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New agricultural association chapter opens educational doors for students

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Agricultural students can learn more about production agriculture through the newly formed chapter of the Nebraska Young Farmers and Ranchers Educational Association.

The NYF/REA is a statewide non-profit, nonpolitical organization established for educational purposes with particular emphasis on agricultural education, said the NYF/REA state secretary.

Dan Stehlik said the club lets members expand their agricultural education through tours of agricultural production and related agri-business operations, legislative hearing visitations, various speakers and other activities.

Stehlik, a UNL junior in general agriculture and agriculture education, is one of several students instrumental in beginning the UNL chapter.

"We do not want to compete with other East Campus clubs," Stehlik said. "We want to cooperate with them on mutual areas of interest." Rick Foster, associate professor of agriculture education, one of the club three advisers, said the organization will keep members aware of new technologies in agriculture which they can apply upon graduation.

The club's advisers come from different departments, with new advisors selected each year.

The club is making a concentrated effort to attract international students, Foster said. This will give them an idea of production techniques in Nebraska which they can take back to their home countries.

Stehlik said about 30 students were at the organizational meeting representing seven departments. The next club meeting will be April 10 at 7 p.m. in the East Union.

"An advantage to our organization as compared to other campus clubs is that the opportunity for continued involvement exists after graduation in other chapters," Stehlik said.

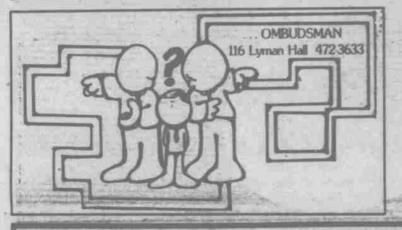
Campus sessions to stress religion

By Sallie Jo Simmons

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"Getting back to the basics is a real need for this country, to make things more simple and easier to understand," said Guy Berndt of the Morningstar Church of Christ.

As part of a city-wide spiritual enrichment week, the Morningstar Church of Christ will sponsor two sessions at the Nebraska Union Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., Berndt said.



"Building a Great Church" is the central theme for the week, he said. Berndt said the two campus sessions should encourage college students to take an interest in religion and find direction in their lives.

Berndt said the Morningstar Church of Christ is a non-denominational church that focuses on questions about religion with answers straight from the Bible. His church often deals with questions such as how people should pray or how to live, he said.

This church is not to be confused with the Church of Christ that students may have heard about on campus, he said. The Morningstar Church of Christ simply wants to help people understand religion better in a practical manner, Berndt said.

Berndt said they have bible studies on campus and the number of college students is increasing. Though they are trying to increase their congregation, Berndt said, they do not aim for a specific number of people. People are not statistics, he said, and the church is more people-oriented when building its membership.

Spiritual enrichment week is a service to the community, he said,

Off The Wire

National and international news from the Reuter News Report

Soviet carrier fires flares at U.S. ship

WASHINGTON, — A Soviet aircraft carrier fired flares at a U.S. frigate in the South China Sea Monday, hitting it three times, the Pentagon said Tuesday.

A statement said there were no casualties or damage on the 3,900-ton frigate Harold E. Holt and gave no indication of possible reasons for the incident.

It said the firing took place in international waters. The 37,000-ton carrier Minsk, one of the Soviet Union's most powerful ships, fired eight signal flares, three of which hit the Harold E. Holt, it said. Allied and Soviet navalvessels routinely trail one another on exercises in international waters.

A Soviet nuclear-powered submarine collided with the U.S. aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk on maneuvers in the Sea of Japan on March 21, causing slight damage to the carrier.

The Pentagon said the latest incident "may be taken up (with the Russians) at a subsequent incident-at-sea meeting."

Official says French to stay

WASHINGTON — White House official said Tuesday Attorney General William French Smith will remain in his post while a special prosecutor explores charges against Edwin Meese, President Reagan's choice to succeed Smith.

Smith announced his resignation in January but said he would remain until his replacement was in office. The controversy surrounding Meese's nomination had caused Smith to reconsider that pledge, administration sources said.

Meese, a Reagan confidant and White House counsellor, is being investigated because of questions raised about his personal financial dealings and other matters.

Israeli forces hunt terrorists

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awards for urban design

City will give

Mayor Roland Luedtke has announced that Lincoln, in cooperation with the Lincoln Community Arts Council, is initiating the first Larry Enersen Awards Program for exceptional examples of urban design.

The awards are named for the late Enersen, who was a prominent Lincoln architect and landscape architect and long-time chairman of the Lincoln Urban Design Committee.

Two awards will be presented each year — one in the public sector. All Lincoln citizens are eligible to nominate projects for the awards.

Any urban design project completed in 1983 within the city limits of Lincoln may be nominated. Individual buildings are not eligible.

The competition will be judged by the Urban Design Committee and the winners announced at the Mayor's Annual Arts Award Banquet, May 7.

Deadline for submissions is April 30. Entries should be sent to the Lincon-Lancaster CountyPlanning Department, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Neb. 68508. Phone, 471-7491. Additional information about the competition and criteria for submitting entries is available at the planning department. JERUSALEM, Israel — Israeli security forces Tuesday stepped up their hunt for more members of a Palestinian guerrilla band, reportedly including an American woman, which wounded about 50 people in an attack in Jerusalem's Jewish sector Monday.

Meanwhile, a radical Palestinian guerrilla group said it had captured an Israeli sergeant in south Lebanon and offered to exchange him for the two terrorists seized after the attack. A third guerrilla was killed.

There was no immediate comment from the Israelis.

Indian police kill 10 in riot

NEW DELHI, India — Police shot and killed 10 rioters in the Sikh holy city of Amritsar Tuesday and the mob lynched one policeman and slashed another to death with swords, the press Trust of India reported. It said police opened fire at Hindu mobs burning and looting shops and stoning vehicles and security forces. It said in addition to those killed 50 people. were wounded by police gunfire.

The entire state of Punjab was declared a "dangerously disturbed area" by the local government following the outbreak, meaning security forces were empowered to shoot to kill rioters and oepn fire to disperse illegal gathering.

More aid for Argentina

BUENOS AIRES — An international rescue package to help Argentina pay 1983 interest arrears on its foreign debt totals \$610 million, not \$500 million as announced officially, banking sources said Tuesday. The United States, Mexico, Venezuela, Brazil and Colombia agreed on Friday to the package to prevent Argentina defaultin on interest payments by failing to meet a Saturday deadline.

The sources said Tuesday that Argentina's 11-bank steering committee lent the country \$160 million from its own reserves and not \$100 million, they said.

The other contributors to the package were Mexico and Venezuela, with \$100 million of short-term credit each, and Brazil and Colombia with \$50 million each.

This enabled Argentina to pay \$610 million of interest arrears and clear payments up to January 8, the sources said. Argentina has foreign debts of \$43.6 billion.