the new general studies program, Umland has plans to build on the English department's esteemed reputation.

According to Umland the English department has been recognized as outstanding department on campus several times, but he hopes the department can reach the goal of receiving outstanding department in

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transfer students. "If you look at the way the economy has been the past few years, the community colleges have seen more freshmen go to them to save money before they come to UNK," Newton said. "Then once they get their general studies done, they come here."

Along with the 23 percent jump in students transferring from other universities, there was a 16.3 percent increase in online enrollment and an 8.8 percent increase in students from outside Nebraska.

"Enrollment this year is another indicator that UNK is moving forward in quality and reputation," Kristensen said. "Students are recognizing the changes taking place at UNK, and they want to be part of a top university."

Not only does fall enrollment reflect an increase in the number of students, the ACT scores of the incoming class have improved as well. The average ACT of this year's in-

coming class is a record-breaking 22.7, and for the 155 first-time Honors Program students, the average ACT is 28.3, also holding at historically high levels.

Mirroring the headcount numbers, student credit hours have also increased— 4.7 percent in undergraduate hours and 1.3 percent for graduate students. Total student credit hours are at 80,737, the highest in at least a decade. Credit hour numbers are up in all four of the academic colleges, as well as in the Graduate School.

"The high student credit hour numbers are indicative of the very significant investment our faculty makes in what we do best at UNK, high quality teaching," said Dr. Charles J. Bicak, senior vice chancellor for academic and student affairs. "This is obviously well known across the state of Nebraska and beyond."

"We have made great efforts over a period of years to advance academically at

UNK, to renew our campus, and to cement the partnership with Kearney that has been so beneficial for our students," Kristensen said. "Underneath the statistics, there's a lot to be proud of here."

In addition, students are enrolled from all 93 Nebraska counties, 49 states (only Rhode Island is missing) and 53 countries. In minority student growth, Hispanic students lead the way with a record 93 students in the incoming freshmen class. The number of international students increased by 4 percent to 481. The total non-resident student population is at an all-time high of 1,391.

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VB 12-0 after long road trip, matches on three courts

BY JORDAN SQUIERS
Antelope Staff

Right now, we're 326 miles from home. We've been on the road long enough to watch both "What Happens in Vegas" and one "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" since our last game.

I'm not sure how many miles or hours we've spent on the bus total, but to my best estimation it's been about a "Big Daddy," a "Despicable Me," a "She's the Man," a "Dodgeball," a "Get Smart," a "The Next

Three Days" and a "Baby Mama."

This means different things for different people.

For junior Ariel Krolikowski, it's meant a few novels.

For sophomore Katie Sokolowski, it's meant hours and hours of, what seems to be, very difficult science homework.

For junior Jenna Rouzee, it's meant twisting at least 15 braids in girls' hair.

it's meant quite a few trips loading and unloading snacks, towels, clean uniforms and dirty uniforms.

For assistant coach Amy Gillespie, it's meant the completion of the team's up-to-date highlight video.

Finally, for me, it's meant a few episodes of "Friends" and "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia," the entire fifth season of "The Office," and many intentions of starting the hours of homework that wait for me back in Kearney.

We're definitely glad to be coming home 12-0. On the road, we're always sure to play in packed gyms of students and fans that seem to hate us against teams who look forward to playing us all year. What really helps us on these road trips is probably all of the intense team bonding and trust exercises.

As a team we've warmed up for most games and practices this weekend with intense rounds of our hand-slapping game, Ninja. (Sorry, Haley, for smacking you in the face) On the bus, the team rallied around to watch as a few attempted the saltine cracker challenge. Apparently it's impossible to eat six in a minute.

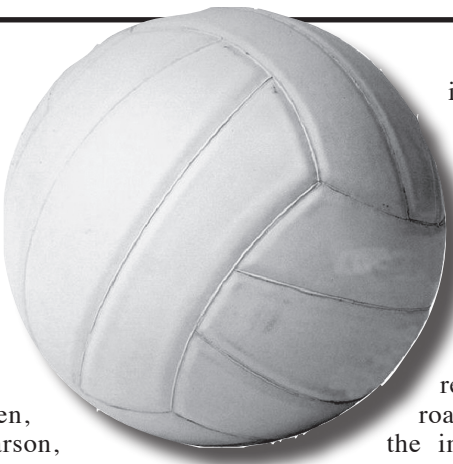
When we get to the hotels, you'd think we would want to spend alone time in our rooms away from 13 other girls. On the contrary, we often gather together on Jersdays (Thursdays) to watch the newest episode of "Jersey Shore." Even when we're not celebrating those weekly holidays, some girls can be seen Skyping from room to room.

Everyone spends their road trip hours a little differently and, as a team, we can always find something to do to pass the time.

We are a few hours out and will be arriving back at the school somewhere between 5 and 7 a.m. I can't be completely sure because the constant time zone changes are something most of us struggle to wrap our minds around. In any case, we will all be glad to be getting off the bus, dragging our bags and tired bodies, carrying computers, iPods, and phones, whose batteries have been dead for hours.



Jordan Squiers writes home from a long road trip with the UNK volleyball team that began last Wednesday for games in Las Vegas, N.M., Pueblo, Colo. and Alamosa, Colo.



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Students will know meal prices sooner

BY ERIK DODGE
Antelope Staff

Meal plan participants will have more time than ever to decide which meal plan to purchase due to a change in the UNK license to manage and operate university dining services.

The Board of Regents will approve room and board rates at its January meeting. In the past, this decision has been approved at the board's April meeting.

Barbara Johnson, UNK's vice chancellor for business and finance, led the process to make the change, which was discussed by the chief business officers of each University of Nebraska campus before it received approval from the university's central administration.

The change will give students more of an opportunity to plan for room and board costs, allow new students to see prices earlier and require UNK Dining Services to set prices nearly one year in advance.

"There were two primary reasons for adjusting the Board of Regents' schedule; to assist Admissions in its recruitment efforts, and to assist Residence Life in the timely communication to current students," Johnson said in an email.

Before leading a discussion on the change with her colleagues, Johnson discussed the idea with Dean of the Division of Student Affairs Joseph

Oravec. Oravec supported the idea that information about room and board should be delivered at an earlier time to allow students and their families more opportunity to plan for overall college costs.

"From the perspective of the division of student affairs, we believe there was no robust rationale as to why the university needed to wait until May to communicate with current and prospective students the room and board rates for the next academic year if we had this knowledge as early as the beginning of the spring semester," Oravec said.

One side effect of informing students about room and board rates in January is that UNK Dining Services provider Chartwells will be required to submit meal plan prices to the university in October. In the new contract, changes in the meal plan prices are tied to changes in the employment cost index and the consumer price index, and these indexes could fluctuate between the time prices are set and service is provided.

"I think it will be challenging for them, because we're basically asking them to predict their costs a year in advance. This rate won't be effective until August 2012, and we're telling them in September 2011 to give us the pricing, which has to be based on those indexes which could be changed in a year," said Assistant Director of Business Services Jon Watts.

Local parks offer fun activities for UNK students who need break



Photo by Kaytlyn Duden

Senior Mathew McCarty, construction management major from St. Paul tosses his Frisbee into the goal for a score below par while playing Frisbee golf at Centennial Park. After a long day of classes he enjoys playing a few games of Frisbee golf with his friends at the local courses located at Centennial Park on west 11th St. and Cottonmill Park west of town on Highway 30.



LAST DAYS OF SUMMER SUN

Photo by Skylar Loseke

Two students sit outside and study at the fountain. The cool fall weather has allowed students to be more comfortable outside. Friday, Sept. 23 marks the start of fall in the northern hemisphere. It's actually not even the full day but rather a specific moment that marks the start of fall, the Autumnal Equinox. The word "equinox" is derived from the Latin words meaning "equal night" and refers to the exact time the sun crosses the equator. That exact moment will happen this year at 2:04 a.m. MST marking the halfway point on the sun's six-month journey to the southern hemisphere.



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Loper Style,
Bell Tower, 6 p.m.

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Downtown Kearney,
10 a.m.
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Residence hall updates continue through 2014

BY LACEY MCPHILLIPS
Antelope Staff

It began in Mantor Hall in 2008—a massive residence hall renovation project intended to “transform UNK housing to meet the needs of the millennial generation and subsequent students,” according to the website of UNK’s Facilities Development plan.

Randall was the most recent hall to see renovations. Work began in the summer of 2010 and was open for occupation this fall.

Before Randall, renovations were completed in Men’s Hall, the oldest residence hall on campus. Crews worked to restore the historical building from fall 2009 to fall 2010. It now functions as a home for students of the Honors Program.

Lee McQueen, director of facilities management and planning, said that the Centennial Towers are next on the list. Construction is set to begin in

Centennial Towers West in May 2012 and set to be completed in July 2013. Work on Centennial Towers East will follow a similar schedule beginning in May 2013 to be completed in July 2014.

Two residence halls will not survive the renovation project. In both Stout and Conrad halls, renovation costs could not be justified. Stout was demolished in January 2011. Conrad will be razed sometime in 2014.

McQueen said that renovations for University Heights, located on 35th Street north of campus, cannot be justified either. Plans are being made for replacement facilities south of campus, but no dates have been set.

Costs for the project will be over \$20.9 million: \$8.7 million for Mantor, Men’s, and Randall; \$12 million for the Centennial Towers and \$200,000 for the demolition of Stout and Conrad. The cost of replacing University Heights is unknown.



Renovations in Men's Hall were completed in fall 2010. Men's Hall is the oldest residence hall on campus and was brought up to date with a new entrance area.



Freshman Anna Faeh, an undecided major from Central City studies in a newly renovated section of Randall Hall. Major renovations of UNK campus residence halls began in 2008 and will end in 2014 with Conrad Hall.

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2	4	9	8	1	6	3	7	5
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CAMPUS CRIME LOG

Police Log: Sept. 9-Sept. 18

Sept. 9: Carly Luebke was stopped and issued a written warning for speeding in Lot 2.

Sept. 10: Cody Gaylord was cited at 2:30 a.m. for possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana less than one oz. and MIP after an officer smelled the odor of burning marijuana coming from a vehicle in lot 16. Jimmy Barnett was also cited for MIP.

Sept. 11: Troy Ehmke was issued a written warning for driving without headlights on ninth Avenue.

Sept. 11: A bicycle was reported stolen from the east bike rack of the Health and Sports Center.

Sept. 12: A BMX bicycle with purple and pink pegs and brake handles was reported stolen from Bruner Hall of Science between 1:25 p.m. and 2:45 p.m..

Sept. 12: A black and gray bicycle was reported stolen from the Fine Arts Building bike rack between 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m..

Sept. 12: A 6-speed green girls Schwinn bike was reported stolen from the east bike rack at the Nebraskan

Student Union.

Sept. 13: A student reported her maroon and silver bicycle went missing from the Martin Hall bike rack on Sept. 9.

Sept. 14: A female student reported a known male subject posted unwanted photos of her on the internet.

Sept. 14: A bike was reported stolen from the north bike rack of URN.

Sept. 17: Zachary Hiebner was cited for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Joshua Howard, Davin Wilson and Jared Flodman received conduct summons for MIP and smoking marijuana after officers were called to CTE and smelled a strong odor of marijuana coming from a fourth floor room.

Sept. 18: Coy Lewis was issued a citation for stop sign violation after he failed to stop at the intersection of 15th Avenue and University Drive.

Sept. 18: Zackery Scharff and Kyle Schulze were cited and released for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana less than one oz. at approximately 11:20 p.m. in Mantor Hall.

Crime log correction from 9/14

BY ERIK DODGE
Antelope Staff

The crime log in the Sept. 14 issue of The Antelope reported incorrectly that two men from the Delta Tau Delta fraternity house were cited for procuring alcohol for minors. This incident in fact occurred in the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house and was entered incorrectly into the UNK Police crime log.

We apologize for any harm caused to the men of Delta Tau Delta by the report and have taken steps to ensure that all information reported in the crime log is verified with the UNK Police before publication. In response to this incident we feel an explanation of the crime log, its value to the community, and how it will be compiled is necessary.

First and foremost the crime log is intended to fulfill the public's right to know and to be able to respond to their environment in an informed manner. This idea is at the foundation of our service to the community as a newspaper. It is also the reason the university is required by the federal government to release the information in the crime log to the public. The UNK community has a right and should demand the information necessary to remain as safe as possible on campus. Furthermore, the crime log gives the community the abil-

ity to hold its police force accountable by identifying who is stopped, where, and for what reason. We believe these matters of public interest outweigh concerns for the reputation of the university or the privacy of those cited by UNK Police.

We will compile the crime log from the information included in the UNK Police crime log. Each week one of our reporters will verify the entries from the crime log with a representative from UNK Police. In reporting this information we intend to release the details of each event including the names of those cited, reason for the citation, location, time and date.

Although we will be sensitive to the privacy of victims in our crime report, we feel it is in the public interest to report the names of those cited by UNK Police. Not citing these names, though it would protect the privacy of the offender, robs the community of information that is valuable to their well being and in its place, leaves the community with only rumors and speculation. We believe the right of the public to information that can help them stay safe outweighs concerns for the privacy of those who are cited for offenses by the UNK Police.

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the University of Nebraska system.

"I think one of the best promotions you can get is to get a very prestigious system award. It's concrete," Umland said. "I think we have a really strong faculty. Their awards, their publications and recognitions all testify."

Umland said he realizes that this goal may not be reached right away, but he views it as something tangible that the department can accomplish with hard work and dedication.

His time as the interim chair has been short, but he said the amount of support from his colleagues and friends has been astounding.

"For me, the support was overwhelming. It was very humbling."

The year may have begun with a disruption, but Jurma has complete faith that Umland and the English department will move forward with no difficulty.

"Sam is a quick study. He is a bright professor. He has good creative ideas, and those things will be very helpful to English this year. I have been very pleased to how he has stepped up to the challenge," Jurma said.

Homecoming from page 1

by the Loper Programming and Activities Council (LPAC), which begins planning for homecoming shortly after the previous year's events are over.

"LPAC looks forward to Homecoming every year," Wolf said. "It is a chance for any student to get involved with a variety of events and come together as a student body with Loper Pride."

Students who wish to help with Homecoming and other events throughout the year are welcome to attend any LPAC meeting in the Cedar Room of the Nebraskan Student Union at 5 p.m. every Thursday.

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Twitter is taking over athletics; heated arguments result in controversy

BY ERIK SWAZO
Antelope Staff



With each new day, we see another story about athletics and Twitter on the news—or on your newsfeed—if you actually have Twitter. For those of you who do have Twitter, you can “follow” or read about what athletes, celebrities or your friends are doing right now. Twitter allows you to capture what you are thinking, and in only a 140 characters, lets people know what you are doing at that time.

But Twitter and athletics, especially pro football, is getting out of control.

A normal person like you or me will have a few followers, mostly your close friends, but pro athletes could have thousands, even millions of people following them, wanting to know what they are doing at that specific moment.

When you are following a pro ath-

lete, you get the feeling like you are right there with them, and they give you the inside look on their lives. But when athletes started tweeting before, during and after games, that's when league officials stepped in and took action.

In 2009, after NFL wide receiver Chad Ochocinco, previously Chad Johnson, had threatened to tweet during an actual game, the NFL banned updates during that period by players, coaches and team officials. There is no reason for an athlete to be tweeting during an actual game. They are being paid to play the game, not talk about it.

In recent Twitter events, also dealing with Ochocinco and former New England Patriots linebacker, Tedy Bruschi, Ochocinco sent a tweet about one of his teammate's success after their previous game. When Bruschi didn't agree with it, he went public about his opinions.

Ochocinco tweeted about Patriot's quarterback Tom Brady stating “just

Dear NFL I apologize for tweeting during the game but that was 2 monthsof my Bugatti payments you just took from me,I won't do it again

about 16 hours ago via Rock Software
Retweeted by 100+ people

— @ochocinco [Reply](#) [Retweet](#)

waking up after a late arrival. I've never seen a machine operate like that n person, to see video game numbers put up n person was WOW”.

This didn't sit well with Bruschi, who used to play with Tom Brady and the Patriots. During the Monday night football game when Brady had put up those numbers, Ochocinco had only one catch and was not involved in the game a whole lot. Bruschi did an interview after the game and went off on

Ochocinco saying, “You're not a fan, all right? You're not someone who's on another team or watching TV. You're not an analyst. You're a part of it.” Bruschi went on to add, “Stop tweeting and get in your playbook!”

Yes, Twitter is entertaining for us everyday fans, but athletes should really start focusing on the game that they are getting paid to play and leave the analyzing of games to the people who are getting paid to do that.

Kearney native Maher rises to fill Henery's place on special teams

BY AARON URBANSKI
Antelope Staff



Alex Henery left the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the 2010 season as arguably the best college football kicker to ever

play the game. Many viewed his departure for greener pastures in the NFL as the end of a legacy filled with 57-yard record-breaking field goals and coffin corner punts.

But let's not forget about his trusty sidekick on kickoffs to touchback specialist Adi Kunalic. The two of them together single handedly transformed a mediocre special teams unit into a weekly advantage for the Cornhuskers on Saturdays starting in 2007.

Now the 2011 Husker football season is upon us, the opening act with Tennessee-Chattanooga came and went, and as expected a few bumps along this newly trodden Big Ten road have occurred. With all that said, there is one thing Husker fans can brag about come Monday to their [insert Big 12 school here] friends.

In addition to the Cornhuskers still unblemished record, redshirt junior Brett Maher has convincingly answered many

of the off-season questions concerning the replacement of the former All-American Henery. Through his first three games as a starter, Maher is a perfect 15-15 when kicking PATs and 7-7 on field goals with a 37-yard average as well. In his first career attempt at the college level, the Kearney native connected from 50-yards with ease against UTC toward the end of the first quarter.

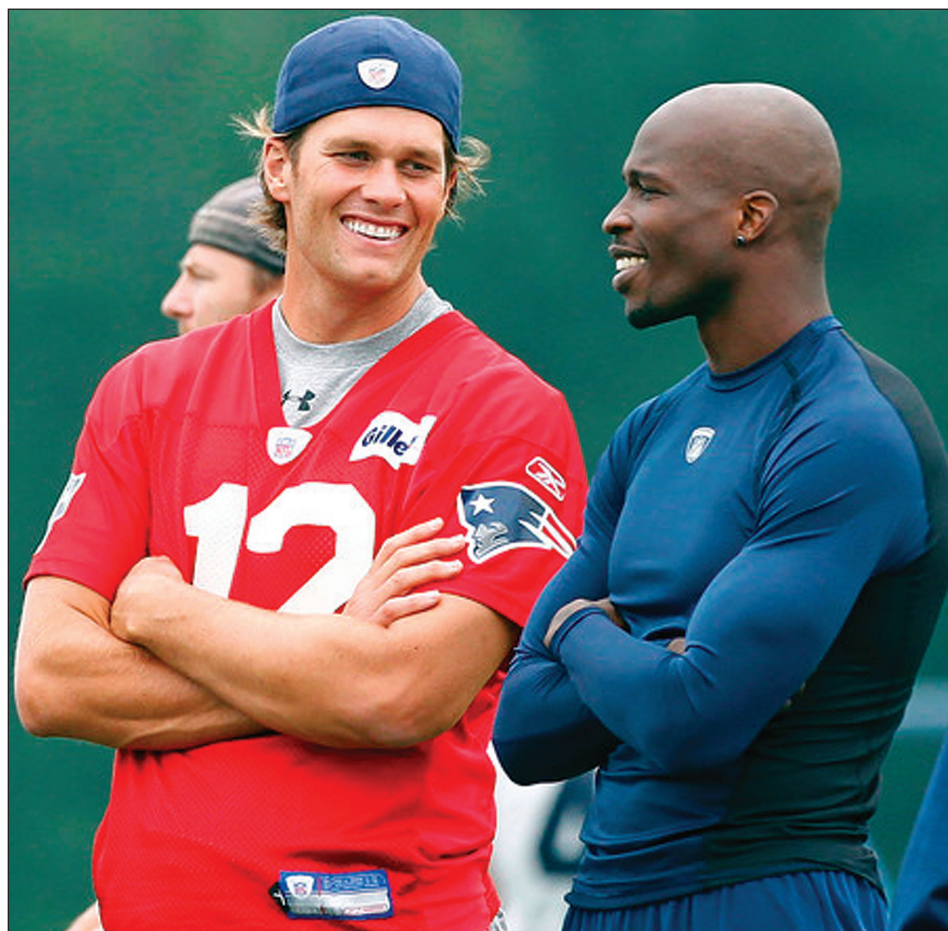


BRETT MAHER

Not only does Maher place kick, but like Henery, he's the starting Nebraska punter as well. For the season, Maher has punted a total of 11 times for a lofty average of 46.6 yards per punt— four yards more than Alex Henery's 43.2 yards

from a year ago.

For now, Husker fans can look forward to watching Maher and eventually true freshman Mauro Bondi boot their way into Nebraska history, or can I say through Kicker U? Who knows, maybe one day we'll be mentioning their names amongst the legends as well: Brown, Henery, Larson and Koch. We'll know more after the team's first road game Sept. 24 against the University of Wyoming.



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NFL wide receiver Chad Ochocinco (right) caused controversy when he posted a tweet about his teammate, Tom Brady, following a game.