



Sue Sloboth

photo by Gordan Johnson

## Neighbor's training launched UNL tennis player's career

By Gordon Johnson

The training of UNL's top women's tennis player was a neighborhood project. Sue Sloboth, 20, a senior physical education major from Omaha said that thanks to a neighbor she's nabbed the No. 1 spot.

Sloboth said, Marcella Iwersen, a former California champion, took charge of teaching the neighborhood children how to play tennis.

It was like a training camp, she explained. In one court the children would be practicing their backhands, in another their serves, and still in another they would play with Iwersen. Another UNL tennis player, Judy Hurter also participated in these training sessions, she said.

This summer Sloboth is also teaching other children and teenagers how to play at The Tennis Club in Omaha.

Teaching, in turn, helps her game by allowing her to see mistakes made by others, she said.

### Teaching Emphasis

"Lately I have been trying to get away from my own game and center in on teaching," she said. "I think that by teaching I tend to evaluate my own game better."

And, to keep in shape, she said, she jogs three to five miles a day.

Sloboth said the tennis team should be better this year because of increased recruiting efforts.

Recruiting has not been pushed because the coaching staff has changed every year

and at least one of the coaches "didn't give a speck about recruiting," she said.

The high coaching staff turnover is one complaint Sloboth has about the tennis team.

### Unstable Staff

"This is the only thing I am disappointed in at UNL. There is no stability in the coaching staff," she said.

Last year the new coach came in January and the season started in February.

"It's hard to learn what a person thinks and how they play in such an individual sport in a short period of time."

Since tennis is so individual, the coach must know what is going on inside a player's head, she said.

She said she is envious of other schools where the coaching staff is more stable.

### Other Advice

Last year at a Minnesota tournament, the Iowa state coach gave some advice on her game when her own coach was unavailable.

She plays tennis now just out of habit she said, and also because she meets a lot of people.

"I think that's one of the reasons I like to play," she said, "because of all the people I meet."

The coming season will be Sloboth's last. She said she hopes to become a high school teacher or possibly work for her masters degree.

## University Studies director named

Dr. Leslie D. Duly will be director of the University Studies program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, effective Aug. 1.

Duly, a UNL history professor, has been a University Studies fellow for most of the program's lifetime. He was elected to his new position by the eight other faculty fellows in the program. The current director, Dr. Joan Wadlow, will become Dean of Arts and

Sciences at the University of Wyoming in Laramie.

Dr. Wadlow cited as reasons for Duly's selection his "dedication to the philosophy of the program, his demonstrated excellence in developing individualized programs for individual students, and his flexibility in meeting needs while maintaining high standards." Duly, praising Wadlow's leadership, said he hopes to "maintain the momentum

Joan has given us."

University Studies was founded in 1972 to provide, according to Duly, "an element of flexibility within a traditional arts and sciences college" for "the highly motivated undergraduate" whose needs go beyond the bounds of a single traditional major. It allows a student to develop, under faculty supervision, his own program of studies to fit these needs.

Outstanding members of the Lincoln community also help advise students as to courses desirable for their areas of study, and suggest careers to which these studies can be applied. About 90 students usually are involved in University Studies.

Duly and Wadlow said the program is well regarded nationally and prompts many queries on its workings from other educators.

## Two broadcasters receive awards

Two recent graduates of Lincoln School of Journalism have received recognition by broadcasting organizing.

Steven Stueck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Stueck of Dyeart, Iowa, received the Outstanding Graduate award of the University of Nebraska Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Rho, the national honorary broadcasting society.

Susan Friehe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.G. Friehe of McCook, was awarded the Outstanding Graduate

award of the Cornhusker Chapter of the American Women in Radio and Television.

Stueck and Friehe are May graduates of the Broadcasting major. Stueck is a reporter/photographer by KOLN-TV, Lincoln/KGIN TV, Grand Island. Friehe joined KMTV, Omaha, to work in TV commercial production.

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