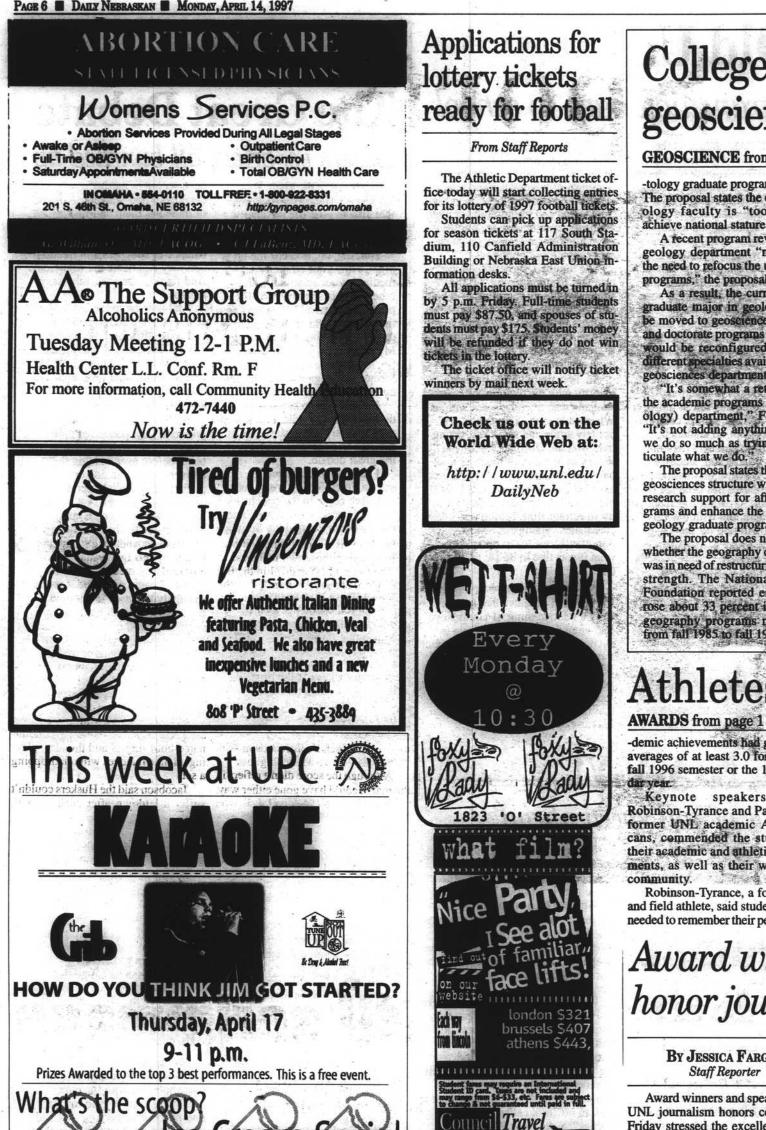
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College considers geosciences program

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-tology graduate program of UNL. The proposal states the current geology faculty is "too small to achieve national stature.'

A recent program review of the geology department "made clear the need to refocus the unit and its programs," the proposal states.

As a result, the current undergraduate major in geology would be moved to geosciences. Master and doctorate programs in geology would be reconfigured to reflect, different specialties available in the geosciences department.

"It's somewhat a rethinking of the academic programs of the (geology) department," Foster said. "It's not adding anything to what we do so much as trying to re-articulate what we do.

The proposal states that the new research support for affected programs and enhance the prestige of geology graduate programs.

The proposal does not mention whether the geography department was in need of restructuring to build strength. The National Science Foundation reported enrollments rose about 33 percent in graduate

UNL's Academic Planning Committee recently decided to hold off a decision on the new department until they could learn how the geography department would be affected by the restructuring.

The proposal was written by Foster's office with a committee of faculty from the geology, geography and anthropology departments, said.

Foster said the proposal reflects hundreds of hours of research on the benefits of restructuring. Faculty members have voiced opinions both for and against the

geosciences proposal, but there is a "substantial majority of people who would be affected by this who favor the proposal," Foster said.

Some extraordinary university programs in earth sciences are configured similarly to the proposed structure of the geosciences departgeosciences structure will enhance ment, Foster said. Examples include the University of Arizona in Tucson and the University of Chicago

> If the proposal passes the approval process, an external search for a geosciences department chairman would begin this summer, the oposal states.

No faculty members would be

Athletes win away

-demic achievements had grade point understanding from every situation averages of at least 3.0 for either the fall 1996 semester or the 1996 calen-

Robinson-Tyrance and Pat Tyrance, rounded individuals. former UNL academic All-Ameri- Tenacious studer cans, commended the students for their academic and athletic achieve- led adversity along the way were ments, as well as their work in the bound to succeed in the "real world,"

Robinson-Tyrance, a former track and field athlete, said student-athletes the classroom are going to prepare you needed to remember their peers and the for success," Tyrance said.

less-fortunate around them. She suggested students reap education at they encountered. Tyrance, a former football player

Keynote speakers Renita while in school helped shape well

Tenacious students who toward success in both areas and tackhe said.

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Award winners, speakers honor journalism students

By JESSICA FARGEN Staff Reporter

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Award winners and speakers at the UNL journalism honors convocation Alumni Award along with two other Friday stressed the excellence of the UNL alumni at the convocation UNL College of Journalism and Mass Kris Malkoski, category general Communications. president of communications for the news anchorman for Omaha's McDonald's Corp., gave University of Nebraska-Lincoln journalism students advice about succeeding and being happy after graduation. UNL journalism students should be proud, Starmann said, to be attending one of the most prestigious journalism schools in the country. He said he only speaks at three universities: Notre Dame, the University of Mississippi and UNL. Starmann said Will Norton Jr., dean of the journalism college, cared about people and was responsible for the high quality program at UNL. Norton was one of Starmann's professors at the University of Mississippi. Education is a lifelong process. Starmann said, and it does not end with graduation. He shared his "formula for success" for students after they gradu-

why he stayed for so long, he said. Bryant is retiring as UNL's associate athletic director in charge of public relations.

Bryant received an Outstanding manager for the Procter & Gamble Richard Starmann, senior vice in Cincinnati and John Knicely, TV WOWT. Wilma Crumley, who in 1972 was the first woman to reach the rank of full professor of journalism at UNL, received the Outstanding Non-Alumnus Award. Also recognized at the ceremony were the college's student advisory board, UNL students who made the dean's honor roll and journalism students winning scholarships and awards.

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Young go-getters, he said, need to have an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, be risk takers and persistent leaders and love their jobs.

Bryant said winning the alumni award was "a tribute to the education got here as much as it was an award."

Bryant said he most valued the broad curriculum of the journalism school. He said taking classes other than journalism classes, like history courses, gave him the background he needed to understand current issues.

Starmann said his education also was a part of his success, but most of his most important college skills were not learned in textbooks.

"Through education you learn to organize, discipline and you learn to Don Bryant's love for his job is stick it to it when it is important."