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High-tech laser tag hits Lincoln

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"It's all part of the experience." Next, the mission group (maximum size: 30) is called into the briefing room, Lamb said. Group members find out what the mission parameters are and how their equipment works. The equipment consists of a vest with sensors on the front, back and shoulders and a laser with sensors on the front and each side. After suiting up, the participants go over the code of honor, which consists of guidelines to follow in the arena, Lamb said. "It's things like 'no running,' 'no foul language,'" Christz said, "and a promise to play smart, play hard and play to survive." After that, the air-lock door slowly lifts open, and the 30-second count-down to the 15-minute mission begins. The arena is 8,000 square feet, multileveled, and features black light-

ing and a fog machine, Lamb said. The last phase is finding out your final score for the mission. "Each participant gets a scorecard listing who they tagged and where," Christz said, "along with who tagged them and where." The code of honor is made for everyone's safety, but safety goes beyond just a set of rules at Laser Quest, Lamb said. "The vests are padded," Lamb said. "The fronts of the lasers are covered with rubber gaskets in case of an accidental bump." "We also have two marshals roaming the arena at all times, to ensure safety throughout the mission." While waiting for a mission to start, Laser Quest also offers video games, air hockey, Twister and disco music. Laser Quest already has experienced a real military mission, Lamb said.

"We had the Marines in over the weekend," Lamb said, "about 40 players, and they ran at least three missions each." Although the doors don't officially open until Friday, Lamb said, missions have been hectic with free sneak previews. "We're averaging about 500 people through a night," Lamb said. "It has been absolutely fantastic." Jen "Maverick" Soucie, a 17-year-old Pius X High School senior, took third place in her mission with a score of 624, and told her secret to getting a high score. "Just get up into one of the three towers," Soucie said, "and just plow 'em down like a sniper." Fourteen-year-old Michael "Thunderball" Seim took first place in his mission, but his advice was a bit more basic. "Just don't get hit," Seim said.

'A Tale of Love' needs a little amore meaning

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In contrast to Juliet's idealized discussions of love, is a stereotypical traditionally Vietnamese aunt, who doesn't believe in romance and encourages Kieu to get married before she is too old. Accompanied by an unusually grating and painful soundtrack, we instead see a world of selfishness, shallow philosophies and sexual voyeurism. The word "love" is thrown around with great rapidity and even greater melodrama, but always as a concept — never illustrated. "A Tale of Love" is no such thing, but rather a shallow display of an elementary infatuation. While the poem that the film is based on discusses the struggles of a young woman martyr who sacrifices her purity for her family — this exists

nowhere on the screen. While Minh-ha may be among the most innovative directors of style and technique, the content and direction of this film is misguided and difficult. The nonlinear action is nondescript and some sequences seem out of place and inconsequential. The greater story here is that of a woman's struggles for love in a suffocating and difficult world, where her only recourse is that of prostitution and self-sacrifice. Instead "A Tale of Love" relays only the story of a self-righteous romantic rhetoric and gratuitous sexual exploration. "A Tale of Love" opens tonight at the Mary Riepma Ross Film Theater and runs through Saturday. Show times are at 7 and 9 p.m. today and Friday, and at 1, 3, 7 and 9 p.m. Saturday.

Imprisonment seals characters in Lorca's play

From Staff Reports

The UNL Department of Theatre Arts and Dance will present Federico Garcia Lorca's "The House of Bernarda Alba" this weekend in the Studio Theatre of the Temple Building. The play revolves around the recently widowed Bernarda and her five daughters. Bernarda, pressured by the traditions and values of the surrounding community, imposes an eight-year period of mourning upon her family. Imprisoned within the walls of its own home, the family must deal with repression, jealousy and hypocrisy. The show previews tonight at 8 and runs through Saturday and from March 18 through March 22. Tickets are \$6 for students, \$9 for faculty, staff and senior citizens, and \$10 for all others. Ticket reservations can be made by calling the box office at 472-2073.

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