

Vets saluted on Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is a special holiday when love fills the air for everyone, save those who are forgotten. Heroes of yesterday's triumphs and losses haven't disappeared from their rooms in veteran's hospitals across the nation. They still like to celebrate Valentine's Day, too.

The 10th annual "National Salute to Hospitalized

Veterans" will take place next week. Tours will be given in all the veteran's hospitals to bring people closer together with veterans who've been injured and hindered from actively participating in their communities. Lincoln's Veterans Administration Medical Center will sponsor tours from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday. A reception follows each tour.

Promoting this year's theme, "Nothing hurts like being forgotten," is the 1984 national chairman, Harry Morgan, from television's *After M*A*S*H* series.

UNL's Student Veteran's Association plans to participate. President Frank Delgado said, "We'd like to encourage people to visit the hospital and participate in the program."

It's important to realize that hospitalized veterans are special people, he said. Delgado said this would be the perfect opportunity for service groups to help support a great cause. Anything that could boost spirits and build up good morale is needed this Tuesday for them, he said.

Unarmed bandit hits the jackpot?

An undetermined amount of money was stolen from the American Charter Federal Savings and Loan at 238 S. 13th St. about 4 p.m., Thursday, according to Lincoln police.

The suspect, described as a white male, 5'6", with a slim build and dark, ear-length hair reportedly approached a teller, demanded the money and walked away. There were no signs of a weapon.

He was last seen walking north on 13th Street wearing a dark windbreaker, blue jeans and light-colored tennis shoes.

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UNL law graduate president of museum

By Margon Brouillette

Stephen Sawtell, a UNL law graduate, recently was elected president of the Board of Directors for Omaha's Western Heritage Museum.

Sawtell, who has been on the board for six years, said his interest in history and the arts stems from his childhood. His family, he said, was interested in the artistic side of Omaha. But, he said, he also enjoys his involvement in civic duties because he likes to do things that are outside his regular line of work.

Sawtell currently serves on the fine arts and international studies committees of UNO. He is also a member of the Omaha Downtown Rotary Club and the Salvation Army advisory board. Sawtell was on the Omaha Symphony board for 19 years, where he also served as president. Sawtell also was president of the Board of Directors of the Junior Achievers.

Sawtell said that he will work with the other members of the board to raise the money necessary to keep the museum operating.

"It's a major job to sell the museum to the community," Sawtell said. "Nobody likes to go out and ask for money, but someone has to do it."

"I feel we have a terrific opportunity to make something evolve into what would be a terrific history museum," Sawtell said.

Kinsel said the museum contains much of the history of Omaha and the westward expansion. The museum has a photograph collection and a series of exhibits that show Omaha since it's beginnings. On-going restoration of the building and continuation of the exhibits require constant funding, Kinsel said.

Survey to aid campus safety

By Mary C. Reilly

Campus safety and accident prevention are the topics of a survey being sponsored by several groups and the UNL Chancellor's Office.

Helen Moore, a member of the survey committee and chairwoman of Women's Studies in the Sociology Department, said she hopes the survey will identify university problem areas for UNL students and faculty.

Because of sexual assaults and similar incidents that occurred on campus last year, UNL officials conducted the survey, said Pat Riddle, UNL health, physical education and recreation professor. Riddle is also a member of Women Against Violence Against Women.

WAWAW wanted to express its concern and spot unsafe places on campus, she said.

"We put our foot down and said changes have to be made," Riddle said.

In 1983, two first degree, one second degree and three third degree sexual assaults were reported to the UNL Police Department, said Lt. Joe Wehner, a UNL police officer.

First degree sexual assaults are classified as rape.

In 1982, four first degree sexual assaults were reported to the police, two of which were unfounded.

In 1981, two first degree sexual assaults were reported, Wehner said.

"We are averaging two to three a year," he said.

UNL police are working with the

Chancellor's committee, WAWAW and the Affirmative Action Office to find the extent of the problem, Wehner said.

Of the two first degree sexual assaults which occurred in 1983, one happened in a parked car and one happened in a residence hall, Wehner said.

The two first degree sexual assaults which occurred in 1982 occurred in Love Library and Nebraska Hall, Wehner said. They were both cleared by one arrest, Wehner said.

Security guards now patrol Nebraska Hall after hours and people may enter by only one entrance. They must check in and out, Wehner said.

In Love Library, emergency intercoms were installed and patrols were increased to prevent assaults, he said.

Moore said all UNL faculty and staff will receive the survey. She said a random sampling of 600 students — graduate and undergraduate, part and full time — were selected to fill out the questionnaires, Moore said.

A committee (as yet undefined or selected) will compile the information from the survey and present the findings to interested groups, possibly before March 25, Moore said.

Along with the vice chancellors for business, finance and student affairs, the following sponsored the survey: UNL Police Department, the Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women, UNL residence halls, the UNL Student Watch Groups and Women Against Violence Against Women.

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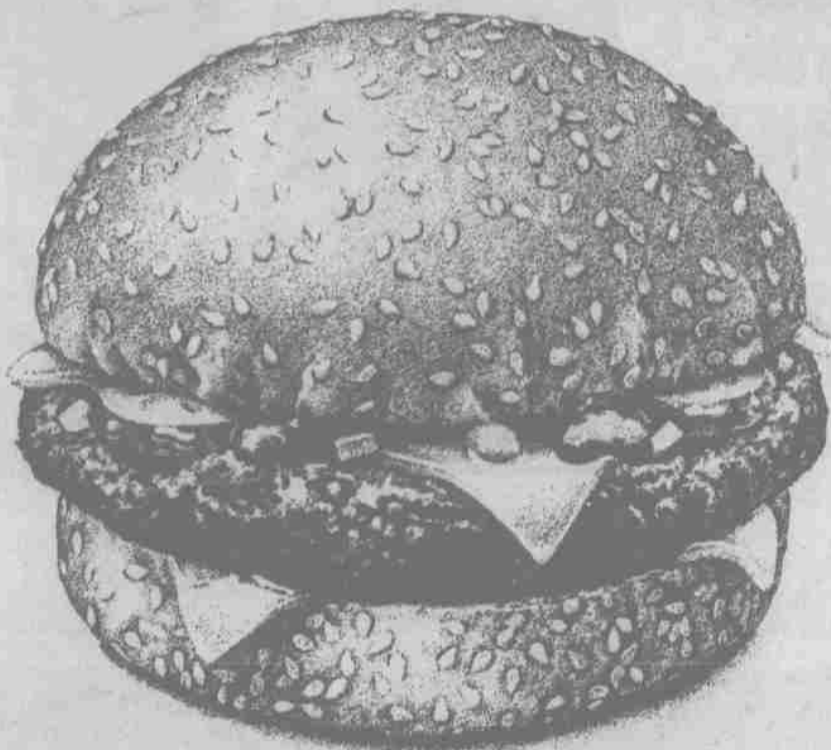
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