

# Security up, barricades down

From Staff Reports

University and city officials are stepping up security for Saturday's football game, but they're also taking down barricades.

Construction crews will open 10th Street next to Memorial Stadium for the game against Iowa State.

Meanwhile, UNL officials are warning orange throwers to beware.

Security personnel will be videotaping the crowd at Memorial Stadium on Saturday and at the Nov. 26 game against Oklahoma to

identify orange throwers.

"Anyone we can identify as having thrown an orange will be removed from the stadium and possibly prosecuted," UNL Police Chief Ken Cauble said.

Cauble said throwing oranges or other objects on the playing field was a violation of UNL policies and could be a violation of Nebraska statutes.

"A few years ago, we had an officer become permanently disabled when he was struck in the back by an orange," he said.

## Race

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tively.

At the EconoRun finish, the three overall winners will receive awards of \$20,000, \$10,000 and \$5,000. Each participating school will receive a \$1,000 award.

Behrends said because he was hoping to capture the first-place scholarship prize for UNL, he and Curry have determined their strategy.

"We're going to drive behind all the semis we can," he said.

Behrends said this race would be more than countless miles of interstate driving.

The students will be entertained nightly with activities such as a motivational speech by Dan Ruettinger, the star of the movie "Rudy."

They also will tour Universal Studios in Los Angeles and watch the taping of either the "Tonight Show" or the "Arsenio Hall Show."

Behrends said the participants would stop in Lincoln on Wednesday and stay at The Cornhusker Hotel.

Curry, who is the fund-raising chairwoman

for the UNL Marketing Club, said participants would have several opportunities to meet with marketing executives from across the country.

"I hope to gain some contacts; I want to talk to the marketing coordinators of the contest," Curry said. "I think I will gain a different business point of view and better communication skills. This is a great opportunity for that."

Curry said the EconoRun trip would be free for her and Behrends. The plane tickets, hotel costs and three meals per day are all paid for by SCCA.

"This is an opportunity of a lifetime. They're paying me to have fun, and I'm going to be gaining all of these contacts, too," she said.

Behrends said the purpose of the contest was to emphasize fuel economization to college students.

"I think fuel economizing is really important to college students because you have to budget your money and get as many miles as you can out of the car you drive," he said.

"I'm going to learn how to get the most miles out of a tank of gas."

Curry said the contest would also promote conserving gas to save the environment.

## General

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Grobsmith said changes in enrollment sizes for required classes would decide where funding would be applied. The money also would be used for faculty development seminars and other expenses, she said.

Robert Bergstrom, an English professor and chairman of the general education requirements committee, said concerns about the program burdening the College of Arts and Sciences were invalid.

"There may be a couple of various classes where there would be some stress (in increased enrollment)," Bergstrom said.

"In general I don't think arts and sciences is going to be stressed much more than it is now."

Bergstrom and Grobsmith both said concerns about ambiguity in the proposal were unjustified. Bergstrom said the proposal didn't have any grey areas.

"There was deliberate flexibility," Bergstrom said. "No committee can tell any faculty member what to do in their classroom."

Bergstrom said the proposal would not add to the time students would spend at UNL. Some colleges would not approve the proposal if students had to add an extra semester, he said.

## Bjorklund

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"I mean we was at that point, it was real borderline about whether anybody was going to f---ing go home."

Bjorklund said he thought of shooting Scott Barney, but couldn't bring himself to do it.

Bjorklund told Sorensen on June 5 that he shot Harms for humane reasons.

"That just doesn't make any sense," Sorensen told Bjorklund during the questioning. "That's not humane. Shooting someone is not humane."

Sorensen told defense attorneys that during his conversations with Bjorklund, he provided favors not required by law when he bought Bjorklund cigarettes and Diet Pepsi.

Bjorklund smoked in a non-smoking room in the Lincoln Police Department while he was questioned, Sorensen said.

"I wanted to listen," Sorensen said. "I didn't care where in the police department he smoked."

Chief Public Defender Scott Helvie asked Sorensen if allowing defendants to smoke was standard practice.

"It makes them more comfortable," Sorensen said. "It's something that I do to make their situation a little more bearable."

"To me, it's not that big of a deal. It doesn't

bother me, so I let them do it."

Allowing Bjorklund to smoke didn't affect his charges in any way, he said. Sorensen said he made no promises to Bjorklund nor attempts to coerce a confession during the conversations.

Sorensen secretly tape recorded his conversations with Bjorklund May 25 and June 5.

Bjorklund talked more freely when a tape recorder wasn't in front of him, Sorensen said.

Sorensen said he did nothing illegal by not telling Bjorklund he was recording their conversation. And, Sorensen said, he did not use deception tactics when interrogating Bjorklund.

"There was nothing to lead Mr. Bjorklund to believe this was going to be an off-the-record conversation," Sorensen said.

Sorensen informed Bjorklund his Miranda rights, he said, which state anything Bjorklund says can be used against him in court.

The hidden recorder was ready to go when Sorensen arrived with Bjorklund on May 25.

"There was a chance that he would come to the police department," Sorensen said. "I was prepared for that."

During the May 25 conversation, Bjorklund told Sorensen he was confused about the definition of rape.

Sorensen told Bjorklund rape was "forced penetration into any body cavity." Bjorklund has earlier confessed to sexually assaulting Harms with his fingers.

## Roger Bjorklund's confession

Jurors during Thursday's hearing listened to tapes from the May 25 and June 5 conversations between Detective Sgt. Greg Sorensen and defendant Roger Bjorklund. The following excerpts are from the conversations played for jurors during Bjorklund's first-degree murder trial. The sentences appear in their original form according to court documents.

Q — Sorensen  
A — Bjorklund

Q: So in your statement you were making, penetrate her with your fingers. That's sexual assault.  
A: Okay.  
Q: So that's why they got you charged with sexual assault. And even if you had just fondled her, Scott Barney had sexual intercourse with her while she was with you and Scott Barney. You knew he raped her. You say that in your statement. So he raped her. By your definition of rape which is penal/vaginal intercourse. By your definition, he raped her. You saw it. You didn't do anything to stop it. You didn't tell him, "Don't do that. Leave her alone. Go away," and you had a gun too. You could have told him to get away from her. But you didn't do any of that. True?  
A: Yeah I could have told him to get the hell away from her.  
Q: But you didn't. So that's why they got you charged with  
A: Well see that's where there, there's again my basis of understanding of how ah, a person is charged. Okay? That's why I asked you know what, you know it depends on the definition. Cuz I was unclear at that time.  
Q: Okay. So you're unclear what the actual definition of rape is.  
A: Yeah.  
Q: You think rape is forced penal/vaginal intercourse.  
A: Yeah that's what I thought it was. Or think it is.  
Q: Well so is that the only reason you didn't have intercourse with her?  
A: No that ain't the reason why.  
Q: Okay. So I don't understand. You realize that ignorance of the law isn't an excuse or isn't a defense because you thought that okay if I just put my fingers inside of her, I can't get charged with rape.  
A: I never thought about anything getting charged with anything.  
Q: Why?  
A: Cuz I, I wasn't thinking about whether I was going to get charged with something. You know I didn't sit there and go, "Well I wonder you know what would I get charged with here," what have you. I mean any part of me touches your body lasts a total of maybe less than a minute. And I asked her you know I go, "Have you ever had sex?" and she said, "No." I thought fuck this shit you know.  
Q: Yeah but  
A: And that's when, that's when I backed off and, and ah, you know I, you know obviously I had some concern for her.

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Q: Okay. When you fell, she made a noise. Did she scream, did she go ouch, like she was hurt, did she make some kind of noise?  
A: Uhm, not that I can remember now, 8 months, 9 months later. No I really don't remember that taking place. What I do remember is to this day I can still remember hear those two shots going off, and then I remember when we got back in the car and me and Barney were arguing. Him talking about him having something like the taste of something in his mouth.  
Q: Like the blowback from the round, he had blood in his mouth?  
A: Yeah.  
Q: And that's going to happen if he was that close. I'm surprised you didn't get blood on you.  
A: You know. I would, I had, he's facing north and he stepped up and it's almost directly behind her, it had to be and I was off to, what would have been her right and, cause I got up and I was heading back towards the road.  
Q: You mean after you had fallen on her?  
A: Yeah. I got up and stood back up and I turned away to go and head back up the road, and that's when he stepped up there and I heard the the shot and I turned like this and there was one shot and then two shots, I think it was just two, I don't if it had been three or whatever, and that caught me fully by surprise and I said what the fuck you doing. Then I headed right back towards the fucking, I got, just went got back in the car, then he come up later and got in the drivers side and we drove away.  
Q: But you know, you go back and get the blanket and hear the noises when you go back and shoot her three, four, five times with the .38. You know when you say this, the reason you did this was you didn't want her to suffer.  
A: Well all I can do is tell you what I saw, what, how it sounds, I can't answer that.  
Q: Well, what would you think if I told you I shot somebody five times because I didn't want them to suffer there's a lot of different alternatives to keep somebody from suffering. You could like pick her up take her to the car, you already got the gun with ya, you get the gun, you take her back, you shoot Scott Barney, you put her in the car and take her to the hospital.  
A: I almost shot Scott Barney.  
Q: Well, almost doesn't count except in horse shoes it don't count here.  
A: Well, I couldn't bring myself to shoot him.  
Q: You brought yourself to shoot Candi. Why couldn't you shoot him? He shot her, so you say, why couldn't you bring yourself to shoot that sucker?  
A: That almost happened more than on one occasion.  
Q: Yeah. Well, that was what you say now Roger. Some of the stuff you say just doesn't make any sense at all. Whether or not you actually had intercourse with her, whether or not you intended to kill her when you were going out to 134 and Yankee Hill.  
A: There was no discussion about that at all.

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