

### short stuff

The UNL Chemistry Dept. is sponsoring a lecture given by Walter Trahanovsky, professor at Iowa State University, on "Synthesis of Novel Organic Compounds by Flash Vacuum Pyrolysis", today at 3:30 p.m. in Hamilton Hall 112.

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The UNL Folk Dance Club will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Mabel Lee 119.



## Overdose blamed in UNL student's death

A UNL student who died last weekend at his parents' home in Omaha, apparently died of an overdose of a lithium carbonate, or another drug, prescribed by the University Health Center.

Mark R. Woodworth, a Teachers College senior and a rank leader in the Cornhusker Marching Band, was prescribed lithium in November to combat a blood imbalance that caused periodic severe depression, said his father, Lloyd Woodworth.

His father also said another drug was prescribed but could not name the drug.

"The last month had been wonderful. Mark had made unbelievable progress," he said.

However, Mark became very depressed on Friday, went to Omaha for the weekend and secluded himself in his bedroom Sunday evening, where he was found dead.

Douglas County coroner George Kennan ruled the death an accidental overdose, Omaha police said.

Dr. Robert Heins, director of the Health Center's mental health unit, refused to comment on the case, citing confidentiality between doctors and their patients.

Lloyd Woodworth said Heins and other doctors at the center had been very helpful to Mark.

## NDSL checks ready soon

Students receiving National Direct Student Loan checks for second semester can pick them up in the Nebraska Union Ballroom Feb. 11-13, while those applying for Guaranteed Student Loans have until March 15 to apply.

NDSL checks will be issued from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and from 1-4:00 p.m., said Nancy Wiederspan, assistant director of the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aids.

About 2,000 students will receive checks for second semester, she said. The loans range from \$200 to \$2,500.

The NDSL is based on financial need, Wiederspan said. To apply, students must fill out a financial aid form (FAF), available in the financial aids office.

Although it is too late to apply for this semester, the deadline to apply for next year is March 1. By sending in the FAF, students also will be considered for a grant and work-study job.

The GSL loan is not based on need, Wiederspan said. It is determined by the cost of education minus any financial aid the student receives.

Students wishing to apply must do so through a lending institution, she said. The financial aids office then recommends to the lender an amount based on the student's educational costs.

The maximum loan amount is \$2,500 per academic year for undergraduates, and \$5,000 for graduates.

"That isn't automatic," Wiederspan said. "It depends on the cost of education."

Both loans are interest-free while the student is still in school, she said. An interest of three percent for the NDSL and seven percent for the GSL begins nine months after leaving school.

## Stolen UNL van found Wednesday

A 1976 Dodge Van owned by UNL was stolen Wednesday from a parking lot east of the Plant Sciences building on East Campus, according to Bob Fey, a UNL campus police investigator.

The vehicle apparently was stolen when a university employee left his keys in the ignition, said Lt. Joe Wehner.

The theft occurred between 11:20 and 11:50 a.m. and the auto was recovered about an hour later in the area 24 parking lot on East Campus.

There are no suspects in the case.

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