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WEATHER:

Today - Cloudy with a 40% chance of light snow. North wind 15 to 25 mph.

Tonight - Partly cloudy and cold. Low 10 to 15.

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Fiesta frenzy



Jon Waller/DN

A throng of Cornhusker fans celebrate Nebraska's perfect 11-0 season and Big Eight championship following the team's victory over Oklahoma. Friday's win secured a trip to the Fiesta Bowl Jan. 2 and a chance for the No. 1 Huskers to play for a second straight national championship. Want tickets? Good luck.

Tempe bowl tickets difficult to obtain

By John Fulwider
Senior Reporter

As Nebraska fans celebrated the Cornhuskers' win over Oklahoma this weekend, some might have been thinking ahead to the Fiesta Bowl Jan. 2.

Unfortunately, the chance of getting Fiesta Bowl tickets is slim — at least on a college student's budget.

It's certain now the Huskers will play for sole rights to the mythical national championship. But all 73,471 seats in Sun Devil Stadium have been purchased or allotted.

Bowl officials give 12,500 tickets to each competing university:

Nebraska and either the University of Florida or the University of Notre Dame (depending on whether Florida wins the SEC championship Saturday).

Cindy Bell, athletic ticket office manager, said the majority of NU's tickets go to donors. Five hundred tickets are reserved for faculty and staff, she said. Another 500 will be offered in a lottery Dec. 4-5.

Scott Keetle, a senior agricultural education major, has his ticket options covered.

First he'll try the ticket lottery. "I think it's well worth the roll of the dice to see if I can go, because I'm a really big Husker fan."

If he doesn't get a lottery ticket,

Keetle said he would try to get tickets from his roommate's girlfriend's father, Tom Roode. Roode is president of Roode Packing, parent company of Fairbury Hot Dogs — the hot dogs sold at Memorial Stadium.

Keetle said he was lucky in early October to find five round-trip airplane tickets from Omaha to Tempe for \$166 each. Now, all commercial flights out of Lincoln and Omaha are sold out.

Even if he doesn't get game tickets, he said, he'll still fly to Tempe. Keetle said he would watch the game in a Tempe sports bar and party later with fans who got into the game.

Another option is to get tickets through ticket brokers or scalpers. That's what one local travel agency has resorted to while putting the finishing touches on its charter package.

Deb Eberly, Fiesta Bowl coordinator with Lincoln Travel, said that when bowl officials offered tickets to the season ticket holders of their local university, they created the scalping problem.

Buying through a broker is an expensive option. The lowest published price for bowl tickets in area newspapers' classified ads Sunday was \$200. On the high end was an ad that offered "great seats" for \$1,000 each.

Smith's decision at hand

By Paula Lavigne
Senior Reporter

Sources close to NU President Dennis Smith said he could recommend UNL's next chancellor this week.

But Corporation Secretary J.B. Milliken said he doubted the president had made a decision as of Sunday.

Smith will be in Washington, D.C. at a National Institutes of Health conference until Wednesday.

Joe Rowson, NU director of public affairs, said Smith was asking for feedback, including e-mail, about the three candidates. E-mail can be sent to Smith at <ldsmith@unl.edu>.

Smith's recommendation will be forwarded to members of the NU Board of Regents, who can then approve the new chancellor at their Dec. 9 meeting. The new chancellor could start as early as Jan. 1, but likely will begin in the spring.

The three chancellor candidates are:

- Thomas George, provost and academic vice president at Washington State University

- James Moeser, provost and vice president for academic affairs at the University of South Carolina

- John Kozak, provost at Iowa State University

George, who on Wednesday was the last candidate to visit the UNL campus, said his exit interview with Smith went well.

George was back in his office at WSU Sunday. He said he had not heard anything from Smith or any other UNL representative over the weekend.

Kozak also said he did not hear from Smith, but he did receive two letters from people he met at a breakfast with community business leaders on the first day of his visit.

Kozak was the first candidate to visit on Nov. 16 and Nov. 17.

The letters commended him on his belief to put experienced instructors in freshman-level, introductory courses, he said.

Moeser, who visited last Monday and Tuesday, said from his home Sunday that he had been in Florida over the weekend, but had not been contacted by NU officials.

"The last word I had from president Smith was that he would make his decision in a couple of weeks," Moeser said. "I wouldn't expect to hear from him before then."

Senior Reporter Jeff Zeleny contributed to this report.

Selection process for Schlondorf jury begins today

By Jeff Zeleny
Senior Reporter

Jury selection is scheduled to begin today in the trial of Gerald Schlondorf, a former UNL student accused of shooting at a university police officer last year.

It was a spectacle that drew many students from their fraternity and sorority houses the night of Sept. 12, 1994. At least 11 shots were fired from a semi-automatic rifle near the intersection of 16th and R streets about 6:15 that evening.

Officer Robert Soflin, a seven-year veteran of the university police department, was struck twice while sit-

ting in his Blazer. Soflin is believed to be the only university police officer shot in the line of duty. He was not severely injured and returned to work a few months later.

Schlondorf, 32, was charged with two counts of attempted second-degree murder, assault on a police officer, making terroristic threats and four counts of using a weapon to commit a felony. He also is accused of shooting at two Lincoln police officers.

Schlondorf led police on a low-speed chase across Lincoln, beginning near State Fair Park. He was arrested after a 20-minute standoff near 27th Street and Nebraska High-

way 2.

The senior criminal justice major from Clarks, who had once applied to be a Lincoln police officer, was immediately suspended from UNL.

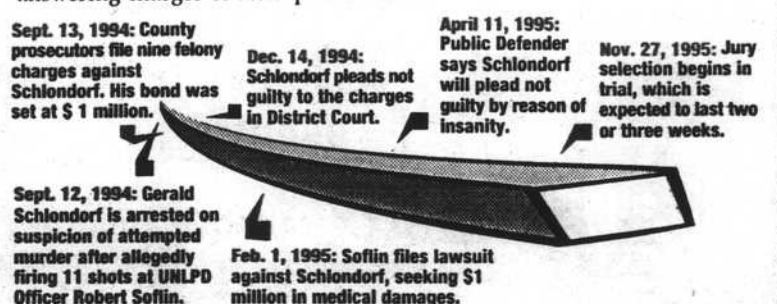
He has been in jail since the incident, being held on \$1 million bond.

Lancaster County Public Defender Dennis Keefe, who represents Schlondorf, has said his client will plead not responsible by reason of insanity.

A motion to transfer the trial outside of Lincoln because of extensive pretrial publicity will be heard before the trial begins.

Timeline to trial

Former UNL student Gerald Schlondorf moves one step closer today to answering charges of attempted murder.



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