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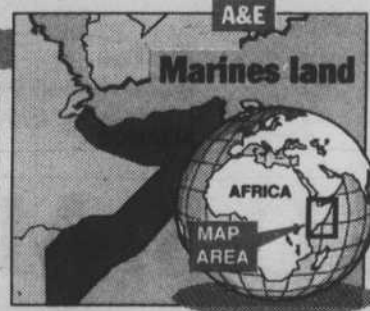
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CORRECTION

A story in the Nov. 30 Daily Nebraskan should have reported that a study done by two economics professors was quoted by the Economist, not submitted to the magazine. Also, Forbes magazine did not write an article about the study. The publication only interviewed the professors. The Daily Nebraskan regrets the errors.



WEDNESDAY

37/20
Breezy with drizzle this morning. Partly sunny this afternoon. Windy and cooler tomorrow.



Jody Price/DN

Miniature miles

Steve Titus of Raymond looks over the carnival section of a model train layout that was displayed last week at the Heritage League's 20th Annual Holiday of Trees at the Unitarian Church, 6300 A St. Titus, an N-scale coordinator for the Lincoln Model Railroad Club, has worked with model trains for 15 years.

2 suspects have history of offenses

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

Two suspects in the disappearance and death of UNL student Candice Harms have had numerous brushes with the law, according to Lancaster County Court records.

Scott A. Barney, 24, of 967 N. 56th St., and Robert D. Bjorklund, 30, of 610 S. 52nd St., remain in the Lancaster County Jail charged with armed robbery and receiving stolen property, stemming from at least two September incidents.

The men also are the prime suspects in the disappearance and death of Harms, a University of Nebraska-Lincoln freshman who had been missing since Sept. 22.

Both men were charged last Friday with the Sept. 16 robbery of Rex TV and Appliance and the Sept. 30 robbery of the Goodyear Credit Union.

Authorities also are investigating whether the two were involved in at least seven other robberies in Lincoln in late August and September.

Barney and Bjorklund, both of whom are unemployed, were each charged with two counts of robbery, two counts of use of a weapon to commit a felony and two counts of theft by receiving stolen property.

Authorities searched Barney's home and car last week in connection with the armed robberies. Items confiscated in the search, according to an inventory sheet, include a 9 mm Glock

See SUSPECTS on 6

Officials to mix budget with pleasure in Miami

By Susie Arth
Senior Reporter

As the Nebraska football team butts heads with the Florida State Seminoles in Miami, UNL administrators may be scratching their heads about budget cuts.

Herb Howe, associate to the chancellor, said he was uncertain which administrators would make the trip to Miami to attend the Orange Bowl, but he thought enough administrators would be there to continue discussions about budget cuts.

In the past year, the Nebraska Legislature ordered the university to cut its budget by \$3.4 million. Administrators have been meeting with college deans to decide what department or program budgets can be scaled down.

Howe said he doubted any final decisions

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would be made in Miami.

“It's easy to say we'll cut x, y or z in some remote place like Miami,” he said. “But it's unlikely we'll do that in the absence of being able to get back to a dean.”

Howe said the “official party” of administrators attending the Orange Bowl traditionally included the University of Nebraska-Lincoln chancellor, his cabinet, the president of the Academic Senate and some representatives from central administration.

If the same holds true this year, the group will include Howe; UNL Chancellor Graham Spanier; Joan Leitzel, senior vice chancellor for academic affairs; Jack Goebel, vice chan-

cellor for business and finance; Irv Omtvedt, vice chancellor for agriculture and natural resources; William Splinter, vice chancellor for research; James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs; Royce Ballinger, president of the Academic Senate and NU President Martin Massengale.

“My prediction is they will all want to do their duty and go to Miami,” he said.

Howe said he also expected several members of the NU Board of Regents to travel to Miami.

Orange Bowl representatives require the participating schools to send official represen-

tatives to Miami, Howe said.

The Orange Bowl committee also provides the funding so administrators can make the trip, he said.

Howe said the “official party” planned to attend many Orange Bowl-sponsored activities while in Miami.

Several of the activities call for interaction between UNL administrators and administrators from Florida State University, he said.

“We'll meet with administrators from Florida State and discuss some issues we're all facing,” he said.

But Howe said he doubted even the warm sun of Miami and the interaction with other administrators could make the UNL officials forget the major task that awaits them at home — budget cutting.

“Bowl committees usually allow time for administrators to get together and talk about issues,” he said, “and the budget is one of the issues on the top of the agenda.”

UNL spends more on research

Increases could draw additional funds, official says

By Sarah Scalet
Staff Reporter

The amount of money spent on research and development at UNL increased more than 13 percent last year, which could create a basis for further funding increases at UNL research facilities, an official said.

Sharon Davis, associate director of Sponsored Programs, said the increase moved the University of Nebraska-Lincoln up two notches, from 71st to 69th place, in a National Science Foundation comparison of the nation's universities.

In the 1991 fiscal year, research expenditures totaled \$87.5 million,

she said, compared to \$77.6 million in 1990.

Also, funds have more than doubled in the past seven years, she said. Expenditures totaled \$43 million in 1984.

Davis said enhanced facilities, equipment, research faculty and graduate assistants improved UNL's research structure, which could attract more funding in the future.

“We have the basis for what is needed for research,” she said, “I just can't guarantee (more funding) will happen.”

The funding also will increase recognition of UNL and its research facilities, Davis said, which in turn could prompt even more funding from sources such as federal and state agencies, external agencies and industry.

She said funding had increased mainly because of the Nebraska Research Initiative, which was created in 1988 by the state of Nebraska.

The initiative provides funding for

research by allowing the university to purchase equipment, expand facilities, hire research faculty and provide more graduate assistantships, Davis said.

Instructional awards from the federal government also increased, Davis said, moving UNL from the 106th to 100th place for federal funding among the nation's universities.

The federal government has increased funding in math and science education for universities, secondary schools and elementary schools, she said, because of the need for better education in those areas.

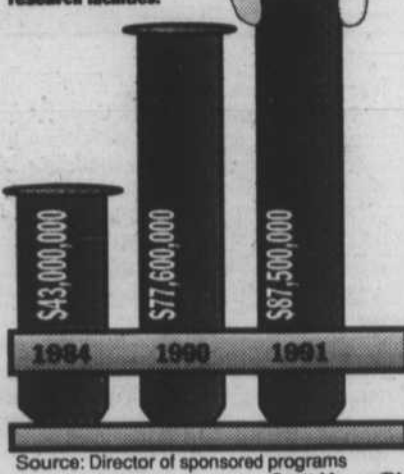
Davis said getting more federal funds was important, especially considering recent university budget cuts.

By getting more money from federal funds, she said, research does not rely as heavily on state funds.

However, state budget cuts could affect the number of graduate assistantships and the quality of UNL's faculty, Davis said.

Comparison of research funding

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Memorial for Harms set for today

From Staff Reports

A memorial service for Candice Harms will be 2 p.m. today at Lincoln Pius X High School, 6100 A St.

Harms, a University of Nebraska-Lincoln freshman who graduated from Pius X last May, had been missing since Sept. 22. Her body was found Sunday a few miles southeast of Lincoln.

Two suspects in the case are in custody in connection with the disappearance and death.

Funeral services for Harms will be 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Mary's Catholic Church at 14th and K streets.

The memorial and funeral services are both open to the public.