



These students have put on their thinking caps early in preparation for Finals Week.

Photo by Mark Billingsley

UNL art picked for collection

An oil painting by Dan Howard, chairman of the UNL art department, has been chosen from among 700 paintings to help form the basis for the West Collection of Contemporary Art.

The national competition was sponsored by West Publishing Co. of St. Paul,

Minn., founded in 1876 and now the leading law book publisher in the world, in cooperation with the Minnesota Museum of Art in order to begin assembling a permanent collection of art revolving around the subject of law.

One hundred of the entries now are part of an

exhibition, "West '79/The Law," which opened March 29 at the Minnesota Museum of Art in St. Paul. Ten works, including Howard's, have been selected for West's permanent collection.

The largest of the purchase awards—\$2,000—went to Howard's exhibition entry.

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NAVY OFFICERS GET RESPONSIBILITY FAST.

Rubella outbreak touches campus; not an epidemic

By Bob Lannin

There has been an outbreak of rubella in Lincoln, but UNL students do not need to worry, according to Dr. Garland Bare, University Health Center Medical Director.

The disease is being considered an outbreak in Lincoln, although it has not reached epidemic proportions. The situation is worse in southcentral, southeastern, and eastern Nebraska, according to Carol Jess, assistant director of public relations for Bryan Memorial Hospital.

Anita Dover, preventable disease control supervisor for the City-County Health Department, said her office received reports of the disease from various areas in Nebraska and had laboratory confirmation on a few cases, but the disease has not reached epidemic proportions.

Biggest danger

"I think we're still calling it an outbreak, but we're definitely seeing some rubella," Dover said.

Bare said the biggest danger of rubella is for women in the first three months of pregnancy, who run a 20-40 percent chance of congenital birth defects.

Bare said rubella is a mild infection for most others, usually characterized by a sore throat, fever, enlarged neck glands and the break out of a rash.

Jess said in some cases arthritis symptoms break out two weeks after the rash disappears.

Bare said anyone who hasn't had rubella is susceptible, but because of the mildness of the disease, "it is no concern for university students."

Check it out

Bare said the health center has seen about 30 cases of rubella, and said students can check with the health center to see whether they have had the disease or are immune to it.

Dr. Richard Hammer, a Lincoln pediatrician, reported four cases of rubella. Jess said Bryan Hospital reported a few cases, but only one case was confirmed.

Paul Stoesz, Director of Disease Control Division of the Nebraska State Health Department, said it was hard to pinpoint an exact number of cases, because of the possibility that some cases have not been reported.

"It's a matter of suspect cases versus confirmed cases," Stoesz said.

Jess said that in a 1964 rubella epidemic, more than 250,000 nationwide birth defects were reported as a result of the disease.

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