



## SPORTS

### Wild ending

The Red-White Game may have ended wildly, but both coaches and players were happy with the outcome of the Red Team's 34-28 win. **PAGE 9**



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### Greetings and salutations

Charles Bethea, the new director of the Lied Center for Performing Arts, hopes the 1997-98 schedule will make him welcome in Lincoln. **PAGE 12**

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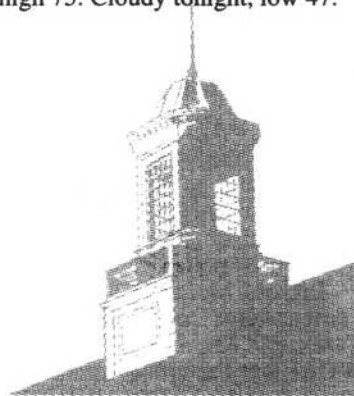
Partly cloudy, high 75. Cloudy tonight, low 47.

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## Fair shows science plays part in life

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Science is everywhere.

For those who attended the celebration of Astronomy Day and National Science and Technology Week at the University of Nebraska State Museum Sunday afternoon, it was around every corner.

Volunteers from across campus and the community gave scientific demonstrations about seat belts, worms, wetlands, chemistry, pulleys, earthquakes, radiation and astronomy throughout Morrill Hall to show the role science plays in everyday life.

"The science literacy problem in the United States is so bad right now that the National Science Foundation encourages institutions to bring science close to the public," said Marian Langan, education coordinator at the museum.

"Most people are so intimidated by what they think science is, that when they find out that this is it, they're willing to get involved," she said. "We just want to present science in a fun and interesting way."

Langan said the demonstrations were beneficial because children were given the opportunity to do things that weren't generally possible in the classroom.

In the Nebraska wetlands display, visitors were invited to find their own insects — diving beetles, snails, water boatman and crawling beetles.

"We had one kid sit there and do it all after-

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## Song for a hero



MATT MILLER/DN

**NU CHEERLEADER NIKKI BURKLUND** holds back tears as she and about 42,000 football fans at the Saturday Red-White game watched the tribute to Brook Berringer on HuskerVision while listening to a taped performance of country band Sawyer Brown's "The Nebraska Song," in honor of the former Nebraska quarterback who died in a plane crash last April. Lead vocalist Mark Miller, a friend of Berringer, also led Sawyer Brown in singing the national anthem. Sawyer Brown will perform a benefit concert Aug. 26 at the Nebraska State Fair to raise money for a \$150,000 scholarship fund, which will be used to help pay for the education of future Nebraska football players, will be named after Berringer.

## Grand Forks flooding disrupts student life

Commencement is canceled as year ends early for University of North Dakota.

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(U-WIRE) GRAND FORKS, N.D. — Only a week ago, UND students were studying, working on final projects or getting ready for graduation.

They were just as surprised as anyone in Grand Forks to find themselves evacuees, hundreds of miles from their flooded-out dorm rooms or apartments.

The worst disaster in North Dakota history ended UND's spring semester three weeks early for almost 11,000 students. Commencement ceremonies were canceled for the first time in the university's 114-year history. Students will receive the grades they presently have or receive incompletes.

A reunion of Grand Forks flood victims in Bismarck, N.D., Tuesday was a chance for evacuated students to regroup, share flood stories or say goodbye

to each other after four years of college.

Student evacuees mostly agreed that they were lucky compared to most Grand Forks residents because campus was relatively dry and most students didn't own property. Still, the flood was a source of grief and disappointment for them.

"I lost my graduation, lost saying goodbye to friends," said Tracy Brandt, a graduating communications major.

Many students would envy the opportunity to skip finals, but for UND students, it was a luxury with a high price.

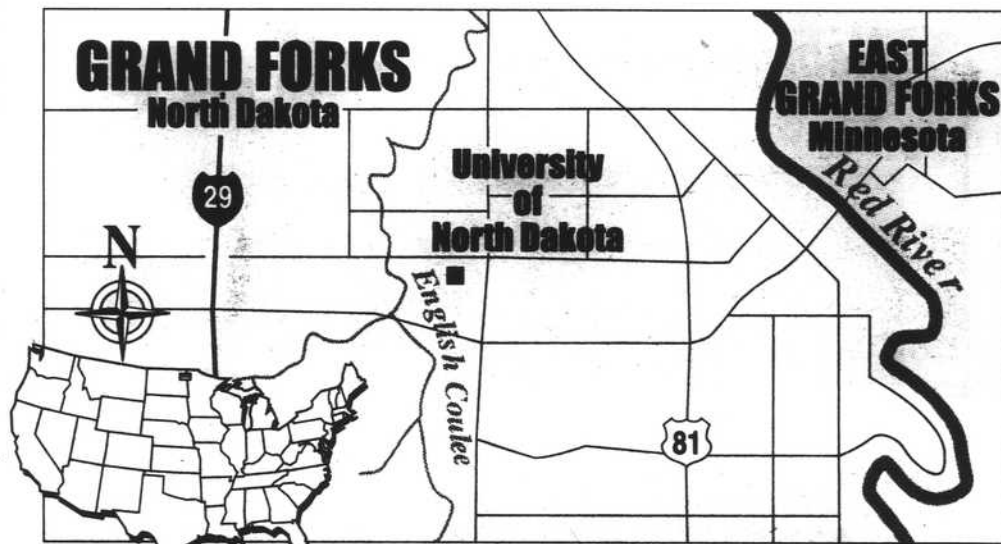
"At first I was hoping finals would be canceled, but if I'd known it would be like this, I'd rather have taken finals," said freshman Chrissie Timpe, a Grand Forks native.

Like the rest of Grand Forks, students didn't expect the flooding to be so bad.

"Our Toyota Tercel was on CBS national news with water past its trunk," said Josh Vossler, also of Grand Forks. "They told us 'Don't worry, it'll only be a little more than 6 inches.'"

Marcie Gallagher, a theater arts graduate student, was still unsure if the water had reached her on-campus apartment Tuesday night, but she made sure her thesis was somewhere safe before she evacuated Friday, not knowing when she'd be back.

"I just grabbed a few things," Gallagher said. "I thought we'd be gone just a few days."



AARON STECKELBERG/DN

## UND spared worst of raging Red

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(U-WIRE) GRAND FORKS, N.D. — The University of North Dakota campus wasn't spared from Grand Forks' worst flood in recorded history, but it did avoid much of the severe devastation wreaked on the rest of North Dakota's third-largest city.

Even though the campus is several miles from the Red River, it was swamped with about

a foot of water flowing from the Red to the east and from the English Coulee, a tributary of the Red that runs through campus.

Many of UND's academic buildings and residence halls sustained flood damage, including its cafeterias, the Environmental Energy Research Center and the president's house. The medical school suffered the worst from the flooding, with 6 feet of water reportedly filling its lower level.

The semester abruptly came to end for UND

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