

# Anchor events to make splash

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Delta Gamma Sorority hopes to make more than a drop in the bucket during the Anchor Splash fund-raiser.

The annual Delta Gamma Anchor Splash will be Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lincoln Southeast High School.

Some of the Anchor Splash events include inner-tube relays, medley relays, T-shirt relays, kiss the coach relays and synchronized swimming.

Delta Gamma President Kelly Pollard said Anchor Splash has taken place at University of Nebraska-Lincoln for more than 20 years.

The idea originated on a national level in the 1930s because of a blind Delta Gamma member.

Pollard, a senior meteorology major, said the event is characteristic of the

sorority.

"The adopted cause of our sorority is to promote screening of kindergartners," Pollard said. "If visual defects are detected early enough, then there is a better chance of preventing severe problems."

"A while back, we had a member who had some vision problems. Through the help she received, we were able to see firsthand how our effort makes a difference."

Included in Anchor Splash is Anchor Bash, a party Wednesday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at BW-3, 1328 P St. Admission is \$3.

Last year, more than 300 people attended Anchor Bash, and more are expected this year.

At the bash, contestants perform to win the title for Anchor Man and Anchor Woman. The contest includes a fact quiz and talent competition.

Emily Gardels, a junior fashion merchandising major and Delta

Gamma member, said everyone is welcome at the Splash and the Bash.

"In the past, people have shied away from the Anchor Bash because they were not involved in the greek system," Gardels said.

Gardels said that in previous Anchor Splashes, the participants were limited to UNL sorority and fraternity members. But this year the competition is open to all UNL students as well as Nebraska Wesleyan greek members.

The winners of a banner contest and a penny drive will have points awarded into the grand total.

Gardels said Delta Gamma made more than \$1,500 from the Anchor events last year.

Proceeds from all events will be donated to various organizations that provide aid to the blind.

"It is nice to have fun for a good cause," Gardels said. "It feels really good to help people."

# Law society to hold public interest week

From staff reports

UNL's Equal Justice Society kicked off its public interest week at the law college Monday with events to mark the opening of the U.S. Supreme Court term.

First Monday is a nationwide event on the first day of the Supreme Court session to promote social justice.

"It is a national effort to focus at least one day on the legal question of

social justice," said D. Milo Mumgaard, executive director of the Nebraska Appleseed Center.

This year's First Monday events commemorated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights with a film and panel discussion focusing on America's treatment of immigrants and the death penalty.

The declaration is one of the first documents adopted by the United Nations after World War II.

It outlines the basic rights that

should be afforded to all human beings.

There are additional events planned for the rest of the week. All events will be held at noon in 112 McCollum Hall on East Campus at the NU College of Law.

Wednesday there will be a discussion about being a legal services attorney with two recent law college graduates.

Thursday, Mumgaard and other experienced lawyers will lead a discussion about public interest opportunities in Nebraska.

# New director of finance announced for NU system

From staff reports

The University of Nebraska has appointed a new director of finance after the position was vacant for more than a year.

David Lechner has been named assistant vice president of business and finance and the director of finance for the NU system.

He replaces Mary deRegnier who resigned in June 1997. John Goebel, a UNL accounting professor, was acting vice president for business and finance in the interim.

Lechner began his new position with NU on Oct. 1 with an annual salary of \$110,000.

According to a statement, some of his responsibilities include integrating technology with business practices, analyzing capital decisions and busi-

ness plans, managing debt and the treasury and implementing new software for financial management systems as part of the University's Administrative Systems Project.

Lechner has more than 20 years of experience in accounting, auditing and consulting for private and public firms start-up operations to operations with more than \$2 million in assets.

Before the NU position, he was the Audit Director at Lincoln's Deloitte & Touche LLP, 1040 NBC Center. He had primary responsibility for governmental, higher education, non-profit, construction and middle-market clients.

Lechner received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the university in 1975. He is a certified public accountant.

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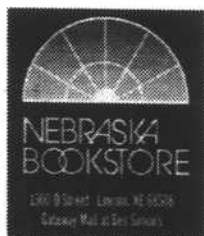
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