## Massengale asks for student suggestions for program cuts

By Kim Schwartze Staff Reporter

The scope and depth of some UNL programs may be traded for better efficiency and effectiveness, but university officials will try to minimize budget cuts' impact on students, UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale said Thursday.

The chancellor joined Stan Liberty, UNL College of Engineering and Technology dean, and Deb Chapelle, executive director of the Nebraska State Student Association, in a forum about the implications of NU's recent 2 percent budget cut. The forum was sponsored by the University Program Council in the Nebraska Union main lounge.

NU's 1985-86 state support was cut by \$3.4 million during the recent spe- to the council.

cial session of the Legislature.

budget-cutting process," Massengale said. "Temporary measures are now being taken to obtain funds to get through this fiscal year."

"Students may have some difficulty getting the classes they want next semester because there may be fewer teaching assistants," he said. "We're reducing travel, only vital positions are being filled, and we may have to eliminate some positions."

Massengale said he will work with the Academic Programs Council in the next few weeks to determine what permanent changes will be made. Massengale urged students to submit any suggestions for program realignments

## State treasurer decides to enter governor's race on the Republican ticket

By Jen Deselms Staff Reporter

Nebraska State Treasurer Kay Orr announced Thursday she will run for governor on the Republican ticket.

Orr, who made the announcement at the Lincoln Municipal Airport, said she is qualified to be Nebraska's next governor because of her experience, philosophy and enthusiasm to serve Ne-

braskans. Orr said she has been involved in politics for 21 years — as a volunteer, executive assistant to former Gov. Charles Thone, and state treasurer.

Orr said that as Thone's executive assistant, she gained state government experience in selecting and managing staff members. She said she also gained experience in building and administering state government bud-

As state treasurer, Orr said, she has saved several million dollars and has been a strong voice for prudent use of

"I will be the kind of governor who keeps a firm hand on the agencies towns. under my control," she said. "I will practice the kind of tough fiscal disciits present financial difficulties."

Orr said she believes in having a things for people that they can do bet-

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its education system. Nebraskans can build on their strengths, Orr said, and band together to support the backbone of Nebraska - the farmers, ranchers and small

Orr said she will provide the firm, steadfast leadership that will help pline needed to bring Nebraska out of change Nebraska's agricultural and economic woes.

Orr said she will spend the next few government that does not try to do weeks organizing supporters and raising money for her campaign. Orr estimated that she will need \$200,000 to She said Nebraska has many valua- \$250,000 to campaign for the primary.

'I will practice...the discipline needed to bring Nebraska out of its present financial difficulties. - Kay Orr, GOP gubernatorial candidate

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"UNL is now facing a two-part "We'll continue to run the university in a constructive and creative manner, and we'll continue to serve the students," he said. "We want to strengthen and preserve the academic programs even in a time of budget cuts."

Liberty agreed that budget cut effects on students will be minimal. He said operating equipment budgets have been hurt more than any other

"There's a ripple effect from unused personnel dollars," he said. "At the end of the year, excess personnel dollars have taken care of operating budgets."

Permanent base reductions and structural and academic changes must be made to absorb the cuts, he said.

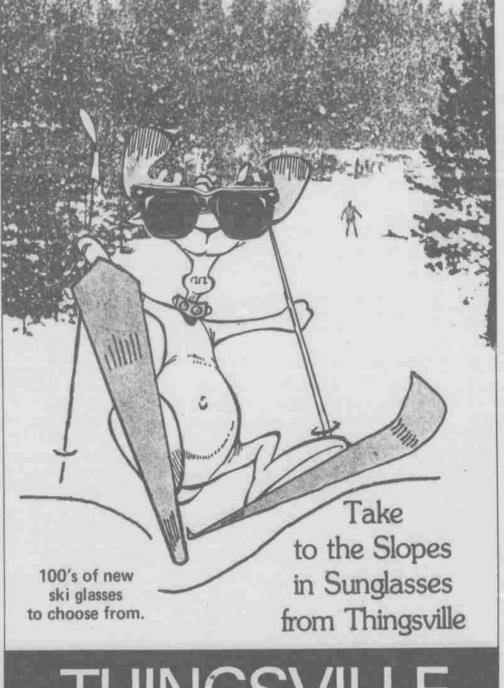
Liberty said he is concerned with the morale of the university and Lincoln community.

"It's natural to discuss how wounded we are and not how great an institution on this is," Liberty said. "We have great students, faculty and programs. We do have to articulate that external pressures are going to stall us in the changes that will be made, but we are not permanently wounded."

Chapelle emphasized the need for encouraging state support for the university.

"It's critical that long-term investment is made in the future of the state, higher education," Chapelle said.

The budget cuts are an opportunity for students to let the APC know what's important to them and their education.



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