

## What's Happening

A guide to entertainment in Lincoln  
June 26 - July 2

### Concerts

#### Thursday

Toasted Ponies (Nebraska Union, 12 p.m.-1 p.m.)  
Punkinhead (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)

#### Friday

Rosie Ledet and  
the Zydeco Playboys (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)  
Ampage, Rebels Without Applause  
and Cadmium (Knickerbockers, 10 p.m.)

#### Saturday

Sherman Robertson (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)  
Colony, For Against (Knickerbockers, 10 p.m.)

#### Sunday

Rascal Basket, Push On Junior (Duffy's, 9:30 p.m.)

#### Monday

The Gourds (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)

#### Tuesday

Open Stage (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)

#### Wednesday

C.A. Waller (Zoo Bar, 9 p.m.)  
Lullaby for the Working Class (Duffy's, 9:30 p.m.)

### Videos

(Tuesdays are new release  
days for videos)

"Beverly Hills Ninja"  
"The Crucible"  
"Dangerous Ground"  
"Fierce Creatures"  
"Jackie Chan's First Strike"

### Music

(Tuesdays are new release  
days for record companies)

Bone Thugs 'n' Harmony  
"The Art of War"  
Radiohead  
"OK Computer"  
Prodigy  
"Fat of the Land"  
Blues Traveler  
"Straight on 'til Morning"  
Echo and the Bunnymen  
"Evergreen"  
various artists  
"Men in Black Soundtrack"

### Movies

(For Friday release)

"Swingers"  
"Hercules"  
"Face/Off"

(For Wednesday release)

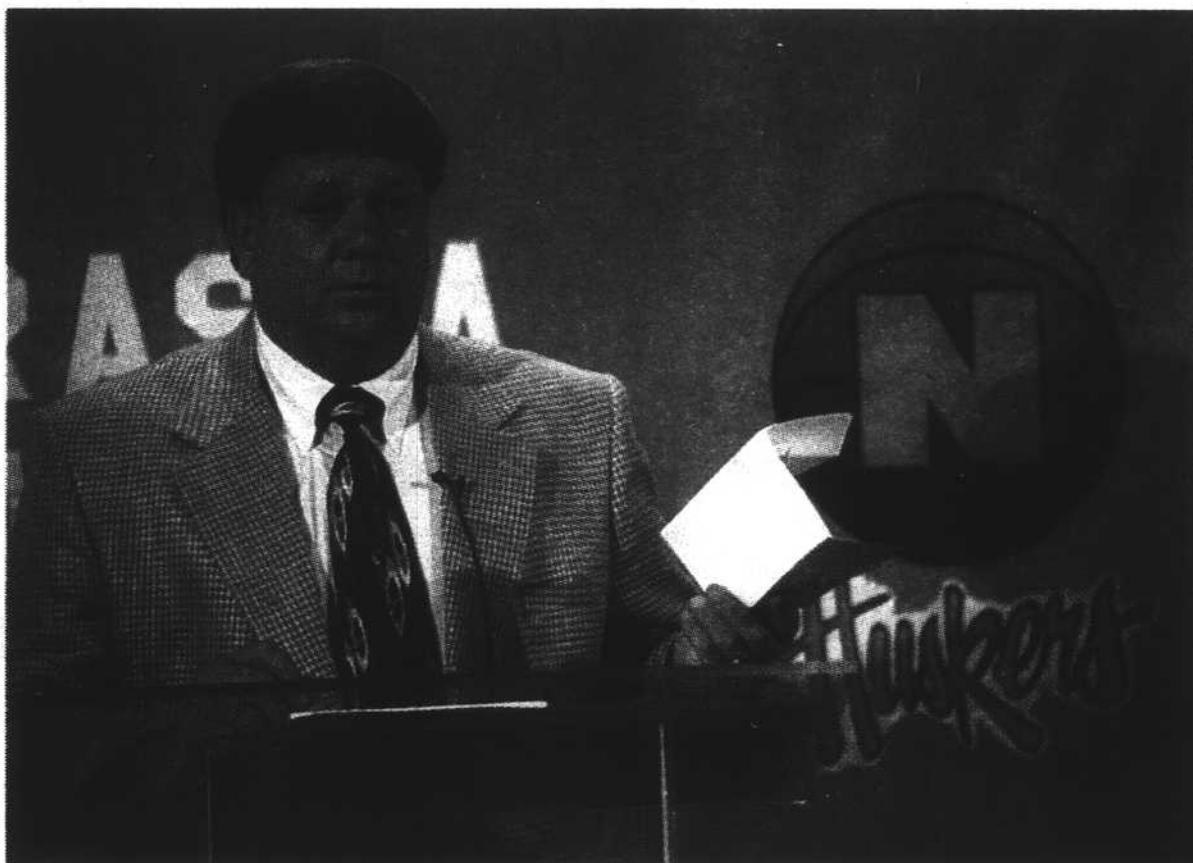
"Men in Black"  
"Out to Sea"  
"Wild America"

(Returning Movies)

"Fathers Day"

(At the Mary Riepma  
Ross Film Theater)

"The Whole Wide World"  
[Thursday-Sunday]



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**PAUL SANDERFORD**, who was named last week as the new head coach for NU's women's basketball team, spent 14 years as head coach at Western Kentucky University. While at WKU, Sanderford led his team to the NCAA Tournament for 12 of the last 13 years.

## Sanderford sets sights on championship

BY MIKE KLUCK  
Staff Reporter

Paul Sanderford does not expect to win a national championship next season with the Nebraska women's basketball team.

But the possibility of winning a championship in the future is what convinced Sanderford to leave Western Kentucky University, where he had built a program that had gone to 12 of the last 13 NCAA Tournaments and three Final Fours in his 14-year career at Bowling Green, Ky.

"I really truly want to win a national championship," Sanderford said from the NU women's basketball office on Friday. It was his first day on the job after being announced as the new Cornhusker head coach on Thursday.

"I've been close to it before, probably as close as you can come without winning it," Sanderford said. "Nebraska affords the opportunity to win a championship. We probably can't win that national championship next year but I'm going to make sure we do it right here."

It's that desire to win the national championship that convinced Sanderford to take a closer look at the Nebraska job when NU Athletic Director Bill Byrne called Sanderford to talk about the position.

Sanderford originally wasn't interested in the position, he said, but

Byrne's comments made him start thinking about leaving WKU.

"It really got to me when Bill called and said, 'It is my job to provide our head coach with every means to compete for a national championship,'" Sanderford said. "Playing in the Big 12 was also a selling point. We could go 10-8 in the conference and still make the NCAA Tournament. Last year we went 23-8 and I didn't know if we were going to get in the tournament."

Although Western Kentucky's facilities are comparable to Nebraska's, the budgets of the two schools don't compare. The NU women's basketball budget will be more than \$1 million this year.

Nebraska also has support staff such as academic counselors, a nutritionist and a psychologist in place.

"A lot of the puzzle is in place at Nebraska," Sanderford said. "When I visited here, everything I asked about they had answers for."

Sanderford said he also needed the challenge of coaching at a new position and felt like his program at Western Kentucky was being taken for granted. He said Nebraska would probably be his last coaching job.

Sanderford's hiring has also raised the ire of some Nebraska state senators, many who felt Nebraska should have replaced Angela Beck with another female coach. Beck resigned on April 22 to take a position with the San Jose Lasers of the ABL.

The senators also have com-

plained that Beck wasn't offered the same salary Sanderford will receive at Nebraska. Beck's base salary last season was \$84,000. Sanderford will have a base of \$120,000, the same salary as men's basketball coach Danny Nee.

"I've been involved in that type of situation before," Sanderford said of the senators' complaints. "I have no problems with that."

Sanderford also will have a four-year rollover package, which he specifically asked for because he had one at Western Kentucky.

The Nebraska women's basketball position has become an endowed chair for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

Sanderford would not discuss his total financial package although it has been estimated to be around \$250,000 a year. He will have a radio and television show, both of which Beck did not have.

Sanderford spent his first day on the job talking to the current Nebraska players and trying to get in contact with the Huskers recruits. He said he hoped to hire an assistant coach within the week.

Sanderford also said he started looking at ways to better promote women's basketball at Nebraska.

"We have to get the state of Nebraska to embrace this team," Sanderford said. "We have to develop some kind of identity in this city and on this campus. I don't see the same respect for women's basketball as volleyball gets; it's not at the same level."