

## Remodeled bakery brings in business

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It is really hard to miss. From the windows to the neon lights to the tile pillar, the new bakery in the Nebraska Union caught many an eye in its first week of operation since renovation.

"It's very well-accepted," said Richard Williams, director of food service for the union.

While under construction, the bakery spent last semester in the middle of the union.

With the new bakery, students still can get doughnuts, muffins, fresh fruit, sandwiches, soda, coffee, tea, cappuccino and espresso. New to the menu, however, is frozen yogurt.

Now, everything is self-service except for bakery items, cappuccino, espresso and the frozen yogurt.

The change to self-service has been advantageous, Williams said.

"You don't have to stand in line just to say you want a bottle of pop," he said. And now that there are two cash registers, Williams said, customers can be in and out faster.

The total cost of construction was about \$70,000, including equipment, the contractor, asbestos removal, electrical work and minor plumbing.

The entire corner where the old bakery sat was gutted when remodeling started last August.

"We expanded a few feet and remodeled," said Kerry Stueck, manager of retail sales for food service. "Anybody that had seen it before could tell that it really changed."

At the bakery's grand opening Thursday, Joan Leitzel, interim chancellor, and James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs, pushed the button to open the bakery's gate. Afterwards, free fro-



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Katherine Sedlacek looks at the variety of coffees in the remodeled bakery Friday. Sedlacek is a sophomore majoring in hotel management, international business and tour and travel.

zen yogurt was given out.

"Everybody thought it looked nice," Stueck said. "They really liked the brightness and the colors."

Business has boomed since the relocation, with 32 percent more customers coming in than this time

last year, Williams said.

He said the remodeling and the added cash register made for the better business.

"It's difficult to walk by there and not look at the bakery," Williams said. "It's still very compact—a lot of things in that little corner shop."

## Challenges to become priorities, Smith says

By Julie Sobczyk  
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Regaining a \$7 million state appropriation and establishing a philosophy

major at the University of Nebraska at Kearney are two major concerns before the University of Nebraska, its president said Saturday.

NU President Dennis Smith told the Board of Regents that the two initiatives, both denied by different authorities last week, are now among the university's top priorities.

Smith said the university needed to lobby the Nebraska Legislature for a \$7 million appropriation for faculty and staff raises.

Gov. Ben Nelson denied the \$7 million request in his budget plan last week. The money would fund a 4 percent salary increase promised to faculty at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

"This is our top priority in this year's session," Smith said. "This is a serious challenge to the university and

poses a major dilemma for all our campuses."

The increases are needed to keep salaries comparable to that of peer institutions, Smith said.

Last year, a 4 percent salary increase was awarded after Nelson's veto of the increase was overridden. But the increase did not carry over to this year.

The other major concern Smith outlined was bouncing back from the denial of a philosophy major at UNK.

Last Thursday, the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education denied UNK's proposal for a philosophy degree. The regents had approved the major in July.

"I'm obviously very disappointed," Smith said. "I hope this doesn't signal a power struggle between the board and the commission."

The commission denied the proposal because of duplication with a philosophy major at Hastings College. The major would not have required any additional funding.

"I don't know how we can come back with a proposal that makes any more sense," he said.

Regent Charles Wilson of Lincoln said he was "very distressed" about the commission's rejection.

"For that to be considered duplication, there is simply no connection."

## Regents

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In other business, the board: ● Elected Regent Don Blank of McCook chairman of the board. In a secret vote, five regents supported Blank and three abstained from voting.

● Elected Regent Chuck Hassebrook of Walthill vice chairman of the board. He also received five

votes and three abstentions.

● Approved a \$20 increase in student fees for UNL to help finance the Nebraska Union expansion and renovation project. The increase would not start until 1998.

● Approved revenue bonds for residence hall improvements.

● Congratulated Joan Leitzel for her work as interim chancellor, and volleyball coach Terry Pettit and football coach Tom Osborne for their national championships.

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