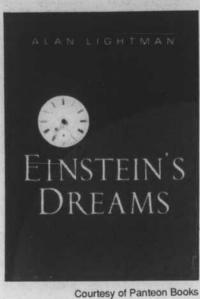
Lonely genius lives, loves, loses over time





"Einstein's Dreams" Alan Lightman Pantheon

"Einstein's Dreams" is a lovely book. Neatly bound in black, it fits snugly in an overcoat pocket - a book made to be held.

It's lovely in other ways as well. The first offering of fiction by Alan Lightman, who has written popularly on the subject of physics and the nature of time ("Ancient Light," "Time for the Stars"), "Einstein's Dreams" is a series of jewel-like vignettes, each examining a different

ferent rules.

Suppose time is a circle, bending back on itself. The world repeats itself, precisely, endlessly," the first

"dream" begins. In this world, lovers parting forever weep, not knowing they will meet and part again and again, having already done so in infinite repetitions.

What if time were a sense? Some would perceive it one way, some another. And the terrible unfortunates, the time blind, what of them?

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In another, time flows backward. One awakes in a bed, old and withered and senile, and slowly remembers the future as the gray washes out of one's hair. Life ends, safe and comfortable

Not all of these ideas are new, but

possible world where time obeys dif- the book aims beyond the science fiction surface at the human heart.

> In another world, time is a flock of birds they can be captured and held like that.

This great game of "what if" has a human dimension. For in all possible worlds, people are heartbroken by time; in every world there is not enough time to learn time's lessons before the end of a life that will always seem foreshortened looking back.

And among the dreams wanders the familiar disheveled dreamer, and into this beautiful book. Einstein. Still young himself, he has just finished his new theory of time. But he has been troubled by these

dreams of other kinds of time and would like to tell his friend, Besso.

But he never does; the distance between himself and other people can do nothing but widen as he learns to focus his mind on ideas further and further from common human con-

The air of sadness that surrounds him is due partly to the fact that we know his future: the divorce from his first wife, the growing old, and the terrible implications of his theory of

We inhabit a time different, if not in kind, from his own. We can watch him dozing on his cluttered desk in the patent office, but we are powerless to

The dreams fall unbroken into him

- Mark Baldridge

Bio uncovers



Courtesy of Little, Brown

"R.E.M. Behind the Mask" Jim Greer Little, Brown

Everything you ever wanted to know about Bill Berry, Peter Buck, Mike Mills and Michael



-collectively known as R.E.M. - is now available in an excellent hardback coffee-table book en-titled "R.E.M. Behind the

Written by Spin Magazine senior editor Jim Greer, "Behind the Mask" takes a detailed look at the college rock cult heroes that redefined contemporary music forever.

"Behind the Mask" is a fast-paced review of the band's brilliant career, taking an album-byalbum account that describes the music itself. It is not just an attempt to decipher the

meaning of lyrics and the "mystery" surrounding the band. The bulk of the book is spent describing the early days of R.E.M.'s career, but a fair amount is spent on current happenings. This combination gives it a smart and

Greer's book is packed with hundreds of full-color photographs and a few grim-looking black and whites that serve as a pictorial time line following the band from its early days in Athens, Ga., up to the multiplatinum effort

"Out of Time." The photos also, intentional or not, present a bit of humor in the eccentricities of Michael Stipe.

R.E.M.'s most recent album, "Automatic for the People," was left out of the book because of the uncharacteristically shortsix-month span

One of the more outstanding aspects of the book is its extensive interviews with Stipe and guitarist Peter Buck, something that has been missing in past R.E.M. write-ups.

The interviews answer some questions about e band's reported inner turmoil, including a feud between Buck and Stipe.

Other topics of discussion are politics, rap music and touring — a practice that came to a screeching halt after the 1989 "Green" tour.

The book does have low points, though, which involve a 15-plus page section that gives a complete discography, a list of guest appearances and a record of every show the band has ever played. I stopped counting at 200 pagesquite a hefty number of pages devoted to such a pointless topic that only seems to take up precious space.

Regardless, "Behind the Mask" is a must for every R.E.M. fanatic. It would also make interesting reading for any music lover who ever rocked to "Radio Free Europe" or got caught singing along with "Shiny Happy People."

In short, buy this book.

New sci-fi show making trax



By Sam Kepfield Staff Reporte

"Time Trax" (Saturdays, 5 p.m. on Fox) is the latest entry into TV's science fiction

While it does not have the record-breaking pull of "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine" which beat out network competition in some "Time Trax" bears watching.

The two-hour premiere on Jan. 23 intro-duced Captain Darien Lambert (Dale Midkiff), a law enforcement officer in the year 2193. Lambert and his superiors are bedeviled by disappearances of criminals and shady characters, all of whom vanish in the basement of the Smithsonian Institute.

Lambert is eventually led to a time-travel machine run by a renegade scientist. The scientist is making a profit off the missing criminals, who are seeking a one-way es-

cape into the past. The machine has a 200year limit, and has been in operation for ten

After the death of the lovely co-inventor of the TRAX project (and a budding love interest), Lambert goes back to 1993, in order to catch all the other time travelers and send them back to 2193. In the opening episode, he foils an assassination attempt on the president of the United States.

Lambert is aided by SELMA, a powerful mini-computer disguised as a credit card, appears holographically schoolmarmish.

The acting, through a cast of mostly unknowns, was a bit overdone during the first hour, but moderated soon after. The script, thus far, has interesting twists, both in its technology and its depiction of a United States where whites are a minority.

"Time Trax" bears a resemblance to the better episodes of "Buck Rogers" and "Battlestar Galactica."

Syndication may give "Time Trax" the breathing room that network TV fails to. Throw in good writing and good acting, and Time Trax" has definite possibilities.

Give it a look.

Jazz Festival to swing into town

By Sarah Duey Staff Reporter

Jazz will take over the campus this weekend with the 1993 Nebraska Jazz Festival.

Concerts are scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Kimball Hall. Tickets are available at the Lied Center box office.

The UNL Jazz Ensemble and the Air Combat Command Heartland of America "Noteables" Jazz Ensemble will perform in Thursday's concert. This performance is free -- Michael Lehr but requires a ticket.

The featured artist for the festival this year is trumpeter and composer Terence Blanchard. Blanchard worked on the score for the film "Malcolm X" as a composer, conductor, producer and performer. The Terence Blanchard Quintet will perform Friday. Tickets are \$18 and \$14 for the public, \$9 and \$7 for

Saturday's performance features the winner of the high school jazz band competition and the Nebraska Jazz Festival Orchestra with guest artists. Tickets are \$5 for the public and \$3 for students

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110 Announcements

Need to do cross-training for the April MCAT?

POSITIONS OPEN NEBRASKA UNION BOARD

Six positions are open on Union Board. The Board's recommendations are to be sought and given careful consideration in all aspects of Nebraska Union operations, programs and planning. Applications available at 115 Nebr. Union, deadline Friday, Feb. 5 at 4:00pm. Applications available at 115 Nebr. Union.

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ONGOING WEEKEND FORMAT, STILL TIME! February 6 & 7, 8:00am-5:00, E & D Associates, 486-3790.

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Information sheets are available at the Unices for Student involvement (200 NU city, 300 NU east), Culture Center and Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (124 Administration). They are due February 5.

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Attention! Laurie Collins Multicultural 330 Fell '92 students! We are meeting at Chi Chi's at 7:00pm Febr. 17 for a "Reunion'-No RSVP, just come! Buying used video games, Nintendo, SNES and Genesis Sunday, Feb. 7 from 12-5pm, Village Motor Inn. 5200 O St. Room 102

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Terence Blanchard

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10 HUNGRY PEOPLE to participate in the UPC WACKY WEDNESDAY Pie Eating Contest, WEDNESDAY 1 p.m. City Campus Lounge. Interested? Contact Travis 472-8146



By the numbers...

Dave Bower, Campus Program Director for the tolism and Drug Abuse Council of Nebraska, sesday, Feb. 3, 8:30 pm in the Selleck Continental g Room, Learn how to drink responsibly and still a great time, Chi-Chi's will begin serving free tails at 8:00 pm, For more info, call Dave, 436-0779.

Spokeswoman for Chinese Democracy Movement: Chai Ling; will be speaking in the Ball Room, Nebraska Union at 7:30pm Friday, February 5. Free for UNL stu-dents with ID, 54 at the door non-students. Call 472-1780 or stop in 117 Nebraska Union for information.

115 Meetings

Biology Club

Meeting Thursday, February 4 at 7:30pm in Room 118 Manter, Dr. Lynch will be the speaker. Refreshments provided. MARKETING CLUB

Thursday Feb. 4 at 6-7:00pm (Guaranteedl) in the City Union. New Members/All Majors Welcome! Phi Beta Lambda

Come join the excitement! Business meeting Thursday 6pm in Union. Casual attire. Rodeo Team

7 p.m., East Campus Union. Student Foundation

We are having a meeting SERIOUSLYII Come excited a new semester. This Thursday at 5pm in the Union. TCAB

Reminder of our meeting tomorrow, 5:30pm in Mabel. See you there!! Remember elections are coming up! WHAT NEXT!?!

Find out all the tricks of getting into Med. School, Law School, or Grad. School. Three featured speakers at the next

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General Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m. Wed., Feb. 3 Room 121 HAH All members and non-members are encouraged to attend!