



## SPORTS

### Playing with pain

Now that NU's quarterbacks have survived their injuries, the Huskers have three men capable of running the offense. PAGE 9



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### A family film

"The Farmer's Wife," a three-part documentary focusing on the struggles of a Lawrence family, debuts Monday on NETV. PAGE 12

## FRIDAY

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SUNNY DELIGHT

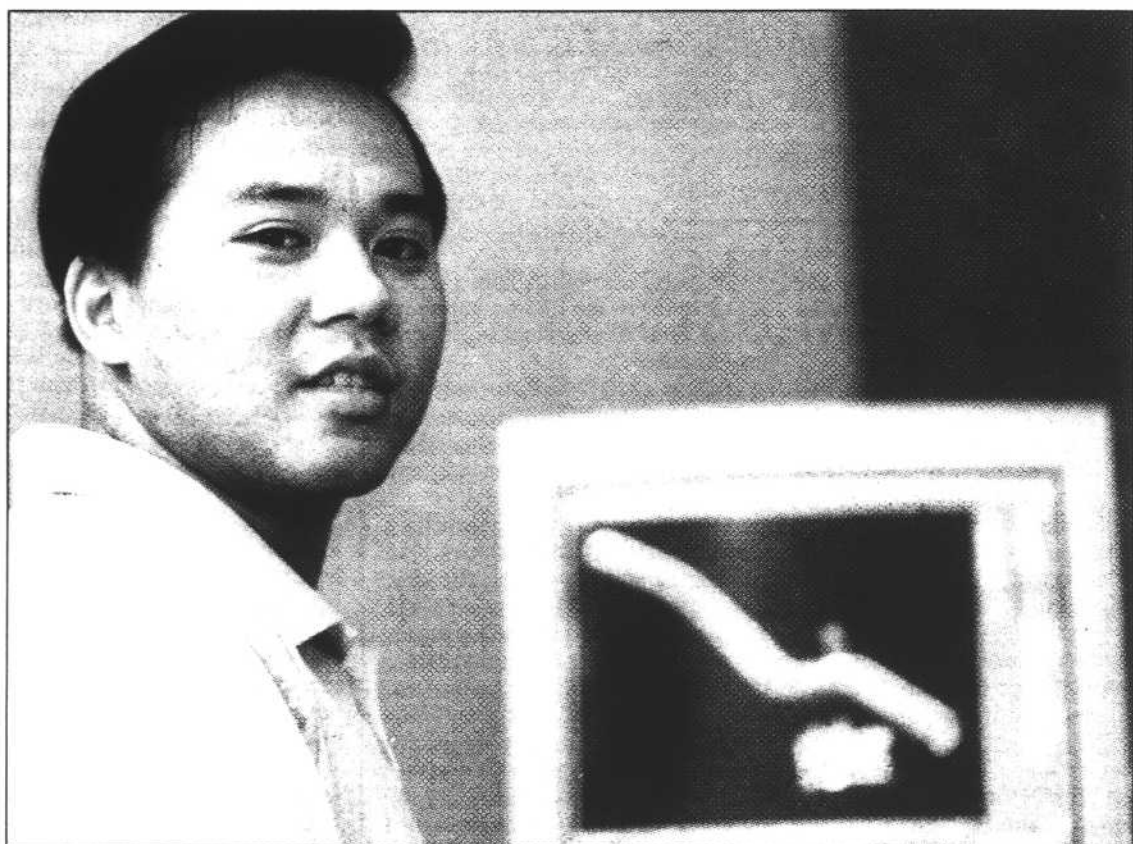
Mostly sunny, high 87. Clear tonight, low 63.

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**CHEE-PENG TAN**, a UNL international student from Malaysia, works 15 to 20 hours a week at the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. Tan, a senior mechanical engineering major, works as a development and design intern at the plant. UNL helps Asian students obtain jobs so they can pay for their education while the economic crisis at home continues to cause financial struggles.

## Fewer Asians return to UNL

World markets cause money concerns among international students.

BY JESSICA FARGEN  
Staff writer

The Asian currency crisis that affected about 400 UNL students last semester is probably responsible for 39 fewer students from Malaysia, Indonesia, Korea, the Philippines and Thailand attending UNL this fall, administrators and students said.

They said the decrease is not because UNL's \$150,000 in aid did

not help but because the crisis has not subsided.

Peter Levitov, associate dean of International Affairs, said the number of students did not decline significantly, except for Malaysian students.

UNL has 31 fewer Malaysian students than it did last fall.

Chee-Peng Tan, president of the Malaysian Students Association, said the Malaysian government is trying to keep more students in the country, which means fewer are attending American universities.

Levitov said the four other countries probably remained fairly constant because Asian families are making sacrifices to put their chil-

dren through school and because of UNL's generosity and welcoming environment.

UNL's relief came in the form of \$90,000 in grants and \$60,000 in student loans in February; financial aid for off-campus work permits; and a two-month bill deferment for last spring. Students eligible had to be at the university before June 10.

No such aid is being offered to students this semester.

However, this semester, about 75 students have received a special permit to work more than 20 hours on campus. Part of the \$70 for a

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## Students herald ASUN's annual migration game

BY DARREN IVY  
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UNL senior Andy Wane has made a yearly tradition of attending the ASUN-sponsored migration to an away Nebraska football game.

Wane, a senior secondary education major, migrated to Boulder, Colo., in 1995; Manhattan, Kan., in 1996; and Lawrence, Kan., last year for Cornhusker football games.

And he plans to go the Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., this year for the Oct. 3 Nebraska-Oklahoma State game.

He turned in his application Monday for one of the 1,000 available tickets.

Students who haven't turned in their applications yet and still want to go have until 6 tonight to turn them in to the ticket office in the Stadium Drive Parking Garage, said Athletic Department Ticket Manager John Anderson.

Tickets are \$22.50 for students.

As of Thursday evening, 500 applications had been turned in, Anderson said. If the number of applications exceeded 1,000, there would be a lottery Sept. 23 to determine who receives tickets.

"Anybody who asks for a ticket should get one," Anderson said.

The offer was organized by the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska in conjunction with the Athletic Department. ASUN President Sara Russell said.

Each year, ASUN organizes a trip to an away game for students.

Last year's game against KU didn't draw the kind of attendance

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ANDY WANE  
UNL senior

ASUN members had hoped for, so they were looking for a better game this year.

The decision about which game to designate as a migration game came down to those against Oklahoma State and Kansas State, Russell said.

After much debate last year, ASUN members decided to choose the NU-OSU game because it was in Kansas City's Arrowhead Stadium, and more tickets would be available for students, Russell said.

Anderson said he supported ASUN's decision.

"If you're going to migrate somewhere, there's not a much better place," Anderson said.

Wane said he likes the student migration game better than other away games because there are more UNL students around.

He said having more Nebraska students makes the pre-game activities — such as tailgate parties — more fun than the others. He also said Arrowhead Stadium will provide an exciting atmosphere.

"Arrowhead has a pretty big parking lot," Wane said, "so it should be a big party."

## Off-campus groups debate lid's traits

Editor's note: This week the Daily Nebraskan examines the possible effects of Initiative 413, the proposed amendment for controlling state taxes, as well as what opponents and proponents are doing.

BY BRIAN CARLSON  
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To cap or not to cap: that is the question Nebraska voters will face on Nov. 3 when they decide the fate of Initiative 413.

The initiative, spearheaded by a group of Nebraska business leaders and approved for the ballot following a successful summer petition campaign, would place a constitutional limit on the growth of state spending and taxation.

Worried that the spending restrictions could force higher tuition or cuts in faculty or depart-

ments, most groups associated with the University of Nebraska are decidedly against the amendment.

But off campus, the debate rages between those concerned about the amendment's impact on public services and property tax relief, and the no-less-passionate advocates of tax relief.

Frustrated with taxation and government spending they say have run amok, business leaders and other supporters are calling on state government to exercise greater spending discipline.

Initiative 413 would limit the growth of state and local revenue available for spending each year to the rate of inflation plus population growth.

Exceptions could be made for unfunded federal mandates or emergency situations, or a vote of the people could authorize a lid override.

Steven Wolf, executive director of Citizens

for Nebraska's Future, a proponent group, said the initiative's provisions are airtight.

"If you're taking in every dime you're getting now, and you're getting an annual increase, what harm can be done?" he said.

But Craig Christiansen, director of Nebraskans for the Good Life, an opponent group, disagreed. He said the amendment would ultimately mean fewer resources for public services and education, and would effectively end property tax relief efforts.

"When you actually look at the facts, it translates into real cuts in the quality of life for Nebraskans," he said.

The amendment is nearly 3,500 words long, and if passed it would account for 11 percent of the state's constitution. Its complexity, coupled with the emotional nature of the debate, has created widely diverging opinions about its poten-

tial effects on Nebraska.

### Shaking tax burdens

Wolf said the initiative was a sensible way to force state and local governments to be more fiscally responsible and return budget surpluses to taxpayers.

Under the proposed amendment, state budget surpluses would be returned to taxpayers through sales and income tax cuts, while local surpluses would be returned through property tax cuts.

Wolf said those provisions would mean all taxpayers would share in tax relief. And no cuts would be made, he said — only limits on spending growth.

"If this doesn't pass, I can just about assure

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