

Flu shots urged as season nears

By SARAH FOX
Staff writer

Catching the flu for four years in a row is bad enough. Being sick with the flu in a foreign country is worse.

After teaching in Poland last year and not having access to a flu shot, graduate student Jon Bellum made sure he received a flu shot from the University Health Center's health fair last week.

"If it prevents me from getting the flu, it's definitely worth my time and money," Bellum said.

Bellum's choice is increasingly popular: More than 1,800 students, faculty members and staff received the shots last year, an increase from previous years, said Carol Ash, health promotions specialist for the health center.

Many students don't want to risk getting temperatures of 102 to 104 degrees, aches and pains and fatigue for up to a week while attending school and perhaps working, she said.

But receiving a flu shot doesn't guarantee the recipient won't get influenza. It

simply enhances one's chances of avoiding it, Ash said.

Scientists try to predict which influenza strain will be common in the winter and advise health professionals to vaccinate against that strain. If a different strain sweeps the country, everyone, including those who have received flu shots, will be vulnerable to it.

Ash advises using Tylenol, over-the-counter medications and rest to fight the flu.

"There's not a pill out there that can take away the flu," Ash said. "It just has to run its course."

She said students who experience dehydration, severe vomiting and diarrhea and continuous high temperatures should see a doctor.

Students should get their shots early, she said, because resistance to influenza develops one to two weeks after the shot is given. The flu season usually lasts from November to March or April each year, according to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department.

Certain groups are at high risk to contract the flu and are advised to get a

Flu shots cost \$8 and will be available at both unions from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on these days:

Nebraska Union:
Thursday
Nov. 4
Nov. 10
Nov. 18
Dec. 2

Nebraska East Union:
Today
Nov. 5
Nov. 11
Nov. 19
Dec. 3

flu shot.

These people include those with weakened immune systems, women who will be more than three months pregnant during the flu season, children under 19 who are on long-term aspirin treatment and those with a chronic medical condition.

Flu shots are available for \$8 over the next six weeks at the Nebraska and Nebraska East unions.

Students opposed to 413 to march on Capitol today

By IEVA AUGSTUMS
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University of Nebraska-Lincoln students will show their opposition to Initiative 413 today when they march on the State Capitol.

ASUN President Sara Russell said the student-organized march will let the public know what the proposed tax lid amendment to the Nebraska Constitution could do to the university.

Initiative 413, the proposed amendment, will be on Tuesday's state election ballot.

If passed, it could cut \$20 million from NU's budget; tuition could increase up to 22 percent; academic programming, including entire courses of study, could be eliminated; and faculty and staff members could face up to a 6 percent salary cut, according to university budget estimates.

"This is our last chance to make a visible impact," Russell said. "The march will show the community what we are dealing with, and it will remind them to vote next week."

The march will begin at noon today on the south steps of the Nebraska Union, Russell said.

Students will march down Centennial Mall to the north steps of the Capitol. There, John Cederburg, UNL Parents Association member and Lincoln accountant, along with Russell and other students, will speak about the amendment.

The march is sponsored by Students Against the Lid and the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska Government Liaison Committee.

"If students don't come, they don't," Angie Klein, ASUN Government Liaison Committee chairwoman, said. "The main thing is that they get out and vote on Tuesday."



Cockson case charges altered

Prosecutors modified the charges against the man accused of killing one University of Nebraska-Lincoln student and injuring her two sisters in a drunken driving accident last spring.

At a preliminary hearing in Lancaster District Court on Tuesday, prosecutors filed to change the circumstances of the manslaughter charge against Jeffrey Ireland.

Ireland was charged with manslaughter and three counts of second-degree assault in connection with the death of Laura Cockson and the injuries to her two sisters, Erin and Sarah.

Sarah was driving the car the three Cockson sisters were in when the car Ireland was driving slammed

into the passenger side of the car, killing Laura.

Nebraska law allows prosecutors to charge someone with manslaughter when the death was unintended or occurred in conjunction with certain other crimes, Ireland's lawyer, Brett MacArthur said.

Originally, Ireland was charged with manslaughter in conjunction with third-degree assault against Laura Cockson.

Because prosecutors changed the manslaughter charge to appear with careless driving instead of assault, MacArthur said prosecutors couldn't use the manslaughter charge anymore. Instead, he said, Ireland's charge should be reduced to motor vehicle homicide.

District Court Judge Paul Merritt Jr. will now review the charges against Ireland to determine if there is probable cause to keep Ireland's case in District Court.

MacArthur said he would request additional review if the manslaughter charge is upheld.

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Opening for north union entrance delayed

By JESSICA FARGEN
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The new revolving doors on the north side of the Nebraska Union were supposed to open Monday, but problems with inspection of the lobby's elevator have delayed its opening until next week.

Nebraska Unions Director Daryl Swanson told Union Board members Tuesday night that problems discovered during the state fire marshal's inspection delayed the opening.

Swanson said he did not want to open the north entrance until the eleva-

tor was operating because the elevator makes the north portion of the union wheelchair accessible.

Next week students will be able to access the first floor of the union, including the food court, by entering the north entrance, he said.

But the rotunda with its winding staircase is not complete, Swanson said. Several pieces of glass panels for the staircase were defective or have not arrived, he said.

Swanson said by Thanksgiving break the \$950,000 renovations to Memorial Plaza should be completed.

Most inside renovations also will be completed before Thanksgiving

break, Swanson said. But it will be early next semester before students will be able to use the north entrance to access the renovated upstairs meeting rooms, the more-than-250-seat auditorium, the bookstore and basement television lounge and billiard room.

Grand opening for the union is scheduled for Feb. 18-19, Swanson said, with the Broyhill Fountain dedication following later that spring.

In other Union Board news: At the Nov. 10 meeting in the union, the board will discuss and review a recently passed non-student policy that affects the northwest study lounge.

Champion rider, UNL student rounds up three titles

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Since she began riding at age 9, Peterson said, she's competed in Kansas, Arizona, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Texas, North Dakota and Canada.

Though traveling consumes much of her time, Peterson said, it's a great opportunity for her to meet new friends and also a good chance for

her to catch up on her studies.

She said her professors are very helpful about working with her schedule so she is able to travel.

"It's not too hard to balance studies with riding," she said.

Peterson majors in speech pathology and said she eventually wants to earn a master's degree and open her own speech rehabilitation center.

And in the meantime, she said, she'll continue doing what she loves best: riding horses.

Peterson said she is eager for new challenges in the future, such as riding a different horse or competing in different classes.

And though the trophies and ribbons are nice, Peterson said, she also enjoys seeing old friends and family. "It's basically all for fun."

Candidates promise a commitment to education

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If Initiative 413 passes, Moeser said, UNL administrators and state leaders will have to take a careful look

at how to respond and develop a plan.

He said action might not be necessary if the amendment is challenged in court and found to be unconstitutional.

Johanns said education - along with law enforcement - would be the last areas to see budget cuts so Nebraska can continue to provide quality education for its citizens.

Hoppner said making sure administration runs efficiently and effectively would be the best way to find savings and redirect already existing funds back into the university system.

With or without the passage of Initiative 413, Moeser said he is worried about finding new sources of revenue for the university.

While the amount of funding from

the Legislature has risen each year, Moeser said the modest additional funding has not compensated for rising costs and inflation.

"Even with tuition increases, we've been barely able to keep our heads above water," Moeser said.

Moeser said representatives from UNL and the NU system have met with both candidates to discuss the funding needed to achieve goals set by the university.

But, he said, it is difficult for either of them to make specific promises about budget issues.

"Frankly, I think how they perform really depends more on the fiscal realities they have to deal with than their personal or political agendas."

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