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# Book lists UNL as a top college value

By Kathleen McLaughlin  
Staff Reporter

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is a best buy among colleges and universities in the country, according to a recently released college guide.

"The 1992 Guide to 101 of the Best Values in America's Colleges and Universities" listed UNL as one of the top college values.

The author, David Wilson, said he used three major criteria to rate schools, including college guides, polls from guidance counselors, and other data including Scholastic Apti-

tude Test scores, rate of graduates, returning sophomores, academic resources and the school's reputation.

Wilson started researching colleges and universities in 1984 when he published "Good Values and Higher Education." In August 1990, he began researching his latest book.

The guide was published by The Center for Studies in College Enrollment and Tuition Issues at Bridgewater State College, where Wilson is the director of public affairs.

A lack of books with good information about colleges prompted him to write the guide, Wilson said.

"I hope the book will help students look beyond their state or private school," he said. "People need to look around to see where they can get the best education for the best price."

The Big 8 schools mentioned in the book were the University of Colorado at Boulder, Iowa State University, the University of Missouri at Columbia, the University of Oklahoma and UNL.

Omaha's Creighton University was also listed in the guide as a best buy.

"The Midwest schools are gaining in popularity because of the friendly atmosphere and

the programs offered," Wilson said.

In the book, Wilson praises agriculture, architecture, business, chemistry, journalism, English and opera programs at UNL.

"When people think of UNL, they assume it's just a football school. But UNL is very diverse," Wilson said. "The opera program is one of the best in the country. It's this extreme that makes UNL a top university."

Gary Brienza, a marketing specialist with the UNL Office of Public Relations, said, "We are very proud to be included in this book. I think this will help the university's image."

## Grant to finance high school physics kit

From Staff Reports

A grant from the National Science Foundation will allow a University of Nebraska-Lincoln physics professor to expand the perimeters of physics education.

Robert Fuller said the \$1.48 million grant will be used to develop a CD-ROM Toolkit for Physics Teachers.

The program for high school physics teachers will contain several physics textbooks, labs, cartoons, homework and examinations, Fuller said. The kit will be on compact discs instead of regular computer discs.

"Compact discs hold an enormous amount of information," Fuller said. "One disc can hold 300,000 pages of text."

The discs, commonly used to rec-

ord music, can be used with computers connected with a CD-drive unit.

Fuller and Dean Zollman, a physics professor at Kansas State University, will meet with Omaha high school physics teachers periodically to decide what materials will be used in the kit.

The project will be completed by 1994, Fuller said.

## More money, bills prompt revision of RHA budget bill

By Michael Hannon  
Staff Reporter

The RHA senate debated and passed a new budget bill Sunday.

Residence Hall President Kathy Rush said she vetoed the former budget because \$1,000 in previously undiscovered bills were brought to her attention.

New estimates on the budget also increased the amount of money available, said Rush, a senior psychology major.

According to the new budget bill, total income is estimated at \$30,654, up from \$27,800 in the previous budget.

An amendment to the bill was passed, giving total control of the contingency fund to the Senate and preventing the executive board from drawing from the fund without Senate approval.

"I think it should be discussed if

thousands of dollars are to be allocated," said Harper President Giles Schildt, a senior physics and math major.

According to the budget bill, the contingency fund consists of \$2,961. Rush argued that the executive board needed access to this money in emergency situations.

Schildt said emergency funds could be provided through the \$1,500 miscellaneous fund that the executive board controls or allocated at an emergency meeting of the RHA Senate.

The amendment was passed by a vote of 18-3. The new budget bill was then passed by acclamation.

In other action, speaker of the RHA senate Michael Tinkham, a junior agricultural education major, announced his resignation at the meeting.

The RHA senate also approved the appointment of Sara Stevens as chief justice of the the RHA Judicial Board and Andrea Casart as an associate justice.

## Chancellor candidate list at UNMC narrowed to 11

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The list of candidates for chancellor of the University of Nebraska Medical Center has been narrowed to 11, a UNMC spokesman said.

An advisory committee will "refine the list and knock it down to three to five names by mid-October," said Tom O'Connor, UNMC public relations spokesman.

NU President Martin Massengale, who set up the committee, will choose the final candidate following a meeting of the group in October. He will then submit the name to the NU Board

of Regents for approval.

Eleven candidates, all physicians, have been chosen from a list of 110 nominees and 50 applicants for the chancellor position. The list includes women, members of minority groups and UNMC employees.

Since the June retirement of Chancellor Charles Andrews, the search has moved on schedule, O'Connor said.

Dr. William O. Berndt, vice chancellor for academic affairs, currently is serving as interim chancellor.

Specifics about the current candidate list were not available.

## Beadle

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University of Nebraska Foundation fund drive. The remaining \$.5 million will come from the reallocation of UNL funds, Omtvedt said.

Construction of the center is scheduled to begin during the summer of 1992, provided funding is approved. It is expected to take 18 months to two years to complete, Omtvedt said. The facility should be ready for occupancy in 1994, he said.

The center probably will be located on Vine Street, between 19th and 20th streets, he said.

"In the future, this will be the main east entrance to City Campus," Omtvedt said.

O'Leary said the approval of federal funding shows that the Beadle center is an important facility, not just for Nebraska, but for the entire

“**Until we have the president's signature, it isn't a done deal.**”

Omtvedt  
administrative coordinator  
for Beadle project

nation. The center plans to foster plant and animal-related studies, which will be applicable on a national level, he said.

Omtvedt said this state-of-the-art research center would benefit both science and the educational side of science.

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