

# Police catch stores selling beer to minors

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Lincoln Police bought beer for four teens at 15 liquor stores Wednesday night as part of a special enforcement project.

Police took teens, ages 16-19, to 80 liquor stores, 55 in north Lincoln and 25 in the south, and 15 of them sold to the minors, Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady said.

The project was part of an effort to catch liquor stores that were selling to minors.

In north Lincoln, police used four teens — one 18-year-old man and girls ages 16, 17 and 18 — who all are members of the police youth advisory board.

Of the 55 on- and off-sale liquor stores visited in north Lincoln, six sold to minors, Casady said.

"The good news is that downtown in particular was good in determining that they were minors and turning them away," Casady said. "The bad news is

that three of the six businesses that sold liquor sold to a 16-year-old girl."

As part of the enforcement, the four buyers stood outside a liquor store for two hours asking people to buy beer for them, and four people did.

All four of them were arrested for procuring for minors.

Wednesday night's project was a follow-up to a similar one done in July, when 42 businesses in south Lincoln were visited and 25 sold to minors.

Lincoln Police revisited those 25 and nine of them sold to minors again, Casady said.

In south Lincoln, police used an 18- and 19-year-old man and woman to purchase the beer.

At the U-Stop, 942 S. 27th St., officers cited the same clerk for selling to a minor that they cited in July.

When police ran the name of the 27-year-old woman through the computer, they found an arrest warrant for failure to appear in court for that offense, Casady said.

She was taken into custody.

# Committee to suggest return

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the repatriation, said he was pleased the committee took the step of approval and that university representatives helped make it happen.

"I think that the university is working with us on this," said Thomas, of Lincoln. "I think it's good the university is honoring a good part of their bargain."

Grew, along with tribal representative Pemina Yellow Bird, presented the tribal coalition's claim for the repatriation of the unaffiliated remains.

Other tribal representatives attended, as well as Susan Miller, UNL assistant professor of history and ethnic studies and Judi Morgan of the Nebraska Indian Commission.

Grew said the committee decided to pass a recommendation after only about a half hour of discussion and interrogation.

Yellow Bird was chosen to represent the wants of the Working Group on the University of Nebraska Repatriation, an organization formed in early September to work with UNL when it decided it would repatriate about 1,700 remains.

The 40 remains plus the teaching

collection approved Thursday are part of the 1,700 remains.

The university has told the National Park Service it intends to repatriate about 1,600 additional remains.

About 600 of the 1,700 remains, which are unaffiliated but can be traced to Nebraska, are now being published in the federal register. After being published for 30 days, the university may be able to return the remains.

Those 600 remains are more likely to be approved for repatriation to the coalition of tribes after a federal review committee Thursday decided in favor of the state of Minnesota in a similar case, Grew said.

The about 1,000 affiliated remains also are now being published in the federal register.

Repatriating those remains is not as complicated because they can be returned to the tribes researchers know they belong to.

Ralph Thomas, Randy's brother, said he was pleased with Thursday's step forward in recommending to repatriate the culturally unidentifiable remains.

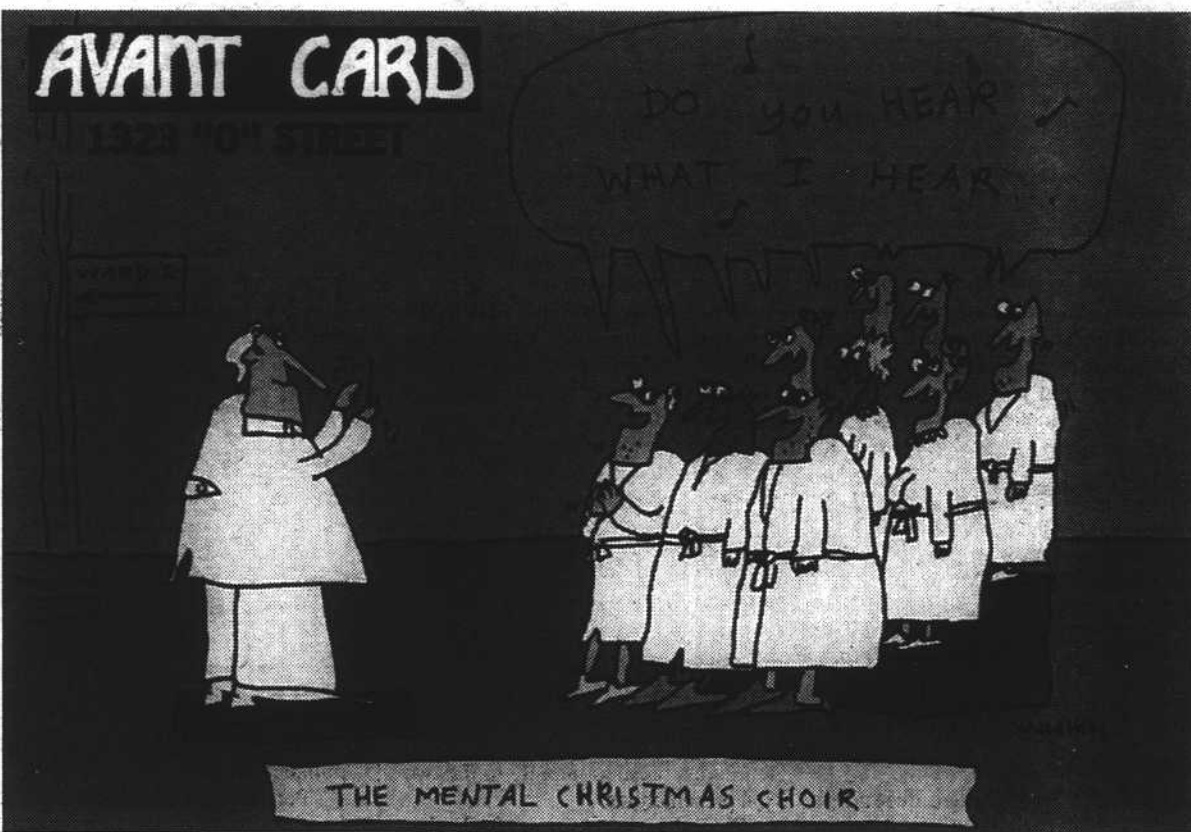
Thomas also worked with the Working Group on the University of Nebraska Repatriation.

## Beer bust

Lincoln police cited 16 businesses for selling alcohol to minors Wednesday night:

- U-Stop, 942 S. 27th St.
- Mills Amoco, 1648 South St.
- Quik Shop, 4750 Calvert St.
- The Still, 5560 S. 48th St.
- Quik Shop, 2040 S. 56th St.
- Fast Mart, 3293 A St.

- Gas 'N Shop, 5560 S. 48th St.
- Jax Liquor, 2711 S. 48th St.
- Gas 'N Shop, 2801 O St.
- Library Lounge, 6891 A St.
- Gas 'N Shop, 4201 N. 27th St.
- Mouse's Library, 1644 P St.
- Suite 9 Lounge, 3427 Cornhusker Highway
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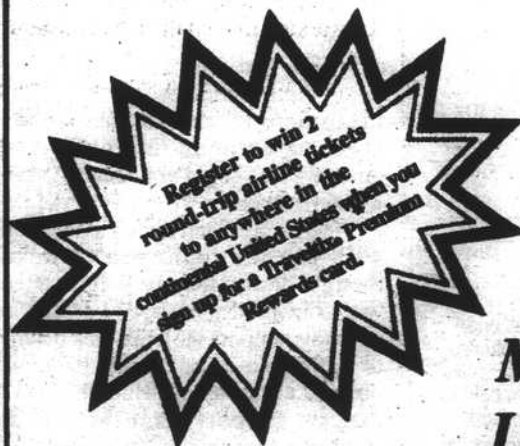
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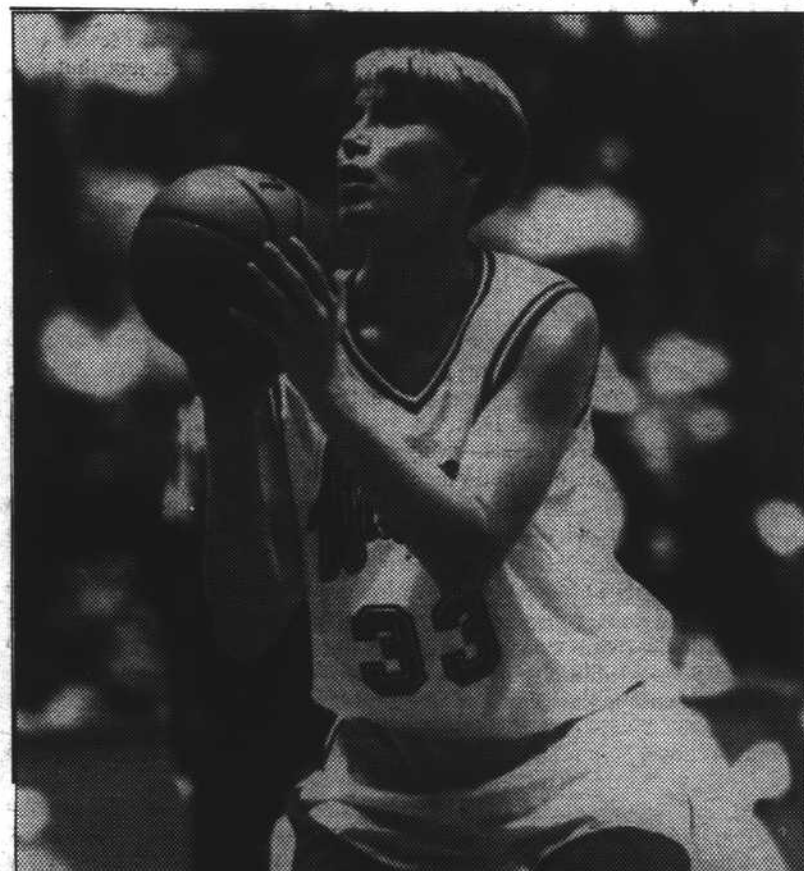
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