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# UNK veteran honors all who served

▼ Amend reminds all to remember Veterans Day for those who fight or have fought for the freedoms U.S. citizens enjoy.

BY MEGAN OAKLUND  
Antelope Staff

“Veterans Day to me is a reflection of the people who have fought and died for their country. I have paid my part, and I feel like this country is mine,” veteran Scott Amend said about the Nov. 11 holiday many Americans don’t know much about.

Veterans Day began after World War I, also known as the “Great War,” officially ended at the signing of the Treaty of Versailles June 28, 1919.

However, fighting had already stopped seven months earlier when a temporary cessation of hostilities between allied nations and Germany stopped on the eleventh hour, of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed Nov. 11 to be Armistice Day, originally a day to honor the WWI veterans.

However after WWII, the word “Armistice” was changed following a public campaign which began in Kansas. In 1954, President Eisenhower replaced “Armistice” to “Veterans” so Nov. 11 would be a day to honor all veterans.

It is on this federal holiday that we celebrate and pay tribute to those who have fought for our country. Amend is just one of the many who paid tribute to local veterans Nov. 11.

Amend, a senior studying elementary education joined the U.S. Army in 1996. Amend has seen action twice going to 36 countries and 28 states in three and a half years traveling to places like Bosnia, Iraq, Haiti and Korea. “I have literally been around the world twice,” Amend said.

Amend specialized in sniper shooting and experienced injuries when serving for the Army. “I was run over by a Humvee, and it broke my back,” he said. It took about four to five months to fully heal. Amend worked at the Pentagon for two years and was working at the military center when it was targeted during the 9/11 terrorism when a plane flew into the building.

Amend also has a brother who specializes in military intelligence serving in the Army. He just returned from Iraq, and the brothers had served together for eight months.

For families with loved ones in action, Amend said to write as often as possible to them saying it boosts moral, and it also helps family members cope.

Web sites like <http://soldiersangels.org/> can put people in touch with soldiers who would like to hear from home.

Other great organizations like the VFW and the American Legion, where Amend is a member, can also help soldiers in need.

Amend urges others to consider the military as he did. “If you have no idea what direction to go in life, join the military. You’ll find a way with the military. You’ll also feel proud and it is something worth mentioning in your life,” Amend said.



Photo by Kevin Whetstone

UNK students and faculty cross a bridge during the Second Annual Ability March on Monday afternoon. About 15 people came out to brave the cold and raise awareness for those with disabilities. The event was the first of many that will take place throughout the week for UNK’s 15th annual DisABILITY Awareness Week. “DisABILITY Awareness Week is a chance for those people in the community to be heard whether it may be a physical, emotional or a learning disability,” said Kevin Kurtenbach, a junior geography major from Grand Island. The week concludes with a student presentation on Turner Syndrome and Universal Design for Learning (UDL) on Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Student Union Room 312 and Christopher Reeve: Hope in Motion at 7 p.m. in Copeland Hall Room 130.

## Following three generations of Hueser FAMILY ROOTS

### Hueser picks Lopers, brings his 3-point shot to basketball court

BY ADAM McLAUGHLIN  
Guest Writer

When college basketball’s three-point shot was put into play, Jerry Hueser was the UNK men’s basketball coach and his son Joel was on the Loper team.

The new rule instituted in 1987, the now 20 feet 9 inch shot, expanded the court and brought excitement to the game.

For Josias Hueser, a freshman basketball player on the University of Nebraska-Kearney’s Men’s Basketball Team, the shot is nothing new to his game.

Hueser set high school records at Papillion LaVista South High School and won a spot in the Nebraska School Activities Association’s all-time record book in 2008 with a talent that came naturally and looked almost easy.

Now the long shot is an asset of his game he’s bringing to the Lopers in hopes of putting the squad back on track.

“Shooting is my strength,” Hueser said. “The coaches here have me working a lot on my in-between game and defense. So we’ll see how it turns out.”

Hueser led the state his junior year in three-point percentage, shooting 47 percent. The next year, he set the school record with eight three-pointers in a game against Omaha South.

Mental preparation and routine gave him the mind-set to achieve on the court. He said watching “Transformers” before every game helped him be competitive on the hardwood.

After coming off a school best 17-7 overall record during the 2007-2008 season, Hueser helped his Titans team reach the district finals. His Titans ranked as high as fourth in

the state before falling one win short of reaching the state tournament.

“Teams didn’t laugh at us,” Hueser said. “They knew we could compete.”

All through high school, Hueser played for his Dad, Joel, but said having Dad as a coach did not seem new or different at the time. “I never know what to say because up until now, he’s always been my coach,” Hueser said. “I never knew what it was really like not to have him as my coach.” He still credits his game back to both his grandpa and Dad, noting they’ve taught him everything.

As his high school career wound down, Hueser looked at playing basketball at the University of Nebraska-Omaha, Hastings, Doane and others.

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Photo courtesy Josias Hueser

Josias Hueser is the third generation in his family following his grandfather and father to the UNK Men’s Basketball Team.

# Sleep lost to aid victims of childhood cancer

BY MEAGN WENZ  
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One situation families never want to find themselves in, discovering their child has cancer. To make matters worse, they often learn their insurance will only cover half of the child’s treatment and they must find up to \$1 million to cover the remaining costs. St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital understands this hardship and exists to help families like these in need.

St. Jude is a research and treatment facility for children diagnosed with cancer located in Memphis, Tenn., where the cost of running the facility for one day averages over \$1 million. But families of cancer patients can seek help knowing the life of their children won’t rely on what they can’t pay. St. Jude is unique in the fact that no family pays what their insurance does not cover.

With just the cost of running the facility for one day so much, donations are a must, and St. Jude recently turned to UNK and asked for help in their quest with an event geared towards college campuses.

UNK is one of only 265

## Students yawn for a good cause as Up ‘til Dawn holds its first annual event to benefit St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

campuses selected to participate in the Up ‘til Dawn fund raiser where students came together in teams of six to send letters requesting donations from friends and family. Each team member was asked to send 50 letters. The executive board of 18 students recruited 52 teams. Students from all over campus came to participate on Tuesday, Nov. 11 in the Nebraskan Student Union. They spent hours signing and addressing letters to everyone they know to help families at St. Jude.

Brett Collins, supervisor of Greek Programs, said this charity uses the greatest portion of donations for treatment, not overhead costs. “The great thing about St. Jude is you know where your money goes. You know that 85 cents of every dollar goes directly to research and treatments,” Collins said.

“Just the executive team has

written their 50 letters and made over \$4,000 already,” Sarah Grosz, entertainment co-chair of UNK’s Up ‘til Dawn event said.

There are five phases to the Up ‘til Dawn fund raiser including the awareness week and the actual Up ‘til Dawn event, held Nov. 11. The results for the donations that UNK raised will not be released until one of the last phases in a few months.

Collins is optimistic about

the progress so far. “We couldn’t ask for better energy and volunteers. Couldn’t ask for a better turnout,” Collins said. “I want their to be a day when we lock the doors of St. Jude for good and throw the keys in the Mississippi River because we won’t need St. Jude...no one will have cancer.”

Since this is the first year UNK has hosted the event, the executive team was large. Two

students teamed up as chairs to ensure that every aspect of the event planning was covered. For all the hard work and dedication the executive team has put forth, they will be rewarded with a trip to St. Jude hospital to see what all their time and work has done for the facility. The executive board will go to Memphis next semester.

“We had a great turnout. We worked really hard, and the campus came together in a big way to help make Up ‘til Dawn a success at UNK,” Kendra Francke, co-director for Up ‘til Dawn said.

Photo by Megan Wenz  
UNK students address and stuff their donation envelopes at Up ‘til Dawn on Nov. 11.





# UNK Choirs *Sing* their way to South America

BY EMILY WEMHOFF  
Guest Writer

While most students will return home at the end of the spring semester, 38 students from UNK will be packing their bags for a ten day tour of South America.

The UNK Choirs including Choraleers, Collegium, Women's Choir and Men's Choir will be traveling to Argentina and Chile May 10-20, 2009.

Dr. David Bauer, director of choruses said the trip is a perfect choice for musicians.

"The performing arts in South America are absolutely setting the pace worldwide. Youth orchestras and choirs are incredible. They are just really good down there," Dr. Bauer said.

Because most of the concerts the choirs will be performing are in cathedrals, the choirs are preparing several sacred music pieces.

"The public wants to hear

America, for a joint concert.

For freshman, Emily Andres, and many others, traveling to South America is going to be the first time out of the United States.

Andres said.

Students will also be touring many Spanish colonial sights such as the Plaza de Ademas and several cathedrals while in Argentina and Chile. Dr. Bauer said the students will have the most fun shopping and bargaining with salesmen down the streets and possibly tango dancing one evening.

Traveling to South America will be more than just sight-seeing and shopping, but an eye opener for all the students.

"I'm excited about hearing the choir and watching the young people react to the culture," Dr. Bauer said.

"The young people will see that all the young people in South America have the same hopes and dreams as we do here."

**"I'm excited to sing for everyone down there because singing is the best expression of life."**

*Cozad, Neb., freshman Emily Andres Nursing and Psychology Major*

American choirs singing quality choral music from our country including spirituals," Dr. Bauer said.

In addition to singing for church services, the UNK choirs will join Cordoba University, a university in South

"It's going to be really exciting to experience different cultures and climates and just see for myself how the rest of the world views life. Also, I'm excited to sing for everyone down there because singing is the best expression of life,"

## Family roots from page 1

It wasn't until a recruiting visit to Kearney that he made his final decision.

The Hueser family name dates back in the history of Loper basketball, as his Grandpa Jerry Hueser was the head coach for 26 years from 1970-1996. His Dad played as a Loper and was a four-year letterwinner from 1984 to 1988.

As a Loper, he anticipates playing a shooting-guard role and wearing the number 10. Despite the family background, Hueser said he doesn't feel added pressure.

Transitioning to head coaches Tom Kropp and Kevin Lofton has been a new challenge, but enjoyable at the same time.

"He's (Kropp) a great coach," Hueser said. "He knows what he's talking about and knows

how to get it across. If you do what he says and give it your best, it will all work out."

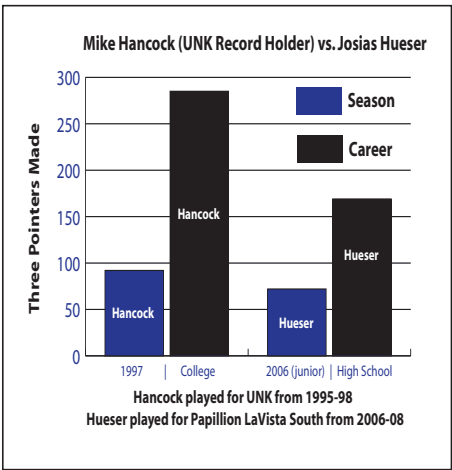
Now as a physical education major taking general studies classes, Hueser's main focus is on basketball. It's in the family genes and has been a part of his world since day one. His crib had two hoops on both sides.

For years, he has traveled to the Final Four with his family. When Hueser was seven, he met Larry Bird in an elevator at the games.

He watches his favorite player, Rashad McCants of the Minnesota Timberwolves, and studies his game. The Detroit Pistons though, are his favorite team.

He said playing against

some of the best players in the Omaha metro area for three years helped his confidence for the next level. Hueser played with and against Jesse Carr, Antoine Young, Josh Jones and Jeff Allgood, who will all play Division One basketball in 2008.



"It was a great experience for the next level. They are extremely good athletes. It really prepared me for this next level, seeing how quick they are," Hueser said.

Hueser will be one of three Loper freshman on a young team with only one senior. Last year, the Lopers finished 16-13, and he knows some of the fans are skeptical about the young team.

"A lot of people probably think it's a rebuilding year for us," Hueser said. "We want to prove them all wrong and show them that even though we are young, we can still play with anybody and compete."

# Dr. Kathryn Benzel honored with Martin Distinguished Professor in English award

BY AMANDA BAILLIE  
Antelope Staff

The Martin Distinguished Professor in English award is an award created to honor professors who excel in their career. Dr. Kathryn Benzel is this year's recipient of the Martin Distinguished Professor in English award.

The Martin Distinguished Professor in English award was established by former Congressman David Martin and his wife Tancie to recognize excellence in teaching and research, according to Dr. William Jurma, Dean of the UNK College of Fine Arts and Humanities.

The Martin Distinguished Professor in English award is given by a committee of junior faculty, undergraduate and graduate students, alumni, the department chair and the dean of the college. The award covers a three-year term and comes with a salary stipend for the recipient.



Photo courtesy of Dr. Kathryn Benzel  
Dr. Kathryn Benzel lectures for The Sandburg Project at the Mertryman Performing Arts Center in Kearney in Nov 2007. Benzel received the Martin Distinguished Professor in English award.

of her other awards include 2003 Leland Holt Distinguished Faculty Award, awards for Excellence in Scholarships, Faculty Mentor, Distinguished Faculty and Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate.

Dr. Benzel has also been appointed to the Nebraska Humanities Council Speakers Bureau and the Nebraska Arts Council Touring Program. She has initiated and directed two programs, the First Year Program and the

Women's Studies Program. Also in her list of accomplishments are around 20 various grants. Dr. Benzel also coordinated the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications filming of the Sandburg Project for NET programming.

"I am quite honored to be selected as a recipient of the Martin Chair. To be selected for such an award by one's peers is such a privilege," Dr. Benzel said.

As part of her three-year term of holding the award, Dr. Benzel has decided to coordinate a speaker for UNK's Explorations Lecture series in order to highlight the honor of David and Tancie Martin who endowed the award.

Former award recipients include Dr. Richard Jussel, Dr. Susanne George Bloomfield, Dr. Don Welch and Dr. Charles Peek.

# UNK's Psychology Fair attracts 476 high school students

BY JEREMY STARZEC  
Guest Writer

An early snowstorm changed the date of the event but did not dampen the spirit of the participants in the Psychology Fair Nov. 12.

Among the attractions were Dr. Yozan Mosig's East meets the West demonstration, Steve the Magician, two puppies that demonstrated the studying of depth perception and a rat maze for humans.

The six-hour event was hosted by faculty, the Psychology Club and students from psychology classes who put together exhibits to draw high school students to UNK.

Students from all over the state were able to learn about psychology and participate in the exhibits and demonstrations. About 476 high school students participated in the event rescheduled from Oct. 23 because a snowstorm postponed the event.

Psychology Fair director and professor Dr. Joe Benz said originally 30 high schools with approximately 550 students had registered to attend and they didn't see much drop off because

of the change in date.

Schools traveled as far as 150 miles to attend the popular event.

"The farthest a school traveled would have to be Palmyra High School, which is east of Lincoln," Dr. Benz said.

The first Psychology Fair started in 2000 and has been continued every two years. "Its my thing," said Dr. Benz, who has served as the director since it started.

"We started the Psychology fair in order to allow students a chance to develop the idea of giving psychology away providing psychological ideas and concepts to the public for free," Dr. Benz said.

The exhibits were placed on the second floor of the Nebraska Student Union and also the third floor of Copeland Hall where the Psychology Department offices and classes are held.

Dr. Benz said they begin planning for the fall Psychology Fair in the spring.

"Everyone is involved, the faculty and Psychology Club are involved everyone," Dr. Benz said.

**"We started the Psychology fair in order to allow students a chance to develop the idea of giving psychology away providing psychological ideas and concepts to the public for free."**

*Dr. Joe Benz  
Psychology professor*



Photo by Jeremy Starzec  
Dr. Yozan Mosig, psychology professor, demonstrates the "unbreakable arm" for high school students Nov. 12 during one of the exhibits at the 2008 Psychology Fair hosted to promote "free" psychology to area high school students.

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# Bahamian native excels in STUDENT SENATE

BY ASHLEY PENN  
Guest Designer



Photo by Ashley Penn  
Sen. Ryan Bastian and Sen. Matt Tomjack discuss the bills and goals the Student Senate has proposed for the year. They carefully revised each proposal.



Photo by Ashley Penn  
Sen. Ryan Bastian speaks at a Student Senate meeting and states what he and his team intend to do. He stated valid points and discussed “new business.”

“Excellence is above failure.”  
-Ryan Bastian



Photo by Ashley Penn  
Sen. Ryan Bastian and Sen. Brandon Flanigin congratulate each other after a job well done at the Student Senate meeting. They discussed upcoming matters and how they can better serve students.

# Young Adult fantasy books touch on the beauty of being an adolescent - kids must save the world



BY KEVIN L. NENSTIEL  
Guest Writer

Last week we saw how three of this season’s young adult fantasies carry a theme of adults who fail to grasp power and wonder which is so obvious to kids. All three show contemporary youth who are more able than their parents to deal with magic and horror in the modern world.

But what of traditional epic fantasy? Two more books may help us come to some answers.

D. Barkley Briggs’ “The Book of Names” (NavPress, 397 pages, \$12.99) is the first in his “Legends of Karac Tor” series. Two brothers on the cusp between boyhood and maturity have been removed from their city lives onto a secluded Missouri farm by their widowed father.

Dad, it seems, has aspirations of being some sort of bachelor farmer... or something. It turns out that this “or something” is bigger than the boys anticipated.

When the Barlow brothers stumble over an unexpected ancient relic, Dad starts revealing deep family secrets about academic research, the transforming power of words, and early Viking missions crisscrossing pre-Colombian North America.

Next thing the Barlows know, they move from the modern world to a land of magic, where gallant battles turn upon powers the boys suddenly demonstrate after crossing between realities. Like Frodo before them, they gather a diverse league of heroes to guide them to the heart of the enemy’s stronghold and save the world from grim destruction.

Reading this book is a little like trying to spot what older fantasy series Briggs has lifted plot points from. Look, there’s the “Lord of the Rings”. And over there, it’s Lloyd Alexander’s “The Book of Three”. Stephen Lawhead, Marion Zimmer Bradley, H.P. Lovecraft. Even the Christian subtext and world-crossing themes hark back to C.S. Lewis’ “Chronicles of Narnia.”

Readers willing to wade through this morass of allusions will find a bog-standard but interesting quest fantasy. The boys want to learn how they got where they are, and how to get back. This mewling for home is reminiscent of Dorothy in “The Wizard of Oz,” which grates a bit.

But to find what they’re after, the Barlow boys must defeat the powerful sorceress who has stripped the youth of Karac Tor of their will and ambition. This book uses some of the most explicit symbolism in recent fantasy to rail against fashionable nihilism, to the point where the evil in the world is aided by monsters known as “Goths.”

The Barlow brothers are more dependent on adults than the characters in the three books we’ve considered so far. From Dad and his research to the cadre of monks, wizards, and heroes they rely on in their quest, the Barlows need adults.

But the Barlows aren’t mere passengers in their story. Adults need them in equal measure. Only the Barlows have power to complete the apocalyptic prophecy hanging over the whole narrative.

Apocalyptic themes also thread through Alison Goodman’s “Eon: Dragoneye Reborn” (Viking, 544 pages, \$19.99). Due out in late December, this is the most removed from the real world of the five books we’ve seen. Though it draws on myths of Imperial China and Japan, it knits together a multi-cultural tapestry of tradition for a tale of courtly intrigue.

Eon has the ability to see the twelve dragons whose power steers the Earth. He’s trained for years to apprentice to one of the Dragoneyes who are living conduits for dragon power. Think of Dragoneyes as the Jedi Council.

In the stratified world of the Dragon Empire, Dragoneyes are second only to the emperor himself. But Eon has a secret: he is a girl, Eona, in disguise.

Only men (they say) can be Dragoneyes, because masculine power requires a masculine conduit. If someone as unclean as a woman were seen approaching the dragons, brutal punishment would be handed down in droves.

Readers will not be surprised when Eon’s power comes, not from where it’s anticipated, but from a source that has been silent for ages. This means Eona is self-tutored and thrust headlong into the palace. She is enclosed in magic she can’t control and, as the story progresses, her few allies drop away like worms out of a hot cheese log.

Eona is a mighty wizard, although her unique trait isn’t ability or knowledge, but innate skill in power politics, and the ability to make useful, enduring partnerships. Each new pact opens doors to her magic.

But as she slowly grows, the rest of the empire descends into a spiral of betrayal. The whole book is a maelstrom pulling the characters inexorably to the bottom. Eona gradually unlocks her power, but loses virtually everything else.

Of the five books we’ve looked at, only Michael Marshall Smith’s “The Servants” includes a living mother. But in all of the others, Mom still looms large.

Whether she is a source of wisdom as in “The Book of Names,” a source of power as in David Michael Slater’s “The Book of Nonsense,” or someone caught in the crossfire as in Amelia Atwater-Rhodes’ “Persistence of Memory,” mothers cast a long shadow in these young adult fantasies.

Not so in “Eon: Dragoneye Reborn.” Eona has only glimpses of an ancestry, and barely half a dozen fleeting memories of her parents. Born a slave to the salt mines, her leap to majesty is as much a shock to her as anyone. She lives and fights entirely in the present tense.

And Eona points up, more than any of our other fantasies, why youth have suddenly become craftier than adults. They are wise because they have to be. Whether they’re trailing clouds of glory as children, or quick studies as they transition to adulthood, kids find themselves thrust into stories where they have no choice but to save themselves and the world.

And maybe it’s because adults, fossilized as we quickly become, are aware the world was more wonderful when we were the age of these heroes. We only wish we could get that beauty back.

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# Volleyball looks to bounce back at Central Regional

BY GARRETT RITONYA  
Antelope Staff

When the University of Nebraska-Kearney Volleyball Team was announced as the number one seed in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Volleyball Championships, the thought on everyone's mind was that UNK would run through the tournament on the way to Regionals this week.

But first the Lopers had to get by Adams State, the number eight seed coming into the match with a 15-12 record.

The Health and Sports Center was packed, the Loper Legion was crazy and the Lopers were primed for the victory. They forgot to bring the win home though, as Adams State upset the Lopers in five sets, sending the home crowd out disappointed.

"We just didn't execute well and our blocking was non-existent," Loper Volleyball Head Coach Rick Squiers said. "If we want to make a run in the NCAA Tournament, our team is going to have to block better. Even if we aren't a great blocking team, we need to have a resemblance of some blocking attack when we head to Minnesota."

The first round loss in the RMAC tournament allowed Minnesota-Duluth to leapfrog UNK into the third seed, forcing the Lopers into the fourth seed and a match-up with Augustana on Thursday, Nov. 20 at the Central Regional hosted by Concordia St. Paul. UNK is 2-6 all-time against Augustana, with the last match-up between the Lopers and the Vikings coming in 2002.

UNK is in perhaps one of the toughest regional categories in the entire 64-team NCAA bracket. St. Paul (31-1), winners of 30 consecutive matches, is the leader of the Central Region and the defending national champions. If the Lopers defeat the Vikings on Thursday, they will face the winner of the CSP-Regis match-up. Regis entered the field after winning the RMAC Tournament Sunday night.

The Lopers are looking to step up their game to beat a tough Augustana team.



Photo by Garrett Ritonya  
Junior Kelli Wemhoff of Humphrey and the Loper Volleyball Team are looking to bounce back from an upset loss to Adams St. in the RMAC Tournament. UNK will face Augustana in the first round of the NCAA Division II Central Regional in St. Paul, Minn. that begins Thursday.

"I think overall we just need to focus on the end result. A lot of times I believe we are just thinking too much, and we need to relax, have fun and play volleyball," said junior defensive specialist Michaela Kneip of Omaha.

Regardless of what happens in the NCAA Tournament, UNK enjoyed one of its best seasons under coach Rick Squiers, going 31-3 with a 22-match winning streak after an opening game loss to BYU-Hawaii. The Lopers also saw some bench players make big splashes on the roster this season.

Junior outside hitter Erica Burson of Gretna wasn't expected to compete much this season after off-season shoulder surgery, but her emergence during the middle of the season fueled the Lopers' long winning streak.

Junior middle hitter Nikki Scott of Broken Bow fought her way into the Lopers' starting lineup and boasts one of the highest attack percentages on the team.

"Our team has played really well at times, and we have a lot of potential," Scott said. "I expect us to play tough and play sharper than we did this weekend."

## NCAA DIVISION II VOLLEYBALL CENTRAL REGIONAL St. Paul, Minn.

Thursday, Nov. 20

\* Noon #3 Minnesota-Duluth vs. # 6 Wayne State

\* 2:30 p.m. # 2 SW Minnesota State vs. # 7 Metro State

\* 5 p.m. # 4 UNK vs. #5 Augustana

\* 7:30 p.m. # 1 Concordia-St. Paul vs. # 8 Regis

Friday, Nov. 21

\* 5 p.m. 3/6 Winner vs. 2/7 Winner

\* 7:30 p.m. 4/5 Winner vs. 1/8 Winner

Saturday, Nov. 22

7:30 p.m. Championship

# Wrestling competes in Wyoming

## COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

The 3rd-ranked Nebraska-Kearney Wrestling Team got the 2008-09 regular season started by placing 10 in the top four at the Wyoming Cowboy Open Saturday in Laramie, Wyo.

The non-team scoring tournament featured a mix of wrestlers from NCAA Division I and II schools, as well as the NAIA.

In the "Elite Division", UNK saw senior Keenan McCurdy (157 lbs.) and junior Marty Usman (174 lbs.) finish second with seniors Joey Morrison (133 lbs.) and Paul Sutton (184 lbs.) each placing fourth.

In the "Amateur Division", six Lopers cracked the top four with true freshman Christian Flavin (Sharpsburg, Ga.) winning at heavyweight.

True freshmen Danny Luttrell (Arlington, Texas) had another strong tournament by being the runner up at 125 lbs. with sophomore Justin McKain (197 lbs.), redshirt freshman Nick Bauman (184 lbs.) and true freshmen Drew Etherton (141 lbs.) each finishing third.

Finally, true freshman Collin Brown (Amarillo, Texas) was fourth at 149 lbs.

McCurdy (Lincoln East), ranked fifth nationally at 157 lbs., went 3-1 and upset second-seed Brock Smith of Wyoming, 9-2, to reach the finals. There, McCurdy fell to top-seed Adam Hall of Boise State, 10-2.

Ranked second in Division II at 174 lbs., Usman (Arlington, Texas) beat second-seed Nate Lee of Boise, 8-6, in his semifinal match. He then ran into

the Elite Division's Outstanding Wrestler, Shane Onufer of Wyoming. Onufer dominated top-seed Brett Hunter of Chadron State, 15-0, in the semifinals and then blanked Usman, 7-0.

Morrison (Lincoln East), competing unattached, went 4-2 in the tournament with two falls. Both of his losses came to Chadron's Jimmy Savala, 7-3 and 11-8. Finally, Sutton (Wahoo) bounced back from a quarterfinal loss to reel off three straight wins. In the third place bout, he was edged by Michael French of Great Falls, Mont., 4-0.

Among Amateur Division wrestlers, Flavin picked up UNK's lone title by going winning three times. After a bye and a narrow decision victory, he pinned Zac Sweeney of Chadron at 6:35 and then shut out Louis Thornton of New Mexico Highlands in the finals, 3-0.

Luttrell, who was second at the Colby (Kan.) Open, used a tech fall, major decision and two close decisions to reach the finals at 125 lbs. There, he was nipped by Sam Bauer, 4-2.

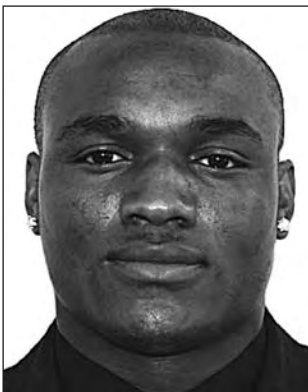
Bauman (Brighton, Colo.) was an impressive 6-1 in the tournament as he reached the quarterfinals at 184 lbs. and then won four straight times to place third. His wins were often in dominating fashion as he had two falls and three major decisions.

McKain (Sutherland) lost in the semifinals but beat James Briedel, 11-4, to place third at 197 lbs. Finally, Etherton (Lincoln East) finished third at 141 lbs. thanks to injury default but reached that bout with three straight falls.

UNK heads to Omaha Saturday for the annual UNO-Kaufman Brand Open.



Photos Courtesy of Lopers.com  
Senior Keenan McCurdy of Lincoln (above) and Junior Marty Usman of Arlington, Texas (below) were UNK's top performers at the Wyoming Cowboy Open Saturday in Laramie. McCurdy took second at 157 lbs., while Usman was runner-up at 174 lbs.



# Glodt leads swimming & diving to victory at Morningside Meet

## COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

The Nebraska-Kearney Women's Swimming & Diving Team scored 410 points to beat Morningside College and Simpson College Saturday in Sioux City, Iowa.

The meet also included swim clubs from Nebraska-Lincoln and the University of Kansas, but they didn't factor into the team scoring.

Behind UNK, the Morningside Mustangs scored 363 points with the Simpson (Ia.) Storm collecting 221 points.

True freshman Heather Glodt had another strong effort as she won the 200 individual

medley (2:30.18), 100 free-style (59.27) and 100 butterfly (1:05.57) while also swimming the opening leg for the winning 200 free relay team (1:50.01).

Finally, Glodt (Oberlin, Kan.) swam the third leg for the 200 medley relay team that finished second (2:06.66). In all, Glodt scored had a hand in 101 of the Aqualopers' points.

Several other UNK swimmers had strong days, including freshman Abby Jones (Monticello, Minn.).

She was runner up in both the 200 breaststroke (2:51.30) and 100 breaststroke (1:18.64) while finishing third in the 200 backstroke (2:43.20). Finally, Jones also swam on the 200

medley relay team.

Next, collecting first place finishes were Lincoln freshman Mandi Scheerer in the 200 butterfly (2:35.74) and Colorado freshman Shannon Bornhoft in the 200 breaststroke (2:50.39). Scheerer (Lincoln Northeast) was also runner up in the 50 freestyle (27.71), one of four Aqualopers in that event's top six.

Finally, sophomore Kari Weihl (Millard West) led UNK in the 200 freestyle (2nd/2:12.32) and 500 freestyle (3rd/5:44.63).

UNK hosts Northern State and Minnesota State-Moorhead Friday at 5 p.m.





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# Trainers keep Lopers in the game

**BY CALLIE ERICKSON**  
Antelope Staff

A whistle blows, the crowd gasps, play stops, and your favorite University of Nebraska-Kearney athlete remains on the court. Scrunched up in a ball and holding his leg, his gestures show the excruciating pain circulating throughout his entire body. The fans turn to one another searching for answers as to what exactly caused their heroic athlete to fall. A crowd of blue circles around him—who are they? UNK’s athletic trainers, to the rescue.

Involvement in UNK’s athletic training program takes a lot of dedication, discipline and desire. Level III student trainer Akihiro Sakai, a senior from Saitama, Japan, expressed his reason for deciding to study athletic training at UNK.

“The reason I wanted to become an athletic trainer was from my experience in playing sports for more than 10 years. I am very interested in sports and know I want to work with a sports team in the future. I also enjoy taking care of people and studying about the human body,” Sakai said.

UNK athletes should feel at ease knowing these dedicated individuals are in the training room every day doing hands-on ac-

tivities and furthering their learning of athletic training.

The student trainers participate in evaluating and treating the athletes that come in. Graduate assistants and professional athletic trainers are also present to further inform the student trainers and see that their diagnosis for the athlete’s injury is correct.

Although Sakai enjoys treating every injury an athlete brings in, shoulder and knee injuries are more of his stronger fields.

“There really is no injury I don’t like to treat, everything is my favorite,” Sakai said.

Whether it’s an injury involving the foot, elbow, shoulder, ankle, knee, back or head, the UNK athletic trainers and student trainers are equipped with the tools to get UNK athletes back in the action of their sport.

“Being in the athletic training program allows me to work in the athletic training room and shadow our professional athletic trainers and doctors. I am able to watch the progress of an injured athlete and work closely with them to give them the greatest care I am able to give,” Sakai said.

A student majoring in athletic training knows from the beginning that they are required to spend much of their time in the training room. It is there the student trainers can shadow the head athletic trainers and

other sports medicine doctors as they are in and out often.

“During my first three years of the athletic training program I needed to be in the training room almost all afternoon when I wasn’t in class,” Sakai said.

During the slower times, when athletes are attending practices, Sakai is still keeping busy in the training room.

“When I am not busy treating athletes, you can find me studying or teaching my skills and knowledge to the Level I and II athletic training students,” Sakai said.

The athletic training program and the communication aspect of the university are some of the reasons Sakai decided to come to UNK.

“Since UNK is somewhat of a smaller school and is Division II, I can communicate with the student athletes more compared with a Division I school. Also, coming to UNK was cheaper than going to a Japanese university,” Sakai said.

With a dream career of hoping to work with the national tennis team in Japan, Sakai continues to grasp all the knowledge he can in the books and in the training room. So the next time you hear of a UNK athlete being injured, fear not, they will be in the hands of the UNK athletic trainers.

## Must see TV?



**BY ERIC KORTH**  
College Football Columnist

Okay, I’m taking a break from making fun of the Big Ten this week to turn my verbal assault to a new, and possibly more deserving target, Fox Sports Network. At first I thought it was a joke, but I had to seek confirmation, and sure enough they weren’t kidding. This Saturday, at 2:30 p.m., thanks to the wonderful people at Fox Sports Network, we are being treated to a battle between two of the finest college football establishments this season. Who might I be talking about?

Washington vs. Washington State, that’s right folks, the Huskies vs. the Cougars.

So why do I find this as a joke you may ask. Well, I think their records speak for themselves. Washington State, the home team and higher-ranked of the two, comes into this game boasting a solid 1-10 record, while their cross-state rivals bring a 0-10 record to the table.

I mean really FSN, you couldn’t have covered a better game? Stanford faces Cal. I would rather put up with four hours of broadcasting that screamed the “band is on the field” than have to watch arguably two of the worst teams in college football fight it out to determine who’s the second worst team in the Pac-10. Or perhaps UTEP at Houston, one of the best quarterbacks that no one knows about is playing in that game. Last Week, Houston’s Case Keenum threw for six touchdowns and rushed for another against Tulsa, who was a top 25 team at the time.

Needless to say, I might have to skip out on tuning in to Channel 26 when it comes to my Saturday game lineup.

Now that my FSN rant is out of the way, we can turn our attention to the real noteworthy game at hand, Texas Tech at Oklahoma. This game, unlike the Washingtons match up, is perhaps the best game of this season and is well worth the hype it is receiving.

Not only is the Big 12 South on the line, but also a bid for the National Championship, a front-runner for the Heisman race and bragging rights when it comes to recruiting the next crop of talent from the state of Texas.

### WHY OKLAHOMA WILL WIN

- **Home field advantage** – Not too many games have been lost in Norman in the history of Oklahoma football, especially in the 2000s. Texas Tech, though favored to win by the media, has a tough task at hand on Saturday. They have yet to play a tough opponent during any of their road games. If the Red Raiders think they can go into Norman and push their weight around like they did against Kansas and Kansas State, they are in for a big surprise.
- **Bob Stoops** – With a week off to prepare this game, you can bet that Bob Stoops knows Tech’s offense well enough that he could line up as a wide-out in their spread offense. I don’t doubt that Stoops, who played defensive back in college, will have his Sooner defense tailored perfectly to match up against Tech’s receiver core. Though he is often criticized as being unable to win the big games, I have full faith that he will come away with a victory against his former assistant coach, Mike Leach.
- **Sam Bradford** – 3406 yards, 68 percent completion rating, and a 38-6 TD-INT ratio. If that’s not a reason enough, take a look at what Bradford and his Sooners have done to teams since their only loss to Texas. 45-31. 58-35, 62-28 and last week’s 66-28 rout of Texas A&M.

### WHY TEXAS TECH WILL WIN

- **Michael Crabtree** – I am going to go out on a limb here and saying that Graham Harrell is in fact a good quarterback, but he would not be the coveted star that he is without the assistance of Michael Crabtree. Harrell has thrown 36 touchdowns this year, half of them have been caught by Crabtree. Texas Tech’s victory over Texas, a very impressive feat, would have been a little bit more difficult without the presence of Crabtree. If Crabtree performs well, Tech stands a legitimate shot at defeating Oklahoma.

It is as simple as that. If Oklahoma stops Crabtree, they will beat Texas Tech.

*My prediction for this game...Oklahoma 49 – Texas Tech 35... Crabtree – 1 TD*

The ROAD TO RECOVERY

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## The DETERMINATION and MOTIVATION TO GET BACK ON THE FIELD.



Parker Jolly, a freshman political science major from Fort Collins, Colo., does box jumps as a part of his 2-3 hour rehab every day. Jolly is an offensive lineman (guard/center) on the UNK football team who twisted his knee and suffered a meniscus tear this past season during a scrimmage. “I was completely crushed and worried that I was going to miss the whole season when it happened and wondered if I was ever going to play again,” Jolly said.



“Since I was a little kid, my dream was to play college football, and my dream is finally here. I won’t let anything take that away from me.”

-Parker Jolly  
Freshman  
Injured offensive lineman

Brendan Liess, a junior health and physical education major from McCook, rides the bike for part of his rehab. Liess is a running back on the UNK football team who tore his MCL twice this past fall. “The first time I injured my MCL, my thoughts were revolving around how many games I was going to miss. The second time I injured it, I knew I was done for the season,” Liess said.

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# Chancellor reports upcoming changes in open forum

BY KAYLIE PERRY Antelope Staff

Have you always wondered why there are fences up everywhere on campus? Well last Tuesday at “Chats with the Chancellor” about 40 students gathered to ask Chancellor Kristensen any question they had

about changes happening on campus. Mantor Hall is being remodeled and will be closed this year for new bathrooms and other updates. Another dorm that is going



to have some work going on is Mens Hall. They are going to finally add heat and air. CTE and CTW are also getting some remodeling next season. Kristensen also reported that Bruner Hall of Science is ahead of schedule and classes may start there next fall, as the building may be done before December of 2009. The class-

Photo by Sapana Upadhyay  
Chancellor Douglas A. Kristensen answers students' questions in the “Chat with the Chancellor” program at the Student Union Food Court. Several students asked about campus parking and tuition fees.

rooms and the lab spaces may be done before that. The heating and air building that sits across the street from the field house is also ahead of schedule. Kristensen explained that they are trying to monitor the parking situation and checking to see if people are parking in the lots they are not supposed to. When they opened up Nester Hall, the faculty parking lot on the East side became a student parking lot, not just for faculty. They have also put in new lights around campus and put new blue safety poles up.

They are going to make the old Folletts a parking lot, which will take up a whole block, and they will change the traffic on the street to make it safer. Some of you may also be asking, what will happen to Folletts when it gets torn down? Well they want to expand the bookstore that is on campus to handle the overflow from Folletts. By tearing down Folletts at least 35-45 new parking spots will open, and the change on the intersection will open up even more spots. “Chancellor Kristensen addressed a lot of questions and

his answers were very thorough and I thought he listened to the students' questions and concerns very well,” said Nicholas Loyd a sophomore sociology major from Omaha. Kristensen also talked about future plans that are scheduled on campus. URN and URS are going to be renovated and repaired soon. The parking in front of Mens Hall is being eliminated so that it can mirror the new entrance under Nester Hall. That project is to start in about two to three years. Also, the cornfield on the south of west campus will be the new University Heights. They are going to close the old one and start the project in seven to ten years.

## Photos of the week



Photo by Sean Takahashi  
**TOP:** Patrick York (left) plays the role of King Kasper, Alex Ritter (center) plays the role of King Balthazar, and Blake Thompson plays the role of King Melchior in Opera Workshop's performance of Amahl and the Night Visitors.  
**BOTTOM:** Emi Kamon, Satoru Nishimoto (left), Yuko Wada and Yoshiki Naoi (right) perform dances during UNK Opera Workshop's performance of Amahl and the Night Visitor.

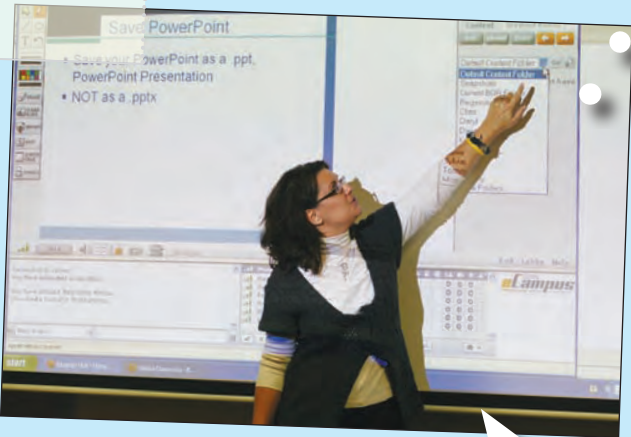


Photo by Sean Takahashi  
**ABOVE:** Karen Premer, Instructional designer of UNK eCampus, gives a lecture on how to use Wimba to UNK faculty members.



Photo by Sapana Upadhyay  
**BOTTOM RIGHT:** Michelle Foley (right), a senior communication disorders major, honors her professor Dr. Theresa Waakins (left) from the Psychology Department. The Faculty Recognition program was organized by the Mortar Board Society Nov. 5 in the Ponderosa Room.



Photo by A Sanam Bhalla  
**TOP RIGHT:** Sharon O'Connell Campbell, mezzo-soprano, expresses the mood of the song 'Piu vaga e vezzosetta La speranza I cori affida' by Giovanni Bononcini (1670-1747) at Concerts-On-The-Plate, while James Cook, a faculty in the music department, accompanied her on the piano.



Photo by Alysia Hubbard  
**ABOVE:** Jennifer McCune, a freshman exercise science major, Katie Hunke, a sophomore accounting major, Lynda Tran, a junior psychobiology major, and Andrea May, a sophomore education major, taste various international foods at the food festival Nov. 11.



Photo by Garrett Ritonya  
**ABOVE:** Redshirt freshman guard Max Froehlich of Pierce fires up a three-pointer over a UNO defender Monday night. The Lopers dropped their home opener against the Mavs 89-68.

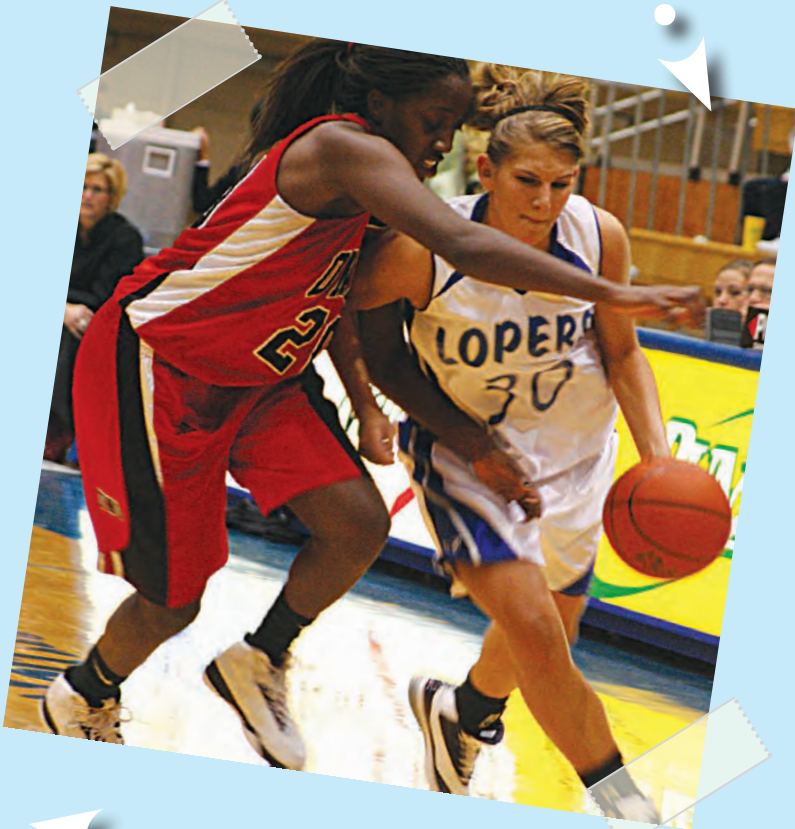


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**ABOVE:** Senior guard Jade Meads of Elm Creek drives around a UNO defender during the Lopers home opener. The Lady Lopers defeated the Mavericks 87-79 to move to 1-0.



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