

Summer union renovation will put heat on occupants

By KASEY KERBER
Staff Reporter

The next stages of the Nebraska Union renovation may make a few people sweat.

Air conditioning units in the union basement have been removed and new units will not arrive until late summer or early fall.

Larry Blake, project manager for the Nebraska Union expansion project, said the union will not be completely without air conditioning, but some areas may not be as chilly as occupants would like.

"We're never going to be without heating or cooling," Blake said. "But our capacity to heat or cool at any one time might be lessened."

Until then, preparations are being made for the return of warm weather, Blake said.

Workers will install a temporary chilled water line because the current line that cools the union will be out of commission during construction, Blake said. He said the new line could cost \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Ventilation from windows and the use of fan coil units also will alleviate overheating, Blake said. But some portions of the union without access to windows will experience problems, including the ballroom and Crib.

The ballroom currently houses the union's administration and Student Involvement offices. The Crib is usually a study and lounge area,

sometimes used for University Program Council events.

Construction outside the union also will take a major step later this month as workers destroy columns on the north side of the union.

Workers for Builder's Incorporated, the project's contractor, have been using jackhammers to separate the columns from the foundation of the building.

After the columns have been jarred loose, Blake said, a crane will demolish them. The building will still be supported by steel columns.

With the brick columns no longer in the way, Blake said, workers could start building outward from the union's north wall.

Seniors bid farewell

By AMY KELLER
Staff Reporter

For many college students, a free meal — and free beer — are often welcome.

And University of Nebraska-Lincoln alumni are welcoming all graduating seniors to just that on campus next week.

The Senior Send-Off party on April 23 is for all seniors graduating in May, August and December. It will last from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Wick Alumni Center, 1520 R St.

The Nebraska Alumni Association and the Student Alumni Association have planned a free barbecued dinner catered by the Wick Alumni Center. The dinner will be from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and free beer also will be available.

The alumni are also giving away free door prizes, such as Nebraska clothes and memorabilia.

The Alumni Associations have been sponsoring the parties to congratulate the seniors, give them a chance to party with friends and get information about the Alumni Associations, said Shelley Moses Zaborowski, director of student programs and reunions for the Nebraska Alumni Association.

"In the past, the event has been a semi-formal wine and cheese party, but we wanted to do something more casual this year because we thought it would appeal to college students,"

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a Nebraska Alumni Association director

Zaborowski said.

Students will be able to buy a membership to the Alumni Association for \$15 at the party, half the normal cost.

The event is only open to graduating seniors who are over 21, but the Alumni Associations have gifts for younger seniors. Those students can call the Wick Alumni Center to receive their free gifts.

Most graduating seniors should have received an invitation in their mailbox, Zaborowski said, but if any students did not receive them but plan to graduate in May, August or December, they are welcome to come without an invitation.

Seniors interested in the party can call the Wick Alumni Center at 472-2841 by Monday.

Gallery to display student designs, reveal roles of textiles, apparel

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accurately understood by the general public, she said.

"The old view of home economics is a stereotype," Kean said. "We are very concerned about the way people live their lives and the roles that textiles and apparel play in them. We study the design of textiles from their inception to how people use them."

Robert Hillestad, professor emeritus of the department, said the gallery featured a variety of works by a number of artists, all to the benefit of textile and design students. The display of Sheila Hicks' fiber wall pieces last summer was an especially fulfilling show because Hicks is a Nebraska native now residing and working in Paris, Hillestad said.

The occasion showed students what they could do with their studies, he said.

"We have an excellent program," Hillestad said. "The students get a very good background having the opportunity to see the work of important artists in an appropriate setting."

Kean said the gallery also provided the necessary space to display the department's world-class collection of Asian textiles and turn-of-the-century clothing.

Beginning today, the venue will publicly display works by students of textile and apparel design, merchandising and textile science.

The show, which runs through April 24, opens this evening with a 5:15 reception introducing and honoring the students represented in it.

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chairwoman, Department of Textiles,
Clothing and Design

Such juried exhibitions allow students to build their portfolios and the public to gain an understanding of the textile and apparel trades, Kean said.

"It's a wonderful way for students to gain public recognition for what they do."



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Correction

The name of the Residence Hall Association treasurer-elect was incorrectly listed in a graphic in Thursday's Daily Nebraskan but was correct in the story. The treasurer-elect is Kristen Morrow.

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