

# Connected

## Web service covers city's movies, events

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In the supermarket of the information highway, LincolnNE.com is a shopper's dream.

More than a phone directory or an events calendar, this new Internet service is an all-encompassing guide to the city of Lincoln, the service's project manager said.

Sheri Hurlbut said the web site was unlike a phone book or newspaper. "The most important difference is that it is totally up-to-date and current," Hurlbut said. "Phone books only come out once a year, but this web page is easily updatable."

Internet Services Providers International of Lincoln launched the site earlier this month.

Among the features LincolnNE.com <<http://www.lincolnne.com>> offers is a community calendar, a movie module, a sports league listing and a business directory.

On the community calendar, nonprofit organizations can post their scheduled events at no cost. Lincoln residents can browse the calendar to find these happenings.

The movie module will have listings that are updated weekly. Moviegoers also can review shows and post critiques on the web page.

Jama Mueller, a frequent user of LincolnNE.com, said the most useful part of the page for her was the movie review section.

"When a large group of us wants to go out and we all have different opinions, the rating feature really helps a lot."

Also offered on the web page is a sports league module, which includes YMCA sports and other local leagues.

## Web site leads students to scholarship prospects

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To offset the rising costs of college, students need not sell their computers.

They can use them to plug in to thousands of dollars in scholarship opportunities through fastWEB.com.

Since 1995, fastWEB has been providing free financial aid opportunities to more than 20,000 undergraduate and post-graduate students.

Bob Michelson, president of fastWEB, said the site was created because of the need for fast, free comprehensive scholarship information for students.

The costs to provide the service are paid for by corporate sponsors such as AT&T and Microsoft, Michelson said.

When students connect to fastWEB <<http://www.fastweb.com>>, a series of self-explanatory screens will appear to develop a personal profile and mailbox.

After a student enters necessary information, which takes about 20

minutes, fastWEB creates a list of financial aid opportunities specific to the user.

FastWEB also has a large research staff that updates the service with more than 500 new entries daily.

After establishing a mailbox, fastWEB continues to update the user's mailbox with new financial aid opportunities.

Brad Ellis, a junior at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, found 10 scholarships pertaining to his biochemistry degree using fastWEB.

"It didn't take very long to do," he said. "I'm glad I did it."

Ellis said the deadlines for most of the scholarships were early spring.

Deb Augustyn, assistant director at UNL's financial aid office, said UNL endorses fastWEB, and she hopes students will take advantage of this free service.

Although it's too late to apply for some scholarships for this year, Augustyn said, students should get an early start for next year.

Winning scholarships is sometimes a matter of timing, she said.

Although UNL games will not be on this module, some will be posted on the community events calendar.

In the business directory, the site offers a list of local companies. In addition, those corporations can enter an "enhanced listing," which is a 150-word explanation of the business. The funding for LincolnNE.com comes from the sales of these enhanced listings.

One of the fastest growing ideas on the Internet is the concept of a city web page. Many other cities have similar Internet services; however, LincolnNE.com is different because it

offers more features than most other city sites, Hurlbut said.

Doug Behne, who uses LincolnNE.com at least once a week, said the site is useful for newcomers.

"When people move here and they're not familiar with the community, if they have a computer and a connection, they can dial it up and have all this information all at one centralized location," Behne said.

This Internet service is geared toward users of all ages and specifically tailored to those in the Lincoln community, but can be accessed worldwide.

## Charges dropped in baby's death; child was unborn at time of crash

OMAHA (AP) — An Omaha man accused of killing a pregnant Bellevue woman in a car crash will not face trial for the death of the unborn child because Nebraska lacks a "viable fetus" law.

Shawn M. Brody, 24, will stand trial in the death of Billie Griesemer, 25, on Dec. 20. She was in her final month of pregnancy at the time of the accident.

Brody's attorney, J. William Gallup, asked Wednesday in Douglas County Court to dismiss the charge involving the baby. Gallup cited a Nebraska statute that defines a person, when referring to the victim of a homicide, as a human being who had been born and was alive at the time of the homicide.

Deputy County Attorney Shelly Progreba agreed to dismiss the charge.

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Griesemer's husband, Shane, said Wednesday that he was unhappy that Brody will not be held accountable for the death of his son.

Zachary was delivered by Caesarean section after the accident but both he and his mother died several hours after the crash. Police allege that Brody was under the influence of alcohol when the crash occurred.

Griesemer said he will push for a

state law that would allow prosecution of those responsible for the deaths of unborn babies.

Griesemer's mother, Barbara LaTurner of Galena, Kan., said the decision greatly upset her.

"Zachary Taylor Griesemer has a birth certificate, a baptismal certificate and a death certificate," she said, "but the law says he wasn't a person."

## Gay marriage arguments presented in committee

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Most who testified in support of same-sex marriages said it was a simple matter of civil rights.

Kurt Georgeson of Waverly testified to support same-sex marriages.

His daughter is a lesbian, he said. His other child was able to marry and have children; she could not. She cannot share her partner's job benefits like married couples can and can't be included for insurance or tax purposes, even though she's been with her partner for 14 years, he said.

"My daughter is not a second-class citizen," Georgeson said. "LB280 is gay-bashing with a legal club."

Karl Olson also testified in support of same-sex marriages and said biblical references were not enough to justify opposition.

"Even though the Bible says in Leviticus that it's a sin to charge interest, the Christian Coalition does not condemn banking ... and bankers are not denied the right to marry each other," Olson said. "We are required to have a world view that is wider and richer than the book of Leviticus."

Chambers vowed to continue the fight for same-sex marriage.

"I will probably be bringing this bill for years to come," he said, "and will do so as long as necessary."

No action was taken on either bill.

## Fulbright Scholar speaks on European security

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publics that have formed in recent years, NATO may increase its membership. The enlargement may cause the member nations to question the roles of other international security organizations such as the Western European Union and the European Union, Cremasio said.

These two organizations have similar goals to NATO, but are devoted primarily to European countries.

The roles of crisis prevention and crisis management must be sorted out among the organizations to have international security, he said.

Another concept Cremasio addressed was Russia's reluctance to support NATO enlargement. The fall of the Russian economy in recent years has contributed to this reluctance.

"Russia went from being a bear to a mouse," he said. "NATO is not so eager to isolate nor antagonize Russia."

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