

Adventure Golf follows through

Mini golfing center offers variety of fun



As far as miniature golf courses go, Lincoln's Adventure Golf Center is up to par.

In fact, it's better than average. With 36 holes of miniature golf, not to mention six batting cages and remote-controlled boats, Adventure Golf offers a slew of options for a family outing.

Adventure Golf is a well-groomed facility that is pleasing to the eye. Both of the 18-hole courses offer challenging miniature golf in pleasant surroundings.

The courses are built around a stream with a small waterfall that leads into a pond. Trees and shrubs outline the courses and are labeled for curious golfers.

Each course has a "cave" hole, in which the ball and golfer must pass through a cave-like structure. One of the courses has several water hazards, where an errant shot can send the ball into the drink.

Like most miniature golf courses, the holes look easier than they actually are.

Despite the lengthy drive from campus — the golf center is located on 56th Street just south of Old Cheney Road — Adventure Golf attracts many UNL students, owner Betsy Egan said.

"A lot of fraternities and sororities have groups come out, or have functions here," she said. "And a number of college students work here."

If you aren't much of a miniature golfer, take a swing in the batting cages.

The cages accommodate both softball and baseball players. This allows Adventure Golf to cater to more customers, Egan said.

Little league and other teams often rent the cages for batting practice, she said.

"It runs with the baseball and softball seasons," Egan said.

The family-owned center opened four years ago, after Egan decided to be her own boss and take the plunge into private enterprise, she said.

Opening a miniature golf course isn't cheap, Egan said. About \$100,000 was spent on landscaping alone.



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Craig McKee of Bellevue tries a different approach to putting at Adventure Golf Center, 56th and Old Cheney Road. Adventure Golf is Lincoln's only miniature golf center.

The investment shows.

Adventure Golf also happens to be the only game in town. Lincoln's other miniature golf center, Cool Crest Garden Golfing, on North 48th Street, recently closed down.

Egan said Adventure Golf was not about to follow suit, despite the heavy rains this summer.

The weather kept people away, she said, but the golf center is not about to close up shop.

In fact, the miniature golf course

was not really hurt by the wet weather, Egan said.

"Last year was bad weather too, so it was comparable to last year," she said. "We're doing alright."

—Matt Woody

Businesses deliver for restaurants that don't

SPOTLIGHT

So you're up studying and can't take a break.

But the hunger pangs have you in their grip, and the only thing in the fridge is pizza so old you can't tell what's on it.

If pizza doesn't sound attractive, try GoldenToes.

GoldenToes is not a restaurant. The business doesn't even make food. GoldenToes delivers food.

It is an idea whose time has come, at least to Lincoln, said Neil Tuzin, owner.

"We deliver food for places that don't deliver," he said.

Tuzin, along with his partner, Jeff Dodge — owner of Ramo's pizza — started the delivery service earlier this summer, and they've been running ever since.

"It's really exhausting. We work lots of hours," Tuzin said.

With three delivery drivers and a city-wide delivery area, GoldenToes is small, but very active, he said.

"We communicate with the drivers by radio," Tuzin said. "They're always in the field."

The company contracted with local area restaurants such as Subway, Spaghetti Works, George's Gyros and Taste of India, to name a few. They then printed a mega-menu which contains the complete menu of each restaurant.

When a customer calls GoldenToes, he or she can choose any item off any menu — though there is a \$10 minimum order.

GoldenToes then contacts the restaurants, places the order, picks it up and delivers it — all for a \$3 charge.

"Most of our business has not been students," Tuzin said.

"We think that's because school just started and they don't know about us yet."

This kind of food delivery service is not unique to Lincoln, Tuzin said. They're springing up in large university towns all over the country.

"But we're the original in Lincoln," he said. "We're the only one."

The only one — for now. GoldenToes is in for some competition soon.

Scott Gamet said his delivery service, Car Cafe, will open next week.

With contracts already negotiated — Runza, Tina's Cafe and Rio Grande have signed up — and more in the

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Stupid releases include spoof, sequel, soaps



Most of the new fall shows debut this week and it's a good thing too: this week's video releases leave much to be desired.

"Children of the Corn II" This sequel has absolutely nothing in common with Stephen King's short story that the original was based upon.

A reporter discovers a cellar full of dead bodies in a rural town. Soon after beginning his investigation, he finds local demon-possessed children are to blame. The only way to stop the

kids is to confront the cornfield. Ooh, so scary.

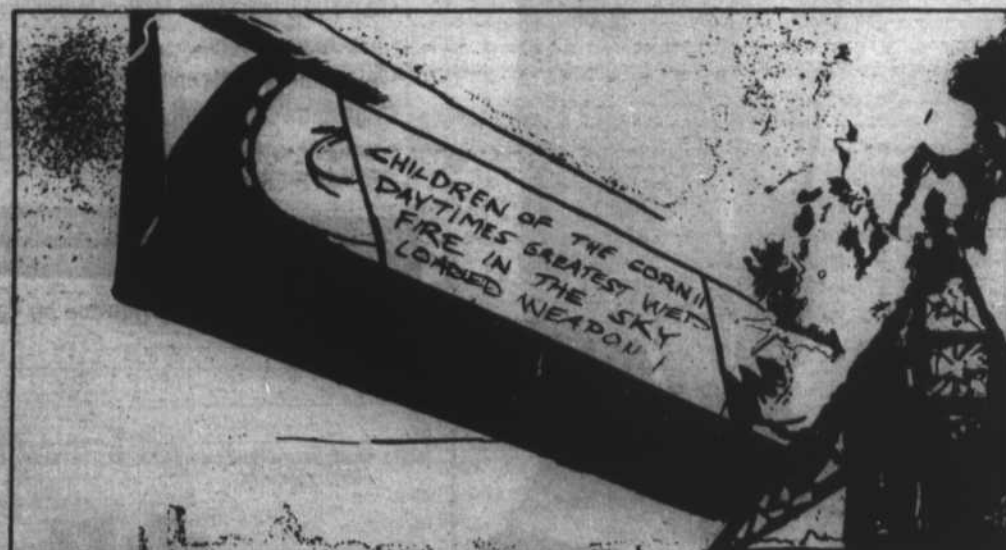
The only interesting factor — this alone may lead to a rental — of this pathetic video is that the action/horror is set in a fictional Nebraska town.

"Daytime's Greatest Weddings" A three volume set, including a tape devoted to each of the following: "All My Children," "General Hospital" and "One Life to Live."

The best in soap opera weddings detailed and celebrated. What more could a video renter want? Love, romance, life and death.

"Fire in the Sky" This videoboasts the supernatural and a premise supposedly based on actual events.

D.B. Sweeney stars as Travis Walton, an Arizona lumber worker, who in 1975 was captured by an alien spacecraft. His four co-work-



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ers also saw the UFO, but they fled and escaped unscathed. Walton was subjected to numerous inhuman experiments and tests, poked and prodded in ways not known to humans.

James Garner costars as an investigator who

suspects a government cover-up.

The acting is pretty good, but the real draw here is that these events really might have

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