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## Angel flight open to UNL students

Angel Flight provides UNL students, an opportunity to serve the country and community through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC).

The organization works closely with the Arnold Air Society, an honorary ROTC group, to advance interest in the Air Force and to support aerospace education.

Cadet Col. Wayne Shackleton, a senior from Lexington, said Angel Flight is open to both men and women.

According to Commander Sue Ostdiek, a junior from Lawrence, membership in AFROTC is not necessary to join Angel Flight.

The service group is involved in many projects, Ostdiek said, and some of these are done jointly with the Arnold Air Society.

Angel Flight members plan CPR courses and train others in the community.

The group also has visited hospitals and orphanages and helped the Salvation Army.

During home football games, Angel Flight members usher in the press box, and sell concessions for basketball games. The group assists UNL Chancellor Roy Young with the faculty Christmas party and hosts parties for all the military groups on campus.

"BY THESE SERVICE projects, Angel Flight tries to show the community what military life is really like. The military is not totally separated from civilian life. Angel Flight provides a liaison between the community and the military organizations." Ostdiek said.

Ostdiek has been a member of Angel Flight for 11/2 years, and said she feels that, for her, it is a beneficial organization.

"It's a hard organization to push," she said, "because many people are scared of the military and don't want to know about it." Ostdiek comes from a military background, and she said she is an exception. Most girls involved in Angel Flight know little about military life when they are initiated.

OSTDIEK SAID THAT Angel Flight is "the biggest thing on campus in the south" and she hopes to get members from Oklahoma to help with this year's rush.

Helping Ostdiek are an executive officer, an operations officer who implements all programs, an administrative officer who serves as the secretary, a comptroller, an information officer, a liaison officer who works with Arnold Air Society and a pledge trainer.

Angel Flight operates at the local, area, and national levels, and Lincoln is the headquarters for both the local and area groups. Captain Robert Tibodeau is the organization's adviser.

Angel Flight has 26 active members. Recruiting for new members will begin Sept. 17.

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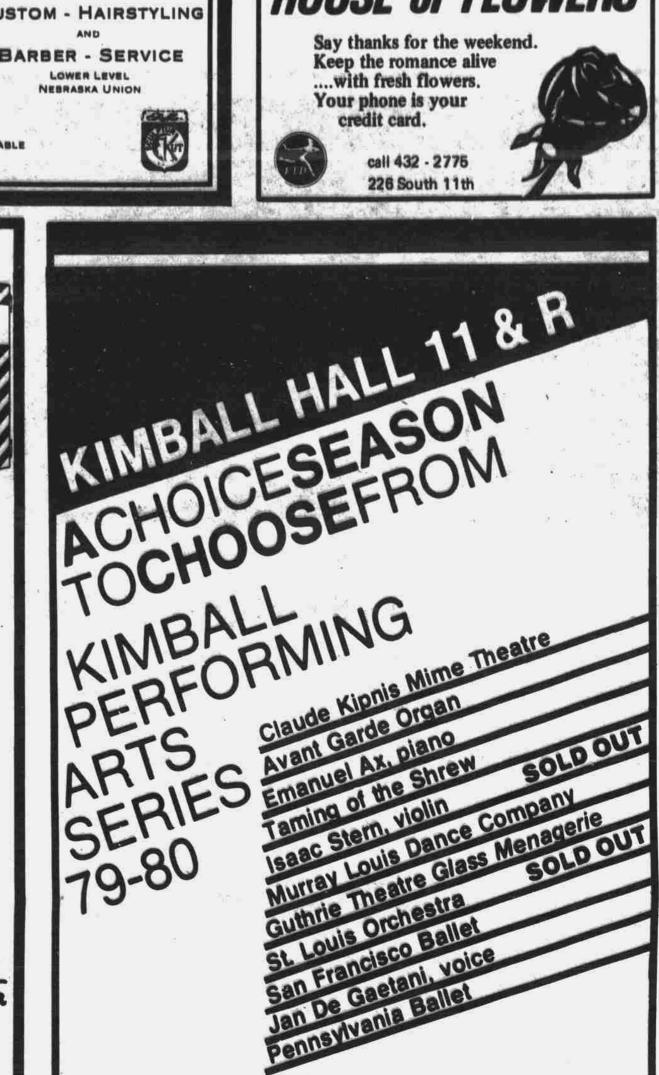
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Rush starts Sept. 25, with an ice cream social and interviews for Angel Flight and Arnold Air Society prospective members. Pledges spend six weeks in training before being initiated.

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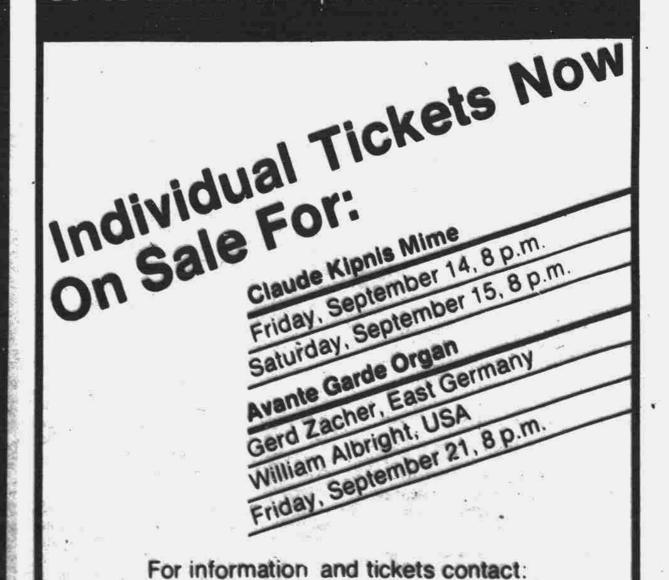
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