

# Student revives philosophy club

By Kirk Zebolsky

For the first time since the 1960s, the UNL chapter of Phi Sigma Tau, the national honorary society in philosophy, will meet.

The club, which meets at 4 p.m. today in the Nebraska Union, was revived because of the efforts of club President William Benner, a sophomore philosophy major from Lincoln.

Benner, a reader of philosophy for more than five years, did the necessary paperwork to reinstate UNL as a member last December.

"I went to my advisor, Professor Robert Anderson, and asked him how I could go about it," Benner said. "I was determined to get one established."

Since then, Benner has worked to publicize the club and has mailed invitations and letters to philosophy majors.

In addition to philosophy majors and minors, Benner said, anyone with an interest in philosophy, including undergraduates and faculty, is welcome to attend meetings and join the club.

Benner said he hopes 25 to 30 people will attend. Charles Sayward, professor of philosophy, will present a paper and discussion once a month.

"I'll really try not to make the papers really technical," he said. "We'd like to have anyone come in and benefit from it."

Benner said he also wants the club to hold debates on current philosophical issues. According to the constitution of the national chapter of Phi Sigma Tau, the society was founded "to popularize philosophy among the general collegiate public. The chapter is a means for developing and honoring academic excellence and philosophical interest."

"It's really important to try to unite people interested in philosophy and especially to create an atmosphere for philosophy majors so they don't feel

outcast," Benner said.

In the 1960s, the UNL chapter was active, Benner said. He said he did not know why it ceased to exist.

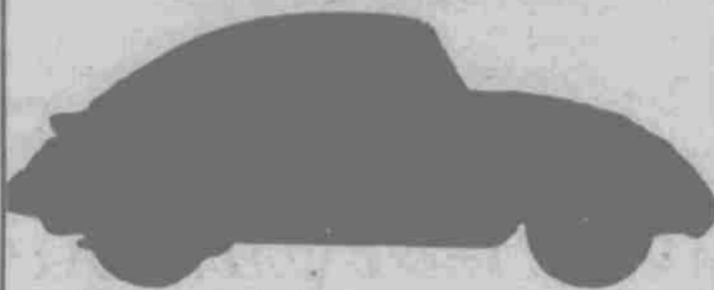
Benner's interest in philosophy began when he was looking for psychology books in his high school library and found a philosophy book.

"I wasn't even aware of what the word meant," he said.

He checked out the book and said he has been interested ever since. He said he now owns more than 400 philosophy books.

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11:43 a.m. — Car mirror and antenna reported broken in Parking Area 16 north of the Nebraska Union.

12:13 p.m. — Backpack reported stolen from the University Bookstore in the Nebraska Union basement.

12:58 p.m. — Loud stereo reported at 16th and T streets. Officers contacted the persons.

1:40 p.m. — Hubcap reported lost or stolen from undetermined location.

2:21 p.m. — Security alarm reported sounding at Home Management Lab on East Campus. Cause unknown.

4:24 p.m. — Three persons arrested for alleged theft of bicycle from Love Library bike rack.

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