

New look flows into University Bookstore

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After 14 years of the same look, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln bookstore was due for a change.

A complete renovation began in May to transform the building into a more convenient shopping center.

"The old store had outlived its usefulness," said Bob Carlson, the incoming University Bookstore director. "It had a lot of nooks and crannies. We'll get more of a flow across the place now."

What was once divided up into separate areas for each department is now one large, open space. Carlson said it will resemble the setup of today's shopping malls.

"We've got to be up to speed with the kids," he said. "Students expect things to be what they're used to."

The construction that consumed the bookstore was supposed to be done by Aug. 2, said Viann Schroeder, outgoing bookstore director. Now, she expects the facility to be mostly finished by Saturday and the entire project to be done in the following two weeks.

"Everything will be shoppable (Saturday)," she said. "We are making huge progress every day."

New features will be added to the facility as well, Schroeder said.

Couches, chairs and tables will be set up near the center of the store for students to

congregate.

There will be a coffee cart by the back door, as well as coffee sold in the NU Market, and three Internet stations will adorn one wall.

Schroeder said consumers want to enjoy shopping, and modernizing the bookstore will aid that process.

"We want (students) to feel comfortable," she said. "I am just absolutely thrilled that we're updating the facility. This had to happen."

Part of the reason the renovation did happen, Carlson said, was because of the Nebraska Union renovation last year. Renewing the bookstore was necessary to keep up with the rest of the building.

There was a larger reason, however, which fell under a contract signed with the Follett company in May 1998. That contract gave Follett control of the University Bookstore and mandated a renovation.

Schroeder said the store will appear larger to many students, but only a small amount of square footage was actually added behind the NU Market.

"The concept of retail has changed," she said. "Before, every area had its own area. It will be easier to shop in now."

Because of the construction, the store lost business during the summer, but Schroeder expects to make up for the loss during the school year.

People want to see the finished product, she said, and that alone will procure more

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business.

The area that sells notebooks, pens and other supplies is now located behind the NU Market and is ready for business.

"The new supply area is very nice and very shoppable," Schroeder said.

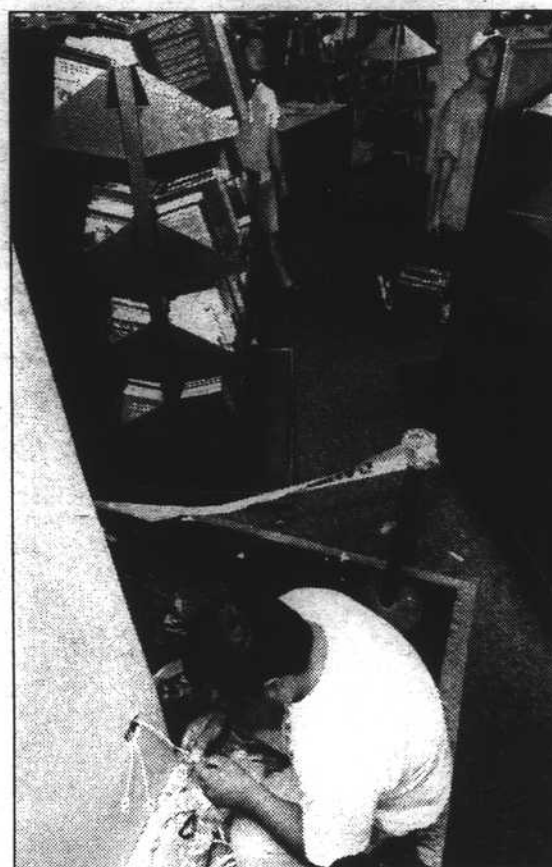
"We want to be available, and we didn't want students to be stuck (without) things they needed."

One change this year will be in textbook reservation pickup. Students will not be able to pick up their books in the bookstore.

Regular textbook reservation pickup began yesterday upstairs in the union along the east wall.

Honors program textbook reservation begins today at 1820 R St. Students should use the west door.

"We're just trying to meet the needs of students," Schroeder said. "We hope everybody understands what's here."



KELLI KELLOGG/DN
Joe Flores of Aliant Communications installs telephone and data lines in the Union Bookstore.

Fewer than 1,000 football tickets remain available to students

By JOSH KNAUB
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Season football tickets are still available to students, but the Athletic Department Ticket Office expects to sell out soon.

John Anderson, department ticket manager, said that as of Tuesday, fewer than 1,000 student football tickets remain.

That's good news for students who

forgot to mail ticket applications.

"If a student acts quickly, there's no reason he or she can't get a ticket," Anderson said.

Anderson said that by this time last year, football tickets had sold out and he wasn't sure why sales had slowed this year.

"Maybe other things are going on in students' lives besides football," Anderson said.

The ticket office has been receiving between 30 and 40 ticket applica-

tions per day, he said.

Anderson expects the \$110 season passes to sell out before the first home game, a Sept. 11 contest with California.

Ticket applications will be distributed at the Big Red Welcome on Sunday night and are available at the ticket office on the south side of the stadium.

Non-student season football tickets are sold out. Both season and general admission volleyball tickets

remain, Anderson said.

Unlike football tickets, volleyball tickets are selling at the same pace as they did last year.

Reserved season tickets cost \$75, and general admission tickets are \$2 per game.

Anderson said basketball tickets and tickets for the annual football migration game, Sept. 25 at Missouri, will be available starting Aug. 30.

The ticket office is also working on a change in its billing policy that

could smooth the ticket-buying process.

Beginning with basketball season ticket sales, students can choose to have ticket purchases billed to them via the university's centralized billing. Previously, students were required to send a check with all ticket applications.

Anderson said there is a possibility that migration game tickets could be billed through centralized billing, but preparations are not complete.



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