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Gateway's new shops appreciate business

By Elizabeth Gamboa
Staff Reporter

This summer, several new stores opened at Gateway Mall, making the shopping center more appealing to students. The new stores have received positive response from students, mainly because of their convenient location.

"I think the mall is a lot better now that all the new stores are open," University of Nebraska-Lincoln freshman Bridget Barry said.

The Limited Inc. opened several stores in the mall due to the success of The Limited: Victoria's Secret, Structure, Express Internationale and Bath and Body Works. All four opened within the past two months. These stores were formerly available in the Omaha area.

UNL students account for many of the clientele at the lingerie store Victoria's Secret, popularizing the cotton items of clothing. Since its opening, the Gateway store has reached No. 1 for sales in the region.

Structure, a men's clothing store, has become a popular location for fraternity members to buy blazers for Monday night dinners. Although the store is geared toward middle-aged men, many college students are attracted to the clothing, which ranges from flannel and thermal to ties and dress pants.

Structure employee Jeremy McCartney said, "A lot of male college students do come and buy things here. A lot of girls do, too."

Bath and Body Works has been swamped since opening. The store sells scented beauty products, aromatherapy items and bath accessories. Express Internationale sells women's clothing ranging from nylons and earrings to jeans and dresses.

Camelot, a music store, opened its first Lincoln location at Gateway on July 23. Camelot

carries laser discs, videos, CDs and tapes spanning all types of music.

Other new stores include Merry-Go-Round and Gadzooks, two clothing stores for young men and women.

John Otto, a UNL junior psychology major shopping at the mall, said of the new additions, "It's nice to have more men's clothes available nearby."

Helzburg Diamonds opened at the end of August and has already become very busy. Manager Michelle Lewis said the store had served many UNL students during its first week alone.

More stores will be opening soon at Gateway Mall, including Glamour Shots, Roger's Jewelers, Sunglass Hut and Gloria Jean's Coffee.

'Some pig' weaves way into theater

Quik Facts

Show: "Charlotte's Web"

At: The Lincoln Community Playhouse Children's Theatre, 2500 S. 56th St.

Times: 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 2:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 15-18 and Sept. 23-25.

Tickets: Adults \$10, Youth \$7. Available at Playhouse Box Office.

By Joel Strauch
Senior Reporter

"SOME PIG" reads the amazing advertisement that is woven into "Charlotte's Web," the 1994-95 opening production of the Lincoln Community Playhouse Children's Theatre.

It is a retelling of E.B. White's original classic about the adventures of every kid's favorite pig, Wilbur, who is saved from slaughter by an industrious, not to mention linguistic, spider named Charlotte.

Lenette Schwinn, the play's producer, said, "This script is exceptional. It uses a lot of the author's own words."

Deb Martin, the director of the play, said, "A lot of times when someone adapts a story, they make a lot of changes. That's what is wonderful about Joseph Robinette's (the playwright's) play. People feel that they are back in the story."

Wilbur (played by Mike Duling) is the runt of the litter and is saved from destruction by Fern Arable (played by Emily Rieur). Wilbur, under Fern's care, grows up to be a happy but portly pig that befriends a barn spider named Charlotte (played



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Emily Rieur, who plays Fern, and Mike Darling, who plays Wilbur the pig, perform in a dress rehearsal for the play "Charlotte's Web."

by Arlene Mendoza).

When Charlotte learns that her friend is targeted for a transformation into bacon and ham, she weaves bragging remarks about Wilbur into her web.

"The story is wonderful. It sells itself," Schwinn said. "The performers did an excellent job. It made a great combination."

The play opened last weekend at the playhouse children's theatre to very receptive audiences.

"It was great. We had big crowds and a lot of happy families," Schwinn said.

"It went very, very well," Martin said. "We had a lot of sellout performances and really good response from all ages of audience members."

In fact, the play went well enough that it has been extended for another weekend. In addition to the shows that will be performed this Thursday through Sunday, there will be a 7:00 p.m. show on Friday, Sept. 24 and a

2:00 p.m. show on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 25 and 26. The performance this Saturday will be interpreted for the hearing-impaired.

"The performers were excited to hear that there was going to be an extra week," Martin said. "But some of them have to glue noses and other make-up items on and were wondering how their faces would hold up."

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for youth and are available at the Playhouse Box Office.

Seed to play for free at Hurricane

By Joel Strauch
Senior Reporter

The Austin, Texas-based band Seed is being planted at Lincoln's Hurricane tonight.

Performing the first show of their three-week tour, the alternative-pop band will be joined by two other southern bands, Dah-veed and Wakeland.

Seed has opened for such national bands as Stone Temple Pilots and Blind Melon.

Seed is definitely sprouting. Paula Hogan, the band's publicist, said "They're a blossoming new band."

The young band members (none of them are older than 22) recorded their album "Ling" last year and it

debuted in June of this year.

"Response to their music has been great. The radio has been pumping them out and MTV is giving them support," Hogan said.

The band recently did a live performance and an interview for MTV's "120 minutes."

"They've been placed on a video rotation on MTV and will be appearing on Conan O'Brien's show on September 22," she said.

The band has been playing in their hometown area to gear up for this tour, Hogan said.

"They also played at a 17-band concert in Cleveland," she said. "They jammed on stage with Candlebox."

Troy "Bubba" Way, formerly the sound man of the Hurricane and now the new manager, is stoked to have the band play in Lincoln.

"They are great. We got their CD about 2 weeks ago and it hasn't left the CD player yet," he said.

"It's a good, good, good, good album."

As well as radio play on the east coast, the band has received a lot of local play.

The 19-and-over show will be well within the price range of most UNL students: free.

"The cover is two dollars and UNL students get in free with their student I.D.," Way said. "It's a low-dough show."



Courtesy of Giant Records

The members of Seed are, from left: Kyle Schneider, Chadwick Salls, Gabriel Ordonez and Dean Truitt.

People

Winfrey runs 25K

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Oprah Winfrey got cheers for finishing a 15.5-mile run in hot, humid weather in a respectable 2 1/2 hours.

The 40-year-old talk-show host limped slightly as she walked off the effects of Sunday's City of Lakes 25K.

"This took a toll. Even though I am getting into this running thing, the conditions today were difficult," Winfrey said. Humidity was high, and temperatures were in the 70s.

Winfrey said she planned to attempt her first marathon this fall.

Streep hopes for female audience

NEW YORK (AP) — Meryl Streep hopes her new movie "The River Wild" will appeal to girls.

"I made a movie that my girls would be excited to see," the mother of four said in the October issue of Glamour magazine.

"They could put themselves in the hero's role and project without it being a burly man, without having to make the leap that girls are used to making."

Streep plays a whitewater enthusiast who is kidnapped while on a family river trip.