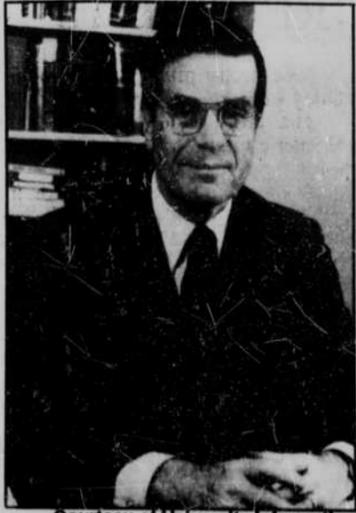


Former J.F.K. aide, alumnus to be honored



Courtesy of University Information
Sorensen

By Victoria Ayotte
Senior Reporter

Ted Sorensen, once a special counsel to former President John F. Kennedy, said he is looking forward to visiting the University of Nebraska-Lincoln today to receive a Centennial Medallion from UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale.

Sorensen, a UNL alumnus, will receive the medallion from the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges at the Chancellor's Annual Alumni Luncheon today in the Wick Alumni Center, said John Peters, associate to the chancellor.

One person from among the alumni of each member of NASULGC was chosen to receive the award at the Association's Centennial Symposium last November. The medallion was given to UNL Chan-

cellor Martin Massengale to give to Sorensen, Peters said.

"It's really quite an honor," Peters said.

Sorensen is a good recipient for the award because, Peters said, he is "someone who has had an impact on the national and international scene."

Sorensen received his bachelor's degree from UNL in 1949 and his law degree from UNL's College of Law in 1951. Sorensen said he grew up in Lincoln, and all his formal education has been in Nebraska.

Sorensen served as an assistant to then-Sen. Kennedy for eight years before becoming special counsel to Kennedy when he became president, he said.

Sorensen is now a senior partner in the law firm Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison.

"There is no doubt in my mind that my preparation at the University of

Nebraska helped me in later years," Sorensen said. "Since then I have been fortunate enough to lead a highly diversified and challenging life."

Sorensen said he has visited the university several times since graduating. He visited the university with Kennedy in the late 1950s and in 1960, he said. He also gave the commencement address at the Law College several years ago and received an honorary degree, he said.

The buildings have changed,

Sorensen said, "but the basic attitudes have remained the same."

Football is bigger now, Sorensen said, but he has been a fan since he was a child growing up in Lincoln.

Sorensen will speak on the topic, "The role of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the Nation and the World" at the luncheon.

Sorensen also will tour the Law College and meet informally with students and faculty members while on campus.

Disabled are able to play sports

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Boppers broke into league basketball about five years ago when they played an experienced wheelchair team from Topeka, Kan. They lost 157-6.

"That was our initiation into the league," he said.

Handicapped leagues are divided into classifications of health. "A-one" is for people who don't have use below their waist. "A-two" is for double amputees. And "A-three" is for people with almost total use of their body.

The team has improved since its first game, placing second and third in

national tournaments.

Some members play tennis and have placed second in the Cornhusker

'I went in cold turkey, not knowing anyone. It's a lot of fun.'

—Garrett

bership were factors in the decision to get out of league competition and turn to recreational sports, Otley said.

Travel expenses became too much for HRS to bear, he said. Transporting about 12 handicapped people and their wheelchairs gets expensive, he said.

"Also, gym rent breaks you when you want to practice three times a week," he said.

"It's hard to get people out of their houses," Otley said.

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