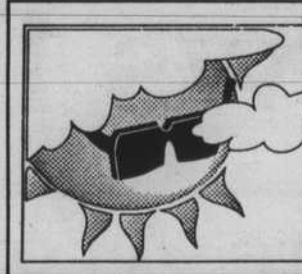


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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Today, partly cloudy, breezy and warmer with a 30 percent chance of afternoon thunder-showers, south winds 15 to 25 mph. Wednesday, sunny and pleasant with a high near 75.

Simanek donations top \$34,000 at spring game

By Cindy Kimbrough
Senior Reporter

Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne said Monday he was pleased about the \$34,832 donated for Gina Simanek at Saturday's Red-White spring football game. Simanek, the victim of an alleged Jan. 18 assault by Nebraska football player Andrew Scott Baldwin, had spent almost a month and a half in the hospital recovering from various injuries, including permanent brain damage.

Baldwin, 22, watched the scrimmage from the press box.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Athletic Department did not

charge admission to this year's game, but instead encouraged fans to donate what they normally would pay for tickets to the game.

The highest donation was about \$250, Osborne said, and almost \$2,000 was received before the game by those who could not attend.

Osborne said he had hoped donations would rise above the \$30,000 mark, considering that about 25,000 people attended the game.

The amount donated was quite high considering, on the average, the spring game brings in about \$15,000 to \$17,000, he said.

Osborne said the money was not necessarily pegged for Simanek's medical expenses. The 23-year-old Lincoln woman has a major medical plan that should cover most of her expenses, he said.

Instead, he said, the money will compensate for her suffering from injuries and for any lost time from work.

"It is to be used any way (the Simaneks) see fit," he said.

Osborne said the idea to exchange donations for admission to provide help for Simanek had received responses ranging from anger to sup-

port. "This has been a real strange period in football history," he said.

But Osborne said the idea to use the game to raise money for Simanek was never a response to public pressure.

He said members of the football team had taken the attitude that they were going to do what they thought was right — no matter what the response.

Everything the athletic department has done to help Simanek has helped to fulfill a promise Osborne and assistant football coach Frank Solich made

to Simanek at the start, Osborne said. He said he thought they had fulfilled that promise.

"We've done what we could do," he said.

Because Nebraska law prohibits UNL or the athletic department from making direct payments to Simanek or her family, Osborne said contributions from the game was one way they could help.

He added that Baldwin was staying with Solich and is continuing to work on 6 hours of credit this semester.

Baldwin needs about 18 credit hours

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Spanier optimistic about UNL's future

By Jeremy Fitzpatrick
Senior Reporter

Graham Spanier declared at his installation as chancellor Monday that he wanted the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to become an institution concerned with people and human development.

"Put simply, I see the 1990s as the era when this university rededicates itself to the people it serves: our students, staff, faculty, alumni, citizens of Nebraska and those we reach beyond our borders," he said. "I wish to direct our attention to the university's role in human development."

Spanier's installation at the Lied Center for Performing Arts was attended by about 1,000 people including Gov. Ben Nelson, members of the NU Board of Regents, NU President Martin Massengale and Samuel Proctor, Martin Luther King Jr. memorial professor emeritus at Rutgers University.

Proctor gave the keynote address at the ceremony. The UNL Wind Ensemble, the Faculty Brass Quintet, the Afrikan People's Union Choir and Tina Salac, a sophomore music major at UNL, gave musical performances.

Spanier said the opportunity to attend college had changed his life, and expressed hope that UNL could have that kind of impact on its students.

"As with many of you, the university experience changed my life," he said. "My own development has been enhanced every day that I have been associated with higher education. My goal is to ensure that all of the university's constituents comes to find us increasingly responsive to the human side of our mission."

Spanier said universities in the 1970s and 1980s were focused primarily on economic development. Now, he said, they must broaden their mission and place as strong an emphasis on the humanities and fine arts



Chancellor
Graham
Spanier

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as they do on the sciences.

"My goal is that (UNL) be known as a university that builds on science and technology to reach people; a university that appreciates the relationship between science, technology and society; a university that seeks to produce graduates who are both technically skilled but steeped in understanding of the human condition. . .," he said.

As chancellor, Spanier said he would work to improve services for UNL students, faculty and employees.

He said he would support improved advising, reduced class sizes and increased private fundraising for scholarships to aid students. Faculty, he said, can expect to play a greater role in initiating improvements and making decisions to improve UNL.

Spanier concluded by saying he was optimistic about the university's future.

"I am optimistically confident about the prospects for progress toward a university committed to the advancement of human development," he said.

"I know each and every one of you are proud of this university . . . and you have great hopes for its future. I pledge to do my best to help all of us realize those hopes."



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Robert Danielson stands in front of the gate that used to be the entrance to UNL. After leaving the university just a few credit hours short of an agricultural degree in 1930, Danielson is graduating in May.

Long time coming

Retiree to graduate after 60-year hiatus

By Jana Pedersen
Editor

When a student in a high school horticulture class asked Robert Danielson for advice on finding a job, the UNL senior lectured the class about the importance of hard work.

The sermon later gave him a guilty conscience.

"I thought I must have hit them kind of hard," he said. "So next time, I brought these azaleas, a little peace offering."

The gifts of flowers were appropriate.

After leaving the University of Nebraska-Lincoln just a few credit hours short of an agriculture degree in 1930, Danielson helped run Danielson Floral Co. for 59 years.

On May 9, after two semesters and 21 credit hours of study, Danielson will receive a degree

in general agriculture — a degree he left behind more than 60 years ago.

It was a long time coming, he said.

"I think it's a great morale-builder to be able to do this — for me, anyway," he said. "This idea that you might be all washed up is no good, and (graduating) will be a nice feeling."

Danielson, born in 1909 in Osceola, has lived in Lincoln since age 7. He retired from the

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Businessmen enter race for Regent

Massey says strong programs at UNL need more emphasis

Editor's note: The Nebraska primary will be May 12, and the ballot will include the race for the District 7 seat on the NU Board of Regents. This is the first of a three-part series on the candidates.

By Sean Green
Senior Reporter

Two Scottsbluff businessmen have entered the race for the District 7 NU Board of Regents,

the seat now filled by board chairman Don Blank of McCook.

John Massey and Russ Hilliard will challenge Blank for the regent position in the May 12 primary.

Massey, 33, is the vice president of J.G. Elliot Co., a family-owned insurance company in Scottsbluff.

A graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's College of Agriculture and the College of Law, Massey said he had been considering running for the board position for several years.

This year he said he felt the timing was right.

"I have always been interested in the university," he said. "Now I'm at an age where I can become involved and possibly make a difference at the university."

Massey said his experience with business and civic organizations, such as the United Way and the Chamber of Commerce, would be of use to the regents.

"As a regent, you have to become very involved in the financial aspects of university administration," he said. "I hope to bring a good business sense to the board."

Negative publicity recently has been hurting the University of Nebraska, Massey said, emphasizing the need to focus on the positive

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