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## TUESDAY

### WEATHER:

Today - Mostly sunny.

Mild. Southwest wind  
5 to 10 mph.

Tonight - Mostly clear.

Low in lower 40s.



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## Clog it up



Jay Calderon/DN

Members of the Capital City Cloggers perform at St. Elizabeth Hospital Sunday afternoon.

## Dance club to host toe-tapping workshop

By Jennifer Walker  
Staff Reporter

Olivia Harrison's love for clogging began at a celebration where dancers performed.

"It just looked like fun," said the director of Lincoln's Capital City Cloggers. "... the next thing I knew, I was taking lessons."

From then on, Harrison was a woman obsessed.

Clogging is a lot like tap dancing. Cloggers wear a laced-up, oxford-style shoe. It's like a tap shoe but has a loose metal piece that makes noise when dancers shake their feet.

Harrison describes clogging as her mission. She teaches every day at the Capital City Cloggers, 8030 O St., and has made clogging a family tradition. Her son, daughter-in-law and seven of her grandchildren all clog. The Capital City Cloggers will host the third annual "Clog Your Socks Off" clogging workshop and exhibition Oct. 6-7.

About 300 registered cloggers from five states will gather in St. John's Gymnasium, 7601 Vine St., for two days of toe-tapping fun, said Geri Lorenzen, a two-year member of the Capital City Cloggers. The public is welcome at an exhibition Oct. 7 at 6 p.m. A \$3 donation is suggested.

The workshop will be led by nationally recognized instructors Simone Pace of Lyman, S.C., and Chip Woodall of Augusta, Ga.

Pace, a traveling instructor, leads workshops across the country. She also organizes

the Miss America Clogger Pageant. The pageant works like the Miss America Pageant, but all entrants clog in the talent competition.

Woodall, another traveling instructor, has taught clogging since he was 12 and now coordinates choreography for the National Clogging Convention.

Clogging began in the United States and is influenced by international cultures. German dance, the Scottish Highland Fling, the Irish Jig, Cherokee dances and traditional African-American dancing are the major influences, Harrison said.

"As a result of all these ingredients," she said, "this distinctive type of American dance

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## Phillips seeks help in clinic

By Jeff Zeleny  
and Trevor Parks  
Senior Reporters

Suspended Nebraska I-back Lawrence Phillips sought medical help last week in Kate McEwen's hometown.

Phillips, who was found guilty of assaulting McEwen, received treatment in The Menninger Clinic, a world-renowned psychiatric hospital in Topeka, Kan., the Daily Nebraskan learned Monday.

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said during the weekly Big Eight Teleconference that Phillips completed some kind of an evaluation, but a report regarding

his condition had not yet been written and sent to Nebraska.

"He's been evaluated this past week extensively, and he's undergone some rather intense counseling," Osborne said. "I haven't gotten any reports back yet ... We'll kind of take it one step at a time, and we'll see where he is in the next three to four weeks."

Phillips, who was considered a top candidate for the Heisman Trophy, was dismissed from the Nebraska football team Sept. 10, following his arrest.

He later was charged with third-degree assault on McEwen, a sophomore guard on the NU women's basketball team. He also was charged with trespassing in the home of transfer quarterback Scott Frost.

Osborne has said Phillips could return to the team in as soon as one month if he got treatment to control his anger. Osborne declined to confirm Phillips' whereabouts last week, but said the junior from West Covina, Calif., returned to Lincoln Friday night.

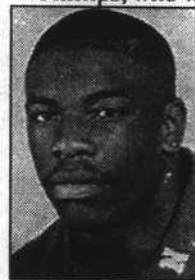
If that suspension were to end, Phillips could be back Oct. 14 for Nebraska's game against Missouri. Osborne said that if Phillips did not return for that game, he may return the next weekend for the game against Kansas State.

But a lot of things would have to fall into place for that to happen, Osborne said.

"I've also said it's important that he put certain things behind him," Osborne said. "I don't believe Lawrence is psychotic, but he did have that outburst and he has to deal with it."

Osborne also said that policies involving the UNL Student Code of Conduct would have to be examined. Also, doctors would have to state Phillips' anger was under control.

The Menninger Clinic is a non-profit hospital. It was named the best psychiatric center in the United States, according to U.S. News & World Report, a hospital spokeswoman said.



Phillips

## Bill jeopardizes student aid

By Paula Lavigne  
Senior Reporter

Next fall, some students may not have to wait in line for their Stafford Loans—because they may not have a loan to wait for.

Federal financial aid, which accounts for about 75 percent of all financial aid, is on the chopping block, and Congress holds the axe.

Congress will decide Sunday on an appropriations bill that would cut \$10.5 billion from the Stafford loan program.

The proposal goes on to include cuts in Pell Grants, Federal Work Study, Perkins Loans and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants.

It also caps the Direct Student Loan program at 40 percent of current borrowing, without regard for inflation.

For the 10,000 UNL students who rely on federal loans, the cuts may mean building up more debt, taking a second job, dropping out or not being able to attend college in the first place.

Those who support the cuts say they will help balance the budget and relieve pressure on taxpayers.

But John Beacon, director of scholarships and financial aid, said students would bear an unfair burden of the cuts.

And the reason is simple, he said. Congress members want to keep their jobs, Beacon said, so when they make cuts, they look toward the people who are less likely to vote them out of office, or "the path of least resistance."

That path leads to students who are in the 18 to 24 voting age group, which had the lowest voter turnout in the 1992 presidential election.

"My concern is that this is going to sneak up on students," he said. "By the time students realize it, it will be too late."

In the long run, Beacon said, students may be able to stop the financial aid axe by writing their representative in Congress to protest.

"I would stand on the top of the dome of the library and shout, 'Contact your Congressmen and tell them: Don't cut federal aid,'" he said—if that would make a difference.

The cost of a stamp or a phone call to a Congress member will pale in comparison to a student's tuition bill next year, he said, but students still aren't listening.

For the five students waiting in line Monday to pick up their Stafford

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## Financial Aid Cuts

About 75 percent of all financial aid comes from the federal government. A Congressional bill proposes these cuts:



- Eliminate 6-month grace period for loan repayment.
- Cut \$10.5 billion from Stafford Loan Program.
- Remove 280,000 students from the Pell Grant Program.
- Increase the origination fee on new loans by one percent.
- Eliminate the interest rate reduction scheduled for 1998.
- Eliminate the Department of Education.
- Cap Federal Direct Student Loan Program at 40 percent of new borrowing.
- Initiate a Campus Gag Rule to cut all federal funds to universities that allow student activity fees to be used to fund campus-based groups involved in activities aimed at influencing public policy.