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WEATHER: Friday, cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain, high 40-45 with SE winds at 10-20 mph. Friday night, cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain turning to snow by morning, low around 30. Saturday, cloudy with a 50 percent chance of snow, high in the mid 30s.

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CBA needs student aid, officials say

By David Holloway
Senior Reporter

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Business Administration could be Nebraska's yellow-brick road to a successful economic future, according to the associate dean of the college.

Clay Singleton used that analogy to compare today's economy to that of the book, "The Wizard of Oz." Singleton was one of five speakers at the Student Action Council Thursday night.

"The scarecrow represents the problems of agriculture, the tin man is the deteriorating industry and the lion is the cowardly government," Singleton said. "The characters are not much different than the problems of today."

Singleton said, "The way the characters found what they wanted was within themselves."

"Use what you learn at the university to help improve Nebraska," Singleton said.

Shennen Saltzman, president of the student action council, said the three top priorities the council is stressing are "better faculty salaries, more faculty positions for CBA and more space for CBA students."

"The last time the college was renovated was 20 years ago," said Saltzman, "since then, there has been an 82 percent increase in enrollment."

State Sen. Bernice Labeledz from Omaha said, "The way the CBA college is bursting is an example of the need for more money."

"I'm dedicated to education," Labeledz said. "It's trite but true, education is our future."

Labeledz said she needed to know what the students were thinking and encouraged the students to get in contact with their respective state senators.

"This is the way to get things done," Labeledz said. "To let people know and hear what your needs are."

Gary Schwendiman, dean of CBA, said one person can make a difference.

Schwendiman referred to Bill Jackson, a CBA student who was responsible for gaining CBA \$35,000 in 1986 by meeting with the Legislature's Appropriations Committee chairman, Jerome Warner, and U.S. Sen. J.J. Exon.

"Without Bill Jackson's efforts we wouldn't have small business classes, several franchise courses, and an entrepreneur course," Schwendiman said. "The most important lesson you can learn is to believe you can accomplish your goals. If you learn this, 90 percent of the battle is won."

Schwendiman said UNL's college of business is in the top 10 percent of business schools in the United States in terms of quality of faculty and curriculum. He said CBA is lacking in the quantity of professors and facilities.

"Our goal is to make sure UNL's CBA reputation is as good as any other business college in the U.S.," Schwendiman said.

Sen. James McFarland, of Lincoln, said the senators in the Legislature need student support



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Steve Strong, a sophomore business major and Aaron Dietrick, a freshman business major write letters to Gov. Orr in support of CBA improvements.

to get the message across. Saltzman asked the students to first write a letter to Gov. Kay Orr, informing her of the needs of CBA and then do the same with their senators.

He also encouraged the students to meet

with their senators at the Legislature on January 4 when the regular session begins, or set up a meeting with them at that time.

"Nebraska's future and quality of life depends on its economic competitiveness in a changing world," Saltzman said.



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Gov. Kay Orr answers questions from members of the media concerning the resignation of State Sen. Vard Johnson Thursday. Orr was on her way to speak at Nebraska Food Processing Day on UNL's East Campus when met by the reporters.

Sen. Johnson announces resignation

By Victoria Ayotte
Senior Reporter

Sen. Vard Johnson of Omaha announced his resignation Thursday from the Nebraska Legislature, saying it was time to move on.

Johnson has served in the Legislature for 10 years and was chairman of the Revenue Committee.

"I've served a long and useful service," Johnson said of his time in the Legislature.

Johnson said his decision was

not made because of dissatisfaction with the Legislature, but because he wanted to do other things.

"People make choices in life and I've decided against expending any more time in the Legislature," he said.

Johnson would not confirm or deny speculation that he might run for mayor of Omaha.

He said he didn't announce his resignation before the Nov. 8 election because deadlines for other legislative candidates to file had long passed before his resignation

decision had "fully gelled."

Speaker of the Legislature Bill Barrett of Lexington said he "wouldn't second-guess that (decision to resign) a bit" since the decision was a "very personal choice."

The decision was unexpected, he said.

"It caught us (he and other senators) by surprise," Barrett said.

Johnson will be missed for his intelligence in the Legislature, Barrett said.

"He adds a great deal to the

process because of his superior intellect and his being out on front on so many issues," Johnson said.

Press spokesman Doug Parrott said Gov. Kay Orr will probably appoint Johnson's successor before the next legislative session convenes in January.

Orr responded to questions during Nebraska Food Processing Day on Johnson's resignation, Parrott said.

According to Parrott, the gover-

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Snowballs throw curve during RHA open forum

By Victoria Ayotte
Senior Reporter

More than 200 residence hall students gathered Thursday night in open forum to discuss parking, snowball fights, the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska and residence hall polling places.

Student concern on parking ranged from security to the distance of parking facilities.

"There's an unlimited need and limited resources to fill it," said Michael Otto of the Parking Advisory Board.

Ron Fuller, superintendent of the parking office, said a parking garage on campus is too expensive, as it would cost about \$5 million.

However, he said there is a plan which would build two parking garages on city and East campus, but it probably would be used for faculty and staff.

Some students said they would pay for premium parking spaces which

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New student board meets to work on financial aid issues

By Eve Nations
Staff Reporter

The newly-formed Student Advisory Board for the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid met for the first time Thursday to express concerns about the future of the office.

John Beacon, director of admissions and interim director of the financial aid office, said the seven-member board was chosen to represent all types of students.

"We selected a nontraditional, traditional, minority, honors, transfer and graduate student," he said.

Beacon told the board "that students should have a voice in what's happening" in the financial aid office.

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