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Abel Hall overwhelmed with outbreak of mono

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There is no medication to cure mono, but non-prescription drugs such as acetaminophen can relieve minor discomfort, according to information from the health center.

Aspirin is not recommended because of its suspected association with Reye's syndrome, a disease that generally occurs in conjunction with a previous viral infection. Severe symptoms of mono may require a prescription of a short course of cortisone drugs.

The incubation period for mono can last four to six weeks. The initial symptoms, such as sore throat and fever, usually improve in seven to 10 days. Lymph node swelling can generally persist two to four weeks.

"I have been really tired and achy feeling," Bruns said. "I've been sick for about a week and a half now. I hate to think of six weeks of this stuff."

If the problem gets out of hand, the residence hall staff is prepared to take action, Esters said.

"A few years ago, an outbreak of Shigella went through Lincoln," he said. "It is spread through hand contact and sneezing, so we took out all the paper towels in the bathrooms and replaced them with hand dryers."

Bruns said students worried about catching the virus should take the proper precautions.

"If you can, stay away from the drinking fountains and sharing glasses," Bruns said. "The repercussions aren't worth it."

IBM, Peter Kiewit Institute deal will benefit university students

From staff reports

Students at the University of Nebraska will have a chance next fall to collaborate with an expert directly from IBM.

NU President Dennis Smith announced a new partnership Friday that has been formed between the University of Nebraska's Peter Kiewit Institute and IBM.

The partnership will start out by providing the institute with a soft-ware engineer from IBM who will identify areas where the company could improve the educational experience of students.

Then, the company will use its resources to bring IBM executives from around the world to the institute to assist students.

"Instead of an Expert in Residence program, we have an Experts in Residence program," Smith said in a statement.

Bill O'Brien, a senior systems engineer at IBM, will be one of the Experts in Residence to work with the institute's deans.

The Peter Kiewit Institute, which works to form partnerships in business and industry at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, will open for classes next fall in Omaha.

Man guilty in NU law college trial

From staff reports

Jurors in a trial held at the NU College of Law last week found 24-year-old Maurice Phillips of Lincoln guilty of manslaughter but not guilty of use of a deadly weapon to commit a felony.

After 12 hours of deliberation Thursday, the jury reached a verdict in the first jury trial held at the college in more than a decade.

The trial was held in the Welpton Courtroom on East Campus and gave students and professors a chance to watch a real trial instead of watching one on television, reading about it in law books or driving downtown to see one.

Phillips was involved in an altercation in April 1996 in which he was stabbed in the shoulder by Arthur Ewoldt of Lincoln, said presiding Sarpy County District Judge Ronald Reagan. Ewoldt was assaulted by a number of individuals, including Phillips, the state alleges, in a second altercation later that night.

During that altercation, a cement block was allegedly dropped on Ewoldt, which resulted in injuries that put him in a coma. Ewoldt died in December 1996 as a result of his injuries, Reagan said.

Both charges against Phillips were filed in spring 1997 with the present charges, each carrying a sentence of one to 20 years in prison and a \$25,000 fine.

India event showcases food, music and fashion

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Indian culture through music, dancing, a skit performance, a fashion show and specially prepared Indian food.

The food, catered by Sitar, an Indian restaurant in Omaha, included dishes such as Alo Mater, Dal, Tandoori, Makani, Nan and Alukurma.

Two meats, Tandoori and Makani chicken, were specially prepared Indian style. The process involves putting marinated meats into a 950- degree oven to bake.

Without the help and organization of the Indian students, this event could not have happened, Ajay Yagnamurthy, vice president of India Students Association, said. The students were in charge of putting the event together.

"This event has been going on for the past 10 years, and students are the ones that make the function working," Yagnamurthy said. "Each minute that the students put into India Nite is worth it."

The Indian fashions were another highlight of the evening. Many people dressed in typical Indian clothing such as long, very colorful dresses.

The fashion show, held toward the end of the evening, allowed students to show off their Indian outfits.

"The show displays the unity of India through fashion," Yagnamurthy said.

Judy Wendroff, International Affairs student adviser, was the guest speaker of the evening.

"India Nite will teach you that we have many talented young people at this university," she said.

Wendroff said that all of the 100 Indian students at UNL "explore truth and beauty in their academic field."

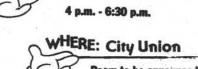
The goal of India Nite was to make every person in attendance feel a little bit of India inside of them, said Sameer Strivastava, president of the Indian Students Association.

Alpana Knippling, an English professor at UNL, attended India Nite last year and enjoyed this year's event.

She said the event reaffirmed her culture's importance.

"I'm Indian, and I'm proud to be."

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