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Mountain wants to move on

By Sam S. Kepfield
Staff Reporter

One day after District Judge Paul Merritt ruled to keep Scott Baldwin under the jurisdiction of the court, Gina Simanek Mountain, the Jan. 18 victim of Baldwin's assault, made her first public statement on the attack and her recovery.

"It's like you're one year old growing back up. I've lost my patience, I've lost my endurance. I get tired easily, I get angry easily," Mountain said.

Mountain gave the news conference from the back yard of her in-laws' residence in southeast Lincoln, flanked by her husband, Steve Mountain, and her attorney, John Hendry of Lincoln.

Hendry began the conference by reading a short, prepared statement that thanked those friends and family who stood by her during her recovery, as well as the thousands who contributed to her recovery fund at Nebraska's spring football game.

The only comment on Baldwin from Mountain was in the statement: "I must say I am disappointed the law permits someone to inflict serious physical and emotional harm upon another person and then be allowed to go free."

However, Mountain did praise Nebraska Football Coach Tom Osborne, who has remained in touch with her and her family through the ordeal.

Mountain said she is still seeing a psychologist at Madonna Center, but is receiving no physical therapy.

The total cost of her recovery was estimated at \$55,000. Contributions from the spring football game totalled \$35,000 and Malmo Wesleyan in Wahoo donated another \$7,000.

The support she received was a major factor in getting her through the recovery, Mountain said.

"It makes you feel human again, that people care."

Mountain has returned to work full-

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Staci McKee/DN

In your face

Renee Jensen of Geneva has a problem trying to compete with the wind during a high school flag camp on campus this week. Members of the UNL flag corps (Marching Band) are conducting the camp.

Lincoln's July Jamm to heat up downtown

By Steffenie Fries
Staff Reporter

In the heat of the summer, downtown Lincoln will have a place to listen to some cool music and eat some specialty foods — at July Jamm.

Officials of the event are expect-

ing some 10,000 people to attend the three-day festival, said Dave Erickson, president of Updowntowners Jazz Festival.

The main stage of the Jamm will be located on 12th and N streets, with the festival extending north and east as well.

Admission is free until 8:30 p.m.

on Friday, July 24 and Saturday, July 25. After that time, there will be a \$3 cover charge.

Sunday is the annual Updowntowners Kid's Day, which has been combined with the festival this year. Erickson said that alcoholic

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New vice chancellor to take over post in August

By DeDra Janssen
Staff Reporter

The highest ranking administrative position under the chancellor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln will be filled this August by Joan Leitzel.

Leitzel will be senior vice chancellor for academic affairs. She replaces Robert Furgason, who left UNL last year to assume a university presidency in Texas.

Leitzel is coming to UNL from Ohio State University where she has been a professor of mathematics since 1970 and was associate provost from 1985 to 1990.

As associate provost, she was responsible for academic program assessment, academic space assignments and instruction and curriculum.

She also has been division director of materials development, research and informal science education for the National Science Foundation for the last two and a half years.

Leitzel said that these positions

have given her the background and experience that is needed at UNL.

"I'm bringing with me to UNL wide responsibility for curriculum and instruction as well as administrative experience from a federal agency," Leitzel said.

But the most important asset Leitzel said she will bring to UNL is her strong commitment to public education and her great interest in bringing an environment to UNL that is inviting to a broad mix of students.

"I want people to be comfortable there, whatever their various backgrounds are," Leitzel said.

"The importance of public higher education is that it provides an opportunity for all citizens in this country to have choices. It is a vehicle that permits people from all backgrounds to get an education.

"UNL belongs to a special set of state supported land grant institutions that were put in place to provide research and teaching and service to the people of the state. They are a place

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Budget dissatisfies regents

COTTESBLUFF (AP)—Caught between a lack of information and a deadline, the University of Nebraska Board of Regents passed budget guidelines that left most of the board members dissatisfied.

The regents on Saturday also approved personnel recommendations that included C. William Byrne Jr. as athletic director, effective Jan. 4, 1993. Byrne replaces longtime athletic director Bob Devaney.

Byrne's appointment passed unanimously and received little comment from the regents.

In its first meeting here since 1987, the board reluctantly gave approval to a \$625.5 million budget, plus a \$827,594 supplemental request from the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

The budget calls for about an 8 percent increase in state funds in 1993-94 and an additional 8 percent increase in 1994-95.

The final budget must be submitted to Gov. Ben Nelson by Sept. 15.

University president Martin Massengale's first budget request was turned down by a majority of the board, as was an alternate request. After a five-minute recess, the board passed the alternate plan on the second try.

"What changed significantly in the last five minutes?" asked regent Nancy O'Brien of Waterloo before the second vote.

"Attitude," answered Omaha regent Rosemary Skrupa.

Regent Don Blank of McCook said the plan passed the second time be-

cause regents were more uncomfortable with the budgeting process than with the budget plan, and because they realized the need to move forward.

The difference between the two budget proposals came in money for academic programs, which fell by \$7.2 million in the approved plan. That decrease wasn't acceptable for regent Robert Allen of Hastings, who voted against both measures.

"The trend to do so well research-wise is hard to understand when we're not as good as we should be academically," Allen said. "The concern is how this will make us look. We need the support of our citizens, and I get a lot of comments that we don't support our classrooms," he said.

Allen advocated decreasing health insurance coverage, and questioned the wisdom of opening new buildings at a critical financial time for the state.

During the budget debate, several regents called for a change in the school's budgeting process. Without more program information and more detail, the board can't tell what priorities are being followed, he said.

"We have the responsibility of saying to the Legislature, 'This is the way we should be going,'" Allen said. "Everyone here has a level of discomfort."

Budget materials presented the regents with lump sums for health insurance, utilities, new building open-

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