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Today - Mostly sunny and cooler. Northwest wind 10 to 20 mph.
Tonight - Mostly clear & cool. Low in the lower 30s.

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Hurricane to contest revocation

By Ted Taylor
Staff Reporter

The owners of the Hurricane plan to fight the City Council's decision to revoke the bar's liquor license.

The council voted unanimously at its meeting Monday to revoke the license. But Jack Hanrahan, co-owner of the Hurricane, 1108 O St., said he would appeal the vote to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission.

The council's decision came just two weeks after the commission suspended the bar and dance club's license for repeated liquor violations.

Hanrahan said he was not surprised by the council's decision.

"The City Council wants to make a stand on certain liquor licenses," he said, "ones that seem to involve the students of the University of Nebraska."

Hanrahan said his attorney, Mike Johnson, had already begun the appeal process. The club has 20 days to present an appeal to the state liquor commission.

The Hurricane will remain open during the appeal.

Council chairwoman Cindy Johnson cited the club's inability to "go along with the process" as one of the factors that led to the decision.

Council member Curt Donaldson said the club did too little, too late in response to the council's and liquor commission's requests.

Despite the two recent legal setbacks, Hanrahan remains optimistic on the future of one of Lincoln's most popular nightspots.

"We are confident the liquor commission will look at the changes we've made," he said. "They will leave all the politics out of their decision. Once they see the changes, I believe they will give us another chance."

He also said he was disappointed that some local artists have not supported the club throughout the recent controversy.

"I am amazed local bands haven't shown any interest with our situation," he said. "We don't seem to have the city's music scene behind us."

Chris Hadfield, guitarist for the local band Heroes and Villains, which performs regularly at the Hurricane, said that wasn't the case.

"We are 100 percent behind them," he said. "But if they've broken the law, I am not sure what we can do to help. We would love to help them any way we can."

Hanrahan said the bar would remain a part of the downtown scene even if the appeal was denied.

"We will never be shut down," Hanrahan said. "We have a lease to honor and we intend to honor that lease, with or without a liquor license."

The Nebraska Liquor Control Commission will hear the Hurricane's appeal Nov. 8 and 9.

Sober singers



Jeff Haller/DN

Members of Scarlet and Cream perform at the Lied Center Monday night at Do It Sober, a homecoming event sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity and Alpha Phi Sorority. Following the performance, Carolyn Cornelison spoke about her experiences as an alcoholic in college.

Speaker shares story of alcohol abuse

By Angie Schendt
Staff Reporter

Carolyn Cornelison enjoyed drinking and partying in college because of the attention and the sense of belonging she got from it—and because of a drinking song.

"Here's to sister Carolyn, sister Carolyn, sister Carolyn. Here's to sister Carolyn cause she's with us tonight ..."

Cornelison spoke to a nearly full audience at the Lied Center of Performing Arts Monday night at the 12th annual "Do It Sober." The event was sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity and Alpha Phi Sorority.

Cornelison is a national speaker for Real World Productions and also is director of Special Programs for the Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students Peer Education Network.

When she was an undergraduate at Georgia State University, she was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority and was involved on

campus with activities, including drinking.

"I left my undergraduate experience as an alcohol abuser," Cornelison said.

Even at the beginning of her college years, she said she showed signs of being an alcoholic. She said she could drink more than anybody else.

Cornelison said she also experienced blackouts, another sign that she was an alcoholic. Blackouts are different from passing out, she said, because a blackout is a chemically induced temporary amnesia.

"People who are not alcoholics do not experience blackouts," Cornelison said.

Developing loss of control is another sign, she said. She could not predict how many drinks she would have or what she would do when she got drunk.

Her sorority sisters started commenting on her behavior when she was drunk and suggested that maybe she should cut back. Throughout her seven years of drinking,

friends had suggested that she quit for a while, but they never held her accountable for her actions, she said.

Instead, she said, three driving under the influence violations, a totaled car and several scary blackouts finally made her seriously admit to herself and a close friend that she had a problem.

"I had a problem," she said. "A very serious problem."

The friend helped her and told her about Alcoholics Anonymous. Through the 12-step program, she has been sober for 12 years.

Cornelison said she did not always like sharing her stories because she was not proud of them.

"But I wanted to share my personal experience because I think it means more than anything I can do," she said.

"Here's to sister Carolyn because she is with us today."

Nebraskans join million in unity march on Capitol

By Jeff Zeleny
Senior Reporter

As Eric Shanks marched on the nation's capital Monday, the sound of drum beats signaled a great potential for change.

"It was an incredible thunder," Shanks said, hours after he joined hundreds of thousands of black men in the Million Man March. "Stretching from the capital lawn, beyond the Lincoln Memorial was a sea of people like one that had never before been gathered in the history of this country, much less the history of the world."

Shanks, a 1987 University of Nebraska-Lincoln graduate, traveled by bus with 42 Nebraskans to join Nation

of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan in a peaceful day of praying and singing in racial unity. The group will return to Omaha tonight.

"After we left Omaha, each stop we began to see more and more and more black men," Shanks said. "In a sense, the spirit of the march began when we left. Never in my life have I heard so much politeness, so much good will."

Shanks spoke to the Daily Nebraskan late Monday from Pennsylvania. The Nebraska men—including Omaha Sen. Ernie Chambers—joined groups from nearly every state in the country, as well as from Trinidad and the Dominican Republic.

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UNL home page gets upgrade

By Paula Lavigne
Senior Reporter

UNL is renovating its Internet home page, but it doesn't want vandals sneaking in the back door.

Dec Ann Allison, Automated Systems Office coordinator and professor of libraries, said a Campus-Wide Information Systems group is making the University of Nebraska-Lincoln home page more user-friendly.

The home page, found on the World Wide Web, gives general information about the univer-

sity and has about 10 direct links.

But in its efforts to expand, Allison said, the group is concerned that the home page could contain or link to information with which the university does not want to be associated.

"Everything we put on reflects back on the university," she said.

Allison gave a hypothetical example: The UNL home page could link to a faculty member's home page that has child pornography or copyright violations.

Michele Fagan, assistant professor of archives, is drafting the policies for the group.

"I think the university administrators want to make sure they aren't liable for a lawsuit if someone uses a Steamboat Willie and Disney lawyers get on us," she said.

Allison said the university was most worried about material that violated city, state or federal laws.

Fagan said the final judgment on whether laws were broken and, if so, what should be done, may be hard to make because Internet laws are still vague.

A link from the UNL home page can lead to an infinite number of links, she said, and the university has to outline its domain.

"Everybody knows that at a certain point there's no control over it at all," she said.

The group wants to break links down into three categories. Category one would be official university information over which the university

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