



Fashion helps junior find her niche

Halouska gains professional skills through Buckle

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Antelope Staff

Unique. Eclectic. Timeless. These are the words junior Andri Halouska uses to describe her personal style. Spending hours working for the Buckle at the store and then the corporate level this year, Halouska feels that her experience with this company has better prepared her for the future.

In April 2015, Halouska became a sales and management intern at her local Buckle store in Kearney. She worked part-time, and her tasks were to help visually display merchandise, recruit and increase sales on the floor. The internship lets students sample all aspects of merchandise retail. According to Halouska, the Buckle's culture is different from any other store.

"The store's goal is to give guests the most enjoyable shopping experience possible. We help them find their right fits, and we show them different styles they might not have originally been looking for, but they love when they leave," Halouska said.

"Fast-paced" and "high-energy" are two ways Halouska described the store environment. "It's definitely a different energy from the store to corporate, but it was good. I met a lot of great people," she said.

By September, Halouska decided she was ready for a change and headed to corporate. Becoming a part-time buyer's assistant for jewelry and sunglasses, Halouska looked forward to further building her education and skills.

"I like that there is so much opportunity in the company. I started in the store, and there are a lot of ways to move up, such as visual merchandising and store manager. You can also grow in corporate. There are so many ways to grow here."

Her days at Buckle corporate are packed with analyzing the top trends in jewelry and figuring out what pieces to order for stores. Halouska said that she helps decide whether jewelry samples meet their standards. She said they often like to change parts of the samples they are given, such as the color or plating.

"I like being involved in the product and being able to voice my opinion on what is going into the stores. I like the



Photo by Jessica Madron

Andri Halouska, an Alliance native, sifts through the trays of sample jewelry that still need to be reviewed and inspected to meet the buyer's standards.

business side too, seeing what performs well in the stores and deciding what we should put there is cool," Halouska said.

She said the Buckle has been a good fit throughout college because she enjoys fashion and wants to further her learning in both business administration and marketing, Halouska's areas of study at UNK. She feels her part-time work at the Buckle will help increase her job opportunities after she graduates and should help her job hunt be slightly easier.

"After I graduate I'll have corporate experience, which will look great for when I'm applying to jobs in the future. I've learned how to better communication through email, and I think it teaches me professionalism that will be useful later on."

Aside from being a great boost to the resume, Halouska simply enjoys style and clothes. "I love that fashion is a way you can express creativity. It's a chance to express who you are."



COLTON GAYER CROWNED KING OF HEARTS

Photos by Kori Hixson

1) Alpha Phi sorority's 2015 King of Hearts winner Colton Gayer, representing Sigma Phi Epsilon, accepts his crown and thanks his supportive brothers in the crowd.

2) Jesse Zwiener, an Albion native, prepares to give his funny question an answer in the Q&A portion of the event.

King of Hearts took place on Nov. 19, and nine contestants entertained the audience in a sold-out show. All proceeds from the event will go to the Alpha Phi Foundation, which promotes women's heart health, and the S.A.F.E. Center in Kearney.



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Where do you stand?

Narrow vote for LB 268 ended death penalty in Nebraska, but LB 260 could bring it back

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Both sides were passionate. The tension was so thick it could be cut with a knife. The Locke and Key Society collaborated with the UNK Young Democrats and the UNK College Republicans on Nov. 12 to present a forum in Copeland Hall, Room 130, regarding LB 268 ending the death penalty in Nebraska.

The Nebraskans for the Death Penalty put up Bob Evnen in a debate against Matt Maly, the representative for the Nebraskans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty.

The forum began with the explanation of LB 268 that eliminated the death penalty in January 2015. According to nebraskalegislature.gov, LB 268 acts “to change provisions relating to murder in the first degree; to change a penalty from death to life imprisonment without possibility of parole.”

Both Evnen and Maly were given an opportunity to convey a brief overview of their stance on the issue.

Maly, the younger individual, began by describing the death penalty system as a broken, outdated system. He said the death penalty is way more expensive to enact than life imprisonment is. Not only is it more expensive, but it risks innocent lives, he said. “Even one innocent person being executed is unfair.”

By stating that the largest predictors of the death penalty are race, socioeconomic backgrounds and the county in which the crime was committed, Maly attempted to win over the audience by taking the “inconsistent and unfair” approach similar to Chambers’.

On the other hand, Evnen took the floor and established a very serious aura. He looked at his crowd and began his oration. The death penalty, according to Evnen, is necessary, but it should be used sparingly. He gave four reasons to secure the death penalty:

1) Moral accountability: The death penalty is an appropriate response to the

most heinous crimes.

2) Self-defense: The death penalty secures the people from criminals getting back out on the streets.

3) Deterrence: The death penalty will act as a deterrence to stop future heinous crimes.

4) Safety to our law enforcement

The UNK Democrats and Republicans began to ask each candidate questions, and with such opposing beliefs about a single topic, one can imagine how heated the discussion quickly became. The most power-packed questions included:

“How would you approach the question, ‘Is the death penalty morally justified?’”

Maly said this depends on who you ask. A person’s set of morals depends upon their upbringing and, if applicable, their religion. As an Evangelical Christian, Maly took the stance that no single person is beyond redemption. Whether the death penalty is moral or not is the wrong question to ask because the concept of the death penalty is unnecessary.

“Life without parole does work, and it is cheaper,” Maly said. When people like Evnen claim that criminals will run amuck when back on the streets, they are using a fear tactic. Maly stressed to ignore such tactics and focus on the truth, and the truth of the matter is that life without parole works.

Evnen looked to the Bible for assistance in answering this question. Humanity was created in God’s image. The Ten Commandments stressed, “Thou shalt not kill.” The five Books of Moses stated that capital punishment is an appropriate response to the taking of a life. Evnen said that the Church cannot repudiate capital punishment. Evnen gave an example of a man who savagely murdered and cut up his 3-year-old son. Is the life of the man more valuable than the life of his own son? Let the punishment fit the crime.

“Is it more costly to sentence people

Senior Nolasco finds success as business owner

Undergraduate student Anah Nolasco brings Mexican taqueria to former Come and Get It

KEYLI ALDANA

Antelope Staff

With hard work, anything can be achieved, says senior visual communication and design major Anah Nolasco from Grand Island as she continues working toward her degree in May of 2016 while also opening up her own restaurant, Komal.

A student at UNK for five years, Nolasco has been able to reach her greatest accomplishment up to this point in her life.

She decided to attend college because she believed that was the reason her parents came to America from Mexico. They wanted better opportunities and a better lifestyle for their children.

Her parents, especially her father, have always been the encouragement she has needed to follow her dreams. "If it wouldn't have been for my dad, I wouldn't have come. He pushed me and engraved in my brain that I was going to attend college. He signed me up for science camp for two years and brought me to campus visits. After the two years at science camp, I knew



Anah Nolasco

I wanted to come to UNK."

While knowing she would come to UNK, the senior had to overcome struggles. "At first I struggled paying for college. I had financial troubles. For certain reasons I wasn't able to get scholarships, grants or financial aid."

After arriving to college, Nolasco was able to enjoy being a student at the university. Throughout her undergraduate career, she has been a part of Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority Inc., Black Student Association, American Institute of Graphic Arts and a student government cabinet member.

Now that she is close to graduation, Nolasco says knowing that the end is near and she will be able to make her parents proud by receiving her diploma has helped her get through each semester. She is looking forward to enjoying her career and doing what she loves.

As a visual communication and design major, the next probable step would not logically be becoming a business owner of a Mexican taqueria. However, Nolasco says her biggest accomplishment has been opening up her own restaurant, Komal, while still a student and becoming a small business owner.

Nolasco's boyfriend and business



partner, senior Daniel Uddin, a business administration major from Kearney, started to discuss the idea of opening up a restaurant about two years ago. They used to cook together a lot and began thinking that they should open up their own Mexican restaurant because they believed Kearney lacked a real authentic Mexican taqueria.

They saw the location marked closed when they would walk from the campus library to their cars and joked about it being the perfect opportunity. Once the chance to purchase the building came, they took it.

Nolasco has always been an enthusiast in the kitchen. "Food has always been a

passion, I love cooking," she says. To open her restaurant, she designed the logo, magazine ad, menu, signage and is also working on a website for Komal.

As for the future, after being asked about her long time goals, she said, "They always say tell God your plans and he will laugh. Life is unpredictable. You never know what will happen. I didn't think I would be a business owner at the age of 22."

Nolasco encourages people who come to Komal to try the alambre nachos. She says the alambre recipe comes all the way from Mexico City, Mexico, where her family is from. Alambre is kebab meat

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ABOUT LARAMEY BECKER:

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Laramie Becker (formerly Lewis) has been a three-year starter for the Loper Women's Basketball team. Going into her senior year, Becker has 898 total points and is currently top five all time in UNK history with 126 three-pointers. Last season, she earned All-MIAA honorable mention honors. Becker excels off the court as well. She has been named to the MIAA Academic Honor Roll three times, earning the MIAA Scholar Athlete Award in 2015. Becker is also currently the UNK SAAC (Student-Athlete Advisory Committee) President.

You can watch Becker and the rest of the Lady Lopers tonight on Buckle Court as they kick off MIAA action for the year against Emporia State University at 5:30 p.m. They'll be at home Friday night as well, taking on Washburn University at 5:30 p.m.

[LOPER OF THE WEEK]

"She has a great work ethic and has been a fantastic example for others in what it looks like to be a committed athlete." - UNK Women's basketball coach Carrie Hofstetter

Becker building tradition



JD RADER, MARIA PICKERING

Antelope Sports

■ Q: What do you like to do in your free time?

A: In my free time I like to hunt, fish, ride horses, travel and spend time with family.

■ Q: How did you get involved in basketball?

A: I started playing basketball when I was probably 5 years old; my dad coached my older sisters as they were growing up, so I was in the gym with him all the time. It was something that my dad and I bonded over through the years. I love playing all kinds of sports, but basketball just brought out my competitiveness and desire to become better every chance I got. I am grateful for the opportunity to continue my basketball career at the collegiate level and form new relationships every year with teammates.

■ Q: Who do you think has helped you the to get where you are in basketball?

A: My family has been my support system my whole life. They have pushed me, watched me fail, watched me succeed and motivated me. My dad was my coach growing up; we both share a passion for basketball. He was always the one telling me to go outside and shoot or

Photo by Ellen Laird

Senior exercise science fitness & wellness major, Laramie Becker from Trenton, Nebraska takes a hard drive to the basket during the second half against Midland University's junior guard and post, Miranda Paul. Becker also found the hoop twice from the three-point line to aid in the seven UNK three-pointers.

Fun Facts about Laramie

Favorite...

Food: Steak and mashed potatoes

TV Show: "Scandal" and "Orange Is the New Black"

Musical Artist: George Strait

Movie: "8 Seconds"

Athlete: Michael Jordan/Grandpa Roy

go practice ball handling. I still look to him if my shot isn't falling because he has rebounded thousands of shots for me over the years.

■ Q: Did you play any other sports in high school?

A: In high school I played volleyball, basketball and track. Made it to state in volleyball my senior year (2012), made it to state in basketball (2010, 2012 - 4th place), and made it to state in track my sophomore, junior and senior years.

■ Q: What is your favorite thing about basketball?

A: My favorite thing about basketball is that it takes a lot of mental strength to play it, when you feel like you can't go any longer, you have to dig a little deeper and keep going. This is a sport where you have four other people on the court that can pick you up, and some nights you depend on them more than others. Playing sports is never just playing. What you learn about yourself as you play will be carried out through your whole life.

■ Q: Why did you choose UNK?

A: I chose UNK because it's not far from my hometown; it is a big campus with a small-town atmosphere. People are genuine, and I felt welcomed immediately. Kearney is a great community to live in, and I was comfortable here.

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“Laramey is a great leader. She is always willing to lend a helping hand and genuinely cares about her teammates. She is detail oriented and such a hard worker. I’m lucky to be able to call her a teammate and friend.”

— Teammate Courtney Aitken

“The best way I can explain Laramey is as a leader. She leads by example and brings the best out of every member of our team. I look up to her and her work ethic and how she carries herself on our team and around campus.”

— Teammate Tori Payne

■ **Q: What is your favorite memory from your time here at UNK?**

A: I can’t think of a specific memory that is my favorite, but I’m so grateful for all of the people I have met here and the relationships that I have formed with teammates, other athletes, coaches, administration and faculty at UNK. And of course meeting Dexter and getting married over the summer!

■ **Q: How has being a student athlete changed now that you’re married?**

A: Getting married was one of the best decisions I have made (coming to UNK is a close second), I have a great husband: he supports and motivates me daily. At times I think I have too much on my plate, but I’m reminded daily how thankful I am for all of the opportunities I have been given, and Dex is the one pushing me every day to be a better person and achieve more

than I think I can. I’m now juggling two people’s schedules instead of just my own, which has been a challenge, but I wouldn’t trade it for anything.

■ **Q: What are you looking forward to the most this season?**

A: This season I’m looking forward to pulling some upsets on teams that are least expecting it, forming lifetime friendships with my teammates and continuing to grow as a person and a player.

■ **Q: Do you have any pre-game rituals?**

A: Before games I usually listen to some George Strait to calm my nerves a little bit.

■ **Q: What are your plans for after graduation?**

A: I am not sure what I am going to do after I graduate, probably move back to southwest Nebraska and find a job and help my husband and family ranch.

UNK volleyball not done yet



KATE BAKER
Antelope Sports

UNK’s fifth-seeded volleyball team will battle fourth-seeded University of Central Oklahoma in the first round of the Central

Regional on Dec. 2 in St. Paul, Minnesota.

The young team, with only one senior on the court, has rallied together to earn a seat amongst the best in the NCAA tournament, a goal that they have strived for from the beginning of the season.

As the UNK volleyball team looks ahead to their trip to the NCAA tournament for the 17th straight season, I would like to acknowledge and congratulate them on the wonderful season they have had thus far, and I’m sure success will continue in the NCAA tournament.

Although the team has accomplished some impressive goals, I would like to focus on individual accomplishments these student-athletes have earned this season. With five players earning spots on the All-MIAA team and six players earning spots on the MIAA academic squad, the players have

a lot to be proud of.

The All-MIAA team is selected by the league’s head coaches. Earning this label is a great accomplishment. Annie Wolfe, a junior business administration major from Omaha, and Tara Ziegelbein, a sophomore biology major from Lincoln (her second MIAA selection), earned spots on the first team.



Wolfe, the epitome of an all-around volleyball player, is a leader on and off the court. Earning impressive numbers in kills, blocks and digs, along with ranking sixth in attacking percentage in the MIAA, Wolfe can be recognized as one of the team’s most valuable players.

Ziegelbein is a force to be reckoned with at the net, leading the team in blocks at an impressive 91. Additionally, she is a strong factor in UNK’s offense, falling third on the team in kills.

Those earning spots on the MIAA second team were senior Erin Seele, an

elementary education major from Johnstown, Colorado, (her third MIAA selection) and Katelyn Thomas, a sophomore from Yutan undecided on her major. Seele, the only senior on the court this season, proved to be versatile, while moving from outside hitter to setter throughout the season. She provides impressive statistics in all assets of the game, while tacking up enough assists to earn an eighth spot in the MIAA and tops with aces per set in the conference. Thomas is a powerhouse at the net, as the outside hitter leads the team with 417 kills, ranking fifth on the MIAA charts in kills per set.

Ellie McDonald, a Papillion freshman undecided on her major, earned honorable mention recognition. The libero proved to be a valuable asset to UNK’s defense, tacking up a team high 506 digs. This impressive statistic ranks her at seventh in digs for the conference.

Kendal Schroer, Bailey Sokolowski, Skyler Erickson and Lindsey Smith all put up impressive statistics throughout the season as well. Schroer, a freshman from Ogallala deciding on her major, tallied 144 kills and ranked ninth in the MIAA with 60 blocks. Sokolowski, a junior radiography major from

Kearney, tacked up 129 kills and 36 blocks. Erickson, a junior from Greely undecided on her major, tallied 146 kills, 40 assists, 24 aces and 351 digs. Smith, a freshman from Dakota Dunes, South Dakota, deciding on her major, led the team in assists with 788 and earned a ranking as second in the conference with assists per set and eighth in aces with 28.

Finally, the team proved to epitomize the roles as student athletes, while six players earned spots on the MIAA academic squad. Those players earning a spot must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and be enrolled at UNK for two semesters. Some players were dubbed with scholar honors, which means they have maintained a GPA of 3.5 or higher and all-conference recognition. The players making the honor roll were McKenzie Smith, a redshirt freshman from Kearney deciding on her major, Sokolowski and Ziegelbein. Those earning scholar honors were Seele, Thomas, and Wolfe.

The Lady Lopers already have a lot to be proud with their season still in progress. As Coach Rick Squiers leads his team to yet another NCAA tournament, the UNK Lopers will continue battling to keep their season alive.



Annual Korean Festival showcases food, fun, tradition

KIRSTY DUNBAR

Antelope Staff

A line of people stretched up the stairs of the Student Union to the Ponderosa Room where the 5th annual KSAK Korean Festival was held Sunday Nov. 22.

Before the meal was served at 7 p.m., the Korean Student Association at Kearney (KSAK) had pre-event activities for anyone waiting in line. They offered free face painting, a photo session with two students

dressed in Korean wedding clothing and short typography lessons.

Donations were accepted outside of the Ponderosa Room. Any money given to the organization went toward the total cost for the event to be held.

There were four main performances held at the Festival. The first was Taekwondo, a traditional Korean martial art. After this came Nanta, a non-verbal concert that uses everyday objects for music. A wedding ceremony was held

to show how different their customs are compared to those in America.

KOREAN FESTIVAL, PAGE 7

Photos by Kirsty Dunbar

1) Bukyong Choi (LEFT) and Giyeon Na dressed up in traditional wedding clothing to take pictures with people waiting in line.

2) Kelsey Knetsun, a grad student at UNK gets her face painted by senior Gyeo un Heinz.



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Weather frightful, choirs delightful

UNK all choirs holiday concert scheduled for Dec. 6

LAURIE VENTEICHER

Assistant Editor, Copy Editor

It's that time of year again – snowflakes falling, cold wind blowing and Christmas music playing. Though the weather outside may be frightful, UNK's four choirs hope to bring delight with their holiday concert on Sunday, Dec. 6. The free performance will begin at 3 p.m. in the Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Everyone is welcome.

Grand Island mathematics major Tori Beye has enjoyed her past three years in Women's Chorus. The senior, who also has a piano minor, hopes the audience takes away the warm feeling that Christmas gives.

"We've been doing a mix of fun and sacred songs. One of my favorites is a version of 'Jingle Bells,' written by Ray Charles. It's quite fun. There's also a piece called 'I'm Goin' Up a Yonder,' and it's breathtaking," she said.



Tori Beye

Dr. David Bauer, music professor and director of choirs at UNK, will direct the Women's Chorus, Men's Chorus, Choraleers and Vocal Collegium at the concert. This is his 48th year of professional directing. He has directed at UNK since 1984.

New to UNK this year is South Korea native Dr. Jayoung Hong. She is the accompanist for all of the choirs. Dr. Hong

• **What:** UNK Choirs annual holiday concert

• **Where:** Prince of Peace Catholic Church, 2407 W 56th St.

• **When:** Dec. 6 at 3 p.m.

has performed over 500 concerts both as a soloist and collaborative pianist worldwide, including: Carnegie Hall, Merkin Hall in New York, Seoul Arts Center in Korea, South Africa Pretoria City Hall, Taipei National Hall in Taiwan, Kulturhaus Konzertsall in Berlin (Germany), Mayfest in Canada, New Caledonia Festival in Noumea (New Caledonia), and St. James' Piccadilly Concert Series in London (England).

Each choir has spent countless hours rehearsing in preparation for the annual holiday performance. For the Choraleers, this concert will be their fourth of the semester, as they have previously performed with the other three ensembles for UNK's Homecoming week in September; their second performance was in October with guest composer and conductor Rene Clausen, and part of the concert was combined with local high school choirs.

On Saturday, Nov. 21 the Choraleers traveled to Lincoln for an 11 a.m. performance as part of the annual Nebraska Music Educators Association (NMEA) convention. The concert was held at St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

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to life in prison, or is it more expensive to purchase the lethal drug and go through the appeal process?"

Maly said the death penalty is more expensive. The costs come from the lengthy and complicated appeals process. The initial trial is a large part of the cost. These death penalty cases take longer and are far more complex than life sentence cases. As for the housing issue, some might say that people sentenced to death will not have to be funded in regards to housing, but there is an average span of 17 years between the death sentencing and the execution.

Maly stated that taxpayers pay an average 17 years of paid housing and, most of the time, the actual execution is dropped, or the criminal dies in prison of some other cause (disease, natural, etc.). The cost of incarcerating a person on death row is more expensive than housing a criminal in regular incarceration.

Evnen disagreed with Maly's claim that the price for a death sentence is higher than a life sentence. Evnen said that people who are sentenced to life in prison have to be funded for the rest of their lives in prison. However, he said, someone sentenced to death does not require prolonged life funding.

"Does the death penalty give closure to the families of the victims?"

Maly said a study analyzing responses of victims' families claimed that many

wanted life without the possibility of parole. He said the death sentence will drag out the process, and the family will have to relive the events of the tragic day over and over. The victim will not be remembered as they should; instead, the criminal will become immortalized as a sort of celebrity.

With many who are sentenced to death not actually being executed, the death penalty is nothing more than an empty promise. Many families wait for this justice, but it never arrives.

Evnen began by stating the difficulty in imagining what the family goes through. The average person cannot begin to fathom the amount of pain inflicted upon them. In opposition to the study Maly talked about, Evnen said that many victims' families support the death penalty because of a desire for justice. The criminal needs to be out of the picture for good, and they do not want to see even the slightest chance of the criminals getting back out on the street to hurt others. For those families that oppose the death penalty, it is not because they oppose the act, but because they oppose the process, the delays and the endless appeals. They do not oppose the penalty, but just give up. Thus, we need to focus on repairing the system, not abolishing it altogether.

"Do you feel the death penalty provides deterrence?"

Maly immediately responded with a

sharp no. "Statistically, the south conducts many more executions than the north, so if deterrence was a result of the death penalty, should not the crime rate be going down in the south? However, the opposite is true. People who commit these murders and kill are not rational people," he said. They do not consider the consequences or the aftermath. They conduct these actions rashly, under the influence or under a false impression of the law. States that support the death penalty continue to see high crime rates.

Evnen responded: "Let me start by saying Matt is wrong with everything he just said." The death penalty being a deterrence is not something so simply stated. There was a period in the 1970s where death sentences were not carried out: however, the crime rates were still high. A study conducted claimed that one execution will save an average of 18 lives, give or take 10 by virtue of the deterrent effect. He said capital punishment is morally required because of the deterrent effect held. Without the death penalty and its deterrent effect, the system is permitting the murder of innocent people.

At the end, both gentlemen were given the chance to provide a closing argument.

Maly said that if the system could be fixed, would it not have been fixed already, within the past 100 years? The death penalty is more expensive. It is not

a deterrent: it risks innocent lives and is a failed government program. Maly concluded, stressing for each Nebraskan voter to really consider this issue, as this may be the weightiest decision for the upcoming November 2016 ballot.

Evnen said he could make his closing argument in less than 60 seconds, depending upon what Maly said. The death penalty saves money, and Evnen asserted his confidence that the system could be repaired. He stressed that the Nebraskan voters should repeal the repeal (LB 260) and begin the process of repairing the broken system.

The demographic nature of the two candidates during this forum reflects the issues they stand for. While Evnen, an older gentleman, retains traditional beliefs and values and upholds the teachings of the Old Testament, Maly, a younger man, seeks to find alternatives and revamp a seemingly outdated system.

While disagreeing in their assertions, the common theme they stressed was this: It is imperative that every Nebraskan voter take this matter seriously. Many people refuse to vote because they think that one person's vote will not make a difference, but they cannot be more wrong. All it takes is one vote to change the entire structure of an entire system. Many have no idea how powerful they truly are. We are the people for a reason.

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from Mexico. She is very happy with the reviews people have given her about the taqueria.

She revels in a patron's comment: "If I was an astronaut, this is the food I would be dreaming about when I would come back to Earth." Others have told her they dream about her quesadillas and arrive right at open time the next day to eat one.

Senior Spanish translation major Rosalina Sebastian from Grand Island said, "I like everything there. It's hard to choose what to eat. Every time I go there it's a hard decision."

Ford Clark, senior lecturer for the Department of Communication, also had some words to say about the food. "I'm very particular about my Mexican food, and having moved here recently, I had not tried any restaurants here in Kearney until Komal was suggested. I was blown away at how good it was. And I have been back

several times and tried different dishes, and every one of them has been phenomenal. I'm picky about Mexican food and I'm in love with Komal."

"Komal is my baby. It's my first venture for my career," says Nolasco, "I will continue working, cooking and doing freelance work for small businesses after graduation."

She also shared some advice for young entrepreneurs. "Make sure to ask for help when you need it. No one's born knowing everything. Really think about the commitment you're about to engage in. Owning is like a full-time marriage." Her words to undergrad students are, "Never give up no matter the obstacle. There's always help, from academics to financial to counseling."

Komal Mexican Taqueria is located across Thomas Hall in the former Come and Get it restaurant at 942 W 24th St.

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The final performance was Samulonori, which is percussion with just four instruments accompanied by dancers. The president of KSAK, Jaehyun Kim, also participated in this act.

In between each of the acts were short films, quizzes over the information provided about Korean culture and a raffle for prizes.

"We wanted to show current culture, food and performances to Americans because most of them don't know about what the Korean culture is," Kim said about how the festival originated.

Last year alone the event brought in over 800 guests. KSAK expected around the same number for this year if not more. "It is our biggest event," Kim said.

The food served for the main course included rice balls mixed together with spam and tuna, Korean BBQ, and beef with radish soup. For dessert they served fried

sugar and ramen noodles.

Kearney residents Gene and Kristi Svec and their four children have attended two of the previous years that the festival was held. "We thought the food was really good. The kids were scared to try it but turns out they liked everything they got," Kristi Svec said.

The Svec family hosted a Korean student at UNK two years ago through the International Friendship Program offered by the school, which was how they learned of the event. Other families were in attendance because of their connections through this program as well.

"It was very stressful preparing everything for today," Kim said. It was his first year putting together the festival as KSAK's president. Last year he only participated in one of the performances. "We have been planning for it since August," Kim said.

Let the FrenXi begin

Successful football fundraiser despite delay

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The Wednesday before Thanksgiving break was very cold and windy, but that didn't stop Alpha Xi Delta from finally hosting their Football FrenXi event. It was meant to take place the previous Wednesday, Nov. 11, but was postponed due to the snow that day.

"Football FrenXi is one of Alpha Xi Delta's Amazing Challenges that our chapter here in Kearney puts on but is also done throughout the country," senior Jeslynn Kearney said.

The event was a series of flag football games that were played in bracket form. There could be 8-10 people per team, and each team could be male, female or co-ed. A total of 11 teams participated.

Throughout the night they held a raffle. "There were lots of different raffle prizes. However, the last four teams received Jimmy John's gift cards, and the winner of the event received our traditional bedazzled

Alpha Xi Delta Football," Kearney said.

All proceeds went to Alpha Xi Delta's national philanthropic partner Autism Speaks. "We raised over \$4,000, which is awesome considering that we had to move it to a week later," Kearney said. "It was awesome to see the community come out and support us and such a great cause."

This was the second time that Football FrenXi has been held at UNK. The entire Alpha Xi Delta chapter helped put on the event, but Kearney said the philanthropy committee was the oil to the machine.

"They worked countless hours to make sure everything was put together and ran smoothly. We could not have done this without the community and the sponsorship they gave us," she said.

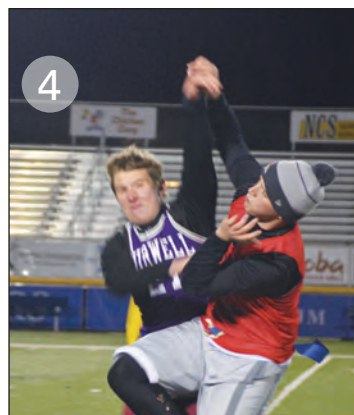
Although Kearney, a family studies major and Alpha Xi Delta's Public Relations Vice President, was not solely in charge of event, she thought it was very successful. "With having to postpone a week because of the weather, it went amazingly," she said.

Kearney said that it was such a rewarding experience to know that Alpha Xi Delta was giving back to an organization that means so much to Alpha Xi members across the nation.



Photos by Jessica Nichols

1) Jeslynn Kearney (LEFT) and Sarah Maginis want to thank everyone who helped put on the event. "For our third year on campus FrenXi was a huge success, raising over \$4,000. We can't thank you all enough for our support these three years. Happy Holidays!"



2) Columbus native Bryce Clay gets ready to throw the ball back to his quarterback as the rest of the team waits.

3) At each game there were a few Alpha Xi Delta members present to serve as referees. During this game, some of the players disagreed with a call that had been made.

4) Finance major Jason Poe just barely makes the pass as an opposing team member attempts to block him. Throughout the game, Poe and other teammates swapped out as quarterback.