

## Brick layers

The Missouri men's basketball team missed 14 of its final 16 shots in a 67-66 overtime loss to Nebraska Wednesday. PAGE 7

## Get on up

Most people know that it takes two to tango, but not many know how to. UNL's new social dance club aims to change that. PAGE 9

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## GET OFFA MY CLOUD

Cloudy, high 42. Partly cloudy tonight, low 27.

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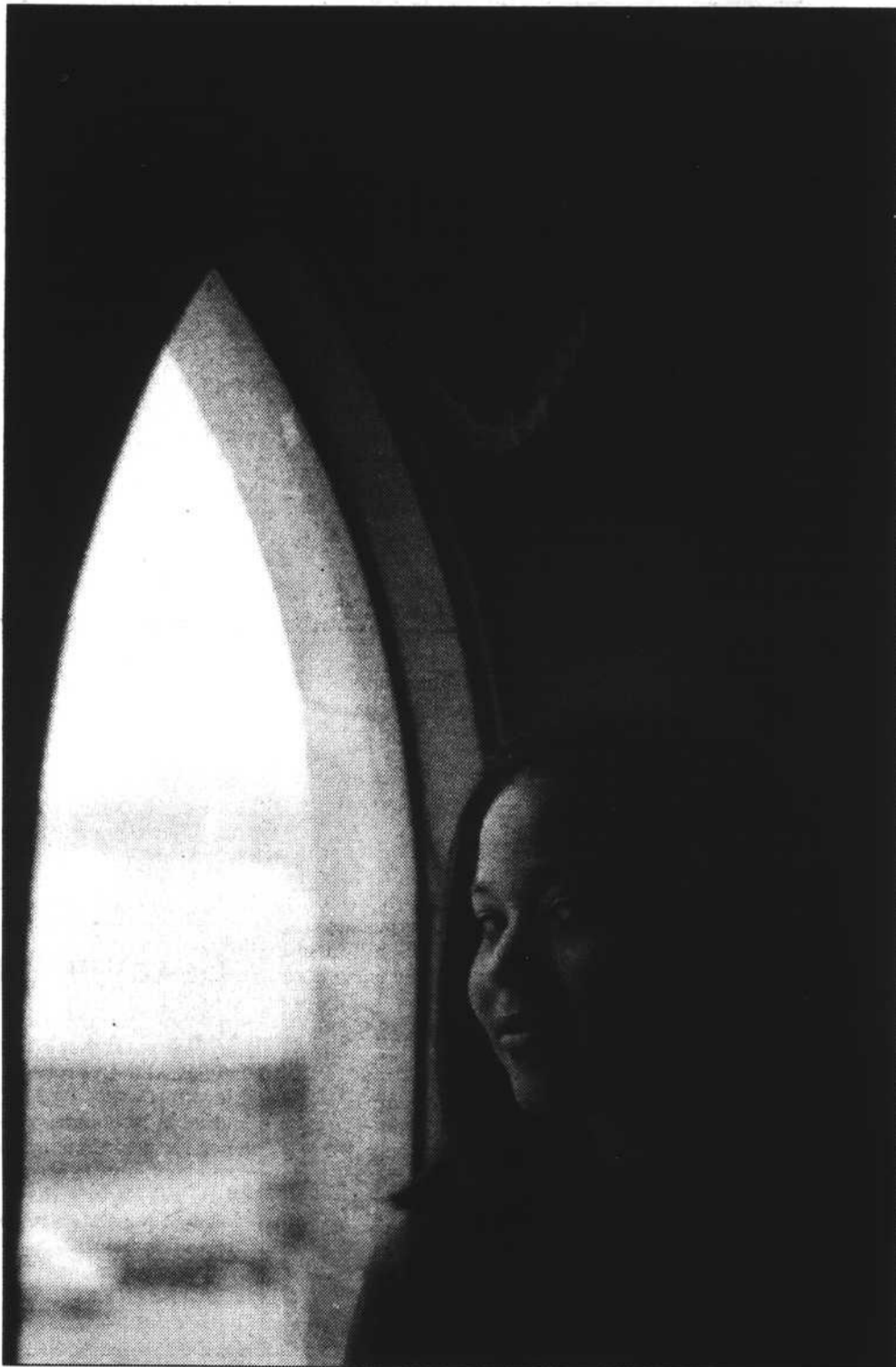
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## Working For Unity

The Black Leaders of UNL and Lincoln



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UNL GRADUATE STUDENT Adair Shanks applies her leadership skills at the office of Student Involvement. Shanks is also the management team leader for the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Big 12 Conference on Black Student Government.

## Student strives for change

*Editor's note: In honor of Black History Month, the Daily Nebraskan is printing profiles of prominent black leaders in Lincoln and at UNL. Today is the fourth in a five-part series.*

BY IEVA AUGSTUMS  
Assignment Reporter

Sometimes it takes only one voice to bring change, and Adair Shanks wants to be that voice.

Shanks, a marketing and publicity graduate assistant for UNL's Student Involvement office, is not afraid to raise her voice on issues she holds close to her heart.

"If you truly believe in something, you must voice your opinion and fight for it," Shanks said. "Nothing beats a failure but a try."

Growing up in Chicago, Shanks said she had many opportunities to learn and enact change. She could not think of a better place than Lincoln to use what she learned, she said. One place she applies her leadership skills is in the office of Student Involvement. Shanks supervises four graphic artists and coordinates all publicity for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Culture Center and the University Program Council.

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## Charges filed against Hibler

BY JOSH FUNK  
Senior Reporter

A UNL student filed sexual harassment charges in federal court on Tuesday against English Professor David Hibler and the NU Board of Regents.

In her suit, Valerie Giunca alleges that Hibler harassed her while she was a student in his class during the 1996 fall semester.

Giunca also alleges that the university mishandled the harassment charges and failed to provide a safe environment for her. In her complaint, Giunca details a pattern of harassment by Hibler beginning in the fall of 1996 in which she said he treated her differently than male students.

Hibler required personal information from Giunca in her writings that he later used to try to establish a relationship with her, the complaint states.

The complaint also states Hibler knew she was vulnerable and used it to his advantage. It says he forced his way into her apartment at least one time, made her lie down, proceeded to touch her and ignored her demands to leave.

The harassment continued with letters and phone calls from Hibler, who still wanted to pursue a relationship. The calls continued even after Giunca filed a complaint with the university affirmative action office.

But the nature of his harassment had changed, the report said.

Hibler called Giunca repeatedly, and every time the university contacted Hibler about the complaint, Giunca's car was vandalized, according to the complaint.

Despite her complaints, Giunca never saw any consequences imposed on Hibler, said her lawyer, Carole McMahon-Boies.

"Students have made complaints in the past, and nothing has been done," McMahon-Boies said. "I think he should have been fired."

Because of the harassment, McMahon-Boies said, Giunca was forced to drop some of her classes and subsequently lost some of her financial aid.

"This has impacted her ability to complete her degree," McMahon-Boies said.

Since the original incident, Giunca has spent two years in the university complaint process without any results, McMahon-Boies said.

But the university maintains that it did not wrong Giunca.

"The university is not responsible for the harassment at all," UNL General Counsel Richard Wood said.

Hibler did not return phone calls to the Daily Nebraskan Wednesday.

Giunca is currently a part-time UNL student.

Senior Reporter Brad Davis contributed to this report.

## Union Board appeals CFA for turn-around of decisions

BY IEVA AUGSTUMS  
Assignment Reporter

The Union Board plans to reverse some of the decisions made by the Committee for Fees Allocation, including continued union tobacco sales and Student Involvement services.

Nebraska Unions Director Daryl Swanson said he is planning to appeal CFA's vote today with the support of the board.

Jess Sweley, a junior biosystems engineering major, suggested Tuesday that the Union Board push for more student hours in the new Student Involvement Resource Center.

Swanson said the original request was to have the resource center be open until 10 p.m. However, CFA only allocated enough funds to have the center open for two additional hours, Monday through Thursday.

Sweley said having the center open from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. would not benefit students.

Union Board Vice President Jill

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JILL MAASKE  
Union Board vice president

Maaske agreed and suggested the center be open from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. instead.

"A lot of students are busy with meetings and things until 7 p.m.," Maaske said. "By having the center open later, students would be able to use it more and get more involved."

Swanson said every student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln has the ability to be a leader.

"One way the university can help encourage this is to have the Student Involvement Resource Center help

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