University of Nebraska at Kearney

Antelope Run With It Career Fair brings many opportunities

Measuring the success by the numbers: Almost 35 percent of seniors were offered a job or an interview.

> **BY MEGAN OAKLUND** Antelope Staff

Representatives from all over the United States and the world staffing 60 booths were talking to UNK students in hopes of adding them to their

company's team at the annual were able to consider careers UNK Career Fair on Oct. 2. Students of all majors and year of school were sure to find something that peaked their interest.

"Come with questions and an open mind," Nancy Kneen, the Director from Career Services said. Kneen said students of all majors and ages can benefit from the event and said there are usually three main types of students who attend career fair.

The undecided or deciding students are usually freshmen or sophomores. These students haven't decided what type of career they are interested in. They

ranging from government agencies to non-profit organizations at the Career Fair.

The second group is students who are looking for an internship and the third type of students are seniors looking for

"It was a good opportunity to see what employers are looking for and to put yourself out there," Allison Blessing, a preoptometry junior from Elwood said.

Kneen said UNK alumni, now representing the business they work for, make up a large

portion of those who come to the Career Fair in search of employees.

"Their employer may like their work ethic or knowledge and want someone just like them to work there also," Kneen said.

Almost 35 percent of seniors who came to the career fair looking for a job were either offered a job or an interview from an attending company.

For students still job seeking, the Office of Career Services has another career fair scheduled in time for spring seniors in February. For more information on finding a career contact the Office of Career Service at careerserv@unk.edu.

LEFT: Sachin Piya, a senior from Nepal, talks with James W. Allen, Principal Finance Group, at the Career Fair. The Career Fair is an event that helps students by providing a platform for the job

STILL JOB SEEKING?

- · Hoovers, a web site that is accessible only on campus, is available for students to look at companies that have jobs
- Career Spots and Loper Careers (http://careers.unk.edu) are both useful tools for seniors. Career Spots can assist seniors looking for advice on interviewing. Short 2-3 minute videos help students on what to wear, what to be aware of and what to expect during an interview.
- Loper Careers is also a great tool for UNK students because students can upload their resume to the site, and when companies are looking for employees, Career Services can look at who has the skills that company wants and can send them the student's resume instantly.
- The Office of Career Services also offers many tools that students need to attain the job of their dreams. Resume corrections, interview skills and dress apparel are just a few of the things that can be reviewed with the help of The Office of Career Services.

Infographic by Michelle Allen





Photos by A Sanam Bhaila LEFT: Pat Ackerman, a business administration with an emphasis in finance major from Holdrege, talks with James W. Allen, Principal Finance Group. The UNK Career Fair is an opportunity for those students searching for a job or internship to talk with representatives from companies across the United States.

Sex Signals keeps audience involved

BY TARA PURDIE

Antelope Staff

The halls of the Fine Arts Building were brimming with lines of people awaiting entrance for "Sex Signals" on Oct. 1.

Athletes, fraternity members, resident advisors and many other students flooded into the Recital Hall to watch the sexual awareness presentation.

Some students got more than they expected from the show that reached into the audience for reaction and feedback.

Some attended "Sex Signals," an interactive improvisation show that investigates the college dating scene for extra credit, while others were required to attend. A part of the audience attended strictly for entertainment.

Julia Lyons, a senior education major from McCook, said the turnout was amazing, and she had to wait in line to get in.

"I'm so thankful that the program was so popular among the students. I hope we can keep up the student involvement and branch out with more programs,"

Lyons said.

Sara Smith, a freshman undecided major from Scottsbluff, said she went to "Sex Signals" for extra credit for her health class and was surprised to find out that the show was a comedy. Smith also said the turnout was great and that she did not expect so many students to attend.

The two actors successfully engaged the audience with the show. Several times throughout the show, the actors asked for commonly used pick up lines starting with the old standby "How much does a polar bear

weigh: enough to break the ice," Lyons said.

After opening with this line, the two actors quickly escalated their show into awkward and uncomfortable situations with the audiences' help. To encourage the audience to become involved in monitoring these awkward situations, attached to every seat was a sign that said STOP. If an audience member felt at all uncomfortable with the situation, they were asked to hold up the card.

The idea was to stop the show before it got too out of hand, but the STOP signs were also used as a gage for the students' sexual awareness. The two actors, Kyle Terry and Lindsey Pearlman, dissected every scene, pointed out what was wrong and what went right.

Pearlman and Terry began by pinpointing male and female stereotypes. The men described negative stereotypes of males such as aggressive, controlling and strong. The women also described negative stereotypes of themselves like innocent, bashful, passive and pure.

After setting up these stereotypes, Pearlman and Terry acted through a scene that broke down why these two people would be incompatible.

Several students held up their STOP cards during this scene. Students said they felt uneasy because Terry was putting his hands all over Pearlman and forcing her to touch him when she seemed clearly uninterested.

After acting through different social pressures, mixed messages, stereotypes and double standards, the talk became seri-

"I definitely expected the humor and improv; yet when they got serious about date rape, I could see some of the students become uncomfortable," Lyons said. "I don't think everyone was expecting the show to be so serious."

Several students had the same reaction as Lyons. Smith was surprised when the humor stopped and the talk got serious, but she said she felt the facts were presented in a way students could relate to.

"Sex Signals is probably the best way I've ever seen 'sexual

edy and awkward moments really captivated the audience. The facts about date rape weren't given as a lecture, but more as a real situation that the students could definitely relate to," Lyons

awareness' presented. The com-

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LEFT: Lindsey Pearlman and Kyle Terry dip into 'Sex Signals', a combo pack of unique improvisational comedy, education, and audience participation.

ABOVE: Lindsey Pearlman and Kyle Terry were at their best while using humor throughout the play to engage audiences in candid discussions about interpersonal relationships.





Homecoming throughout the Decades kicks off this week. Read the full story on page 3.



UNK Men' Tennis battles in ITA tournament. Read the results on page 4.



UNK marches to benefit high school bands. Read the full story on page 6.

Coming soon to UNK:

UNK Theatre presents "Three Sisters" **Miriam Drake Theatre**

Homecoming Parade Oct. 11 @ 10 a.m. **Downtown Kearney**

Foreign Films & Cultures Festival Oct. 13 @ 4 p.m. **Thomas Hall Room 106**

Take in 'The Register Series: Ceramics and the Book'



BY ANTELOPE STAFF

Photos by Laura Schemper

ABOVE: Amy Jacobson, a senior visual communications major from Kearney, looks at Janet Williams' work Sept. 29 in the Fine Arts Building. The artwork combines Williams' love of books and ceramics.

"I thought that her work was very interesting - the mediums that she used, how she put them together with other pieces of art and how it's set up and arranged," said Jennifer Richardson, an art history major from Dundy County.

Interested in Janet Williams or 'The Register Series'?



· Janet Williams describes her work as mixed media installations, often a collection of objects and artifacts from a process, with ceramic as a major component. Janet Williams' work is on display from Sept. 29 to Oct. 31 in the Walker Art Gallery.

 Williams collection of art includes pieces such as, "Directory" made of porcelain, "Trinity" made of pulped book, beeswax and wood, "The Word" made of porcelain, wood and found lectern.

Williams is interested in the properties of clay and it's ability to retain impressions, or "memories", after a kiln firing. She brings this and her love of books together in "The Register Series."



Williams' expertise worked on the pieces in the exhibit between 2000 and 2003 when she still lived in Nebraska. She was one of the important members of the Art Farm in Marquette, Neb. The Art Farm holds its annual open house later this month. Check it out online.

She is currently a professor of art at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte and can be reached at jwill416@uncc.edu

The Walker Art Gallery is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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UNK enrollment reaches 6,543, highest numbers in close to a decade

BY AMANDA BAILLIE Antelope Staff

This year UNK enrollment has reached 6,543, the highest peak in nearly a decade with first time, full-time freshman numbers up 9.4 percent, the sharpest increase that UNK has seen in 13 years.

Other areas have also seen a significant increase. The number of first time graduate students rose 6.6 percent, and first time non-degree seeking students are

up 147.6 percent. The increase in non-degree seeking students is attributed to international students participating in UNK's English Language Institute. International students in turn now count for 9.2 percent

of UNK's student body. Another area that has seen an overall increase in numbers includes minorities, up almost 10 percent.

Last year the 344 minority students included black students, Native Americans, Asians and Hispanics. This fall the campus



Courtesy photo Vice Chancellor for University Relations, Curtis Carlson hopes the increased 2008 enrollment will continue for years to come.

has 378 minority students.

"We have been working hard to improve our campus in every way, and the results - which are all around us — should place us in a very good position to recruit and retain students," Chancellor Doug Kristensen said.

These strong increases can

"UNK is creatively working to grow its enrollment in ways that will keep the institution strong, and at the same time, provide a rich and diverse environment for all our students to live, study, and learn."

Curtis Carlson Vice Chancellor University Relations

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be attributed to any number of reasons such as the new residence halls and improvements and updates to buildings such as Bruner Hall of Science.

School administration is optimistic that the growth trend will continue.

"UNK is creatively working to grow its enrollment in ways that will keep the institution strong, and at the same time, provide a rich and diverse environment for all our students to live, study and learn," said Curtis Carlson, Vice Chancellor for University Relations.



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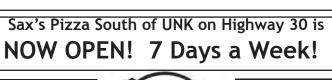
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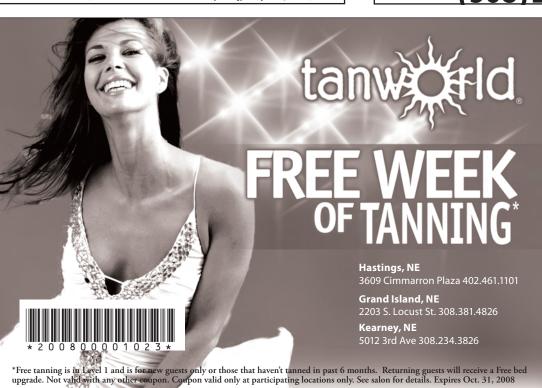


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Homecoming

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Homecoming theme brings on decades of fun

BY MEGAN WENZ Antelope Staff

UNK tradition falls upon another year as homecoming "Through the Decades" began this week. School spirit, lipsync, tricycle races and a parade are just some of the events scheduled.

Homecoming is one of the most competitive weeks for

students throughout the year. Each residence hall, greek organization and some student organizations are assembled to create teams that compete in the event-filled week.

Each team has opportunity to earn points each day by participating in these competitions with four or more team members.

For each event, students are

asked to participate with their respected residence hall, greek organization, or other student

For the spirit competition, students create a cheer using the theme of this year's homecoming, along with other specifications set by the judges.

For the tricycle race, each team can have four members participate.

Lip-sync can have as many participates as needed. Each activity brings a good representation of campus to compete.

"Lip-sync is my favorite homecoming activity. It's really funny to compete and see what the teams come up with and who wins," Aimee Adams, a junior from Sutherland, said.

A different aspect added to this year's event is that each team is able to gain more points by having their team members dress to the decade. On Monday, for the limbo competition, team members are asked to dress like they are in the 1950s and so on throughout the week.

To feed that competitive urge, come challenge your fellow classmates and enjoy UNK tradition at the same time.

Homecoming royalty

will be crowned on Thursday during lipsync and the ballots have been distributed to UNK student email accounts. The queen candidates include Brittany Davidson, Claire Bryan, Kami Jorgenson and Julia Lyons. The king candidates include Cade Craig, Mason Doughty, Tony Lopez and Chris Hein.

Homecoming highlights Sigma Phi Epsilon traditions

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Vice president of recruitment

BY ADAM McLAUGHLIN

Guest Writer

Homecoming is a continuous ritual among many high schools, colleges and universities throughout the United States. It's famous for welcoming back alumnus's and hosting events for fellow student-led organizations. At the University of Nebraska of Kearney (UNK), six days span in the month of October to host the festivities. Activities such as limbo, lipsync, trike racing and spirit competiton highlight battles between campus residence halls, fraternities, sororities and other UNK organizations.

One of the Kearney's oldest fraternities and biggest member of the Greek resident hall, Sigma Phi Epsilon, is one of many groups that keep school spirit alive during the week. Most recently in 2007, Sigma Phi Epsilon placed third in all combined events. In 2004, the group claimed gold with a first place overall fin-

"Everyone just loves getting involved with it and having a good time," junior vice president of recruitment Burke Wilson said. "It's a great time to take some time off from classes and express a little creativity in another area of UNK."

Seventy males represent Sigma Phi Epsilon. Their house, which is located on University Drive, couldn't represent anything other than sports. Upon entrance, you're greeted with trophies and plaques that decorate the main hall. Nearly 40 trophies show the fraternities excellence in sports and other campus activities, which is in the top amongst other Greek chapters. It's apparent the group breathes sports when you notice a pool and pingpong table in a cornered entrance room.

The group is involved in every competition throughout the week, but expresses the most fun in the Lip-sync. Wilson said the fraternity becomes the scapegoats for outlandish and goofy

roles. Lots of planning and creativity goes into making the Lip-sync and other events successful. Winning is a big plus, but it doesn't always mean the most for the fraternity.

Although Homecoming is a big asset to Sigma Phi Epsilon, it is not used as a recruiting tool. "We don't place a lot of emphasis on Homecoming with recruits," Wilson said. "We highlight the fact that it is a great time to meet other members of the Greek community."

Sigma Phi Epsilon is set to travel "Through the Decades," the Homecoming theme, as festivities kicked-off on Monday, Oct. 6 with a limbo activity. They run through Oct. 11, which ends in fashion with the UNK football game against New Mexico Highlands. In the previous seven Homecoming games, the Lopers are 5-2. If tradition holds true, celebration will continue into the night for everyone involved on campus.

Photo by Kevin Whetstone Sophomore Angie Boersen of Grand Island, Neb. bends backwards to clear the bar

in the limbo competition's final round Monday. Boersen would go on to take third place in the event which kicked off the 2008 Homecoming Week.

Homecoming Schedule of Events

Monday, October 6

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 7 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

3:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 8

4:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 9

7:00 p.m. After Lip Sync

Friday, October 10 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 11

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

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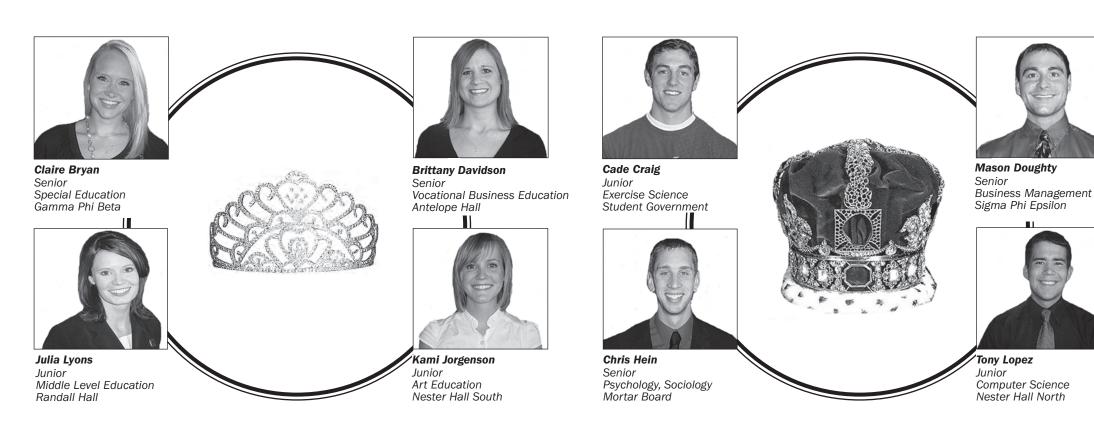
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Men's tennis battles at ITA Regionals; Freshman Raymond is top UNK performer

BY CALLIE ERICKSON

Antelope Staff

Competing with almost a brand new roster, the UNK Men's Tennis Team proved they could fight as they battled through the rounds of the Wilson Intercollegiate Tennis Association Regional Tournament this past Friday through Sunday at the Harmon/Sertoma and Harvey Park tennis courts.

UNK freshman Josh Raymond of Elkhorn was the only Loper to make it to the quarterfinals round in the singles bracket. Breezing through the first round, he defeated Nate Pearson of Metro State (6-0, 6-0).

Moving into the second round of singles play, Raymond upset fifth seed, Rashad Khamis of Mesa State (6-3-, 6-4). This victory brought Raymond to the quarterfinals where he rallied against third seed, Bea Fresquez, of Colorado State University-Pueblo. Raymond played a close match against Fresquez but fell short of the win (6-3, 6-4) to advance him to the semifinals of the tournament.

"The two of us [Raymond and Fresquez] played pretty close throughout that entire match. He'd get a game or two then I'd get a game or two so the score was constantly going back and forth between our favors," Raymond said.

As a Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference team, the Lopers will see more of CSU-Pueblo later this spring.

"I'm sure Fresquez and I will meet up again once our spring season begins," Ray-

mond said. "By then we'll both have more practice time devoted to our sport, so who knows what the score cards may read the next time we're matched up."

Along with Raymond, freshman Casey Colbert of Cheyenne, Wyo. and freshman Randal Bachle of Murdock, find themselves a spot on the men's roster. Freshmen Kyle McBride of Kearney and Ko Muroga of Nagoya Aichi, Japan also join the 2008-2009 Loper squad. McBride and Muroga did not compete in the tournament this past weekend.

Coming off an ankle injury, Bachle won his first round of singles 7-5, 6-2

Colbert and Raymond were paired up for doubles. The two lost their first round match but bounced back defeating teammates Jason Lescelius of Columbus and Michael Ambritz of Lexington 8-3.

Returning from previous seasons and now in the top lineup are seniors Aaron Angst, of Salina, Kan., and Ambritz, juniors Tony Lopez of Omaha, Josh O'Brien of Kearney, Noriaki Naruse of Miki Town, Japan, and Lescelius.

The Lopers seem to have a line up full of experience and dedication, but most importantly each player has a large tennis background.

As the men continue to prepare for their upcoming spring season, you can count on them practicing their forehands, backhands and serves. They will also be working on meshing together the many personalities and styles of play the members bring to the







Photos by Callie Erickson (TOP) Freshman Casey Colbert, of Cheyenne, Wyo., serves an ace during his doubles match Friday. Colbert was paired with freshman Josh Raymond of Elkhorn as UNK's number one doubles team.

(LEFT) Freshman Josh Raymond returns a serve during a doubles match Friday afternoon. Raymond and Casey Colbert lost their first round of doubles but bounced back with a win in the consolation round.

OU, Texas prepare for top five shootout



BY ERIC KORTH **UNK's College Football Columnist**

I just want to start out this column by showing my newfound hatred for Chase Daniel and Missouri. I'm not pissed off at Missouri for embarrassing the Huskers on Saturday night, but rather I am upset with Daniel's remarks following

For those of you who are out of the loop, Daniel told reporters that the Huskers were the dirtiest players that he had faced and recalled an instance during the warm-ups where a Husker player deliberately spit on him. Whether or not this allegation is true, I am annoyed by the fact that Daniel brought up the claim in the first place. It's college football at the Division I level Chase, teams are going to trash-talk you. If you can't handle catching a little crap from the opposing team, then you need to take up a different sport.

Am I disappointed in the Huskers for their actions? Of course not! Nebraska has one of the most storied traditions in college football, I wouldn't expect anything less from them in these difficult years. The spitting I would say is excessive, but playing with a cocky attitude and talking trash to their opponents inside the piles should be expected.

Reason number two that I'm annoyed with Chase Daniel, is the fact that he forced me to comment on his actions rather than addressing the entirety of my column to what may be the best game of this year, the Red River Rivalry.

This Saturday, the Sooners of Oklahoma and the Longhorns of Texas will face off for the 103rd time in the history of the Red River Rivalry. Texas leads the series overall 57-40, but has only managed to win twice since 2000. Both teams enter Saturday's game ranked in the top five, which is nothing new to the history of the rivalry. This game will mark the tenth time that both teams were ranked in the top five when squaring off.

As in many meetings prior, this year's Red River Rivalry will most likely decide the Big 12 South's representative to the Big 12 Championship. As a matter of fact, since the Big 12's inception in 1996, there has only been two years where one of these two teams haven't made it to the conference champion-

WHY OKLAHOMA WILL WIN

- Sam Bradford Texas' pass defense is very talented, but also very young. If given time, Bradford has the ability to pick apart defenses with ease.
- Number One In the history of the Red River Rivalry, Oklahoma has been ranked on top on nine different occasions, and has only lost once.

WHY TEXAS WILL WIN

- Colt McCov This kid should really be reasons one, two and three. When he's on top of his game, there is no quarterback in college football who can match his talents, nor is there a defense that can stop him. So far this season, McCov has completed just shy of 80 percent of his passes. Next closest in completion percentage? Missouri's Daniel at 76 percent.
- Rush Defense Texas' defense struggles with stopping the pass, but has had no problems shutting down the run. In fact, the Longhorn defense is second in the nation in stopping the run.

In my opinion, this game is going to come down to whether or not the Longhorn secondary can mature before Saturday, and stop the Sooners' high-powered passing attack.

My prediction: For those of you who read this and know me, you already know that I am a die-hard Texas fan, and for that reason I refuse to make a prediction on the score of this game!

UPSET OF THE WEEK

Nebraska at Tex....just kidding, sorry to get your hopes up, but I don't expect to see Graham Harrell, who threw six TD's last week alone, and the Red Raiders take it easy on the Huskers this Saturday in Lubbock.

Okay, here is the real upset of the week...

No. 13 Vanderbilt at Mississippi State

With everyone praising Vanderbilt and how they've risen through the rankings, look for the Bulldogs to bring Vanderbilt down from the clouds and back into the reality of SEC football. My prediction Mississippi State 27 Vanderbilt 24.

Also, look for Oklahoma State to knock Missouri out of the top five. I don't know what it is, but I just have a feeling.



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Freshman QB Spitzlberger leads Lopers

BY GARRETT RITONYA

Antelope Staff

Stepping in at starting quarterback for a Division II team in a very strong conference is a daunting task for anyone, especially if you are a freshman. Jake Spitzlberger has, so far, been the exception to that rule as the starting quarterback of the University of Nebraska-Kearney Football Team, starting in all but two games this season.

Spitzlberger, a redshirt freshman from Denver, has started the past four games for the Lopers, games against Western State, Adams State, nationally ranked Chadron State and Colorado State-Pueblo. Three of those game were blowouts, a 44-15 win over WSU, a 37-0 spanking of ASU and a 41-10 blitzing of CSPU. Spitzlberger played key roles in those games, going a combined 35-of-52 for 483 yards and four touchdowns in those three contests. He also added 63 yards rushing and two more scores in that span.

At the beginning of the year, it was a battle between two freshmen quarterbacks for the starting position, Spitzlberger and redshirt freshman Bobby Adamson.

'When the season started we were supposed to rotate every two series between myself and Bobby," said Spitzlberger. "After my performance against UNO in the second half, I was put in to start against Western State, and I haven't looked back

Two weeks ago, Spitzlberger led the Lopers against the 18th ranked Chadron State Eagles, putting in a valiant performance before the Eagles put it away in the fourth quarter for a 17-14 win. Spitzlberger went 15-of-28 for 171 yards and added 66 yards rushing. He said that game was one of his favorite experiences so far this year.

"The Chadron State game has so far been my favorite part of the season, despite the loss," Spitzlberger said. "The competition level was so high, with the crowd talking trash and that is what any quarterback playing college football lives for."

Coming out of high school in Denver, Spitzlberger said he

colleges that wanted him to play defensive back, but UNK gave him the opportunity to come in as a quarterback with a chance to start all four years. That was the main selling point for Spitzlberger, and after redshirting last season, he is now the starting quarterback for a Loper squad that looks to finish the season

"We knew the Chadron game would be one of our toughest battles, and we hung in with them all game and should have won," said Spitzlberger. "I don't see us losing another game for the rest of the season.'

A rather bold statement for a freshman quarterback, but Spitzlberger said he has the tools to back it up. He said he spends 10 to 15 hours a week studying game film of other opponents, learning their defensive schemes. The Lopers offense is filled with audibles that are called at the line of scrimmage, giving Spitzlberger the rein at the quarterback spot.

This week, the Lopers take on RMAC opponent New Mexico-Highlands in a homehad a lot of offers from different coming matchup. The following

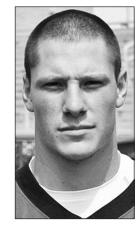


Photo courtesy of Lopers.com Jake Spitzlberger, a redshirt freshman from Denver, has played his way into a full-time starting role as UNK's quarterback. The Lopers are 3-1 with Spitzlberger running the offense.

week, Spitzlberger and the Lopers will travel all the way to Silver City, NM to take on Western New Mexico in what should be a heated conference game.

"I look forward to the rest of the season," Spitzlberger said. "With the group of guys we have out on that field every Saturday, we can contend against any-

Storm hockey ready for fresh start in '08

BY GARRETT RITONYA Antelope Staff

A new era of hockey has begun in Kearney and the Tri-City Storm want you to experience it. Fans should expect a flurry of goals and a blend of speed and power that the Storm haven't shown in quite a while.

The Storm held a press conference Thursday afternoon at the FirsTier Event Center to discuss their outlook on the upcoming season.

"This is an interesting time for the Storm hockey franchise," said Kyle Mean, VP of Sales and Marketing for the Storm. "We are entering a new era and lots of eyes will be looking to see what will happen."

Tri-City is coming off a disappointing season last year after finishing 24-34-2 and missing the playoffs. The Storm are returning only five starters from last year's team as they are looking to rejuvenate their offense and their image.

One of the Storm's returning starters is leading scorer Mike Cichy, a starting Forward from New Hartford, Conn. He led the team last season in points with 45 (16 goals and 29 assists) and he is entering his second year with the club.

"We are excited for the year

and for the new players that are now with this team," Cichy said. "This team has a lot more work ethic and focus. We want to win and be the best team in the league."

Head Coach Tom Rudrud hopes this new blend of speed and power on ice will make the season much more interesting and put fans back into the seats.

'We have installed some new speed on the ice by working on it in the off-season and adding two new speed players," Rudrud said. "We expect to be one of the best teams in the league."

The Storm began their season Friday night in Lincoln against the Stars and defeated their in-state rival 5-2. They went to Des Moines Saturday night and lost to the Bucs 8-2.

Tri-City will play its home opener next Friday night against Sioux City and they would like to see more student involvement at games. At any home game, students can get a ticket to see the Storm for only \$10 using your student ID.

"We really want to get more students here to see the Storm, and we hope this new era of hockey can usher in a new brand of fans," Means said. "This team is excited to show the league, the community and the fans that this team is one to watch out for."

Cross country ready for Loper Open

BY JONATHAN CANNON

Antelope Staff

UNK's Cross Country Team has gotten off to a great start with many runners performing well beyond expectations since time trials and the Woody Greeno Invite in September.

The next meet for the Lopers is Oct. 11 in Kearney, and three teams out of the region will be attending this meet, giving the feeling of great success

level and the regional.

Chris Hennessy, captain of the men's team, has great feelings about where the team is and the direction they are headed.

"Many of the veterans, and especially the freshman, are really stepping their game up. Al Sanabria, a freshman from Minden, has been our number one runner so far this season, and we're basically trying to close the gap between our first and fifth place runners," Hennessy said. "Personally I feel this sea-

to come at both the conference son has been the best times I've ran since my freshman year, and it shows not only within me but within the team as well."

> The Loper Open could give the men's and women's cross country teams previews into regional rankings. Schools from both the RMAC conference and the region will be in attendance to run and to preview the course for regional meet, which will be held in Kearney on Nov. 8. Kearney will host this meet for the first time since 2001.



Photo by Courtesy of Lopers.com Chris Hennessy, a senior from North Platte, is the captain of the men's team that has performed well this year. UNK will host the Loper Open Saturday at the Kearney Country Club

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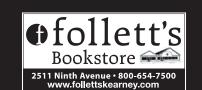


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Band Day benefits both UNK and high school bands

BY NICOLE PETERS
Guest Writer

Despite its name, the focus of UNK Band Day is not on UNK's band; instead, it is all about mentoring the high school bands that attend.

Each year the UNK band invites area high school bands to march in a parade down Central Avenue onto the UNK campus, giving those bands the opportunity to be critiqued by judges as well as gain marching experience.

Judges from all over Nebraska attend the band day, giving high school bands insight into what to improve upon.

"We bring in bands and give them feedback on marching styles, [and we] offer this opportunity before any state marching band contest. It's mostly for the high schools and what can we do to help them improve, what can we do to make them the best possible band they can be," said Stacy Laue, a senior language arts major from Kearney.

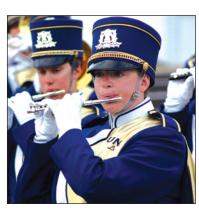
The day is enjoyable for UNK band students as well. "Our purpose is just to be a band. We're not worried about the judging, because we know that we can already perform our absolute best," Laue said.

"Parades are my favorite, just because we're not the only band there. This parade is a chance for us to enjoy a parade and see other high school bands from around the state," Laue said.

Photo by Nicole Peters

UNK band members march down
Central Avenue in Kearney toward the campus during the UNK
Band Day parade Sept. 27. The
band, along with many area high
school bands, entertained large
crowds that lined the streets
along the parade route and later
performed their field show at the
Ron and Carol Cope Stadium on
Foster Field.









Photos by Nicole Peters

TOP: Before marching in the UNK
Band Day Parade Sept. 27, senior
language arts major Stacy Laue of
Kearney warms up with her fellow
band members. For Laue, the best
part of Band Day was when "we [the
UNK band] were standing on the
field at attention, ready to perform.
There were all uniform colors, rival
schools, but they were all there
together in the stands."

MIDDLE: As the band marches by, members' capes show which school they are representing. Because UNK hosts Band Day, the UNK band is the only university-level band to perform.

BOTTOM: Members of UNK's drum line keep tempo as the band marches on.

Dressing up for Hispanic Heritage Month



Photo by Kevin Whetstone
Akane Sato, a freshman international studies major from Japan, wears a traditional Hispanic dress during the HSA's event Sept. 30 in the student union. Students were invited to try on the clothing and have their pictures taken in celebration of

Hispanic Heritage Month.



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