

Audience performs at workshop

By Matthew Waite
Staff Reporter

Playing games is what it's all about. Audience participation is a must. Lunacy and comedy are the results. When it is done, everyone's sides hurt from laughing. And it is all made up on the spot — no scripts.

But University of Nebraska-Lincoln students don't need to go to a comedy club to experience this. Each Friday, the Nebraska Union becomes a comedy club where members of the audience are the performers.

"It's not like stand-up and it's not like theater," Greg Tavares said. Tavares, 25, is a theater graduate student and the comedy workshop instructor.

The workshops are staged from 10 to 11:30 p.m. Fridays in the Crib area, next to Burger King. Tavares and his group move all the chairs and tables from the room for their workshop.

They need all the space they can get.

"We do lots of silly games and warm-ups," Tavares said. "It's a total workshop situation where nothing is expected from anybody. We don't know what we're going to do."

Tavares also said the workshop had certain rules.

"Everybody warms up," he said. "Not everybody has to play, but everybody has to warm-up because the warm-up is silly. It's like camp games."

Patrick Tuttle, 23, also a theater graduate student, is a workshop regular.

"It's something that I've always wanted to do," he said, "to break out of a shell to be able to expose myself a lot."

The workshop was created last year during the spring semester when a group of four theater graduate students, including Tavares and Tuttle, started getting together on a regular basis.

Sharon Bigelow, 28, was part of the original group. She was also the only female.

She said playing the typical "girly" role wasn't for her, she wanted to be the evil stepmother.

This year the group wanted to get more people involved.

"It's growing," Tavares said. "Lots of people just come to watch, and lots come to play."

Tuttle said he wanted people to

"We're very normal people. We just have this need to take our clothes off every now and then."

— Tuttle
theater graduate student

think differently about the workshop.

"We don't want to be just a bunch of theater people geeking out," Tuttle said. "That's what everybody thinks all theater people do and we don't. We're very normal people. We just have this need to take our clothes off every now and then."

Bigelow said baring all wasn't the only enjoyable aspect of the workshop.

"It's also really fun to get past the normal, logical way of thinking and that's what I like about this," Bigelow said. "It brings out your impulses."

Tavares said his workshop served as an alternative to the bar scene or other Friday night activities.

"It's a safe thing because there is no alcohol," Tavares said.

RHA rejects grassy area because of safety reasons

By Mindy L. Leiter
Staff Reporter

The Residence Hall Association passed a resolution Sunday to oppose the removal of the parking lot north of the Nebraska Union for the creation of a green space.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Chancellor Graham Spanier has proposed Lot 17A be eliminated and be replaced by an open, grassy quadrangle.

The resolution passed by a vote of 18-1 with five abstentions. It was amended three times during debate.

RHA tabled the resolution at its Sept. 19 meeting to gather opinion from students in the halls. RHA senators said they found student residents opposed removal of the parking space.

Neihardt Sen. Jocelyn Breinster said most residents in her hall opposed the removal of the parking lot because of safety concerns.

She said students at Neihardt thought the money could best be used to fix Richards Hall and other UNL buildings that were in disrepair.

Pound President Sarah Wilmer said she held a meeting on creation of the green space. She said no one

she talked to supported the park. "A lot of the green space we have now on campus isn't used," she said.

The students also raised the issue of maintaining UNL's current green space, she said.

Wilmer also said the students were concerned about the overall safety on campus.

Burr President Doug Olson said students on East Campus were concerned with the removal of the lot because they used it when they had night classes.

Removal of that lot created a real safety concern for those students, he said.

Selleck Senator Ngai Cheng Leong said students at Selleck Hall supported the creation of the green area.

He said in a survey of 20 percent of the students at Selleck Hall, 57 percent of the students said they supported removing the lot.

RHA President Raquel Wright said she met with UNL Director of Housing Doug Zatechka about the resolution.

She said Zatechka had several concerns about supplementary staff who worked in the residence halls and parked in the lot north of the student union.

"He was particularly concerned about women kitchen workers who came to work before the sun rose and left work after the sun set," she said.

Beginning midnight Tuesday

3:08 a.m. — Sprinkler and alarm systems activated, Harper Residence Hall. Three students were in the fifth-floor study lounge of Harper Hall when the sprinkler heads began gushing water, soaking the students and their books and setting off the fire alarms. Reports

POLICE REPORT

indicate the sprinkler heads were damaged since their installation, probably leading to their activation. Damage, \$3,000.

7:05 a.m. — Larceny, Oldfather Hall, \$5.

2:23 p.m. — Books stolen, University Bookstore, \$420, recovered.

4:21 p.m. — Hood ornament stolen, Sandoz Residence Hall, \$50.

5:35 p.m. — Hood ornament stolen, 14th and Vine streets, \$50.

8:25 p.m. — Wallet stolen, Campus Recreation Center, \$17.

9:53 p.m. — Wallet stolen, Campus Recreation Center, \$65 loss, \$15 recovered.

10:52 p.m. — Backpack stolen, Love Library, \$129.

Malone

Continued from Page 1

be there," he said, noting that one home had been sold. "It looks like the project will be a success."

Patterson said a batch of new homes in the middle of an old, diverse neighborhood affects residents differently than a similar development in a new, uniform suburb.

"There is a much more diverse set of interests here," he said. "Here, you've got a large student population, a population of workers, professionals. ..."

Morgan, who coordinates the Malone Village development for the city, said the redevelopment of the Malone area was the last part of the huge, ongoing Radial Reuse Project.

In the mid-1970s, Lincoln voters turned down a controversial proposal to build a radial parkway, much like Capitol Parkway, paralleling Cornhusker Highway from downtown to 84th Street.

The city already had acquired much of the land needed for the road, so when the plan was scrapped, the Radial Reuse Project was born. Across the northern fringe of the city stretch a series of parks, bike paths and new homes developed on Radial Reuse land, Morgan said.

The Malone project, she said, was the last parcel of that land to be developed.

Trago Park, Malone Village and UNL's Beadle Center area had been filled with housing once, Morgan said. But the properties withered during years of indecision over the radial highway project and university plans to expand.

"A lot of homes were badly deteriorated because nobody invested in those properties," she said. "They had an uncertain future."

Jacobsen

Continued from Page 1

Conference in August that U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno attended and Nelson chaired.

"We all know we have problems, but we need to address them," Jacobsen said. "We need a governor that is more than ceremonial in his duties."

Jacobsen criticized Nelson for "sitting on the sidelines" and not supporting an anti-crime package submitted to the Legislature by Attorney General Don Stenberg.

Nelson was idle while state senators diluted Stenberg's once-tough proposal that eventually called for boot camps for less serious and first-

"What we're hoping is a few units get sold and pick up the momentum."

— Grenemeier
realtor

Eventually, the university and city came to own much of the land. In 1987, a committee comprised of city, UNL and neighborhood representatives met to decide how far the university would expand to the east and what would be done with the remaining land.

"The idea was to come to some agreement as to how far the university would develop," Morgan said, "to come up with a buffer."

Fifteen months of meetings produced Trago Park, which lies between UNL's Beadle Center and Malone Village.

Morgan called the consensus-building between the city, UNL and the neighborhood a long but fruitful process.

"Everyone became more aware of everyone else's needs," she said. "Everyone agreed this was the best solution for all of the parties."

She said that when the idea for Malone Village was formed, designers had in mind a low-density, residential area, made up of homes designed to resemble other houses in the neighborhood.

"It was not the desire of the neighborhood to just build housing for students," Morgan said, "as much as we love them."

"We thought there was a need and potential to bring back families, faculty, graduate students," she said. "We think we will capture these various markets."

time offenders, he said.

Jacobsen also said if he were elected he would put emphasis on growth of the state's agricultural sector in promoting economic development.

"Agriculture is the number one industry in Nebraska," the GOP candidate said. "We need to utilize that industry as we go out across the country."

State government could be run like a big business, he said, and the chief executive officer of that corporation must also be a good manager.

That is not occurring with the current administration, Jacobsen said.

"There is simply not good management right now," he said. "We need someone who'll be a manager — and get things done."

PRINCIPLES OF SOUND RETIREMENT INVESTING



IF YOU THOUGHT COLLEGE WAS EXPENSIVE, TRY PUTTING YOURSELF THROUGH RETIREMENT.

Think about supporting yourself for twenty-five, thirty years or longer in retirement. It might be the greatest financial test you'll ever face. Fortunately, you have one valuable asset in your favor. Time.

Time to take advantage of tax-deferral. Time for your money to grow.

But starting early is key. Consider this: if you begin saving just \$100 a month at age thirty, you can accumulate \$172,109* by the time you reach age sixty-five. Wait ten years and you'd need to set aside \$219 a month to reach the same goal.

At TIAA-CREF, we not only understand the value of starting early, we can help make it possible—with flexible retirement and tax-deferred annuity plans, a diverse portfolio of investment choices, and a record of personal service that spans 75 years.

Over a million people in education and research are already enrolled in America's largest retirement system. Find out how easy it is to join them. Call today and learn how simple it is to put yourself through retirement when you have time and TIAA-CREF on your side.

Start planning your future. Call our Enrollment Hotline 1 800 842-2888.



75 years of ensuring the future for those who shape it.



*Assuming an interest rate of 7.00% credited to TIAA Retirement Annuities. This rate is used solely to show the power and effect of compounding. Lower or higher rates would produce very different results. CREF certificates are distributed by TIAA-CREF Individual and Institutional Services.