

opinion

Parking continues to be a UNL problem

Parking tickets cause woes for UNL student

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the UNL Police Department seriously need to re-evaluate their parking policies, especially those enforced on football game days.

I got to campus early for the UNLV game Oct. 1, only to find that all the commuter lots had been blocked off for the alumni, the boosters or those who had an extra \$3 to \$5 burning a hole in their pockets.

Finally, I decided to park in the Harper-Schramm-Smith "rape lot," as it's termed. Friends have told me that for the past four years, they have been parking there with no problems during the games. There were no visible signs posted saying that I could not park in the lot, so I did so.

When the game was over, my friends and I went back to the car and found a \$15 parking ticket under my windshield wiper.

Thanks a lot. UNL! I pay you \$40 to, hopefully, park in the commuter lots (in which spaces are 25 percent oversold anyway). I pay you \$42 for a football ticket. And let's not forget all the hours I stand in line to do this. And you thank me for my participation, my support and my loyalty by slapping \$15 parking tickets under my windshield wipers during a football game. It's really pathetic!

And I do seriously question the charging of students to park in the commuter lots when they are on campus to study. A friend of mine was at Nebraska Hall Saturday morning and was told he couldn't park in the lot unless he paid to do so. The man stood by this, even when my friend said he wasn't even attending the game, but was there to finish a project that was due.

So, why do I come to UNL? Evidently, for UNL and the UNL Police Department to get all the money they

can out of me; to be practically, consistently late for classes because of lack of spaces to park; and of course, to further support the football program by paying \$15 parking tickets that are given out during football games.

Marie Iverson
sophomore
advertising

Campus really needs a multi-story garage

I think it is time to solve the problem of parking on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus by building a multi-story garage.

Many reasons can be given for such a project. Some of these reasons are the increasing number of vehicles, students, employees, visitors and vendors, and the fact that the current parking sites are inadequate.

The most suitable area on campus for such a project is the Lot 16 area in the 1987-88 Parking Handbook as well as the area just to the north of it. These areas are located on the central site of university properties, between Love Library North, Andrews Hall, Bancroft Hall, Selleck Quadrangle and the Nebraska Union.

Obviously this is a giant project. Its cost will be very high, but parking fees should cover the costs. There must be technical efficiency in design and execution. It's clearly available since many such projects have been built in Lincoln.

As a civil engineer, I can estimate the number of stalls for the proposed construction. With eight stories to each building, the number would be almost 3,000 stalls. This would solve a great portion of the parking problem. Some of the advantages that would be created from this proposed project are additional space, protection from weather, and closer access

to important buildings.

It's clear that it's important to think about solving the growing parking problem on campus. In the future, a similar project could take place on East Campus if the same problem arises.

Tashin Abdul-Nabi
adult education department
UNL

Student says letter was mistakenly printed

Through an apparent misunderstanding between Daily Nebraskan editors and myself, a letter to the editor was printed (DN, Sept. 30) very critical of the way the University of Nebraska-Lincoln was handling the drinking of alcohol in campus fraternities.

This letter was written back in April by a member of a UNL fraternity just a few weeks after the death of a young woman at a Rutgers University fraternity from alcohol poisoning. The letter was given to the DN only to suggest that the editors closely examine the issue of whether the university's lack of attention has contributed to any alcohol problem that might exist in UNL fraternities.

My greek friends may rest assured that any confidences that have been imparted to me in the past or in the future will be preserved. Those persons that have known me and my long association with greeks are well aware that I have long recognized the benefits of living in a house besides just for their "non-house" house parties.

Harlan Milder
graduate student

Editor's note: Milder's name was included on the salutation of the original letter. His student I.D.

card was checked, following DN policy. Also, there was no request that the letter not be published.

Lincolnite questions Venture Capitol Plan

I see that Gov. Kay Orr is considering a "Venture Capitol Plan." Inasmuch as we were COMMONWEALTH VICTIMS, some questions immediately come to mind:

No. 1 — Has she checked to see if this money will be insured (guaranteed) safe by something better than the NDIGC? (Probably KDIGC in Kansas?) She should keep in mind that even though Kansas senators may assure her it is safe, it is still suspect.

No. 2 — Why a Kansas firm? Her Economic Development Department is asking each of us to "Buy Nebraska." Why not her? Surely, her tax breaks will entice someone — especially if she (spelled WE) is putting up all the capital. (I realize, that I don't cater to the "Buy Nebraska" advice, but then we COMMONWEALTH VICTIMS were considered "not too smart, and also greedy" when we took the promises (guarantee) of our Nebraska senators, and invested "where the interest was.")

On second thought, why worry about it? As Will Rogers might well have said, "Politics don't make no sense to common people no how!"

Lowell R. Brown
Lincoln

Gays are encouraged to step out of closet

Studies indicate at least one person in 10 is gay or lesbian, meaning 2,400 people on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus alone. Yet many people insist they "don't know any gay people" because we are an invisible minority.

Today we attempt to change that. Today is the first anniversary of the historic March on Washington for Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights and has been designated National Coming Out Day to increase the visibility of gays and lesbians in the United States. We are present in every class, sector, age, race, religion and group in the world, whether people know it or not. We are a cultural minority with a long history and a distinguished heritage.

In accordance with the national theme, we are encouraging everyone at UNL to consider "taking the next step." If you're still in the closet, consider telling a close friend; if you're out already, maybe mention it to classmates who assume you're straight; even if you're straight, you can "come out" by speaking when someone makes an anti-gay remark or increasing your own knowledge. Or visit one of the planned events: An information booth in the Nebraska Union; a demonstration of visibility, support and unity by Brophy Foundation shortly after noon; or the showing of the video "Before Stonewall," a documentary about gays and lesbians in the 20th century, at 7:30 p.m. in the union.

Coming out is a risk — people have lost their jobs or have been rejected by family or friends because of irrational fears. The risk of continued silence is greater, though. The more people who are honest with themselves and those around them, the more power we have as a diverse but unified group to end our oppression. Take that next step and together we can go out of the closets and into the streets.

Nanci Hamilton
Dave Whitaker
co-chairpersons
gay and lesbian programming
a committee of the University
Program Council

Second Semester Financial Aid Application Procedure

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Students who have not previously applied for the 1988-89 school year and would like to now.
- Students who applied after March 1, 1988 for this school year (and were thus not priority applicants) and would like to see if they qualify for a more favorable aid package.

IF you have completed a 1988-89 Financial Aid Form (FAF0 and had results sent to UNL...

THEN you should complete and return to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid (OSFA) a **Spring Aid Application**. These applications are available in the Room 20, Administration Building beginning on Monday, October 17, 1988. **Applications must be returned to the OSFA no later than the close of business on Friday, November 11, 1988**, to be included with first priority applicants.

IF you have NOT completed a 1988-89 Financial Aid Form (FAF)...

FIRST, complete and mail a Financial Aid Form (available in the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid (OSFA) to College Scholarship Service (CSS), Oakland California, along with \$7.50. Be sure to designate UNL as the recipient. Your FAF must be received by CSS no later than October 14, 1988.

SECOND, Complete and return to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid, a **Spring Aid Application**. These applications are available in Room 20, Administration Building, beginning on Monday, October 17th. Applications must be returned to OSFA, **no later than Friday, November 11, 1988**, to be included among priority applicants.

ELIGIBILITY TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SECOND SEMESTER FINANCIAL AID REQUIRES THAT YOU:

1. have been admitted to UNL no later than November 1, 1988;
2. be making reasonable academic progress either as a continuing UNL or new transfer student;
3. have submitted financial aid transcripts from each postsecondary school attended (they must arrive in our office by Friday, December 9, 1988);
4. submit all required documentation that is required of those selected for verification by Friday, December 2, 1988; and
5. clear and default or repayment problems prior to Friday, December 2, 1988.

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