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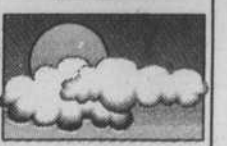


SPORTS

Huskers defeat Wildcats in Japan



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Partly sunny today and tomorrow and cold.

Peer group list not an issue, official says

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

The exclusion of University of Nebraska campuses from a recent peer group list for state colleges and universities doesn't signal a lack of cooperation among NU officials and the selection commission, a state official said.

Rather, he said, it's a sign of "an agreement to disagree."

Bruce Stahl, executive director of Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, said no animosity existed among

“*It's not like we sit across from each other at a table with our arms crossed, just staring at each other.*”

— Stahl
executive director of Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

NU officials and members of the commission, as had previously been reported.

"This has been a classic case of making a mountain out of a molehill," Stahl said. "There have been lots of incorrect reports on the mat-

ter, and I'm very seriously concerned about that. We are not at each other's throats, and we never have been.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's not even an issue."

The list, released Friday, includes peer group schools for Chadron and Wayne state colleges, as well as Southeast Community College.

Peer groups are used to recommend schools with which other schools should be compared for budget and program-planning purposes. The peer groups are determined by enrollment, budget and academic programs.

Stahl said the four NU campuses — the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Omaha, the University of Nebraska at Kearney and the University of Nebraska Medical Center — were excluded

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Julia Mikolajcik/DN
Hoover Harlan of Walthill prepares to dance in the Native American Pow Wow Sunday on East Campus. Harlan, a member of the Omaha tribe, dressed in the men's traditional costume.

Pow Wow Dance celebrates Native American culture

By Heather Sinor
Staff Reporter

The rhythmic beat of drums, dancing and colorful costumes filled the East Campus Activities Building Saturday and Sunday for the 3rd Annual UNL Pow Wow.

As a grand finale to Native American month, which was observed in November to recognize and honor Native

Americans, this weekend's event focused on promoting cultural awareness, said Helen Long Soldier, a counselor in the Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

The exposition attracted about 100 dancers and drum groups from the Winnebago, Sioux, Kickapoo, Iowa and Omaha Indian tribes.

Lavonne Holdener, a Native American student at UNL and a

sponsor of the event, said most of the pow wow's participants came from Omaha, Lincoln, Macy and the Haskell Indian Junior College in Lawrence, Kan., to celebrate a coming together of families.

Dancers wore elaborate headdresses and costumes made of bells, feathers and animal skins.

Some of the dancers took part

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Unidentified body found, believed to be Harms

Armed robbery suspect leads police to remains

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

A body discovered southeast of Lincoln Sunday morning may be that of missing UNL student Candice "Candi" Harms, her mother said Sunday night.

Pat Harms said that authorities had not yet made a positive identification of the body, but had determined that the remains were human.

"We're just waiting to hear right now," she said. "They're still in the process of gathering evidence at the site, and some of the investigators seem to feel the body is Candi's."

The search of the cornfield by Lincoln police and Lancaster County deputies began early Sunday morning, after one of two suspects arrested for armed robbery told police that he and a friend had abducted and kidnapped Harms the night of her disappearance, Pat Harms said.

She said the suspect then led investigators to the site where the body was

found.

Candi Harms, 18, was last seen Sept. 22 leaving her boyfriend's apartment at 332 N. 22nd St. shortly before midnight. She was on her way home to 61st and Vine streets but never arrived. She was reported missing the next day.

Hours after she was reported missing, Harms' car was found in a field at North 27th and Bluff Road, about two miles north of Lincoln.

Law enforcement authorities had turned up few leads since her disappearance. Previous searches for Harms have been targeted primarily in the area where her car was discovered.

Pat Harms said the armed robbery suspects were not being questioned about the disappearance when one of them told authorities about the body.

"It was just information (he) volunteered," she said.

A press conference has been scheduled for 10:30 this morning at the Lincoln Police Department.

Lancaster County Attorney Gary Lacey said details would be given about the search at the press conference.

Lacey would not confirm or deny any information about the search Sunday night.

Ten freshmen surveyed split on admissions policy

Students debate effects of changes on small schools

By Susie Arth
Senior Reporter

A random survey of 10 freshmen at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln reveals they are divided on the proposed changes in admissions standards.

Six of the freshmen surveyed said they were against the stricter admission standards, while four students said they believed the proposed changes would benefit UNL.

The proposed standards, which are being discussed at a series of public hearings throughout the state, will go to the NU Board of Regents for review Saturday.

The new admission standards would require all highschool students to complete four years of English, three years of math, science, and social science, two years of foreign language and one additional course.

Students also would be required to graduate in the top half of their high school class, or receive a score of 20 on the ACT or 850 on the SAT.

Shannon Fletcher, a freshman bi-

ology major from Wayne, said she was against the proposed standards.

"The university should be open to everyone," she said. "I really don't think they should make the changes; it's not a private college."

Four students said they were against the proposed standards because they believed it would hinder students at smaller high schools from attending UNL.

Melissa Purdy, a freshman interior design major from Aurora, said better resources were available to students from larger high schools to help them meet the requirements.

"Bigger schools have better teachers, more technology and more competition," she said.

Scott Pettit, a freshman psychology major from Fremont, also said he believed the standards would place students from smaller high schools at a disadvantage.

Smaller high schools, he said, may not offer all the courses students need to be admitted to UNL.

"That's a big difference from what it used to be," he said. "(UNL) won't get some students from smaller towns, and it will probably miss out on some good students."

But Troy Rost, a freshman biology major from Rising City, said he be-

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