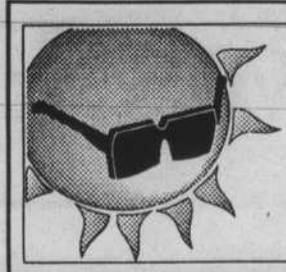


# Daily Nebraskan



TODAY'S WEATHER

80/50

Today sunny and warm, north-west winds 5-15 mph. Tonight clear with a low around 50. Tomorrow, sunny, breezy and warm, high 80-85.

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## Members dispute collective's dissolution

By Cindy Kimbrough  
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### Official says group may continue to operate

Several members of the Women's Resource Center collective made an official statement Tuesday that condemned the dissolving of the WRC advisory board and the failure to recognize the collective, a member said.

Cindy Douglas said the group told reporters it was concerned that a collective governing process of the center was being ended.

The collective is a group that began the WRC in the 1970s. Douglas said any person who worked at least one hour a week at the WRC could be a member of the collective with an equal voice, or vote.

The advisory board was a group of

students and faculty members appointed by the vice chancellor for student affairs to advise the WRC coordinator.

The advisory board was dissolved by Campus Activities and Programs director Marilyn Bugenhagen on April 12 because of disagreements over who was in charge of the center — the university-appointed coordinator, the advisory board or the collective. A new advisory board will be appointed in the fall.

Douglas said the collective's primary concern with the dissolution of the board was that women no longer would be able to experience leadership roles in the WRC, including

dealing with programming and decision-making.

Following the press conference, the group made an appointment with Chancellor Graham Spanier and visited the office of James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs.

Griesen said that when collective members came into his office Tuesday, he explained that he had not dissolved the collective, as collective members had said.

The collective is not an official student organization, Griesen said, so he has no right to dissolve the group.

But Douglas said the collective was being dissolved in the sense that Griesen was not recognizing it as the

WRC's decision-making body.

Douglas also said Griesen was not being truthful about who officially was in charge of the WRC.

"He continues to lie about the situation," she said.

Vanessa Spencer, a member of the collective and an ex-officio member of the dissolved advisory board, said many of the documents that described the coordinator's job contradicted what Griesen had said. The documents, in effect, say the collective controls the advisory board, she said.

Douglas said reviews of the WRC in 1983, 1985 and 1988 stated the collective was the decision-making body for the center.

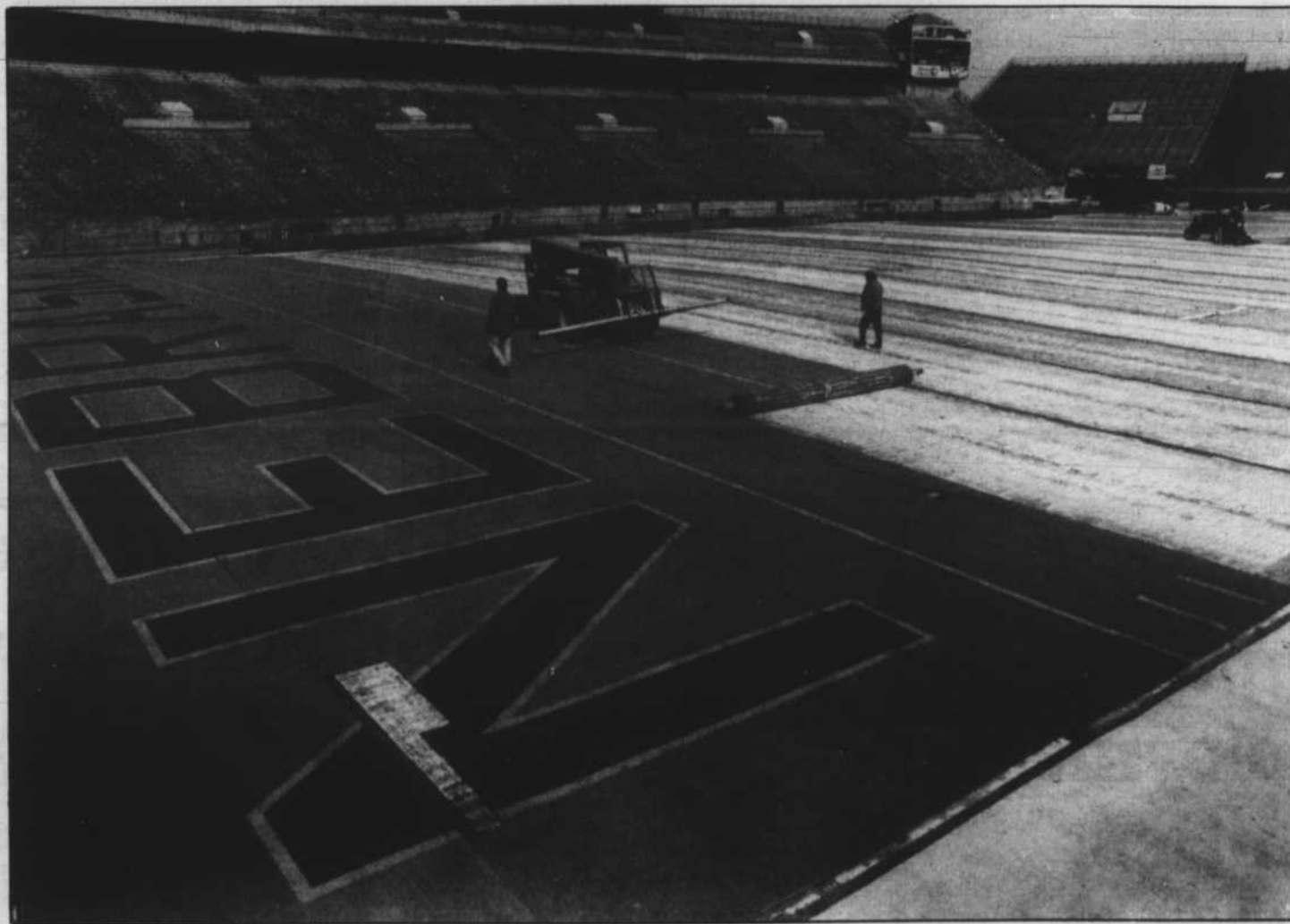
For 22 years the collective has been made up of students who have worked together governing the center, Douglas said. In effect, she said, Griesen is saying that it never was a decision-making body.

"It's a pretty sad statement of what the university thinks of students who speak their mind," she said.

Griesen said he never acknowledged that the collective was the governing board of the resource center.

The collective is more of an advisory body, he said.

When the new advisory board is appointed next year, the WRC, which receives Fund-B money, will operate in the model of every other Fund-B student organization — under control of the university administration, he said.



Staci McKee/DN

### Tearing up the turf

Jan Drapal (left) and Don Snyder oversee the removal of the artificial turf in Memorial Stadium Tuesday morning.

## Football fans, communities rally to help assault victim

By Cindy Kimbrough  
Senior Reporter

The mother of an assault victim said Tuesday that the nearly \$35,000 raised at Nebraska's Red-White spring football game to help her daughter was unbelievable.

But Kathy Simanek said she should not have been surprised, considering all the support Gina Simanek already had received.

Simanek said her daughter had received an amazing number of cards, letters, visits and support from Nebraskans since the Jan. 18 alleged assault by Nebraska football player Andrew Scott Baldwin.

After the attack, Gina Simanek spent almost a month and a half in the hospital recuperating from various injuries, including permanent brain damage.

Authorities said the alleged attack was caused by atypical psychosis suffered by Baldwin, who was charged with first-degree assault and assaulting a police officer and is awaiting a preliminary hearing. He has pleaded innocent and not responsible by reason of insanity to the charges.

Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne announced Monday the total amount — \$34,832 — that was raised at the spring game, in which fans were asked to contribute what they would normally pay for scrimmage tickets to a fund for Gina Simanek.

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## Blank says tight funds a concern

### Incumbent regent's big concern focuses on finances of future

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 second of a three-part series on the candidates.

By Sean Green  
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The university's toughest challenge in the coming years will be to maintain academic excellence in tough financial times, Don Blank, chair of the NU Board of Regents, said.

Blank, who will be the incumbent in the May 12 District 7 seat primary, said his experience as a regent showed him that lack of funding was the biggest concern facing the university.

"Dollars are going to be tough and that means tough decisions," he said. "If funding

doesn't increase, more cuts will have to be made, and nobody enjoys doing that."

Blank, 56, is a dentist in McCook, and has served on the board for six years, two of those years as chairman. He is being challenged for the regent position by John Massey and Russ Hilliard, both of Scottsbluff.

Blank said he thought the board of regents was better now than it was when he began serving and said it would continue to improve.

"I think we've made some major strides in refocusing the regents over the last six years," he said. "We're starting to look more closely at some priority items and that's a step in the right direction."

In addition to financial problems, Blank said, the university, including the board, must continue focusing on issues such as minority concerns, gender equity and faculty salaries.

Blank said the university's best asset was its people.

"We've got to remember that bricks and mortar don't teach students or conduct research — people do," he said. "I think we've

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### WEDNESDAY

Correction: A story in Tuesday's Arts and Entertainment section should have reported that Babe Ruth played his final game in 1935 with the Boston Braves, not the Atlanta Braves.  
The Daily Nebraskan Regrets the error.

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Nebraska baseball team beaten by Kansas State in the ninth inning. Page 8

UNL dance instructor doubles as Rockette and mother. Page 9

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