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Supreme Court DOMA decision ends long struggle

McDiarmid gains first Nebraska 'DOMA' green card work permit out of federal immigration offices in Omaha

BY AUSTIN KOELLER
Antelope Staff

It began in a UNK chemistry class in the spring of 2003. As health science students, Alicia Behn and Laura McDiarmid were trying to figure out their homework for class one day.

"We met over homework," McDiarmid said. "We were in the student lounge over at Bruner right before class."

"We met during that class," Behn said. "We did study groups together, homework together and all that stuff together. We became friends."

After that class, they took more classes together. "We spent a lot more time together," Behn said. "Over one of the summers, we spent more time together. She would go back to Gothenburg during the summer, and I was here in Kearney. I kept asking her to come back." Then, the rela-

tionship changed.

While they knew that they liked each other as more than just friends, the pair did say that they did not necessarily define themselves as "homosexual."

"I didn't know for sure. I never even thought about it," Behn said. "I definitely felt different with Laura. I never felt the way I felt with her. It was definitely something new for me that I'd never felt before."

McDiarmid said that she never labeled their relationship, and whatever attraction was felt between them happened without much thinking.

Despite the fact that they had a strong relationship, Behn and McDiarmid did not "come out" to others.

Behn, a lifelong Kearney native, said she knew a ton of people here, and she knew from the attitude in high school that others

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Photo by Austin Koeller

Alicia Behn (left) and Laura McDiarmid, both of Kearney and UNK graduates, talk about their relationship in The Living Room in the Nebraskan Student Union. Behn and McDiarmid have dealt with many struggles as a same-sex couple, including the fight for marriage recognition and legal citizenship.



Courtesy Photo

Maria Rojas studied abroad in China in 2012 and Peru in 2013. In March she will travel to the Czech Republic.

Maria Rojas finds passion in studying abroad; Czech Republic up next as 3rd dream destination

BY ADRIANNA TARIN
Editor in Chief

After studying in China in the fall of 2012 and Peru in the spring of 2013, Maria Rojas will hop on a plane one last time before she graduates.

"My favorite part about being abroad was visiting different places and learning about the culture in those countries," said Rojas, a senior biology/pre-medicine major from Grand Island. "I loved walking into the places I always dreamed of visiting someday."

Next, she'll be off to spend a semester in the Czech Republic in March.

"It is truly an amazing feeling. I like learning about different cultures, and that was one of my motivations to study abroad," Rojas said.

Rojas began planning her trips abroad last year and had both China and Peru on her travel wish list.

"I kind of wanted to experience something new. Even before I went to China, I had already decided to study in Peru also," Rojas said. "I didn't have a hard time leaving. On the contrary, I was very excited."

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Thanksgiving's ugly stepchild: **Black Friday**



BY TATE SCHNEIDER
Antelope Staff

An abomination has come to consume an otherwise peaceful time of year.

The holidays should begin with good tidings and people acting like members of a society.

Long gone are the days when Thanksgiving stood alone as a day to remember our heritage and finding appreciation for the precious things in our lives that others may not be so lucky to have.

Now, Thanksgiving has become synonymous with people lining up hours in advance of a store's opening then frantically combating a mob in order to acquire meaningless consumer goods. Many people enjoy this; they see it as a way to get the best deals on Christmas gifts for loved ones. Their hearts are in the right place.

The problem with Black Friday is not the consumers, it is the shadow that Black Friday casts over Thanksgiving. I spoke with a classmate before break, and I asked him what his plans were for Thanksgiving.

His reply was simple: Nothing. Most of his family had to be at work at 10 p.m. Thursday to be ready for Friday's festivities.

I understand that some people do have to work on Thanksgiving, I have been there, but the thought that probably thousands of retail employees have to be ready to work the evening of Thanksgiving is saddening.

Look back a few years ago; you begin to notice a change. On average, 135,000,000 people shop on Black Friday. The numbers are beginning to dwindle on Friday due to

Black Friday spending

Total spent on Black Friday in 2011

\$52,400,000,000

Total spent on Black Friday in 2012

\$59,100,000,000

Projected total spent on Black Friday in 2013

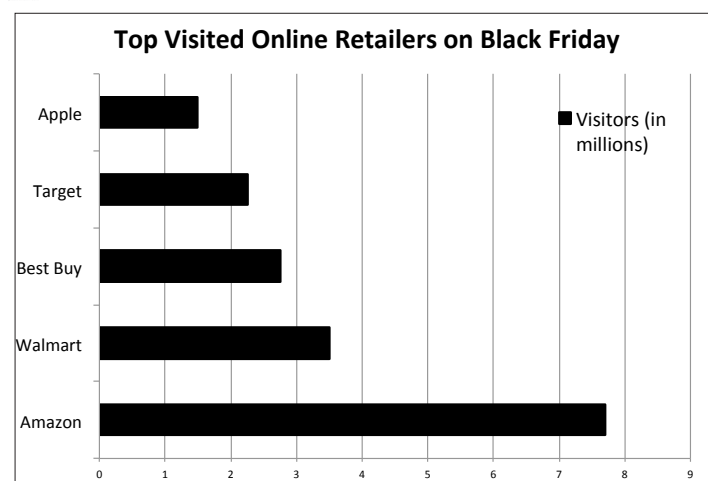
\$38,700,000,000



Source: www.statisticsbrain.com Infographic by Adrianna Tarin



Walmart alone said it sold 2 million TVs during its Black Friday sales. The retailer also sold 2.8 million towels, 1.9 million dolls, 1.4 million tablets and 300,000 bicycles.



the trend shifting to stores opening the day of Thanksgiving.

Now, more workers are clocking in for Thanksgiving than ever before.

This is a problem for those workers, but Black Friday is also a troubling thing for us as a society.

Year after year, tales are told of stampedes at stores reminiscent of the one that killed Mufasa in "The Lion King."

Year after year people get clocked in the face. For what? A discounted lobotomy?

Year after year, news stories regarding Black Friday just become more and more ridiculous.

I just read a story about retail employees having to clean up human fecal matter (dookie to the lay person). I have read accounts of men defecating on escalators, moms stuffing used diapers in the middle of piles of clothes

and other outrageous human behavior. The entire story seems bizarre.

By now, my rant is probably a little tired, so let us cut to the chase.

Black Friday is not helping society develop to the potential we have. Instead, I think it is a sign of social "devolution."

When you have to forego family plans, shove other people around like rag dolls and perform acts of public indecency for a digital camera; our forefathers would be shaking their heads.

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Nov. 12: A female subject reported she was observed on 11/8 by a known male subject while in the state of undress in the women's locker room.

Nov. 14: URS Pod D RA reported the theft of their 2nd floor fire extinguisher.

Nov. 15: A CTW RA reported a female student allegedly consuming marijuana brownies in her room the night before.

Nov. 18: An officer contacted two male subjects near the intersection of 23rd St. and 12th Ave. who appeared to be arguing. They advised the officer that they were not arguing, simply just talking. One of the subjects had a license pickup order and his Nebraska driver's license was seized to be returned to the DMV.

Nov. 18: A hall director called to report that they confiscated alcohol from a resident who reported their roommate had alcohol in the room. The officer took possession of the alcohol and destroyed it. A report was forwarded to Conduct Summons.

Nov. 19: A male RA reported that something hit one of the windows on the north side of Centennial Towers West putting a hole in the outside window pane.

Nov. 19: An officer received a report of a suspicious male in several campus buildings acting strange. The odd behavior by the male. He was issued a trespass notice for all

UNK property, except the library, and then escorted off campus.

Nov. 22: A female student over the age of 21 was contacted for carrying a case of Bud Light in the parking lot. The female was issued a Conduct Summons for having alcohol on University property.

Nov. 22: UNK HVAC reported he witnessed a vehicle at Kwik Stop and the driver was drinking a beer. The officer conducted a traffic stop in Lot 11. Through the officer's investigation, the male driver was arrested for DUI, MIP, refusal to submit to PBT, and refusal to submit to chemical test.

Nov. 25: An RA called to report a marijuana type odor coming from a room on the 3rd floor. A search of the room did not locate any marijuana. However, two empty alcohol containers were found. A male student was issued a Conduct Summons.

Nov. 26: A female staff member reported various items to be missing from the janitorial break room in Mantor Hall.

Nov. 26: A wrestling coach called to report a video camera was stolen from inside his locked office.

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Kwanho Lee makes his own way

As a new student from South Korea, Lee founded KSAK to get to know others and let them know about his country and culture

BY SEULA SONG
JMC 215

Every international student comes to America to succeed in academics and to experience culture in America. Kwanho Lee, who founded the Korean Student Association at Kearney (KSAK) in September 2012, came to UNK in August, 2011 and is one of the best examples.



KWANHO LEE

"I had a hard time getting information when I came here first. I didn't want Korean students who would come after me to have the same problem. There were Chinese and Japanese associations, but a Korean association didn't exist. I wanted to let UNK students know Korea."

But, it was not easy to begin a new association. He had trouble getting financial aid.

"UNK did not help us at all at that time, and we decided to have Korean students who agreed with making a Korean association contribute. Thanks to them, we raised almost \$400."

KSAK won a prize as the new association in 2012 after its difficult founding, which resulted from efforts like the Korean Festival to let people know about Korea.

Then, the group participated in the International Food Festival, where they presented a Korean Cinderella story and showed Taekwondo, a Korean martial art combined with a type of dance known as shuffling.

"We expected that 50 people would visit when we

planned to hold the first Korean festival. However, more than 200 people visited, and it was really unexpected. My heart swelled with pride of Korea, and I thought that I would do something more with Korean students."

When he came here, he was asked where Korea was and then wanted to let people know about Korea. Founding KSAK was a chance for him to do this.

South Korea is one of the most developed countries in the world, Kwanho said. However, older people asked if Koreans had television at home. "I was shocked when I was asked that question and knew many people didn't know about Korea. I was sure taking part in some events could make them see Korea in a new light."

Even though he might be doing well now, this was not the case from the beginning.

"When I came here first, I struggled with speaking English and expressing how I thought and felt. I didn't have a good relationship with the people living next door because we didn't talk about our complaints."

"Looking back on it now, if we had a conversation about that, we could have reached an agreement. If I could say my opinion exactly at that time, I could have had good memories with them."

He said he learned the importance of conversation from that experience.

"To make your American life an unforgettable and valuable memory, please experience as much as you can and talk about your experiences and feelings with your friends. Try to accept different cultures and do many things. Experience is the best way you can get the ability to understand them and be a mind of wide scope."



Courtesy Photo

KSAK members met in the library meeting room Nov. 10, 2012 to discuss the first Korean Festival. The meeting lasted until 4 a.m.

Sudoku ★★☆☆☆

How to play: Sudoku is a placement puzzle. The aim of the puzzle is to enter a numeral from 1 through 9 in each cell of a grid. Each row, column and region must contain only one instance of each numeral. Completing the puzzle requires patience and logical ability. The puzzle initially became popular in Japan in 1986 and attained international popularity in 2005.

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		1				9		
6								5
	5		6	7	1		2	

Find answer on page 9

www.sudoku-puzzles.net

Korean students play flash mob to folk song 'Arirang'

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As part of The Antelope focus on international education, international students taking classes in the department of communication JMC 215 and 220 classes had assignments to photograph and write about campus news, and were asked to write a "news brite" for readers to enjoy.

Hyein Han's brite tells of the pride Koreans feel in their country.

Check out this 'brite' video on YouTube.

BY HYEIN HAN
JMC 215

Korean university students performed "This is Arirang" and formed an orchestra flash mob in Insadong, Seoul, on Korea's Independence Movement Memorial day, March 2013. "Arirang" is the beloved folk ballad of Korean people telling of Koreans' shared history, and has been recognized by UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) as intangible cultural

asset in 2012.

Koreans started this project from a story that one foreigner came to Korea to listen to "Arirang," but he couldn't hear it anywhere, even in the Korea's traditional street Insadong.

This project was designed to let foreigners know the Korean folk song. Korean university students performed "Arirang" in a flash mob.

More than 1,190,000 people have watched this video clip on YouTube.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wygOocOSOVo>

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looked down on same-sex relationships. "If you were, you didn't talk about it, and the people that were out in school were ridiculed."

While they were not open about their relationship, the couple said that some people did catch on. Anybody paying attention could have figured out that we were a lot closer than just friends, McDiarmid said.

"It wasn't in the dark for a long time. It was a couple years I think," Behn said. "We just told people we were close to, close friends that we knew we trusted, that we knew wouldn't have a problem with it."

While they were open to their friends, the couple had not yet come out to their parents.

"When I officially told them, I was a little nervous because my family is from small town Nebraska, and I was nervous about them keeping that closed-minded attitude," Behn said.

Both said that coming out was not as big of a deal as they feared it would be as their families already assumed that they were a couple after years of being together.

"It was already such a big part of my family life as it was, so it was not a big stretch for them to say, 'OK,'" McDiarmid said.

After coming out to their families, Behn and McDiarmid moved in together. Behn graduated with a degree in nursing and had begun work as a nurse. McDiarmid graduated from UNK in 2006 with a

degree in respiratory therapy, and again in 2012 with a degree in nursing.

When the couple was on vacation in California, McDiarmid proposed to Behn.

"We went out there, I planned it out with our friends, we went wine tasting and I proposed then," McDiarmid said.

Five years into the relationship, in 2008, the couple married in an Iowa courthouse. Despite the fact that Iowa legally recognized the marriage, the union was not recognized in the state of Nebraska, nor was it recognized at the federal level because the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) had defined marriage as being between a man and a woman.

"We got married, then Alicia applied for a green card for me," McDiarmid said.

"We were quickly denied," Behn said. "DOMA defined marriage between a man and a woman. So, our marriage was not valid according to them. That's why our green card was denied the first time."

The couple faced the ongoing battle as McDiarmid continued the effort to obtain a green card. McDiarmid, born in Manchester, England, had to be off of her parent's

visa when she turned 21.

"I had to do a change of status to a student visa," McDiarmid said. "The student visa allowed McDiarmid to stay in the United States as a student. But once she graduated, she was not on a student visa, nor did she have a work permit."

"That was our biggest challenge, trying to get her to stay here and be able to work," Behn said.

The couple went through all of the options to find a way for McDiarmid to stay in the country legally and work. After considering the options,

McDiarmid made the decision to go back to school to seek a second degree in nursing. McDiarmid said that the plan looked promising, until the law changed.

After the nursing visa expired, McDiarmid said she had nowhere to go and had to contact an immigration lawyer to figure out the options.

Then, six years into the legal battle, on June 26, the couple received the news that they had been waiting to hear: the United States Supreme Court had struck down the Defense of Marriage Act. This meant that their fight for marriage recognition was over. Their marriage was now recognized at the federal level.

"When they announced it, we were su-

per excited," Behn said. "I was in a tears of joy kind of situation. Our lawyer contacted us and was excited because that was all the difference we needed as far as our immigration paperwork went."

The couple tried once again to apply for a green card. At the end of October, they went in for their interview. The interview proved successful, and Behn and McDiarmid became the first same-sex couple to be approved for a green card through the Omaha office.

"I'm pretty proud of that fact," Behn said. "Whenever we thought we were getting over a road-block, something else would come and completely shut everything down. I think it's pretty awesome for all the roadblocks that we've gotten."

McDiarmid said that her life has become easier, and a lot less stressful now that she has been approved for a green card. "With that comes a work permit and the ability to now take my boards and get licensed for nursing," McDiarmid said. "It was kind of like an all encompassing, big sigh of relief because it has been 10 years in the making for us."

"Laura can work and have a career," Behn said. "We can finally have the life that we want to have. We've been on hold for the last six years. I'm excited for things to come."

QSA's a place of understanding

Groups in Kearney provide awareness as well as support and kinship for LGBTQ folk and allies

BY JENNIFER MALOLEY
Antelope Staff

There was a time not too long ago when an LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning) student really didn't have any resources to turn to here in Kearney. Some may have had friends or family members to talk to — others possibly may not have had anyone at all.

The Queer Straight Alliance at UNK was started in the fall of 2008 to celebrate individuality, support the queer community on the UNK campus, as well as the Kear-

ney community, and to promote awareness concerning queer issues.

The goal of the organization is education. "Our mission is to educate people about queer issues and that it's real," said Abbey Rhodes, president of QSA.

People in Kearney may not know many, or even any, LGBTQ people. QSA is an open group that invites everyone, gay or straight, to join, Rhodes said.

Meetings are held every Thursday at 7 p.m. in Room 310 of the student union.

"We start off the meetings either with



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Bringing 'Gangnam Style' back

*Korean Students
drawing attention*



3rd annual Korean Festival a hit

The annual Korean Festival at the University of Nebraska at Kearney left students with valuable information and an enriched sense of culture, all under the guise of a bustling celebration.

The Korean Student Association at Kearney hosted the third annual festival on Friday in the Ponderosa Room of the Nebraskan Student Union.

A Korean-style meal was served at the start of the event, which proved to be one of the main attractions. From there, guests moved freely about the room to experience more about the Korean culture.

"There were games, quizzes and performances such as dance and a play," said Ahyeong Yang, treasurer for KSAK.

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online at
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*udent Association at Kearney goes all out
audience into the spirit with their enthusiasm*



Photos by Joel Cedar

ABOVE LEFT: The night ended with all of the performers dancing to popular Korean songs that have also become popular in the United States. The performers thrilled the audience dancing to the Korean hit song "Gangnam Style."

ABOVE MIDDLE: The annual Korean Festival was held on November 22 in the Ponderosa Room at UNK. The festival featured many performances including the highly popular Taekwondo demonstration.

ABOVE: During the Korean festival, traditional Korean games were taught to the audience. Volunteers were chosen from the crowd to participate in some of the games.

BELOW LEFT: A number of the acts featured groups of Korean students performing choreographed dances to popular Korean pop music.

BELOW RIGHT: In one of the performances, the villain of the play is getting arrested. All of the speaking was performed by recorded English-speaking voice actors. The story line of the play was romantic, and it ended with the two lovers happily married.



MACOLEA plays in mini World Cup

International MACOLEA soccer team members take field at women's soccer game

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY MINKYOUNG KIM
JMC 220

Soccer, World Cup and Kearney. What do they have in common?

The World Cup is the biggest soccer tournament in the world. In the small town of Kearney, this past Sept. 25, a mini World Cup was held during Loper soccer international night.

Before the women's soccer game and during the Loper half-time against Hastings, international teams from Korea, Japan and Brazil joined to play before the fans.

MACOLEA played against the Brazilian team first. Team leader Geumbee Kim, a junior in computer science, said, "Because our team consists of four nationalities, M means Mexico, A means America, COL is Colombia, and EA is from Korea, MACOLEA"

The games lasted only 10 minutes. It was kind of a short time, Kim said, but in the first game MACOLEA team player SeungMok Nam, a senior in economics, made a goal. MACOLEA won the game 1-0.



The second game was between two Korean teams. The final game also lasted 10 minutes. MACOLEA had several chances to make a goal but couldn't get the ball in. MACOLEA tied another Korea team 0-0.

After the game, team leader Kim also commented, "It was a really nice game. We all did our best. I wish there would be longer time to play."



TOP: MACOLEA is the team name and consists of four nationalities. M stands for Mexico, A stands for America, COL is from Colombia, and EA is from Korea. This team was formed last spring semester.

ABOVE: MACOLEA members, eager to play soccer again, step onto Foster Field to prepare for the match.

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»»»LOOK into the HERD

By Sports Editor Andrew Hanson

Basketball players press into season



Loper Spotlight

Women's volleyball qualifies for NCAA tournament

The women's volleyball team is going to the NCAA tournament for the 15th consecutive year. After falling to University of Central Missouri in the MIAA tournament championship game, the Lopers will get another chance at UCM in a first round matchup held in Duluth, Minn. Thursday, Dec. 5. The game begins at 2:30 p.m.

Former basketball standout Jura, returning to UNK

Former Loper standout Dusty Jura is set to return to UNK with the University of Nebraska Foundation as Director of Development. Jura will work closely with the College of Education and Athletic Department. During his playing career, he was a two-time All-American and finished his career second on the all-time scoring list.

Sudoku answer:

Upside down, from page 4

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2	8	1	4	3	5	7	9	6
9	4	5	9	1	8	2	7	3
9	3	8	2	4	7	5	9	1
1	7	2	3	5	9	6	8	4

Photos by Adam Beurer

ABOVE: Junior point guard Davion Pearson drives down the court to the hoop in a game against Chadron State College at the Health and Sports Center at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. Pearson had nine points in Sunday's game.

TOP RIGHT: Junior guard Delquan Thomas drives to the hoop in last Sunday's game. The Lopers defeated the Chadron State College Eagles by 28 points. The team plays Dec. 5 at Missouri Southern State at 7:30 p.m.

»»» Come and be part of the herd



Women's Basketball:

11/22 UNK Lopers vs. University of Colorado-Colorado Springs
W 83-74

Pts: Shelby Zimmerman 23
Reb: Shelby Zimmerman 14
Ast: Nicole Arp 5

11/23 UNK Lopers @ Metro State
L 79-64

Pts: Laramey Lewis 17
Reb: Amarah Williams 4
Ast: Sarah Hix 3

11/26 UNK Lopers @ Sioux Falls University
L 88-71

Pts: Sydney Seberger 16
Reb: Shelby Zimmerman 7
Ast: Nicole Arp 3

Men's Basketball:

11/22 UNK Lopers @ South Dakota School of Mines
L 84-76

Pts: Connor Beranek 22
Reb: Kendal Glidden 3
Ast: Kevin Dineen 2

11/24 UNK Lopers vs. Chadron State College
W 88-60

Pts: Connor Beranek 24
Reb: Connor Beranek 11
Ast: Connor Beranek 6

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CSF International builds friendship with international students

Campus group started in 2003 works to assist with weekly shopping trips to Walmart, meetings that begin with dinner

**STORY AND PHOTOS
BY HYEIN HAN
JMC 215**

Every Sunday from 5 - 7 p.m., Heather Schmidt hears Korean, Japanese, Chinese, Vietnamese, Dutch and English conversations all around her at Christian Student Fellowship (CSF) International.

"Hi Heather"

"An-nyung, Jiyeon. How was your exam yesterday?"

"I didn't get my score yet, but it will be fine, thank you."

Schmidt says hello in the Korean term, "An-nyung," to Korean students as she gives them their name tags. She seems

to remember all the international students at CSF International.

"There are around 20 international students this night, including students from South Korea, Japan, China, Vietnam, Brazil, Thailand, the Netherlands, Germany and Saudi Arabia."

"Clap, clap, clap."

All students stop talking and gather around Schmidt.

"Today, we have special Dutch foods Cath prepared for us. She has been cooking since noon."

"Thank you. Cath!"

Cathalijine Benms from the Nether-

CSF PAGE 12

RIGHT: Heather Schmidt of Meadow Grove, a graduate student from Nebraska Wesleyan University, works at CSF International, a part of the Christian Student Fellowship organization at UNK. "I also love hearing about the lives of my new international friends and being able to encourage them," Schmidt said.



RIGHT: Several UNK students, all from CSF International, talk about music that makes them happy. "I am really happy that I can come to CSF International. It has been a great way to meet a lot of people with cultures different from my own, and the food is always really good," said Rachel Taylor, a Kearney freshman Spanish education major.

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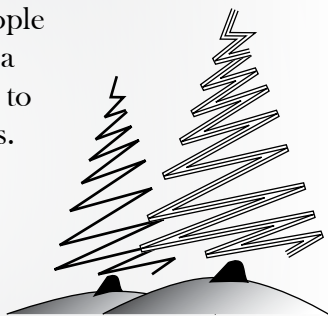
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Rojas believes the study abroad program at UNK was a gateway to pursuing some life-time dreams.

"I had two dreams come true during my experiences abroad; visiting the Great Wall of China and going to Machu Pichu," Rojas said.

Rojas participated in the UNK Semester Abroad Programs in China and Peru. During each semester abroad, a UNK faculty member leads a group of students. Rojas earned 12 UNK credit hours each semester at the Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas in Lima, Peru, and Hebei Normal University in Shijiazhuang, China.

The groups of UNK students also took field trips to explore several destinations in and around the host country.

"I loved walking in the streets of China because people were very interesting and the pace of life was not rushed at all. Everything was more relaxed," Rojas said. "I liked to try different foods, even food sold on the street."

"In Peru, I loved going to the park at night because it was full of people performing, dancing different dance styles, practicing and playing," Rojas said. "It was truly spectacular."

Rojas will travel to the Czech Republic as part of the Nebraska Semester Abroad Program, which was created by the Nebraska Consortium – UNK, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Omaha and Wayne State College. The three-month exchange allows students to study abroad in a program led by a Nebraska professor and taught by professors from the hosting institution.

Rojas said she learned about different cultures, but more importantly, learned about herself while being abroad.

"I have even learned to look at life from different perspectives, and to become more aware of people in different situations all over the world," Rojas said.

For those considering studying abroad or even traveling the world, Rojas has advice.

"Definitely go. If you want to travel, you should do it because it is a great life experience," Rojas said. "In the process, it makes you grow and become more confident in yourself."

While studying at UNK, Rojas has been involved with the biology club, student research, Black Student Association, Thompson Scholar community, Nebraska Cultural Unity Conference and the Friends Program.

Rojas plans to graduate in May 2014 with a degree in biology/pre-medicine.

UNK offers study abroad experiences in Ireland, China, Peru, the Czech Republic, Spain, Australia, Brazil, England, Germany, Japan, Netherlands, South Korea, Austria, Finland and Mexico. Faculty-led programs, third-party programs and international internships are also available.

QSA from page 5

an introduction to get to know each other or with an ice breaker, which is fun and inclusive," Rhodes said.

Different events planned throughout the year promote LGBTQ awareness and bring everyone together to have fun.

Support Love Week is held every semester, with a series of events throughout the week. One such event is the Safe Zone Training Workshop.

Matthew Mims, faculty advisor to QSA, described the Safe Zone Training held Oct. 3 as an event to "...train people to be allies to support gay culture and create a safe environment here in Kearney and reduce homophobic comments." (See Oct. 9 Antelope)

Rhodes said that the attendance for the Safe Zone training was the largest yet for the event. The training offered each fall lasts about an hour and a half and speakers, most often students at UNK who are gay, present sessions. There are activities and a discussion as well.

"We hold a discussion so that people can express understanding, fears and address questions that they might have," Mims said. Drag shows are also an increasingly popular event sponsored by QSA. (See photo story in Nov. 13 issue of the Antelope for recent event)

Grant Pearce, advertising coordinator for QSA, describes the group as a positive influence in his life. "It has given me a family that I could never live without," he said. "Everyone is very accepting and understanding of each other. It is nice to be a part of an organization that has that kind of feel to it."

WOLF SPIDER SPINS SILK TUNNEL



Photo by Stacey Zimmerman

Longlegged Wolf Spiders have a broad population ranging from Florida all the way to the Arctic Circle. Just as many students on the UNK campus are digging out their winter coats in preparation for the upcoming snowstorms, this spider will also begin spinning a silk tunnel which will serve as protection from the elements in this tree near the Ockinga Center on UNK's west campus.



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“Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower,” Albert Camus



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LEFT AND ABOVE: As we move into the month of December and the temperatures drop right along with the last of the falling leaves, students around campus are having to trade out their shorts and tanks for their winter hats and gloves. Some students welcome this change in seasons.

Logan Miller, a junior criminal justice major, says that fall is his favorite season and that he likes the average 50-degree temperatures that November/early December brings.

Others like Sami Gaston, a freshman radiology major, disagrees. She says, “I would love it if it was really warm all the time.” Unfortunately for those like Sami, the temperatures will only go down from here, with temperatures in the 30’s to come next week. So if you haven’t yet, break out that winter coat, because walking to class is going to start getting chilly.

CSF from page 10

lands, a senior pre medical science major serves typical Dutch winter food, “Hutspot,” which is a mashed potatoes, carrots and onions, and “Pepernoten,” which is Dutch cookie.

“Delicious.”

“Mat it u.”

“Oissee.”

By having dinner together, CSF International starts conversation with table groups.

“What kinds of music make you happy?” Rachel Taylor from Kearney, a freshman Spanish education major asks members who sit around her table.

“I like to listen to Maroon 5,” Boyoung Jeong from Seoul, South Korea, a junior psychology major laughs.

“The Disney music makes me happy because it reminds me of when I was a little girl,” Schmidt says.

“I know ‘Finding Nemo’ and the ‘Lion King,’” Jeong says.

These girls start to sing songs from Disney movies.

“This is CSF International. CSF International is a group of students from many different countries that meet to build friendships with people from a different culture than their own,” Schmidt walks around to help them have conversations between international and American students.

“My biggest privilege is meeting new friends and learning all about their stories. I don’t just get the privilege of meeting new friends from other countries, but I also get to meet with American students and help them build friendships with international students,” Schmidt said.

CSF International started in 2003 to encourage and meet international friends. On every Friday, CSF International has weekly Walmart trips for international students, meeting at the CSF building at 4 p.m.

“CSF International saw that it was very difficult for international students to make a trip to Walmart, since it is far away from campus and Kearney doesn’t have a very good public transportation system.” Some American students decided to volunteer their time to take international students to Walmart and they continue to do it today for that same reason.

Schmidt graduated college in Lincoln, and she learned about CSF at UNL. Since she had experiences with international students, she wanted to continue learning about other cultures and meeting new people and it was the starting point that Schmidt joined CSF International.

“However, I always get really sad when my international students have to leave. Working at a college, having

friends leave is inevitable because they graduate or are only at UNK for a short time,” she said with a sad face.

“I am always excited to hear about what they are doing now and the adventures that they are pursuing in their lives. It is fun to stay in contact with them, but I still miss them a lot after they leave,” Schmidt adds.

Schmidt walks around to help them to have conversations and learn about the Bible.

Clap, clap, clap again.

“This weekend we have some very fun activities happening. There will be a guys’ hangout night of playing Mario Kart at the CSF building.”

“Yeah.” Boys shout.3

“What about us?” Girls yell.

“On that same night, we are having a girls’ night, where we will play games, give each other manicures and eat snacks. Don’t forget the Walmart trip on Friday 4 p.m.”

Schmidt says she feels very blessed to help international students because this teaches her and touches her life.

“That is what CSF International has been doing since it was started, loving international students, encouraging them and building lifelong friendships.”