



NU preps for 'plus-one' benefit

Regent-approved measure for unmarried couples to be included in annual benefits enrollment

University Communications

In November, University of Nebraska employees will be able to sign up domestic partners for health insurance and other benefits.

On June 8, the NU Board of Regents — on a 5-3 vote — approved the “employee plus one” proposal that extends benefits eligibility to an “adult designee” who shares an employee’s household. The employee and adult designee must be financially interdependent. Family coverage would include the adult designee and their dependent children.

All NU benefits are included in the coverage.

“We believe this is appropriate for positioning the university competitively,” said James B. Milliken, NU president. “I also think it is absolutely the right thing to do for our employees.”

Greg Clayton, UNL’s director of risk management and insured benefits, said his office has received a few calls about the plus-one proposal since the Regents’ vote.

“People have called in asking about the requirements we will use to sub-

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Read more about the Employee Plus-One benefits proposal at http://go.unl.edu/nu_plus1

Li returns after being detained in China

By Kim Hachiya
University Communications

Weixing Li returned to the United States June 23, some 11 days after he had expected to touch down in Alaska to meet his vacationing wife and child. He didn’t miss a flight; instead, he spent two weeks detained by authorities in Henan Province, China, about 400 miles southwest of Beijing, the result of what he calls a “personal accident.”



Li, an assistant professor of practice in management in the College of Business Administration, had finished leading a successful four-week study-abroad trip to China on June 2. Seventeen students, his graduate assistant and Li had visited several cities in China, including Lhasa, Tibet.

On June 2, seven of those students left China. Of the 10 who remained, two went to Shanghai and the remaining students stayed in Beijing. All were to complete three-to four-week internships arranged by Li. While Li’s supervision of the students ended June 2, he remained on hand to help them navigate their first weeks in their positions. He visited relatives in Beijing and planned to return to the United States June 12.

That changed June 6 when Li borrowed a vehicle to drive to his late father’s hometown, Tangyin, where Li wished to clean his father’s

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Work in progress



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Bare wood shows on the Love Library cupola after Hernandez Painting employees completed paint removal from the 69-year-old structure. The cupola has since been primed with final painting to be finished this week.

A Hernandez Painting worker applies primer to the spindles on the cupola. Mac Hunt, a structural services lead with Building Systems Maintenance, said the cupola was in, “great shape for its age,” and needed only a few minor repairs. Hunt said the scaffolding would be removed after the July 4 holiday.

See more photos of the cupola rehab project online at <http://go.unl.edu/cupola>



Changes come as Rouths ready for retirement

By Troy Fedderson
University Communications

“Together” holds special meaning in the lives of Larry and Caroline Routh.

The couple has worked together on three college campuses — first at Kearney State College (now the University of Nebraska at Kearney), the University of Kansas and UNL (where they began jobs together in January 1988).

They’ve commuted to campus together nearly every workday.

Together, the Rouths have worked to assist UNL students — Caroline helping at the start of college, financing educations via Scholarships and Financial Aid; Larry coming in near graduation, assisting futures as director of Career Services.

And now after a combined 49

One of U

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years of employment, the Rouths are retiring together from UNL.

“We never set out to say that we worked together our whole careers,” said Larry Routh. “It just happened. And, honestly, there’s no way in a million years that I could have drawn up a plan for this great of a life. We’ve both enjoyed working together and being part of a great university.”

A retirement reception for the Rouths is 3 to 5 p.m., June 29

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Doyle Limbach, a former P.O. Pears employee, fires up the grill during the June 15 burger day at the UNL Dairy Store. The Dairy Store is offering P.O. Pears grill outs at least once a month through August.

Dairy Store extends the legacy of P.O. Pears

By Troy Fedderson
University Communications

A UNL tradition is firing up a Lincoln legend.

For the third summer, the UNL Dairy Store is serving freshly grilled P.O. Pears burgers at lunch events offered at least once a month through August. The events include the same burgers, buns and a few of the banter-friendly staff from P.O. Pears, a defunct Lincoln bar and burger joint where you ordered at an 8-foot-wide set of red, plastic lips.

Bryan Scherbarth, manager of the Dairy Store and a former Pears employee, is the driving force behind the Pears grill outs.

“These grill outs are all about serving up good food and helping preserve the legacy of P.O. Pears,” said Scherbarth. “It’s a lot of work, but these events are so much fun for everyone, from the cooks to customers.”

Scherbarth worked at Pears for 17 years, starting as a cook and advancing to a manager post. When owner Bob Jergensen announced the restaurant would be closing, he offered a few employees the chance to claim memorabilia. Instead of one of Pears tchotchkes, Scherbarth asked to use the restaurant’s name and recipes.

“The business and recipes were for sale, but no one bit on that,” said Scherbarth. “So, we drew up an agree-

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P.O. Pears Days @ the Dairy Store

P.O. Pears grilling events at the UNL Dairy Store are planned for June 29, July 13, Aug. 3, Aug. 17 and Sept. 7.

For more information go to <http://go.unl.edu/som>.



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Larry and Caroline Routh, who have worked a combined 49 years at UNL, are retiring on July 6. Larry is director of Career Services, while Caroline is assistant director of Scholarships and Financial Aid. A retirement reception is 3 to 5 p.m., June 29 in the Nebraska Union Ballroom. The reception is free and open to faculty, staff and students.

IANR opens China office to foster collaborations

By Dan Moser
IANR News Service

A new UNL office in Beijing will open up new possibilities for joint research and faculty and student exchanges between the United States and China.

UNL's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources officially opened the office in ceremonies June 11 at China's State Administration of Grain, a national administrative agency with the mandate for all issues in post-harvest grain management, including responsibility for control of national grain distribution, providing guidelines for development of the grain industry and administering national grain reserves.

A Nebraska delegation that included representatives from UNL and the Nebraska Department of Agriculture visited Beijing twice in the past year to negotiate the opening of the office. In addition to potential research opportunities with the State Administration of Grain, IANR's new office and collaborative agreement with SAG will provide access to a network of leading Chinese university and state partners for student and faculty exchanges as well as for joint research efforts in areas where UNL is strong, including agricultural biosciences, food science and technology, engineering and water sciences, to help solve significant challenges ahead for food and natural resource security. The agreement also will allow the State of Nebraska to

UNL partners with Brazil university
Read more at <http://go.unl.edu/4t5>

seek out Chinese agribusiness opportunities for Nebraska companies and individuals who need assistance with building relationships in China.

Those from Nebraska attending the opening were Ronnie D. Green, NU vice president for agriculture and natural resources and Harlan vice chancellor of IANR; Greg Ibach, director of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture; and Stan Garbacz, agricultural trade representative for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

"We are tremendously excited to be

launching what we believe to be a unique and unprecedented relationship with the SAG and the greater Chinese agricultural system," Green said in remarks prepared for the ceremony. "This will provide a platform to work together on important agricultural problems in a coordinated and synergistic way with multiple collaborating groups in China, adding to our already significant relationships with China Agricultural University, Northwest A&F University, and Xi'an Jiaotong University."

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture hopes to expand opportunities for businesses with current relationships and work to identify new prospects for expansion of business and commercial ventures in China.

Kebbel to shift to new role in mobile media

Ellen Weissinger, senior vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, announced that Gary Kebbel, dean of Journalism and Mass Communications, has agreed to lead a university-wide multidisciplinary initiative related to mobile media at UNL. The project will



Kebbel

include faculty, students and staff from the entire campus and may involve opportunities at Innovation Campus. To concentrate fully on this initiative, Kebbel has resigned as dean, effective June 30, to become a tenured full professor in the college.

Weissinger said that Jim O'Hanlon has agreed to serve as interim dean and Charlyne Berens will continue in her role as associate dean.

Kebbel became dean on July 1, 2010, after being journalism program director for the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Read more about Kebbel's new role at <http://go.unl.edu/79j>.

Unmanned vehicles workshop



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Carriek Detweiler, assistant professor of computer science, discusses quad copters with Raj Dasgupta, associate professor of computer science at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, during the Unmanned Aerial Vehicles workshop. Organized by UNL's NIMBUS Lab, the workshop was June 14-15 at the East Union and focused on the future of technology, applications and implications of unmanned aerial vehicles and drones. The program included a focus on developing collaborative partnerships to further UAV research.

NU Press selects new editor in chief

Derek Krissoff has been named editor in chief for the University of Nebraska Press. The post is effective July 16.

Krissoff has been involved with trade and scholarly publishing for many years. He comes to UNL from the University of Georgia Press, where he has been a senior acquisitions editor since 2006.

Krissoff holds a bachelor of arts in history from Nebraska Wesleyan and is working on his doctorate.

For more information, go to www.nebraskapress.unl.edu.

Bower's poetry featured in 'Ploughshares' issue

New work by Grace Bower, professor of English, was published in the spring 2012 issue of the literary journal "Ploughshares." The issue also included work by UNL alumni Hadara Bar-Nadav (doctorate, 2006) and Sherry Flick (Master of Arts, 1996).

"Ploughshares" is based at Emerson College in Boston. The issue includes Bauer's

poem "Crime Scene."

Bar Nadav's poem "Palace" is also featured. And Flick reviews John Dalton's "The Inverted Forest: A Novel."

"The Inverted Forest" is published under the Bison Books division of the University of Nebraska Press.

For more information, go to www.pshares.org.

King earns UNOPA's Frolik Award

Lisa King was presented the Rose Frolik Award from the University of Nebraska Office Professionals Association. King received the award during UNOPA's annual Rose Frolik, Past Presidents and Retires luncheon, held April 10.

King is the Great Plains IDEA campus coordinator and graduate program secretary for Child, Youth and Family Studies.

The Frolik award honors a UNOPA member who demonstrates the attributes of Rose Frolik, UNOPA's founder and first president.



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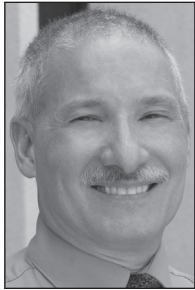
Olympic torch relay to feature UNL student

Sarah Jo Lambert, a sophomore in the College of Journalism and Mass Communications, is one of 22 Americans selected to be a torchbearer for the upcoming summer Olympics in London.

Lambert will carry the torch for approximately 300 meters in Blechley, Great Britain, on July 9. She was picked through the Coca-Cola "Live Positively" campaign.

Lambert was selected for her work on projects that affect local and international communities. The projects included "Symbol of Friendship," through which Girl Scouts made cloth dolls to send to girls in Iraq.

Read more at <http://go.unl.edu/m88>



Noel

Noel receives Kudos

William "Bill" Noel received the University Kudos Award at the June 8 meeting of the NU Regents. Noel is a custodial specialist assigned to the Sheldon Museum of Art. He has been with the university since April 2006.

J. Daniel Veneciano, director of the Sheldon, nominated Noel. Veneciano said Noel is the principal caretaker of the Sheldon and has been solely responsible for the pristine condition that greets visitors to the museum.

"If the museum can still be compared to a multifaceted jewel, it is because of Bill's careful and meticulous attentiveness to every detail of maintenance, lending the facility's marble, bronze and glass a polish and sparkle that is unique to buildings on campus," Veneciano wrote in the nomination letter. "Bill's work for the last six years in sustaining the optimal physical conditions for the appreciation and enjoyment of art has assured us all that the museum will continue to inspire us."

Noel received the Sheldon's "Museum Professional of the Year" award in 2008. He has also been appointed to the Facilities Management and Planning's Employee Advisory Committee.

The Kudos Award is a university-wide honor presented by the regents to celebrate staff that goes above and beyond in their work for the university. For more information, go to <http://go.unl.edu/ukp>.

Next Scarlet publishes July 26

The next edition of the Scarlet publishes July 26. The deadline to submit items for publication is 4 p.m., July 19.

Upcoming editions are Aug. 30 and Sept. 27. Submission deadlines are Aug. 23 and Sept. 20, respectively.

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Irina Kalutskaya, a graduate student from Moscow, Russia, works with students during the Russian portion of the STARTALK Critical Language Summer Camp. The language and culture camp, which also included a second group of students learning about China, was offered June 3-16.

Camp offers Nebraska students language skills, cultural lessons

By Jean Ortiz Jones
University Communications

Sixteen students filed into Radha Balasubramanian's classroom ready to delve into the first morning's lesson in Russian language and culture.

"Doh-brah-ch oo-trah," Balasubramanian, an associate professor of modern languages and literatures, warmly sounded out "good morning" in Russian as she greeted each student. The students each repeated the saying, earning a wide smile from Balasubramanian in return.

As she launched into a lesson on family structure — all in Russian, of course — an onlooker might assume Balasubramanian was leading a college-level class of Russian language students. The truth, however, was the high school students were just days into their first-ever lessons in Russian language and culture.

It's all part of unique opportunity offered at UNL — the STARTALK Critical Language Summer Camp, held June 3-16.

STARTALK is a federal initiative that aims to teach students from elementary through high school how to understand and speak a critical language. A grant from the program covers tuition, room and board for the 32 UNL camp participants. All are Nebraska high school students. The only expense they had to cover was a \$30 registration fee.

The students — 16 in Russian and 16 in Chinese — spent two weeks living on campus, participating in hands-on activities and receiving a thorough introduction to their respective critical language.

"From day one we were using the target languages 100 percent of the time, so they really have an immersion feeling," Balasubramanian said.

In the Chinese language group's classroom, lecturer Gloria Liu used animated expressions, repetition, and use of props and images projected onto a screen to engage her young students without the need to break



Students listen during a Russian lesson in Oldfather Hall on June 8. A total of 32 students took part in the language and culture camp, 16 each focused on learning Russian and Chinese.

into English. Just three days into the camp, students had learned to count to 999 and were working on learning skills helpful in the marketplace, like asking how much items cost.

Weslee Jackson, who will be a senior at Chadron High School this fall, said he signed up for the camp to learn about Chinese culture. Learning the language, too, was a bonus, he said.

"I like history and different cultures and stuff," he said. Channing Schultz, who will be a junior at Lincoln High School, believes his newfound skills in Chinese will help him prepare for a career in engineering in which he'll encounter many Chinese speakers, he said.

An Tran, a sophomore at Lincoln Northeast, said she chose the camp's Russian track because of the language's uniqueness.

"Not many people speak it and it's not offered at any of the high schools in Lincoln," she said.

UNL is the only Nebraska university to offer a Russian major, Balasubramanian said. UNL also offers the most Chinese language instruction at the collegiate level in the state — three years of study.

The annual camp contributes to UNL's expertise in international matters and its efforts to prepare students for careers in national security, foreign policy, and other fields dealing with

complex global issues. Languages like Chinese and Russian are especially important for national security right now, Balasubramanian added.

With the camp concluded, students will remain connected with each other and their instructors using Blackboard and Skype to keep their skills polished and to maintain their interest over the coming year.

Participation has more than doubled since the first camp was held in 2010. The then-one-week camp was initially supported by the Great Plains National Security Education Consortium. The consortium, which involves UNL and other universities in the region, strives to prepare students for careers in the intelligence community. Starting in 2011, organizers secured funding from the STARTALK program, which allowed UNL an opportunity to expand the program in length and participant numbers.

With growing interest and support from STARTALK, Balasubramanian is optimistic about the camp's direction. She's hopeful for enough grant money in coming years to be able to accept more participants and enhance the experience so that they decide to continue study of Chinese and/or Russian after high school.

"And we'll make it again a great success," she said.

Grant to aid study of using drones in news gathering

A project to explore using drones to do reporting got a boost when UNL's drone journalism lab received a prototype grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation in June.

Matt Waite, a professor of practice in the College of Journalism and Mass Communications, will lead the project. Waite and three undergraduate student assistants will study unmanned vehicles, or drones, as potential tools for news and public data collection. The university will conduct live experiments and research the ethical and legal issues of drone usage in the civilian sector.

"Because drone journalism is nonexistent, we can help news managers make a decision: Is journalism a proper use of drones?" Waite said. "We can help the journalism industry to determine what

are good uses and what are bad uses, so when the time for decisions comes around, it's not based on ignorance; it's based on our findings and research."

Michael Maness, Knight's vice president for journalism and innovation, said the Prototype Fund is a way for Knight to provide quick money for news and information projects. UNL received one of only two of the \$50,000 grants, along with the Jefferson Institute in Washington, D.C.

UNL's Drone Journalism Lab was established in November as part of a broad digital journalism and innovation strategy. Waite started the lab to explore ways drones can be used for reporting.

For more information on the gift and the Knight Foundation, go to www.knightfoundation.org.

Obituaries

Janet Harkness

Janet Harkness, an expert in survey research methodology and a professor of English, died May 28 in Germany after battling cancer. She was 63.

Harkness was the director of UNL's Survey Research and Methodology graduate program and Gallup Research Center, and holder of the Donald and Shirley Clifton Chair in Survey Science.

Her research aimed to provide greater understanding of how to design survey questions and answer options so they can best collect the information researchers need across multiple populations and in multiple languages.

"The SRAM program benefited from Janet's leadership in her oversight during a period of considerable growth," SRAM faculty said in a statement. "Janet's passion for survey methodology will be missed by us in the SRAM program and by her many colleagues across the discipline."

Her many contributions to cross-national and cross-cultural survey research included service as founder and chair of the organizing committee on the International Workshop on Comparative Survey Design and Implementation;

head of the International Social Survey Programme's Methodology Committee (1997-2008); member of the National Science Foundation's (U.S.) Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences Advisory Board (2008-present); member of the Deutsches Jugendinstitut (Germany) Advisory Board (2009-present); co-initiator of the Cross-Cultural Survey Guidelines Initiative; chair of the Organizing Committee for the International Conference on Survey Methods in Multicultural, Multinational and Multiregional Contexts (3MC, Berlin 2008); and member of the European Social Survey's (ESS) Central Coordinating Team. The ESS was awarded the European Union's top annual science award, the Descartes Prize, in 2005. The prize recognizes excellence in collaborative scientific research.

Harkness earned her master's degree from Edinburgh University in 1969 in comparative mediaeval studies. She went on to earn a doctorate from Freiburg University (Freiburg, Germany) in 1985 with a thesis on semantics.

She is survived by her husband Peter Ph. Mohler.

Mary M. Doak

Mary M. Doak, 91, of Lincoln, died June 1.

Doak was a longtime employee of the University Libraries. She started working at the libraries on July 1, 1945 as a junior professional assistant. She retired June 30, 1986 as chair of the libraries' Humanities Department (now the Research and Instructional Services Department) and the rank of professor.

Doak was born April 17, 1921 in Belton, Mo., to Clarence and Ivy May (Love) Doak. She earned a Bachelor of Secondary Education from Central Missouri State College, a Bachelor of Library Sciences from the University of Chicago and a Master of Sciences from UNL.

Prior to coming to the University of Nebraska, Doak's professional work included teaching at Hughesville, Mo., High School (1941-43) and serving

as assistant librarian at Central Missouri State College (1943-44)

She received special recognition as NE-JMRT Mentor of the Year and the Great Navy of Nebraska. Memberships include, American Library Association, UNL Emeriti Association, and University Place Art Center.

Doak is survived by her seven nieces. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Della Schriefer and Clarice Wanashko and nephew Larry Wanashko.

Memorial services will be held at a later date in Warrensburg, Mo. with burial in Sunset Hill Cemetery in Warrensburg, Mo. Sweeney-Philips and Holdren Funeral Home of Warrensburg, Mo. is handling arrangements. Memorials are suggested to UNL's Love Library.

Condolences may be left at www.bmlfh.com.

New Hires

UNL welcomes these new employees hired in May. For more information on the "New Hires" list, contact Troy Feddersen at tfedderson2@unl.edu or 402-472-8515.

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Simple steps can protect campus computers

By Troy Feddersen
University Communications

University officials are reviewing campus computer security following the May 23 breach of the Nebraska Student Information System. And, while that review continues, faculty, staff and students can take an active role in helping protect computers and personal data from malicious attacks.

"The breach of NESIS has raised some very specific issues that we will be addressing but are not ready to share," said Rick Haugerud, information security officer for Information Services. "But, there are some really basic behaviors that can help you protect both computers and yourself."

A primary resource for UNL employees and students is Information Services' "Protect Yourself" website, <http://go.unl.edu/xyx>. Tips featured include how to handle suspicious emails or attachments; password protection; use of antivirus software; and keeping software up to date.

Haugerud said the site also includes updates on email phishing scams and five links to websites that provide information on identity theft protection.

"There are a lot of good prac-

NU officials continue probe of data breach

On May 23, a security breach of the Nebraska Student Information System, the university-wide student information system, was detected. The system contains Social Security numbers and date of birth for all NU employees.

A suspect has been identified. There is no direct evidence that the information was downloaded and there have been no reports of identity theft stemming from the breach.

Read more, including what you can do to protect yourself, at <http://go.unl.edu/gkn>

ties to follow in each of those links," said Haugerud.

As for specific tips, Haugerud recommends campus computer users:

- Always log out or lock the screen if leaving a computer unattended for any length of time;
- if connecting to a campus computer remotely, use UNL's new virtual private network, available at <http://vpn.unl.edu>;
- keep operating systems, browsers and all software up to date;
- be cautious if you are using an open wireless network off campus;
- do not keep personal information on your computer or printed out in or around a desk. This

includes a password list;

— when you dispose of a computer remove the hard drive and smash it with a hammer or use a specialized program to complete a secure wipe of all data;

— do not pick a favorite password and use it on all sites; and

— form secure passwords by using phrases, mixing in numbers and symbols.

"Computer security needs to be a layered approach," Haugerud said. "Not one thing will keep you secure. But a combination of security measures will increase your protection."

For more information on protecting computers and personal data, email security@unl.edu or call 402-472-5700.

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Ross poster display shifts to sci-fi focus

“Watch the skies, everywhere! Keep looking. Keep watching the skies!”

That final line from the science-fiction classic “The Thing from Another World” is the theme for the new movie poster exhibition open in the lobby of the Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center.

Featuring selected posters from the Ross’ Jerry Jensen Cinema 16 Collection, the exhibit includes 16 one sheets and six half sheets representing some of the best science fiction and fantasy films ever made. The exhibit is a sampling of the more than \$100,000 worth of posters in the Ross’ collection.

Filmmakers in the exhibit include Michael Crichton, Stanley Kubrick, George Lucas, Ridley Scott, Steven Spielberg and Robert Wise. Film titles include “2001: A Space Odyssey,” “The Black Hole,” “Buck Rogers,” “Coma,” “Flash Gordon,” “Invasion of the Body Snatchers,” “Star Trek: The Motion Picture,” “Star Wars,” and “When Dinosaurs Ruled the Earth.”

The lobby display is the continuation of exhibitions, begun six years ago, composed of selections from the Jensen Collection.

This exhibit changes approximately every two years providing an in-depth look at the breadth of the collection.

Gathered by Jerry Jensen, a board member of the Friends of the Ross, the collection includes more than 1,000 movie posters, along with 592 press books, 434 lobby cards and 558 movie stills. Jensen donated the collection to the Ross after learning of plans to include a film storage vault in the current facility.

Jensen also donated more than 800 16-millimeter format feature length films ranging from the silent days to the mid-1980s, and many short subjects and cartoons.

The films have been used for the free Movies on the Green series and by UNL’s film studies program.

Grant earmarked for Ross’ digital projection purchase

The Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center received a \$15,000 grant from the Cooper Foundation. The grant, part of \$135,500 recently awarded by the foundation to Lincoln-area nonprofits, will be used toward the purchase and installation of a digital cinema projection system.

For more information on Cooper Foundation awards, go to www.cooperfoundation.org.

Coming attractions at the Ross...

Woody Allen’s “To Rome With Love” and the ballet school documentary “First Position” open July 6 at the Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center.

“First Position,” not rated, shows through July 12. “To Rome With Love,” rated R for some sexual references, shows through July 19. For more information, including show times, go to www.theross.org or call 402-472-5353.

Rep summer season opens July 6 with ‘Jeeves Intervenes’

The Nebraska Repertory Theatres new season opens July 6 and features three plays and a pair of one-night-only performances.

The three plays are “Jeeves Intervenes” by Margaret Raether, “Heroes” by Gerald Sibleyras, and “God of Carnage” by Yasmina Reza. The one-night-only performances, or Destinations series, are “R.I.P.” and “One-Man Hamlet.”

All performances are in the Temple Building.

Individual tickets for performances are \$25 general admission; \$22 faculty/staff and senior citizens; and \$12 students with valid identification and members of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute.

Season passes are also available. Tickets and passes are available at www.unl.edu/rep, the Lied Center for Performing Arts, one hour prior to a performance in the Temple Theatre Lobby, or by calling 402-472-4747 or 800-432-3231. Reservations for performances are strongly recommended.

Admission for the Destinations series is \$7, or free to season pass holders. Reservations will not be taken for Destinations performances.

The Destinations performances, both at 7:30 p.m. are “R.I.P.” on July 24 and “One-Man Hamlet” on July 31.

Play performances dates and descriptions are:

“Jeeves Intervenes” by Margaret Raether, 7:30 p.m. July 6, 7, 13, 26, Aug. 2, 3; 2 p.m., July 22 — Performance is based on P.G. Wodehouse’s beloved comic characters, the befuddled Bertie Wooster and his clever butler Jeeves. Set in London in the 1920s, Bertie and his school chum, Eustace Bassington-Bassington, hatch a plot to save Bertie from an unwanted marriage and Eustace from being shipped to India. As the story unfolds, the all-knowing Jeeves works to rescue the two friends from themselves.

“Heroes” by Gerald Sibleyras and translated by Tom Stoppard; 7:30 p.m., July 12, 14, 20, 28, Aug. 1,

4; 2:30 p.m., July 29 — Set in 1959 on a sun-dappled terrace of a home in France, three dotty old World War I veterans engage in verbal skirmishes, plan counterattacks and dream of impossible escape.

“God of Carnage” by Yasmina Reza and translated by Christopher Hampton; 7:30 p.m., July 18, 19, 21, 25, 27; 2 p.m., Aug. 5 — Veronica and Michael are being oh, so civilized by meeting with the parents of the boy who recently hit their son with a stick. However, what begins as a calm, mature meeting of four mild-mannered adults devolves into a no-holds barred schoolyard brawl, leaving their middle-class property in tatters.

Drama sessions for youth offered

The Nebraska Repertory Theatre is offering creative dramatics sessions for youth ages 4 to 12. The sessions are held during Rep shows, allowing parents and guardians to attend the performances.

The creative dramatics sessions begin at 7 p.m. July 20, 27 and Aug. 3; and 1:30 p.m., July 22, 29 and Aug. 5. Cost is \$5 per child per session.

American Life in Poetry

By Ted Kooser
U.S. Poet Laureate, 2004-2006

I have irises that have been handed down through my family over the generations, being dug up again and again, moved to another house, another garden. Here’s a poem about that sort of inheritance, by Debra Wierenga, who lives in Michigan.

Chiller Pansies

Your pansies died again today.
All June I’ve watched them scorch
and fall
by noon, their faces folding down
to tissue-paper triangles.
I bring them back with water, words,
a pinch, but they are sick to death
of resurrection. You planted them
lost fall, these “Chillers” guaranteed
to come again in spring. They returned
in April – you did not. You who said
pick all you want, it just makes more!
one day in 1963,
and I, a daughter raised on love
and miracles, believed it.

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Prairie Schooner available in new digital option

UNL’s internationally recognized literary journal, Prairie Schooner, will continue recent innovations by making print issues available on Kindle starting with the summer 2012 issue. The issue mailed in mid-June.

This transition to Kindle puts Prairie Schooner in company with top literary magazines, such as the Atlantic and the New Yorker, which are available in an electronic format. The current issue of Prairie Schooner on Kindle cost \$6.99.

Other new Prairie Schooner online efforts include the launch of the podcast series “Air Schooner” and the cross-cultural e-zine “Fusion.”

Under the direction of editor-in-chief Kwame Dawes, the summer 2012 issue features some of the biggest names in contemporary literature, including poetry by Sharon Olds, John Kinsella, Robert Gibb and Maxine Kumin, as well as fiction from Nancy Welch and the late Gerry Shapiro.

As the popularity of e-readers continues to grow, the Schooner will continue to offer its journal to readers and subscribers in a user-friendly format, said Marianne Kunkel, managing editor of the journal.

For more information, go to <http://prairieschooner.unl.edu>.

Classified Ads

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The Scarlet accepts classified ads. Cost is \$10 for 30 words or less. Emphasis is placed on messages for products or services that have relevance to faculty and staff at UNL. For additional information go online to www.unl.edu/scarlet, visit 321 Canfield Administration or call 402-472-8515. The classified deadline is 4 p.m., July 19 for the July 26 edition of the Scarlet.

Great Plains Art Museum celebrates juried exhibition

The Great Plains Art Museum will host a First Friday awards ceremony and opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on July 6 for the juried exhibition, “Contemporary Indigeneity: The New Art of the Great Plains.”

Awarding juror Hulleah J. Tsinhnahjinnie will present the awards, and many of the artists plan to attend as well, said museum curator Amber Mohr. Tsinhnahjinnie is director of the C.N. Gorman Museum at University of California, Davis, and assistant professor in the Department of Native American Studies at UC Davis.

Twenty-six artists had their artwork accepted by jury out of almost 130 submissions. Artists adhered to the criteria of their artwork expressing some element of North American indigenous culture in the Great Plains region. With no media restrictions, the accepted works span a broad range of innovative as well as traditional materials. Viewers of the exhibition have submitted votes for a Viewers’ Choice Award since the exhibition opened on June 1. The audience-selected winner, as well as seven other award categories, will be announced at the reception.

Visitors to the exhibition can

‘Contemporary Indigeneity’ awards ceremony

When: 5 to 7 p.m., July 6

Where: Great Plains Art Museum

Free and open to the public

participate in the Viewer’s Choice Award until 6 p.m., July 6. The award delivers a \$300 prize to the artist who receives the most votes from the Great Plains Art Museum audience. Other cash awards include: The Bobby Penn Award, sponsored by the Indian Center Inc. (\$300); Best Student/Nonprofessional (\$300); Most Innovative Use of Media (\$300); Best Two-Dimensional Work (\$1,000); Best Three-Dimensional Work (\$1,000); and Best of Show (\$1,500).

In addition, there will be a Great Plains Art Museum Exhibition Award in which the winner receives \$300 and inclusion in a group exhibition or a solo exhibition at the Great Plains Art Museum within the next two years.

For more information, go to <http://go.unl.edu/9ti>.



The new Dickinson Fossil Heritage Center at Ashfall Fossil Beds State Historical Park.

Fossil encounter center opens at Ashfall dig site

Children and adults can learn and do more now that the Dickinson Fossil Heritage Center has opened at the Ashfall Fossil Beds State Historical Park.

The new 1,520-square-foot center features educational exhibits and activity areas, including a fossil dig area and fossil bone puzzles to engage children. It also features exhibits focused on petrified wood and the rivers of Nebraska.

A future exhibit there will pay tribute to the contributions of amateur paleontologists and local ranchers who have donated fossils to the University of Nebraska collections.

The Dickinson Fossil Heritage Center was made possible with gifts in kind to the University of Nebraska Foundation of all building materials and labor from Len Dickinson and his wife Jule Goeller who own Sand Creek Post and

Beam based in Wayne. They are both graduates of the College of Business Administration.

The center is named in memory of Dickinson’s father, Jack L. Dickinson, who was a Nebraska native and prominent businessman. A World War II veteran, he was active in his church and local civic organizations. He died Jan. 26, 1996.

In addition to the new Dickinson Center, visitors to the park can also see interpretive displays and the fossil preparation laboratory located in the visitor center. They may also experience the Hubbard Rhino Barn, which opened in 2009 to provide a firsthand look at extinct animals preserved exactly as they died, and all fossil excavations are carried out there in full view.

For more information go to <http://ashfall.unl.edu>.



Composite image taken during the UNL Faculty Jazz Ensemble’s June 19 Jazz in June in the Sheldon Museum of Art sculpture garden.

JAZZ IN JUNE

JUNE 19, 2012 - UNL FACULTY JAZZ ENSEMBLE
WITH GUEST VOCALIST JACKIE ALLEN



Dave Stamps, a UNL graduate, was a special guest performer during the Faculty Jazz Ensemble performance. Stamps is also Darryl White’s teaching assistant.



Darryl White, associate professor of trumpet, eyes music sheets as he plays. Learn more about the UNL Faculty Jazz Ensemble at <http://music.unl.edu/chamber/jazz.shtml>.



Guest vocalist Jackie Allen.



Peter Bouffard, a lecturer in the School of Music, plays the guitar as the sun reflects off the Sheldon Museum of Art. The UNL Faculty Jazz Ensemble gained national attention in 2010 with their appearance on the NET Television production “Jazz Cabaret.”

(Left) The UNL Faculty Jazz Ensemble plays during Jazz in June. Members of the group include (from left) Hans Sturm, Paul Haar, Joey Gulizia and Eric Richards. The trumpet player on the far right is Bob Krueger, a music teacher with Lincoln Public Schools who also assisted with a School of Music jazz camp.

See more photos from the performance at <http://go.unl.edu/vij>

calendar

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5 to do

Friday | June 29
Retirement Reception for Larry and Caroline Routh, 3 p.m., Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-3755

Campus Observatory Public Night, 9:30 to 11:30 p.m., UNL observatory on top of the Stadium Drive Garage.

Wednesday | July 4
Independence Day, UNL offices closed.

Friday | July 6
First Friday at the International Quilt Study Center and Museum, free admission, 4:30 to 7 p.m. Call 402-472-6549

First Friday reception and awards celebration for “Contemporary Indigeneity: The New Art of the Great Plains,” 5 p.m., Great Plains Art Museum. Call 402-472-0599.

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Jeeves Intervenes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-1619

Campus Observatory Public Night, 9:30

Observatory Open House | June 29
Public open house of the UNL observatory, Stadium Drive Parking Garage, 9:30 to 11:30 p.m.

New Employee Orientation | July 11
Orientation session for all new employees, 9 a.m., Nebraska Union

Fountain Frolics | July 12, 19 and 26
Free concert series offered at noon on the Nebraska Union Plaza. Hot dog lunch available.

Photoshop Workshop | July 19
“Tips and Tricks,” 11 a.m., Architecture Hall. Registration required. Call 402-472-6163.

Nebraska Repertory Destinations Series | June 24
Performance features “R.I.P.,” inspired by Rip Van Winkle and raises questions about how modernity and progress affects people, 7:30 p.m., Temple Building.

to 11:30 p.m., Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-0585

Wednesday | July 11
New Employee Orientation, 9 a.m., Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-3106

Thursday | July 12
Fountain Frolics featuring the Jumpin’ Kate, free concert on the Nebraska Union Plaza, lunch available for purchase, noon, Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-8146

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Heroes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Friday | July 13
Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Jeeves Intervenes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Saturday | July 14
Quilt Workshop for elementary-aged children, “My Doll and I Unleash Our Creativity,” 10 a.m., International Quilt Study Center and Museum. Registration

required. Call 402-472-6549

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Heroes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Monday | July 16
Outlook 2010 for Windows Orientation, 10:30 a.m., Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-0585

Tuesday | July 17
Excel Workshop, “Spreadsheets Made Easy — Hands-on Learning Using Microsoft Excel 2007 and 2010 for Windows or 2011 for Mac,” 10 a.m., Architecture Hall. Call 402-472-0585

Chancellor’s University Safety Committee Quarterly Meeting, 3 p.m., 17th and R Parking Garage. Call 402-310-5117

Wednesday | July 18
Excel Workshop, “Data Management — Hands-On Learning Using Microsoft Excel 2007 and 2010 for Windows or 2011 for Mac,” 10 a.m., Architecture Hall. Call 402-472-0585

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “God of Carnage,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Thursday | July 19
Photshop Workshop, “Tips and Tricks,” 11 a.m., Architecture Hall. Call 402-472-6163

Fountain Frolics featuring the Nebraska Jazz Combo, free concert on the Nebraska Union Plaza, lunch available for purchase, noon, Nebraska Union.

Introduction to Blackboard Workshop, 2:30 p.m., Architecture Hall. Call 402-472-6163

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Gods of Carnage,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Friday | July 20
Husker Summer Preview, campus open house featuring campus tours, and academic and student life sessions, 8:30 a.m., Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-2023

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Heroes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Saturday | July 21
Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “God of Carnage,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Sunday | July 22
Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Jeeves Intervenes,” 2 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Monday | July 23
Outlook for Mac Orientation for faculty and staff, 2:30 p.m., Architecture Hall. Call 402-472-6163

Tuesday | July 24
Tuesday Talk, “Planning and Designing the Exhibition: Studio Art Quilt Associates Showcase,” noon, International Quilt Study Center and Museum. Call 402-472-6549

Nebraska Repertory Destinations 2012 Series, “R.I.P.,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building, free for Rep season pass holders, all others \$7 at the door. No reservations.

Wednesday | July 25
Introduction to Blackboard Workshop, 11 a.m., Architecture Hall. Call 402-472-6163.

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “God of Carnage,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Thursday | July 26
Fountain Frolics featuring the Upstairs Blues Band, free concert on the Nebraska Union Plaza, lunch available for purchase, noon, Nebraska Union. Call 402-472-8146

Outlook 2010 for Windows Orientation, 12:30 p.m., East Union. Call 402-472-0585

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Jeeves Intervenes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

Nebraska Repertory Theatre, “Jeeves Intervenes,” 7:30 p.m., Temple Building. Call 402-472-4747

What’s in a Name?, Inscribed Quilts, through Sept. 23

Exhibitions | By gallery

Great Plains Art Museum
<http://go.unl.edu/9ti> | 472-3082

Contemporary Indigeneity: The New Art of the Great Plains, through July 29

Hillestad Textiles Gallery
<http://textilegallery.unl.edu> | 472-2911

The Best of the Katie Best Collection (1880-1940), through Sept. 7

International Quilt Study Center and Museum
www.quiltstudy.org | 472-6549

Quilts of the Homesteading Era

A Tribute to Ardis James, through July 29

Jean Ray Laury: Getting it All Together, through Sept. 2

What’s in a Name?, Inscribed Quilts, through Sept. 23

Storrs, American Quilt Study Group Biennial Quilt Study Challenge, through Aug. 19

Kruger Gallery
krugercollection.unl.edu | 472-3560

Contrast, through March 15

State Museum, Morrill Hall
www.museum.unl.edu | 472-2642

Minerals and Meteorites, through November 2013

Bizarre Beasts

Charlie and Kiwi’s Evolutionary Adventure, through Sept. 14

Sheldon Museum of Art
www.sheldon.unl.edu | 472-4524

Histories: The Sheldon Permanent Collection, through July 15

Turning Inside Out: Video Art by Joan Jonas, Nam June Paik and Jennifer Steinkamp, through Sept. 9

A Legacy of Giving: The Anna and Frank Hall Collection, through Sept. 16

The American Mountain Bicycle, July 13 to Sept. 30

Cinema | UNL screenings
Movies are at the Ross Media Arts Center unless otherwise noted.

They Call it Myanmar: Lifting the Curtain, June 29 to July 5

To Rome with Love, July 6-19

First Position, July 6-12

Your Sister’s Sister, July 13-26

Last Call of the Oasis, July 20-26

Planetarium | Morrill Hall
www.museum.unl.edu

A Starry Tale, 2 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday

Forces of Nature, 3 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday, and 7 p.m., Thursdays

All events are from UNL’s online calendar, available at <http://events.unl.edu/>.

Access a complete list of show times for the Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center at www.theross.org or 472-5353.

For more information about planetarium shows, go to www.museum.unl.edu/ or call 472-2641.

Molfese to assist with Big Ten, Ivy League collaboration

The Big Ten Conference and the Ivy League, in conjunction with the Committee on Institutional Cooperation, will engage in a cross-institutional research collaboration to study the effects of head injuries in sports, continuing efforts dating back more than two years. UNL's Dennis Molfese is the Big Ten/CIC research collaboration director and will work on the initiative.

This historic collaboration brings together two prestigious academic and athletic entities, and allows for the coordination of ongoing efforts by each conference to research and address various aspects of head injuries in athletics, including concussions. The world-class academic and research capabilities of the institutions will help to promote a collaborative and collegial atmosphere to address a burgeoning issue affecting the welfare of athletes at all levels of sport.

"CIC member universities have collaborated for more than 50 years, but this is the deepest and most significant research and academic collaboration we've launched," said Barbara McFadden Allen, CIC executive director. "It draws perfectly on the intersection of great medicine, great athletics and great academics that characterizes what is best in our universities. By working together across traditional boundaries, we can build the infrastructure to address the problem, assemble a much larger potential pool of athletes and draw upon the formidable research and medical fields and talents represented across the universities."

In May 2010, the Big Ten became the first collegiate conference to establish a confer-

ence-wide concussion management plan. In 2011 the Ivy League developed and enacted a series of concussion-curling measures in the sport of football after a year-long review. Since September 2011, the two conferences have examined the feasibility and benefits of collaboration, while outlining the framework and objectives associated with the initiative.

Through academic research and shared resources, the collaboration will promote positive and constructive change for injury assessment and improved long-term outcomes. In addition to establishing a core leadership group to help lead the initiative, each conference will identify researchers and related participants from each school, as well as a few selected external subject-matter



Molfese

Parking permits expire July 1

Faculty and staff parking permits are available for the new fiscal year, which begins July 1. The permits can be ordered online at <http://go.unl.edu/4j8> or over the counter at 625 Stadium Drive.

Information needed to complete an order includes an eight-digit NU identification number (located on an NCard) and current vehicle details (license plate, state, color, make, model and year).

Online pre-orders for nine-month or semester permits will be mailed to campus addresses in August.

For more information, go to <http://parking.unl.edu/home>.

Software sales shift in July

Software sales for UNL departments will move from Information Services to Procurement Services starting July 1.

Departments purchasing software will be able to access a catalog through the online eSHOP system. For more information, contact Kiffany Spradlin at 402-472-5880.

Faculty, staff and students will continue to purchase software for personal use from the UNL Computer Store or the online UNL Marketplace.

Archives search



(From left) Lee Insoo, a producer with the Korean Broadcasting System; Joong-Gun Chung, professor emeritus from the University of Nebraska at Omaha; and Francis Jooyong Hahn, professor of radiology from the University of Nebraska Medical Center, search the UNL Archives on June 5 for records of Yong-man Park, a 1912 University of Nebraska graduate. Park was a Korean nationalist and independence activist. He was involved in various Korean nationalist organizations in Denver, Nebraska and Hawaii. Park became involved with the military training of Korean nationalists and was assassinated Oct. 17, 1928 in Beijing, China, by Lee Hae-young, a Korean communist. The search for information about Park is being documented by the Korean Broadcasting System. While at UNL, the trio reviewed Park's college transcript. Park's photo was found in the 1911 Cornhusker yearbook (image at right). Read more about Park at <http://go.unl.edu/v58>.



Park

Study scrutinizes worker dignity at Foxconn, Apple plants

By Steve Smith
University Communications

In the global controversy that followed a rash of worker suicides at Foxconn Technology Group — the Taiwanese company whose huge Chinese factories assemble the world's most popular consumer electronics — the firm and corporate partners such as Apple repeatedly invoked the notion of safeguarding employees' dignity.

But the maker of everything from iPhones to PlayStations can't simply manufacture self-worth through pay raises, overtime limits and better assembly lines in some factories, a new UNL study suggests.

For lasting change, Foxconn could provide legitimate paths to worker dignity — by limiting verbal abuse and developing management and discipline practices that help employees save

face. Perhaps most importantly, it can improve employees' lives away from work, said Kristen Lucas, a UNL assistant professor of communication studies and lead author of the study.



Lucas

and her colleagues analyzed hundreds of media accounts of life at Foxconn.

The study, which appears in the Journal of Business Ethics, found that Foxconn's "total

institution" structure — an all-encompassing campus where employees work, eat and sleep — imposes unique indignities on workers that dehumanizes them and devastates their self-respect. Until this "total institution" structure and its effects on employees are given serious consideration, any changes to shop floor labor practices will be merely putting a bandage on a much deeper injury, Lucas said.

"There's a disconnect there," said Lucas, whose work focuses on how organizational practices and discourses affect workers' sense of self-worth. "There's a lot of talk by Apple and Foxconn about dignity, but the corrective measures being taken aren't getting to the heart of worker dignity. Better wages are undoubtedly important. But wages alone aren't going to counter the daily stigma, abuse and round-the-clock discipline that are taking their toll on employees."

Read more at <http://go.unl.edu/wd0>.

experts. The effort will develop a research network of sports medicine personnel, neurologists, neuropsychologists, neurosurgeons, biologists, epidemiologists and other experts to set up and implement research protocols across the group.

"The opportunity for collaborating on such a landmark series of studies with the Ivy League is unprecedented in sports medicine," said Molfese, who is also director of UNL's center for brain, biology and behavior. "Frankly, this is a unique moment in the history of science. There is no question that this research program will be greatly strengthened by bringing together in a genuine partnership the outstanding and cutting-edge scientists, athletic trainers and team physicians of both conferences to better understand and reduce as well as treat head injuries."

Read more at <http://go.unl.edu/9tw>.

Ameritas gift to aid actuarial science ed

By Robb Crouch
NU Foundation

Recognized as being among the best in the nation, the actuarial science program in the College of Business Administration has received a \$500,000 gift from Ameritas Life Insurance of Lincoln to support outstanding faculty.

The company established the Ameritas Actuarial Faculty Fellowship Fund as a permanent endowment at the University of Nebraska Foundation.

The fund enables the university to award one or more annual stipends to actuarial science faculty members who excel in teaching, scholarly research and creative activities.

Actuarial science is the professional practice that specializes in quantifying risks associated with uncertain future events, which is why JoAnn M. Martin, president and CEO of Ameritas, said skilled and well-educated actuaries are vital to the insurance industry.

"This endowed fund will help to ensure the College of Business Administration remains on the leading edge in advancing actuarial research and teaching practices and will provide for continued excellence in developing future generations of actuarial professionals," Martin said.

Donde Plowman, dean of CBA, said the fellowship will help the college "attract and keep the best faculty members who inspire and motivate students."

UNL is one of the first schools to be recognized as a Center of Actuarial Excellence by the Society of Actuaries.

The gift from Ameritas also supports the university's current Campaign for Nebraska fundraising initiative and a priority to increase support for the university's faculty members in an effort to both retain and recruit top teachers and researchers.

For more information, go to www.campaignfornebraska.org.



TROY FEDERSON/UNIVERSITY COMMUNICATIONS

An Office Interiors and Design employee removes plastic coverings from chairs in the new University of Nebraska Federal Credit Building at 1720 P St. The new facility opens July 2 with an open house 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., June 28.

New credit union building opens July 2

The University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union is preparing to celebrate the grand opening of its new Main Branch Building.

Located at 1720 P St., the new building opens July 2. A week-long grand opening celebration is July 23-27 during regular business hours.

"We cannot wait to show off the new building and how it is designed to better serve the financial needs of current and future members," said Bob Torell, NUFPU president. "The facility offers improved functionality, better accessibility and energy efficiency."

"This is an exciting time in the nearly 75-year history of the credit union."

The facility is the first office designed and built specifically for credit union use. It replaces the 1630 Q St. site, which has been acquired by the Newman Center/St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.

The new facility includes an expanded lobby area, more parking, a safe deposit box vault,



Credit Union open house

When: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., June 28

Where: New building at 1720 P St.

Free and open to faculty and staff

meeting rooms, drive through service, and room for future expansion.

Sustainability and energy efficiency were also key components in the design. The "green" initiatives incorporated include a geothermal system for heating and cooling, sensors that turn lights on and off depending on activity in a room/office, and a shower space and bike racks to encourage employees to commute via bicycle.

A wellness room is also avail-

able for employees.

The push for a new building started when representatives of the Newman Center approached the credit union to discuss possible relocation. The Newman Center has outgrown its current facility west of the credit union's 1630 Q St. location and was looking to expand and build a new fraternity house.

Torell said finding a new location that was close to UNL's City Campus was the key factor in moving the new building forward.

"If we were unable to find a location close to campus, this new Credit Union building would not have happened," said Torell. "This change is truly a win-win for the credit union and the Newman Center."

During the grand opening celebration, the credit union will offer refreshments and door prizes. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. during the weeklong celebration.

For more information, go to www.nufcu.org or call 402-472-2087.

LI

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grave. This is a ritual performed by sons in China and he had promised his mother he would do so.

But things went awry. Li said the friend from whom he borrowed the car had borrowed it from another friend whom Li did not know. Li was about 15 miles from Tangyin when he encountered a routine police checkpoint. Officials found in the trunk a medical kit that contained pharmaceuticals that required a special license, which Li did not have.

After much discussion, the authorities took Li to a facility about 90 minutes away; they took his watch, passport, personal papers and cell phone as they began an investigation. He was fingerprinted. He said he was not mistreated but it was clear he could not leave the facility.

"I was not free," he said. "I cannot just walk out."

Li was always watched, and the three times he was allowed to call his sister, and the two times he called his wife, he had to write a script that the authorities approved. He was not allowed to tell them he was detained because authorities told him that his family would interfere in the investigation. His name was not placed on an official

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David Wilson,
Senior International Officer

detention or arrest list, which would have helped his family learn of his whereabouts. He believes that the fact he was in a rural area where the laws are followed only vaguely and communications are difficult contributed to the situation.

When the authorities learned the car's owner had the documentation that allowed him to legally transport the medical materials, the authorities then focused on Li's background. After some time, they simply let him go.

"They told me my story checked out and that I could go," he said.

Li said he was in their custody, not under arrest, from about 6 p.m. June 6 until about 9 a.m. June

20. He did continue his journey to sweep his father's grave, and then returned to Beijing. He flew back to Nebraska June 23.

"I never worried that I wouldn't get out because I know I am not a bad guy," Li said in an interview June 25. He did worry about his family and his students, whom he knew were probably trying to contact him.

Li has led similar study-abroad trips to China for the five years he has been associated with UNL. He has lived in the U.S. for 12 years and has a "green card" giving him lawful permanent resident status. He visits China twice a year.

"What happened to me, at no time were UNL students under any threat or in danger. They may have been worried about me, but their safety was not in danger," Li said. "What happened to me had nothing to do with UNL or the study abroad program."

David Wilson, UNL's senior international officer, said the university community is relieved that Li has returned safely.

"We remain committed to study-abroad, China, and faculty and student safety. There are few better tools than study abroad to help students understand the world and its people in all of their variety," Wilson said.

dents have become family," Caroline said. "We've both developed some good relationships here."

Ironically, retirement is going to break up the Rouths' togetherness. Larry has accepted a part time job as a career specialist with the University of Nebraska Alumni Association. And, Caroline plans to spend time with grand kids and "getting lots of household things done," that she hasn't had time for.

To accomplish their retirement goals, the couple even purchased a second car allowing a bit more freedom when it comes to travel options.

But don't worry, the Rouths still plan plenty of together time — including morning workouts at a Lincoln gym.

"I remember the day after we married, we were moving to KU and I looked over at Caroline. The wind was blowing through her hair and I wondered what was going to happen when we run out of stuff to talk about," Larry said.

"Interestingly enough, we still haven't run out of things to talk about," Caroline said.

NatGeo features Muchhala's research on super-tongued bat

By Steve Smith
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UNL's Nathan Muchhala was a leader of a research team that discovered *Anoura fistulata* — the tube-lipped nectar bat — in the cloud forests of the Ecuadorian Andes seven years ago. The bat gained worldwide notoriety for its ability to snap its tongue out one and a half times its own body length.

Earlier in June, the super-tongued marvel made its high-definition, prime-time television debut in the premiere episode of the National Geographic Channel show "Untamed Americas." Muchhala was one Lincoln viewer who tuned in and watched that super-tongue very closely.

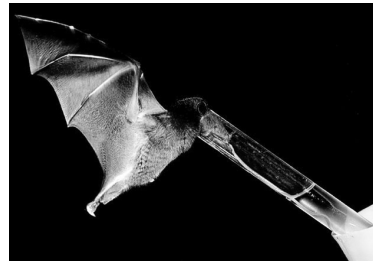
A UNL postdoctoral fellow since 2011, Muchhala recently traveled to South America with a NatGeo film crew to capture the super-tongued bat in super-slow motion as it zipped from bloom to jungle flower bloom, slurping nectar from long-funnelled flowers.

"It is an interesting video that we're excited to see and that we should be able to follow up on," Muchhala said. "It gives us a chance to see better how that tongue works."

Researchers suspect the bat's super-long tongue evolved to forage on long, bell-shaped Andean flowers that have nectar buried at the end of their long funnels. The bat takes a fraction of a second to sink its tongue repeatedly into the flower tube in search of nectar and, as it does, picks up pollen on its head and snout. It then drops the pollen off at the next flower it visits.

In experiments, Muchhala and colleagues discovered the tongue was nearly three-and-a-half-inches long. Considering the bat's body is about two inches long, it was a surprising find, and it led to the theory that the bat and the flower, *Centropogon nigricans*, evolved together. The flower's funnel is just as long as the bat's tongue.

"It was really neat to discover the bat, and it was in comparing



Watch a video and read more about the tube-lipped nectar bat at <http://go.unl.edu/508>

it to other nectar bats that got us thinking about its role in pollinating that specific flower," he said.

The footage, Muchhala said, sheds more light on how that amazing tongue extends to nab nectar.

"One thing you can see in some of the close-up footage is the way the papillae, or 'hairs,' on the end of the tongue stick straight out right before the tongue retracts, maximizing surface area and allowing the bat to mop up as much nectar as possible per lick," he said.

The bat's tongue also appears to differ from the "ballistic" tongue of a chameleon, which stays coiled inside its mouth until needed and then unfurls at breakneck speed. Instead, the bat's tongue's base slides back and into its rib cage. When it extends its tongue, it does so gradually and at a constant rate, more like how an earthworm moves, Muchhala said.

"The film helps us see that whole process much more clearly," he said. "It all takes place in a third of a second, and there's an incredible amount of detail (in the footage)."

Muchhala came to UNL to further his research and is learning how to do genetic work in UNL assistant professor Stacey Smith's lab, which focuses on the origin and maintenance of floral diversity. Currently, he's extracting DNA from plants and bats to develop phylogenetic "trees" to map out the species' evolutionary relationships. "These diagrams will help us to understand the evolution of the remarkable adaptations of both the flowers and their pollinators," he said.

UNL now offers online plant breeding, genetics certificate

UNL launched a new online educational program designed to meet the growing demand for plant breeding and genetics professionals.

The program can be taken by professionals for continuing education units or anyone working in or interested in working in agrribusiness, seed production, plant biology or related fields, said Deana Namuth-Covert, distance education director for UNL's Department of Agronomy and Horticulture. It instills a superior understanding of the cutting-edge technologies and methods used today, she said.

"In 30 years, the world's population will reach 9 billion. The pressure is on to develop smarter, better ways to grow the food needed to feed all those people," Namuth-Covert said. "Currently, there are

tremendous career opportunities for plant breeders and geneticists. It's one of those rare fields where both large and small employers, such as local seed industries clear to the world's largest food production companies, cannot find enough talent to fill open positions."

The program provides highly practical knowledge through courses such as: Basic Genetics Principles; Advanced Plant Breeding Topics, such as Double Haploids and GxE Concepts; Plant Resistance to Abiotic and Biotic Stressors; Production of Specialty Grain Crops; Animal, Food and Industry Uses of Grain; and Crop Genetic Engineering.

For more information about the program, go to <http://agronomy.unl.edu/plantgenetics>.

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NU chancellors also endorsed the change.

The university also obtained an opinion from the Omaha law firm of Fraser Stryker PC LLO stating that the university's Plus-One plan is constitutional. Similar proposals have been adopted in a number of other Defense of Marriage Act states, including Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Montana and Kentucky among others.

The proposal is consistent with the university's existing policy and strategic goals, including its nondiscrimination policy, which includes sexual orientation and marital status.

NU officials estimated the cost of extending health insurance benefits to qualifying adults of the same and opposite gender to be \$750,000 to \$1.5 million based on an estimated increase in enrollment of 1 to 2 percent, or about 100 to 200 new employee sign-ups. Total costs for the university's health insurance plan today are more than \$120 million.

The extended benefits is expected to require a \$1 to \$3 per month increase in employee health insurance premiums.

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UNL Dairy Store customers wait in line for a P.O. Pears burger during a grill out on June 15. P.O. Pears was a restaurant and bar at 322 S. Ninth St., that closed in 2008. Bryan Scherbarth, a former P.O. Pears employee, obtained the rights to use P.O. Pears recipes and name for the Dairy Store. Offered for three years, the grill outs draw hundreds of customers.



Dairy Store employees Ashley Andersen and Kathy Vokoun prepare pre-ordered P.O. Pears burger meals on June 15. The orders were served to students enrolled in School of Natural Resources summer camps.

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ment that allows me to use the Pears name and recipes while I work at UNL.”

The Dairy Store’s Pears grill outs have grown steadily in popularity through the years. Currently, the events draw hundreds.

“During peak periods, we have people waiting down the block for a Pears burger,” Scherbarth. “It’s awesome to see.”

Along with the original recipes for the half-pound burgers and buns, Scherbarth invites Pears cooks back to work the grills. The cooks behind Pears’ red lip counter were always good for a quick, often random comment during an order — a tradition Scherbarth has encouraged the former employees to continue.

“It helps pass the time in line,” Scherbarth said. “And, it’s also something the customers who remember Pears enjoy. We try to make it as close to an actual Pears experience as we can.”

A former Pears cook who has never missed a Dairy Store grill out is Doyle Limbach.

“It’s great coming back to work the grill because you see so many faces of people who used to go to Pears,” said Limbach. “And I also get to see former employees. It’s like a big family reunion.”



Blake Severs (left), a Dairy store worker, and Sammy Sercl, former P.O. Pears employee, place cheese on burgers. While the menu includes Pears menu options, customers can change up the classic recipe and add a variety of Dairy Store cheeses to a burger.

The grill outs are 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The next one on June 29 and will feature music of Tupelo Springfield, a band that features UNL English faculty Steve Buhler, John Schulze, Kelly Stage and Jack Vespa.

Burgers come with a choice of Dairy Store cheese for \$6.99, while signature P.O. Pears burgers are \$7.49. The price includes potato chips, baked beans, macaroni salad, pickle spears and burger condiments.

For more information, go to <http://dairystore.unl.edu>.

Bryan's Favorites

If you are undecided on what type of P.O. Pears burger to try, Bryan Scherbarth recommends...

Jiffy — Original burger covered with peanut butter, bacon and Jack cheese

Rhythm and Blues — Original burger with bacon, cheddar cheese and blue cheese (below)

Access a P.O. Pears burger menu at <http://go.unl.edu/x9s>



James Richter, who works on call for the Dairy Store, and Bryan Scherbarth, Dairy Store manager, talk prior to the rush of customers during the June 15 P.O. Pears grill out. On a normal day, the Dairy Store has four or five employees working lunch. During Pears days, Scherbarth has about 12 employees working.



Joe Zigtema, a marketing intern at the Dairy Store and CBA graduate student, runs the grill for the first time. Pears burgers are cooked for six to seven minutes a side and flipped just three times.



Bryan Scherbarth brings out extra tables to handle the rush during the June 15 grill out at the UNL Dairy Store.



Mauricio Lang, a graduate student in food sciences, toasts buns for a P.O. Pears grill out.

