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A strange journey

Joe Holmes came to Nebraska with a little help from the mail and Rodney Fields. Now, he's NU's starting point guard. **PAGE 7**



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The Lied Center's outreach program takes the performing arts from the stage to the classroom all across the state. **PAGE 9**

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Regent-elect's ideas focus on improving state education

“I tended to have a different perspective on things than others did. But that didn't matter. Bettering education was my focus.”

KENT SCHROEDER
NU regent-elect

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With 20 years of service in community and education policy, NU regent-elect Kent Schroeder is ready to continue providing central Nebraska with “new perspectives and policy to better the schools.”

Schroeder, a 55-year-old attorney in the law firm Ross, Schroeder and Romatzke in Kearney, challenged and beat Regent John Payne, president of a Kearney furniture store, for the board's District 6 seat representing Central Nebraska and the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

“I've always had an interest in education,” Schroeder said. “I grew up with it, and I am living it.”

Approached by UNK employees, Schroeder said there was a consensus on the UNK campus and community that Payne no longer had the community's best

interests in mind.

Schroeder said he chose to run for the NU Board of Regents because of those inadequacies Kearney residents saw in Payne's performance.



Schroeder

“He was more interested in athletics than academics,” Schroeder said. “Many felt Payne had lost his focus and some of his energy.”

But Payne disputes Schroeder's comment. “Schroeder's comment about me and athletics was his opinion. It is not true,” Payne said.

The defeated regent said he ran on a platform that stressed the importance of academics. “I ran on the premise 18 years ago that there was a need for academic standards at our universities,”

Payne said. “I have kept my focus through the years.”

However, voters decided Schroeder would replace Payne at the university's decision-making table. Schroeder was honored to be approached by community members, though he said other people were well-qualified for the position, too.

UNK Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Barbara Snyder disagreed. She said District 6 could not be better represented.

“Kent will do an excellent job representing us and the state,” Snyder said. “He has the overall interests of improving the University of Nebraska in mind.”

Snyder served with Schroeder for nine years on the Good Samaritan Health Systems Board of Directors.

“He is a very thoughtful, thorough, patient man,” Snyder said. “He is someone who is well-prepared for

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Another brick in the mall



HEATHER GLENBOSKI/DN

A CONSTRUCTION WORKER walks through an unfinished section of the new South Pointe Mall, 27th Street and Pine Lake Road. Although only three businesses are open, seven more will open by month's end. **STORY ON PAGE 6.**

Tension is still rising in Persian Gulf

■ **The United Nations** has withdrawn non-essential personnel, and another U.S. aircraft carrier is on its way to prepare for possible conflict with Iraq.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton laid out his case Wednesday for a possible attack on Iraq as the Pentagon began a major buildup of American warplanes and troops in the Persian Gulf.

Allowing Saddam Hussein to ignore the United Nations by rejecting weapons inspections would only embolden Hussein to “act recklessly,” Clinton said in a Veterans Day speech at Arlington National Cemetery.

“We continue to hope — indeed, pray — that Saddam will comply,” the president said. “But we must be prepared to act if he does not.”

Meanwhile, U.S. warships headed toward the Gulf, and Defense Secretary William Cohen ordered dozens of Air Force fighters and bombers, additional Patriot air-defense missiles and 3,000 soldiers to the area, roughly doubling U.S. firepower.

“Nowhere is our vigilance more urgent than in the Persian Gulf, where Saddam Hussein's regime threatens the stability of one of the most vital regions of the world,” Clinton said in a speech that suggested he was still weighing his options.

Adding to the atmosphere of crisis, the State Department withdrew as many as 200 nonessential personnel and their families from embassies in Israel and Kuwait, citing the mounting tensions since Iraq on Oct. 31 stopped cooperating with weapons inspectors of the U.N. Special Commission. The department also suggest-

“If the inspectors are not permitted to visit suspect sites or monitor compliance at known production facilities, they may as well be in Baltimore, not Baghdad.”

PRESIDENT CLINTON

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ASUN sends back election rules

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ASUN

Ambiguous wording and uncertainty about procedures prompted student government leaders Wednesday to send back the ASUN Electoral Commission's 1999 election rules and procedures.

Debate revolved around specific procedures candidates must follow if campaigning in University of Nebraska-Lincoln residence halls.

Electoral Commission Director Ryan Fuchs said the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska has worked with the Residence Hall Association to coordinate elec-

tion procedures between the two organizations.

Fuchs said about 13 additions and changes were made to the 1998 election rules. Several minor wording corrections were made, too, he said.

Senators debated the commission's proposals and made suggestions.

“Sending the rules back is fine. I practically expected it,” Fuchs said. “I'm glad senators voiced their concerns and made suggestions.”

In addition to procedural changes, the commission recommends that party affiliation names be removed from the election ballot.

Their decision comes from President Sara Russell's recommendation made last month.

Teacher's College Senator Vernon Miller said he was against removing party names from the ballot.

“As a senate we may never truly represent the entire campus,” Miller said. “With the student election group affiliation on the ballot, students can feel confident that the candidate they elect will be beneficial to student government.”

Speaker Matt Boyd, however, supported the proposal.

“Removing the party name makes a person stand and fight more on their own,” Boyd said. “It would be more detrimental to our student

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