

OPINION PAGES

OUR VIEW

Carpe diem

No time is better to get it together

Ready, set ... uh, organize. No, really, go ahead. Anytime you're ready. Ready?

Didn't think so. If it were that easy, we would have all done it by now.

So little time, so much to do.

But it's never too late to get organized. There's no time like the present — especially since this week is national Get Organized Week.

Mark that down in your planner — if you can find it.

And what better time of the year than mid-semester, when most of us are in need of a good swift kick in the you-know-what?

It just seems the harder you try to get organized, the more discombobulated things get.

"As always, for complicated problems, there is a simple solution that won't work," said Thomas Hollingsworth, dean of the business school at Florida Institute of Technology.

"What is really necessary is to change behaviors. For instance, make sure that every day you have a project that you complete."

Those daily projects don't have to be major. You can start small.

You could actually get up for that 8:30 class Friday morning — and leave yourself enough time to brush your teeth before you go. If you got up five minutes earlier, you could even pack a lunch.

Unless, of course, you didn't have any food, in which case you could go to the grocery store. If you made a list before you went, you'd save yourself some precious time.

While you're at the store, you might pick up some detergent so you could do your laundry when you get home.

And as long as you're going to have your checkbook out, you might consider paying one or two of those bills that have consumed your kitchen table.

And haven't those dishes been piling up for quite some time? Better do them, too.

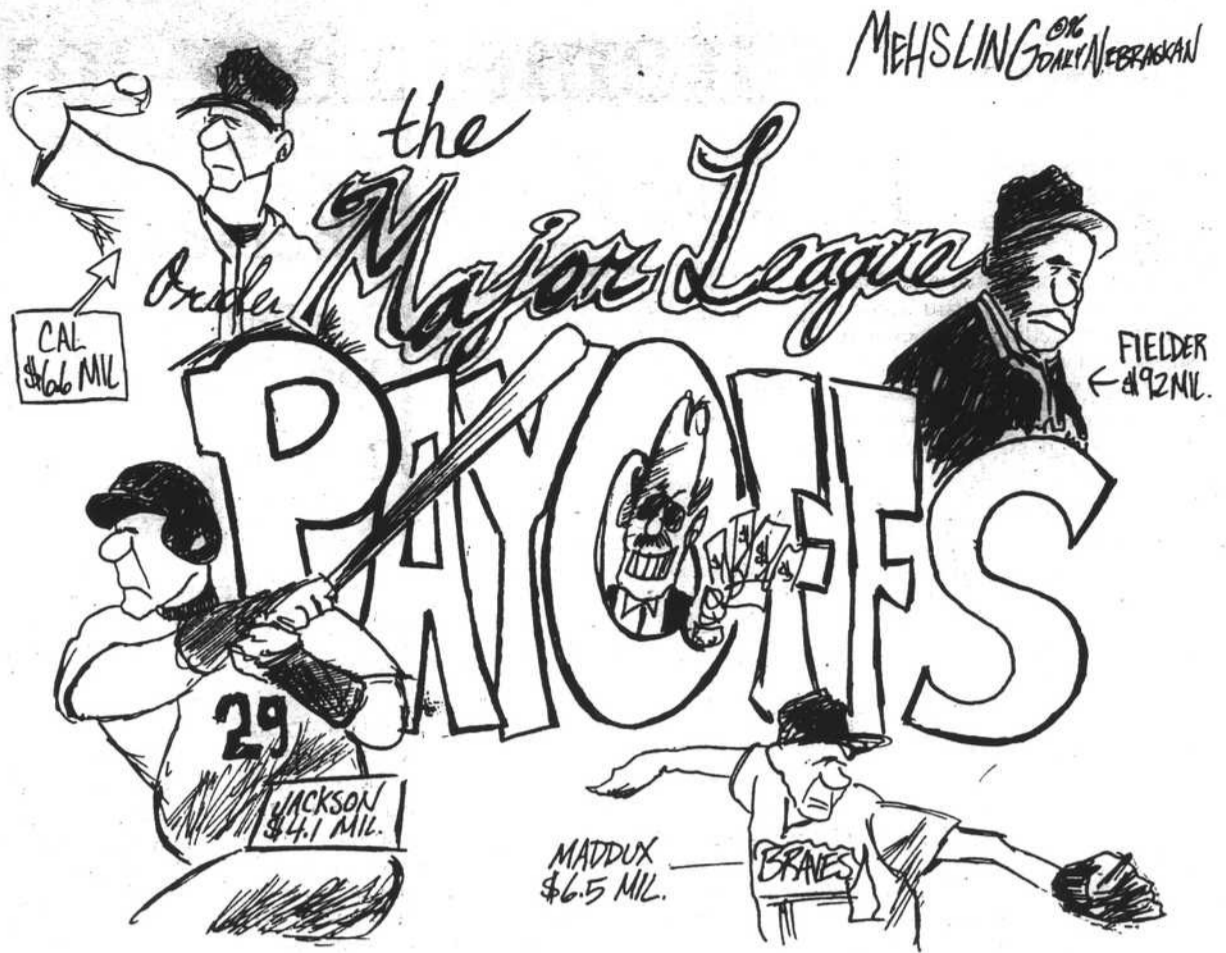
Think about it. Think about everything you could get done in a day, if you just took a little time to actually plan it out.

Oh, wait. Weren't you supposed to go to class?

Oh well, one project at a time ...

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MEHSLING'S VIEW



LETTERS

SACRILEGIOUS STANCE

I am writing in response to Anthony Nguyen's column "Deep-rooted hatred," which appeared in the DN on Monday.

First of all, since you are a Catholic, I would think that you would have some more respect for the Holy Land than to call it "dirt."

True, the answer to solving the problem of who gets the land is not to fight. One day the rightful owner will control that land. We are assured of that.

It does matter who controls that land because God has made it that way. For you to label the Holy Land as "dirt" is to disrespect the God that you claim to worship.

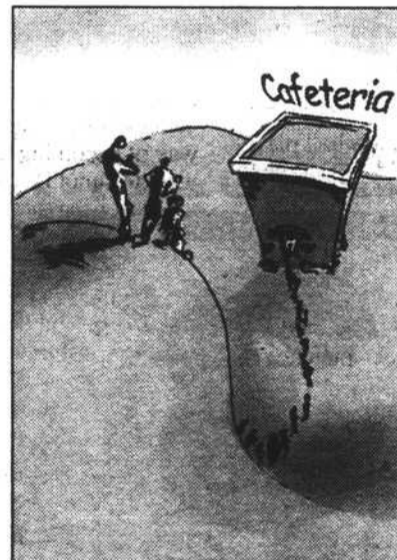
Your quote, "But the name by which we address the Creator matters not," is so totally wrong. Again, since you are a Catholic, I would think that you would care what people call Him. He is the one and only true God. There is no other name for Him.

You also state that it "pains" you to take the stand that we should just get rid of this land, because you are a Catholic. If it pains you so much, this would not be the solution that you would come up with.

Also, if you would have researched this subject, you would realize the importance of this land in God's plan.

You mentioned that this land has importance for three religions.

Roman Catholicism does not fit into Judaism, Islam or Christianity. If you were trying to put Catholicism with Christianity, they are NOT the same thing.



AARON STECKELBERG/DN

Christianity is NOT a religion. It is a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Catholicism is a religion.

I would hope that upon concluding this article, since you are a Catholic, you went straight to confession, to confess disrespecting both the God whom you claim to worship and His Holy Land.

Oh, and while you are there, you may also want to confess your swearing in this article.

Jered Dworak
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SUNDAY DINNER

A 20 minute wait at the door just to eat supper is way too long.

After watching the line not move for what seemed like eternity, it

became obvious that the people ahead of me weren't moving.

If the university wants to have dinners available for students on Sunday evenings, there needs to be more than one cafeteria available to us. Only having one open for both City and East Campus is a ridiculous idea.

Students need to have convenience, and having lines out the door to wait and eat is not convenient.

There needs to be something done about this. Please consider opening another cafeteria so that the lines aren't so bad.

I know that I would even rather commute to East Campus than wait in the lines on Sunday evenings.

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NOT-SO-CANDID

CANDIDATE

Gov. Ben Nelson is being less than candid with Nebraskans when he claims in his campaign commercials that he has balanced six budgets.

He conveniently fails to mention that the Nebraska Constitution requires him to balance the budget!

He also fails to mention that spending has exceeded inflation since he has been governor.

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