

Police warn students of phony calls, fake surveys

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

University of Nebraska-Lincoln students should answer their telephone calls carefully for a while, said one UNL police officer.

Sgt. Mylo Bushing of the UNL Police Department said he had received a report from one student of a questionable telephone call, and expects more reports to follow.

Bushing said the student — a female living on campus — said she was contacted by a man claiming to be a representative of a major retail store. The caller asked the student personal questions, such as her address and telephone number.

Bushing said the student became suspicious when the caller contacted her parents and asked more personal questions.

"They were questions that had nothing to do with any kind of survey a store would be conducting," Bushing said.

The call to the student, he said, was made within the last week, and the student's report was filed with UNL Police on Tuesday.

Last January, UNL Police received several reports from students who were asked several personal questions by a male caller claiming to be conducting a survey for the UNL Department of Psychology.

Psychology department officials denied that such a survey was being conducted, and the caller was never identified.

Bushing said the recent caller might be the same man.

Students should be aware that they have no obligations to answer questions about any survey, Bushing said. If the calls persist, he said, the police should be contacted.

Also, he said, if students have caller ID, which identifies the telephone number from which a call originates, the number of any questionable surveys should be recorded, and given to the police if the calls persist.

Bushing said UNL Police were aware of only one current valid survey: a student health poll being conducted by the psychology department at the University Health Center.

"Any other surveys may or may not be for real," he said.

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case the remaining water pipe breaks. But, he said, it is not intended to scare Lincoln residents.

"The state of emergency does not ask for rationing," he said. "As long as the 36-inch main stays, we're in fine shape."

If the remaining pipe does break, Johanns said, the city's 80 million-gallon water reserves are full and would last up to four days.

If a water emergency would be declared, the city of Lincoln as well as the University of Nebraska-Lincoln would be forced to make drastic cutbacks in their water usage.

"If something does happen, we will request that university facilities reduce their water uses to critical uses only," said Gary Thalken, utilities manager of UNL facilities management.

The first area for water rationing on campus would be in utility plants, where the amount of water used in cooling towers is the highest on campus, he said.

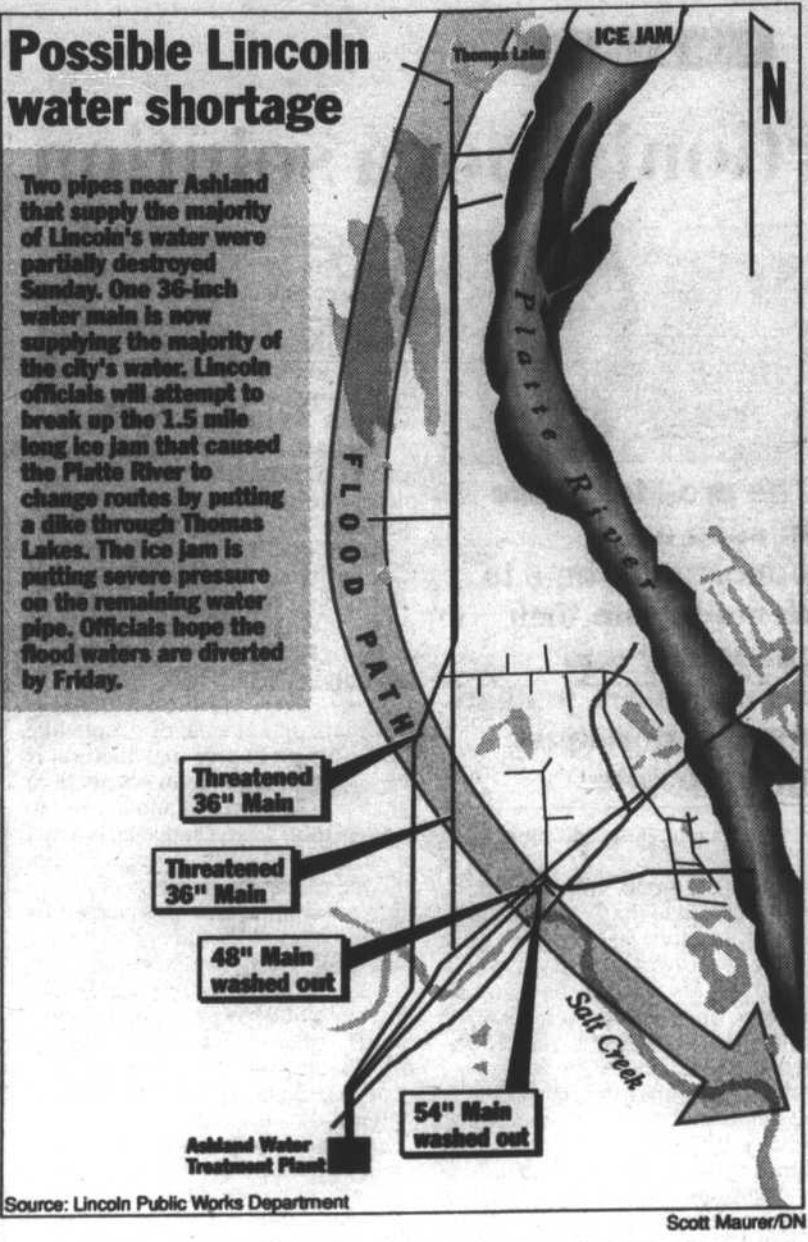
Doug Zatechka, director of housing, said no plan existed for potential water rationing.

But students would be informed if there was a water shortage, he said.

"I'm sure people would want to take showers, and I encourage them to do so," he said. "But don't make them half an hour steam baths; make them short and get out."

Possible Lincoln water shortage

Two pipes near Ashland that supply the majority of Lincoln's water were partially destroyed Sunday. One 36-inch water main is now supplying the majority of the city's water. Lincoln officials will attempt to break up the 1.5 mile long ice jam that caused the Platte River to change routes by putting a dike through Thomas Lakes. The ice jam is putting severe pressure on the remaining water pipe. Officials hope the flood waters are diverted by Friday.



Source: Lincoln Public Works Department

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UPC hears students' concerns

By Andrea Kaser
Staff Reporter

Although only five students showed up at an open forum Tuesday, members of the University Program Council heard ideas on how to spend student fees next year.

Nasim Suhayb, a freshman business major, said the University of Nebraska-Lincoln didn't offer enough events for minorities.

"We need something to not let them forget where they came from," Suhayb said.

Suhayb suggested that UPC bring in more speakers who were not necessarily geared toward entertainment but toward education.

"Something constructive telling me

something that I need to know," he said.

Suhayb also asked about the process of getting musical groups to come to UNL. He asked if there was any bias in deciding who comes.

Members said they did not have much choice in big-name artists, but that they would try to bring artists to serve every interest.

UPC President Gary Doyle said, if the council had to decide between conflicting events, council members would base their decision on which audience had been neglected.

"The problem that you're addressing is the problem we're dealing with all the time," he said.

Finding ideas for events that appeal to the 25,000 people at UNL is difficult, Fox said.

One thing the council learned, he

said, was that it needed to do a better job in communicating itself to the students, not only about how UPC works, but how open it is to student input.

Sandra Smith, a sophomore German major, suggested working with the Afrikan People's Union to get several musicians to come for a jam session.

Members said they would like to co-sponsor an event with the APU. They said that next year they would go personally to organizational meetings to announce events, instead of sending written announcements.

Tory Kort, a senior engineering major and president of Theta Xi Fraternity, asked members to try to hold events later on Monday evenings so Greeks could attend events after their chapter meetings, which are held in the early evening.

Emergency bill calls for increase in student fees

By Andrea Kaser
Staff Reporter

A bill calling for a 99-cent increase in student fees for Campus Recreation's repair and improvement fund may be brought upon emergency status at tonight's ASUN meeting.

The bill comes a week after the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska failed to override President Andrew Sigerson's \$1 veto on the Campus Recreation's original budget request.

To override the veto, 22 votes were necessary. The override failed by one vote.

Sigerson said his veto was in keeping with his promise to students for no student fee increases.

Andrew Peshek, business senator, said he was pushing the 99-cent increase because the original increase was approved unanimously two weeks ago, and only one senator supported the veto last week.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Red Cross Walk scheduled

From Staff Reports

The Lancaster County Chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor a 15-kilometer walk April 24.

Registration for the 11th annual Red Cross Walk will begin at 9 p.m. The walk will begin and end at the State Farm Insurance building

at 84th and O streets.

Those interested can pick up pledge sheets at the Red Cross, 1701 E St.; State Farm Insurance; or any Lincoln high school.

The walk's sponsors hope to raise \$14,000. The proceeds will be used to support Red Cross programs and services in Lancaster County.

Massengale may stay at NU until new president is chosen

From Staff Reports

NU President Martin Massengale, whose contract expires at the end of the year, might retain his job until a new president is found and installed, one NU regent said Tuesday.

John Payne, chairman of the University of Nebraska Board of Regents, said he expected the proposal to be approved at the regents' meeting Saturday morning in Varner Hall on East Campus.

Massengale announced in January that he would not seek an extension of his contract, which expires Dec. 31.

Payne said he made the proposal

because he thought it would make the transition period between presidents easier.

"It would be better for the university if we had someone in there at all times," he said.

When Massengale made his announcement two months ago, Payne suggested he be given an extension until June 1994, so the new president would not have to take over in the middle of the academic year.

But, Payne said, the idea was abandoned because several regents wouldn't accept it, and the new proposal appeared to be less problematic.

Massengale was unavailable for comment Tuesday.

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