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Coming to America

Vasquez graduates 21 years after leaving Guatemala for a better life

BY ADRIANNA TARIN
Antelope Staff

Not many have known struggle like Pedro Vasquez.

Vasquez, a non-traditional student from Guatemala, moved to the United States in 1991 looking for a better life. He will finally be graduating on Dec. 14, and has looked back on the opportunities that he has worked for.

"When I came here, I put one thing in my mind, 'No matter what happens, I

will finish school. If I have to stay here 100 years, I will go to school,'" Vasquez said. "The time did not matter to me."



PEDRO VASQUEZ

In 1990, Vasquez became an elementary teacher in Guatemala, did his internship for three months, and then decided to move to the United States.

"Because of poverty and different government issues, I decided to move," Vasquez said.

At the time right before he left, guerilla groups were fighting with the government. He said, "I knew I had to move to make a better life for me and my family that I did not have yet."

According to Vasquez, unlike in the

U.S., there is no government funding programs in Guatemala for those who want to go to college. "Most people in Guatemala finish high school and that is it," Vasquez said. "It's too expensive to go to college there. There are no scholarships, no money, and here, I have been able to take advantage of many opportunities."

When Vasquez moved from Guatemala to Los Angeles, he enrolled in English as a second language (ESL) classes. Vasquez took ESL classes in Los Angeles for 18 months. There he met his wife, also from Guatemala, and started a family. In 1996, the Vasquez family moved to Grand Island where he continued to take ESL classes.

"One day, I asked my ESL teacher,

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Squiers collects 9th Coach of Year Award

BY AARON URBANSKI
Antelope Staff

Chalk up another Coach of the Year award for UNK Volleyball Coach Rick Squiers.

In his 14 seasons at the helm, Squiers has achieved more than most coaches do in a lifetime.

With 14 consecutive NCAA Division II Tournament appearances, three Elite Eight showdowns, 11 RMAC and MIAA regular season titles, seven conference tournament championships, a ridiculous overall winning percentage of 88 percent, and nine RMAC and MIAA Coach of the Year selections; the man's résumé continues grow with one successful season after another.

But what makes Coach Squiers so good? Is it the program's ability to successfully recruit the Midwest? Or maybe it's something less tangible?

We all have a special relationship with coach (Squiers)," said former setter Jenna

Rouzee. "He's definitely a good recruiter with the talent he's been able to bring in year after year, but he's also a great teacher as well. Every week he stressed fundamentals in practice because volleyball is a all-around game and you got to be able to play defense, block, and pass well to succeed."

Off the court, "he's definitely a players coach" and has the ability to set the mood for our team regardless of what's going on. "He has a positive personality that's fun to be around, even when things may not be going the right way."

Whatever it is, it would be hard to find any serious critics of Squiers after slowly building the Lopers into a perennial Division II powerhouse. With 452 wins since taking the job back in 1999, Squiers currently boosts an overall winning percentage of 88 percent, ranking him ninth nationally in active Division I and II coaches.

"It's been an absolute privilege to be a part (of the program)," said Squiers, "I credit our players for their hard work."

Hard work that's paying off with every season, piece by piece. The only question is could it lead to a National Championship? Lord knows Coach Squiers' Lopers deserve it.



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UNK Head Volleyball Coach Rick Squiers rallies the team during a timeout. Squiers' 88 percent winning percentage ranks first in school history and ninth nationally amongst all active Division I and II coaches.

Results from last week's online poll at unkantelope.com

Do you prefer real or fake Christmas trees?



There will be no poll question this week.

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Facing future, O'Dea savors past 4 years



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What's next?

Marriage and finding a job in
Rapid City, S.D.

BY JAMI SCOTT
JMC 220

When Cori O'Dea reflects upon her past four years at UNK, she looks beyond the papers, tests and classes. Instead, O'Dea savors the relationships.

"I'm really going to miss the community of people here at UNK," said O'Dea, who is getting married in January and joining her future husband in Rapid City, S.D. "I made a lot of friends, and [after graduation] I'm moving someplace where I won't really know anybody except my husband."

Despite these upcoming changes, O'Dea will carry her favorite UNK memories with her.

Freshman year was especially ripe with memories for O'Dea. "Everything was new and exciting," she says. "There was a lot of free time, and I made a lot of new friends."

O'Dea recalls her first year in Stout Hall, where she formed strong friendships with her fellow floor mates. "One night we used a dry erase marker to write '10 Ways to Know You're a Creeper' directly on the wall. We got in trouble, of course, but we had a lot of fun," O'Dea said.

During O'Dea's years at UNK, she



Courtesy Photo

Cori O'Dea's friendships from freshman year lasted the entirety of her time at UNK. **AT LEFT:** O'Dea during her junior year with friends, Kady Malmberg, Lacey McPhillips, and Kimberly Morwitzer at UNK's 2011 homecoming parade.

has been what English professor and department chair Sam Umland calls the ideal student. "She is thoughtful, reflective, and above all, willing and eager to learn," says Umland, "I always enjoy having her as a student in my classes, because I know she's going to listen, study, think, and write well about what she's learned."

This vigor for learning is evident in O'Dea's academic accomplishments. O'Dea has made the Dean's List numerous times, was published in the Reynold's Review and received the Reynold's Scholarship.

As O'Dea leaves campus with her solid academic record and valuable

friendships, she will always treasure her UNK experience. "UNK is a great size...I just honestly can't imagine my college career anywhere else."

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Bad guy 'Wreck It Ralph' longs to be good in popular animated hit

BY COURTNEY JONES
JMC 215

Grown-ups and children alike were all smiles and giggles as they walked out of theaters after watching the new hit movie "Wreck It Ralph," which opened in theaters Nov. 2 and is still showing.

The opening weekend brought in a whopping \$50 million, not surprising considering the buzz brought on by the new and exciting storyline about a villain who decides to go rogue and game jump.

The plot goes as follows: main character 'Wreck It Ralph' (voiced by John C. Reilly) is a notorious bad guy in his arcade game, wreaking havoc for good guy protagonist Fix-It Felix Jr. (Jack McBrayer). Ralph is tired of being the scary bad guy who doesn't have many friends. He sits in his dumpy home and sees Felix Jr. getting all the attention for being the hero and winning the gold medal.

Ralph finally decides he wants to be a hero and earn a medal to show people that he can be a good guy just like Felix Jr.

He realizes he will never be able to

win a medal playing his own game, so he travels to a new game where he knows the winner receives a shiny gold medal. Little does he know this new game would involve some serious shooting skills and a tough and grouchy Sergeant Calhoun (Jane Lynch). He finally cheats and takes the medal for himself.

He then ends up in a game involving lots of candy and a little girl named Vanellope Von Schweetz (Sarah Silverman). Quirky and hilarious, all Vanellope really wants is to car race with all the other people in her game. The sneaky little girl steals Ralph's medal, and he can only get it back if Vanellope wins in a heated car race between her and King Candy (Alan Tudyk).

I will leave out the ending so people can go see for themselves how it turns out.

No matter the age, this movie will provide a funny and exciting new experience for the whole family. It most definitely is not your average story of the good guy winning in the end. "Wreck It Ralph" is truly a must see for everyone.



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Bellows builds up a military career in ROTC

BY NISSA BROWN
JMC 220



Trevor Bellows
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Major:
Construction
management

WHAT'S NEXT? Finding a job in construction and his extended training in the military



Photo by Nissa Brown

Trevor Bellows senior construction management from McCool Junction helps out fellow ROTC cadets. August Wilson, a junior biology major from Atkinson and Brady Plunkett from Lexington, a criminal justice major, set out their terrain model kit (TMK) during a training exercise at ROTC lab. The cadets use a TMK to show the other cadets where they are headed and the actions they will take on the enemy, as if they were in battle situations.

Trevor Bellows can't wait for people to listen to him. As a second lieutenant in the Nebraska Army National Guard in the Hastings Engineer Unit, he will be in charge of the lower enlisted following his ROTC training and graduation.

Bellows will be putting together plans for the unit and working beside other officers and non-commissioned officers to help the unit in case they get the order to deploy to defend our country.

He wants to continue his training with the military with basic officer leaders course BOLC in late July, then after returning to Hastings, his goal to go Sapper School. Sapper School is set in Fort Leonard Wood, Miss.

This wouldn't be his first time Bellows has been in military training. He originally joined in 2008 and went to basic combat training, better known as basic training, in May of 2008. Then he continued on to

Advanced Individual Training, AIT where he was trained at a 92F a petroleum supply specialist, in July of 2008.

He joined ROTC in spring of 2009. "I wanted to know what was going on or what needed to be done, and not have to wait until someone told me," Bellows said. Bellows said he joined ROTC so he knew how to run things and the lower enlisted would listen to him.

Bellows chose UNK because he wanted something different; all his sisters went

to UNL. "I like the smaller size, and the construction management major is one of the best in the state," Bellows said.

The most stressful thing about going to school and juggling a new baby and a new wife on top of being in the guard, Bellows said, was keeping his GPA up.

He said future plans include finding a job in construction and his extended training in the military, while dragging his wife a child with him wherever the Army takes him.

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Photo by Courtney Jones

Kearney resident Lacey Williams is excited to end her time as a student by using all the knowledge she learned as a business marketing major. For her final project in her Field Experience in Marketing class, she had the opportunity to give away \$2,300 to any charity in Kearney.

The charity she chose, The Lemonade Stand, is a summer program that teaches children and teens business skills for the future. Dick Reiter and Shauna Mucklow local businesspersons from The Lemonade Stand were invited to the MONA to accept the award. Williams said this class taught her that even a college kid can make a difference and help to change peoples lives.

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ON THE AIR FOR A FINAL TIME



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Minyoung Lee, a junior political science major, broadcasts live on radio 91.1 on the last day of her radio broadcast.

Lee has taken radio workshop class and broadcast on radio during the last 4 months. On her radio show, she tells her life story, interviews the guests and recommends songs. The last guest was Younghee Park, a junior business administration major. They talked about the Korean presidential election.

Lead, follow or get out of the way

Weaver uses foundation to establish construction management

BY EMILY WEAVER
JMC 220

Michael Weaver, a senior construction management major from Kearney, has always had a passion for construction.

"While my parents were at work, I would hang out with my grandfather, Lawrence Weaver. He would take me to construction sites, and there he taught me my first lessons in construction," Weaver said.

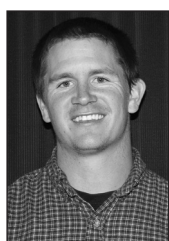
From a very young age, Weaver knew exactly what he wanted to do. He gained experience by shadowing at his grandfather's company, L.E. Weaver Construction, and later working at Sampson Construction. The knowledge he gained and his experience with these companies has allowed him to excel in his management classes.

Dr. Nathan Barry, a lecturer in business and technology, commends Weaver for his leadership and class participation.

"Michael is very detail oriented and always comes to class prepared. In Senior Seminar,

Michael was chosen as project leader by his peers," Barry said. The group prepared and presented a multi-million dollar office complex," Barry said.

Weaver enjoyed this project. "I believe that all construction management majors should be required to get real-world experience before they graduate," Weaver said. "Because there are aspects of construction that cannot be taught in a classroom."



Michael Weaver
Senior
Hometown:
Kearney
Major:
Construction management

WHAT'S NEXT? Accepted an engineer position with Kiewit, a worldwide construction corporation. In December, I will be moving to Phoenix, Ariz.

Weaver further explored the construction industry by obtaining an internship with Kiewit construction where he spent three months in Bagdad, Ariz.

"Kiewit challenged my personal skills, and they also allowed me to participate in new construction areas that I have not been able to experience before," Weaver said.

After graduation in December, he will be relocating to Kiewit's Southwest district in Phoenix. "I

am looking forward to be put in new leadership roles, and beginning my career," Weaver said.

His motivation and drive to be the best have helped Weaver achieve his goals within the construction industry.

"I am very proud that Michael is graduating from our program as he will represent UNK very well in his career," Barry said.

— Michael Weaver

"My motto has always been: lead, follow, or get out of the way."



Photo by Emily Weaver

Michael Weaver, a senior construction management major from Kearney, works on the new building for the R.Y.D.E transit buses. The \$3.8 million Reach Your Destination Easily Transportation Facility at 715 E. 11th St. began on June 7. Weaver assisted in concrete placement and steel erection. "I really liked working on this project because there was so much to accomplish," Weaver said.

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Reneau's passion endures through setback



Cindie Reneau

Senior
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Organizational communications, music

WHAT'S NEXT? Employment likely with Target in Human Resources or Logistics.

BY KATHERYN LIEB

JMC 220

Senior Cindie Reneau, originally from Oklahoma City, will graduate with two degrees in Spring 2013: organizational communication and music.

At the age of five, Reneau attended a performance by the Oklahoma Community Orchestra, which featured a violin soloist, Jamie Laredo. She fell in love with the violin and was inspired to learn to play.

Reneau said about her greatest musical influences, "I've had really great teachers. They've all influenced me. Each one of them loved music so much."

Her early musical education began at the age of seven and included instructors from Bulgaria and Armenia.

Reneau says she has enjoyed the experience of studying with some amazing professors of music while here UNK and has great respect for them. and has taken music and instrumental classes with Dr. Ting-Lan



Photo by Kathryn Lieb

Chen, Dr. Noah Rogoff and Dr. Nathan Buckner. "They're passionate about their performances," Reneau said.

Things changed late in 2011, when Reneau noticed something wrong with her bowing arm. She was actively rehearsing Bach's Preludio from Partita III in E minor when she suddenly noticed there was a problem. Her arm began to tingle and her right hand grew numb. The problem continued to grow worse, and eventually she

Cindie Reneau is a senior organizational communications and music major from Oklahoma City, Okla.

had to stop playing the violin. "I was so sad," Reneau said.

After consulting a physician, it was determined that she should attend physical therapy for three months and regular chiropractic treatment, which seems to be helping. She was unable to play at all for nearly nine months. "Surgery is an option, but I'd rather not if I don't have to. There could be more complications from surgery." She could not give up her passion for music though, and turned her love for music to research.

"Cindie is currently the best string player in our department" Dr. Chen said. "This has been a very stressful and depressing period for her, as she loves violin performance very much but she was unable to play. She thought her career in violin may end; yet she did not give up on music and devoted this time to musicological research," Dr. Chen said.

During her hiatus from performing, Reneau did her URF (Undergraduate Re-

search Fellows) on a Eugene Ysaye piece titled "Sonata No. 2. Obsession."

"I'm certainly obsessed with it," Reneau said, "I can see why it's called that."

Reneau is currently performing in two ensembles, the Thornton String Quartet and Kearney Symphony Orchestra. In addition to student recitals, she is also the KSO Librarian, the Chancellor's Ambassador and is a member of the Grace Fellowship Praise and Worship Team.

Reneau also teaches young music students through The UNK String Project, sponsored by the National String Project Consortium (NSPC) and the Dana Foundation. The project began in January of 2008, when the University of Nebraska-Kearney was selected to become a NSPC site. The project currently has about 40 students ranging in age from nine to 16. (<http://www.unk.edu/fah/music.aspx?id=46884>)

After graduation, Reneau will be taking a position with Target in Human Resources or Logistics in May 2013.

"I've had really great teachers. They've all influenced me. Each one of them loved music so much."



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BY CAITLIN OSTBERG
Antelope Editor

As finals week comes to a close, we as students can now shamelessly begin dreaming of dancing sugarplums, snow and, you guessed it, Christmas.

However, if any of you are like me, Christmas can quickly become a game of numbers. Or in other words a game of, "How little can I spend, yet still get awesome presents for my family and friends."

I love buying and wrapping presents for my family and friends. But with limited funds and rent to pay, I have to get creative in my gift-giving. So, I've decided to compile a list of some of my favorite places I turn to, to make and give awesome gifts with a college budget.

Plus, thinking of Christmas presents is way more fun than writing a term paper.

Pinterest is your best friend—Before I go any further, I sincerely hope the male

population doesn't shy away from this first suggestion. Pinterest is a vast magical land where ideas are practically begging to come to fruition.

From craft ideas to extremely simple desserts, Pinterest will not only give you ideas, but tell you how to make them and how to spend as little as possible. Also, this way, if none of my ideas strike your fancy then you can go here.

Put on an apron—Now, this is not a gift that only girls can give because it's food, and at Christmas everyone loves food. Find some of your favorite Christmas desserts and bake them for your friends and family.

Sure it's not a shiny electronic or a movie, but your friends and family will appreciate the amount of time you spent to make something from scratch. At Christmas, I love baking and tend to go a little overboard, so it's really fun to give away some of the desserts. Plus, baking is relatively inexpensive, especially if you bake at your parents' house.

Goodwill is not just where you buy an

ugly sweater—Have you ever truly scavenged at Goodwill? There're a ton of interesting objects piled up, and most likely your soon-to-be Christmas gifts are there too.

I went on a Goodwill hunt for a present for my sister's wedding shower and came up with some truly awesome glasses and serving dishes for them. My sister thought it was absolutely hilarious and actually uses the things that I bought. My favorite part was the effort and time I took to come up with the gift.

Rather than mindlessly turning to Amazon to buy a gift that's easy, I actually got to enjoy the thrill of the hunt. I found items that were quirky but also matched the personalities of my sister and brother-in-law.

Instagram photos that are just like real photos—In a world where everything is in some sort of cloud, I begin to miss tangible items. CD's, movies and most of all photos. However, I take most of my photos with Instagram, and while I love it, I wanted to know if I could have actual prints of my photos for a decent price.

So I turned to a friend of mine named Google. Immediately I found a multitude of ways to make Instagram photos tangible. There were sites that turned them into magnets and stickers, though these were a bit pricier than I could afford.

But then I came across Postalpix which allows you to order prints of your Instagram photos for only \$.33 per photo. They also have different sizes of photos that you can order at varying prices, which means that you don't just have to order Instagram photos. I recently ordered some photos and love them.

And not to give too much away, but this last option may or may not be involved in my own presents for certain people in my life. I would tell you more, but then they would know what I'm getting them for Christmas.

Regardless of what you decide to get for those you love, just remember these few suggestions on how to spend less but give the best presents. I hope that your Christmas is a wonderful time of family and friends and, of course, creative gifts.

HOLIDAY HUNT

Photos by Adrianna Tarin

RIGHT: Kara Crawford of North Platte, Joel Cedar of Wilcox, John Loschen of Wilcox attended the Red and Green Overload scavenger hunt on Thursday. Christian Student Fellowship hosted the event and students were divided into groups to complete a list of activities.

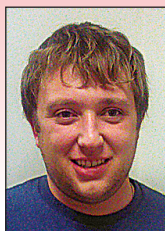
BELOW: Over 40 students attended the Christian Student Fellowship's Red and Green Overload on Thursday where they were split into groups to complete a scavenger hunt. CSF meets in the Nebraskan Student Union on Thursdays at 9 p.m.



The most wonderful time of the year

Students share their favorites of the holidays

Evan Miller
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 North Platte
Major:
 Psychology
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BY MAGGIE SOWL
 Antelope Staff

With Christmas fast approaching, we look forward to favorite our favorite holiday traditions, foods, music, watching that all-time favorite Christmas movie and of course, making out our Christmas wish list. Preparing for the holiday season, two students share their Christmas favorites and tell what Christmas means to them.

What is your favorite Christmas food?

Miller: The homemade pies my dad makes: apple, cherry, pumpkin, pecan. My grandfather owned a bakery so he passed down recipes.

Ehrardt: Christmas cookies, by far the best.

What is your favorite Christmas song?

Miller: It's more artists like the Manheim Steam Roller. It's my parent's favorite, and they always play it.

Ehrardt: "Where are you Christmas" by Faith Hill. I've liked it a lot ever since "The Grinch."

What is your favorite Christmas movie?

Miller: "Elf", it's just a funny movie and puts some humor in the holiday

Ehrardt: I'm going to go with "Elf." It makes me laugh every time I watch it... I've probably seen it a hundred times, and it still makes me crack up.

What is on your Christmas wish list?

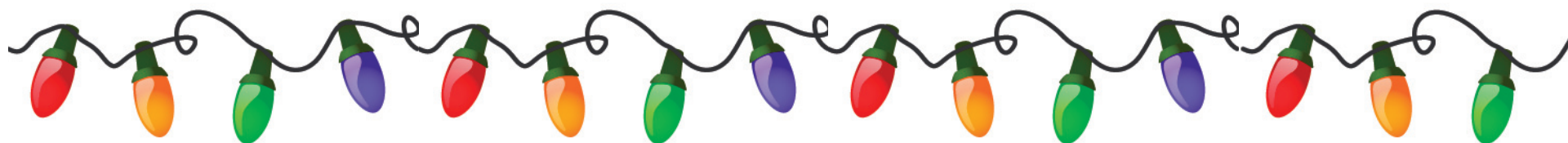
Miller: Just some new things for my apartment because they've worn out over the years.

Ehrardt: A Keurig. Since college I've been drinking a lot of coffee lately, and I think it would be nice to have it in my room ready to go.

What does Christmas mean to you?

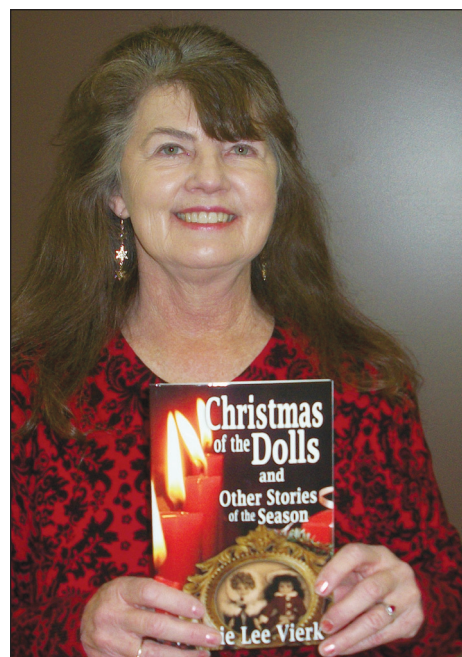
Miller: It means a time with my family, and a time to take a break from school and just enjoy everything else in life.

Ehrardt: It means getting to spend time with my family and with people I love and care about, and just having a fun day with everyone.



A Christmas story for central Nebraska

Vierk self-publishes collection of Christmas tales in time for holidays



BY LACEY MCPHILLIPS
 Editor in Chief

Ravenna native Valerie Vierk's self-published book "Christmas of the Dolls and Other Stories of the Season" is now available on Amazon.com, just in time for the holidays.

The 100-page book contains three reminiscences, three turn of the century accounts from the Ravenna News, and two short stories, all having Christmas themes.

The title story, "Christmas of the Dolls," is a true story about two girls named Myrl and Katheryn who received

dolls and carriages in 1908. They were living with their mother and father in the railroad depot at Poole, located about six miles southwest of Ravenna. Their father, Joe Mahoney, was the station agent for the Union Pacific Railroad.

"My mother, Virginia, told the story to me in 1984 and her mother, Myrl, had told the story to her years before," Vierk said.

Vierk, who works for the Geography and Sociology departments on campus, has been writing for years. This fall, she released her first traditionally-published book, "Sister of My Own," which has been doing well in the area.

The Page Turners Book Club in Ravenna recently gave "Sister of My Own" a very good review. "They really liked the book," Vierk said. "They enjoyed reading about places they recognized even though I gave my hometown a fictional name in the book."

The same familiarity will appeal to readers of "Christmas of the Dolls."

One of the benefits of self-publishing her Christmas collection is that Vierk got to do exactly what she wanted with it. "With self-publishing the process is much faster," she said. "Nobody tells you it is too long or anything."

On the other hand, Vierk is on her own for promoting the book. But, she said, "Local and regional newspapers and book stores have been very accommodating and I greatly appreciate that."

Vierk said she began working on the Christmas book last May so she would be able to release it before Christmas.

"It was kind of strange to be working on Christmas stories in the heat of summer, but that's the way it goes. Usually I try to write stories during the season it really is because it gets me in the mood," Vierk said.

Courtesy Photo

Ravenna native Valerie Vierk shows off her book "Christmas of the Dolls and Other Stories of the Season," a collection of short stories and historical fiction that she self-published. The book is now available on Amazon.com.

Getting into the holiday spirit



Photo by Bryce Dolan

The UNK Wind Ensemble put on a free concert last Thursday, Nov. 29, in the Fine Arts Recital Hall. Outside the hall, Tau Beta Sigma representatives were selling festive ornaments and red roses available as gifts. All proceeds from selling the holiday decorations were to help raise money for Tau Beta Sigma. The ornaments are filled with red ribbons and music notes emphasizing the fine arts during the holiday season.



Photo by Lacey McPhillips

Charissa Ramsey, a senior theatre major from Lincoln, peers with excitement at her white elephant gift at the Sigma Tau Delta (English Honor Society) Christmas party Dec. 1. Along with holiday festivities, Sigma Tau Delta celebrated the release of its annual literary journal, "The Carillon." They are now accepting submissions for next year's issue. For more information, email carillon@unk.edu.

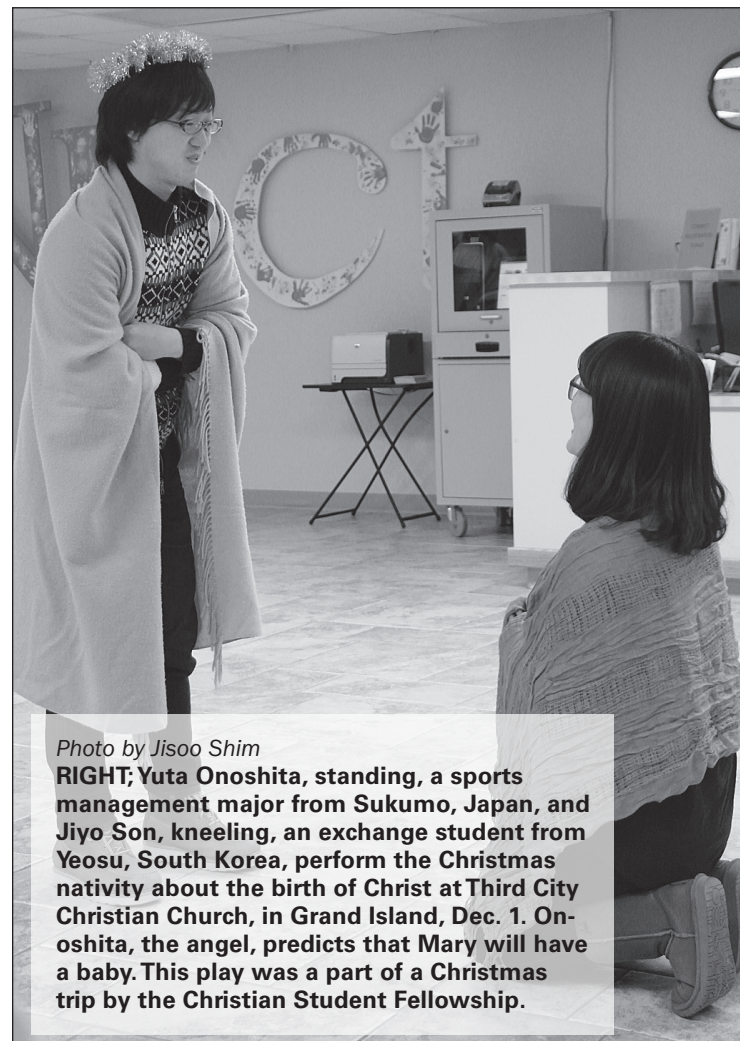


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RIGHT; Yuta Onoshita, standing, a sports management major from Sukumo, Japan, and Jiyo Son, kneeling, an exchange student from Yeosu, South Korea, perform the Christmas nativity about the birth of Christ at Third City Christian Church, in Grand Island, Dec. 1. Onoshita, the angel, predicts that Mary will have a baby. This play was a part of a Christmas trip by the Christian Student Fellowship.

SIMM continues holiday tradition of giving back to families in need

BY AMANDA ARNOLD
Antelope Staff

Members of Students in Mass Media worked to make a family's Christmas brighter with the help of the Salvation Army this holiday season. The members came together and wrapped gifts during their scheduled meeting on Dec. 5.

SIMM, an honorary organization for journalism, mass communication and multimedia students, continued its tradition of teaming up with the Salvation Army to provide gifts to families that would otherwise have nothing for Christmas.

"The Salvation Army connects families in need with those willing to donate and help out during the Christmas season," said Rachel VanBoening, a senior member of SIMM. With the tough economy and financial hardships, some families feel that

they will be unable to give their children a proper Christmas celebration, and this is where SIMM chose to step in.

This project has been a highlight for members of SIMM for many years and has become very familiar for some members. "We are given some information about a family and what they want for Christmas," VanBoening said. "We generally know their first name, gender, age, favorite color, clothing size and a few gift ideas."

Taking on a project like this not only lets them give back to the community, but it also brings the organization closer together. After the initial information was received, members went shopping on Dec. 3 and made plans to wrap the gifts at the annual Christmas party.

"The Christmas party is a great way to bring the group together," VanBoening said. "We wrap the presents, enjoy some food and wish our graduating seniors good

luck. We deliver the presents to the Salvation Army and they deliver the presents to the family for Christmas."

Even though the members were able to enjoy themselves during this experience, a lot of planning had to be done ahead of time, mostly regarding funding. The organization provided all of the funding for their part of the project, so other fundraising had to be done. "We have occasional fundraisers and place the inserts for The Antelope, and with that we are able to cover the costs," said VanBoening.

SIMM has no plans of ever giving up on this tradition because it creates a strong bond between its members and the community. "I think it's really important to give back to the community," said VanBoening, "and it's great that we as a group can make someone else's Christmas a little better."



Photo by Jaycie Woslager

Rachel Schmidt wraps presents for a family at the Students in Mass Media Christmas party Wednesday. Schmidt is a junior advertising major from Hastings.

A STRESSFUL LAST WEEK



Photo by Rachel Schmidt

Jessica Wooden, from Kearney, studies chemistry to get ready for her final coming next week. She is a chemistry and Spanish major at UNK. While attending school full-time and working on her chemistry and language skills, she is also a phlebotomist at Good Samaritan Hospital. After graduating from UNK this December, she plans on working full time at the hospital while waiting to hear back from multiple medical schools. "This semester has definitely been stressful, but it will all be worth it when I finally graduate next week. I can't wait!" said Wooden.

'TIS THE SEASON FOR RECITALS



Photo by Jaycie Woslager

Chelsea Sedam performs at the Flute Studio Class Recital Saturday at the Frank House. Sedam is a junior music education major from Wheatland, Wyo.

They came, they saw, they conquered....

BY AARON URBANSKI
Antelope Staff

BoIt was the kind of performance one would expect from the No. 1-ranked Nebraska-Kearney wrestling squad following the UNK Loper Open at the Health and Sports Center Saturday, Dec. 8.

In a non-team scoring event that showcased 100 wrestlers from 19 squads around the Midwest, including Division I in-state rival UNL, the Lopers managed to win six weight classes while finishing with 18 individuals on the podium by Saturday's end.

More impressive was the way in which the Lopers won. Of the six weight class champions, the Lopers posted 10



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pins, two technical falls and a major fall while leaving only three matches to decision by points.

Among UNK's top finishers were seniors Nick Bauman (285 lbs.), Chase Nelson (165 lbs.), Raufeon Stots (149 lbs.), sophomore Matt Lenagh (197 lbs.), freshmen Daniel DeShazer (133 lbs.) and Chase White (157 lbs.).

Bauman, UNK's top heavyweight wrestler, finished the day with three victories on one pin and two decisions while holding his opponents to just two points allowed. Sophomore standout Matt Lenagh finished the open with three impressive pins in just 10:45 of mat time.

Currently UNK maintains a 20-point lead over MIAA rival Central Oklahoma in the latest edition of the Division II Wrestling Coaches Association Top 25 poll with St. Cloud State, Upper Iowa, and Newberry, rounding out the top five.

The Lopers will look to pick up where the left off in the new year against MIAA opponent Central Missouri and Ashland University on Jan. 6, 2013 in Warrensburg, Mo.

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"How can I go to college?"

"I wanted to continue my schooling, but I did not know how. Then my teacher opened my mind," Vasquez said. "He said to apply for a scholarship. He gave me the clues and told me to apply for FAFSA."

Vasquez came to UNK in 2006 and has been taking four classes per semester.

"I decided to come to the school, because in my country. I did not have these kinds of opportunities," Vasquez said. "I never dreamed of going to a university, and now I am here."

Vasquez talked about his experiences at UNK and the obstacles he has overcome since the first days.

"The first three weeks of my first semester were so hard," Vasquez said. "When the professor discussed a topic, I didn't understand anything! I maybe understood 5 to 10 percent of what they said, and I had no experience with computers."

"Last year, I took speech therapy," Vasquez said. "Little things like learning the difference between 'tree' and 'three' have helped me to communicate with others."

"The teachers here have helped me to develop my talents and knowledge of many things, even beyond social work," Vasquez said. "I think I have the vocation and talent to work with people, but I needed more knowledge."

Through all the obstacles he has overcome, Vasquez kept a positive attitude and hopes to encourage others to go to school no matter what.

"I tell my kids, 'Go to school. Look at me. If I can do it, so can you,'" Vasquez said.

"I would like to encourage students to come to school like I encourage my kids," Vasquez said. "They may not understand now, but in the future they will understand."

Besides finding work in the social work field, Vasquez hopes to do many things in his future. Above all, he wants best for his family.

"When I have money, I hope to one day take my kids to my country so I can show them it's not like the U.S.," Vasquez said. "There are no opportunities in Guatemala to grow."



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