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# Exchange students welcomed

By JOSH KNAUB  
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For freshman exchange student Olivia Ho, the International Student Orientation was "beyond expectations."

Ho, a freshman nutrition major from Hong Kong, was one of about 300 participants in the weeklong annual event sponsored by the university's International Affairs office for new exchange students.

Upon arriving at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Ho was mistakenly placed in an East Campus residence hall. She contacted the International

Affairs Office, which not only changed her housing assignment but also sent volunteers to help her move.

"I have a very good impression of IA. And not just because they helped me move," Ho said.

While the International Affairs Office and orientation leaders don't aid all incoming students in this way, many of the students involved said they gained something from the orientation.

Volunteers help exchange students in completing required paperwork.

Piotrek Juszkiwicz, orientation coordinator, said 20 Welcome Team volunteers and 12 peer advisers, international students who get a scholarship to act as mentors for incoming students, shepherd the sometimes overwhelmed students through a dense mass of mandated forms and photocopies.

Juszkiwicz said the Welcome Team and the peer advisers were the lifeblood of the orientation activities.

"Without them, this event would fall on its face," he said.

Kathy Lee, a senior broadcasting major from Korea and a peer advisor for IA, and other peer advisers, met with

students on Monday, making sure students had the correct paperwork in place and explaining the week's schedule.

While Lee and other peer advisers were checking documents and giving directions, Welcome Team members were busy greeting students and passing out Pepsi.

Juszkiwicz said the event was designed to prepare students who may have never experienced college life in the United States.

"These students rarely have an idea what the American educational system is like," he said.

Workshops on campus safety, medical issues, UNL's academic system and other topics help to acquaint the students with life in Lincoln.

Tours, social events and a shopping tour provide activities to combat boredom during the week.

Tanya Lin, a junior exchange student from Russia, said the chance to meet people was the best part of the event.

"There were so many friendly people this week."

## Third suspect in kidnapping still being sought by police

By JAKE BLEED  
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Lincoln police are searching for the third of three men suspected of invading two Lincoln apartments, kidnapping a resident and exchanging gunfire with another resident Monday morning.

A warrant has not been issued for the suspect's arrest. Police believe the man is still in Lincoln.

Shot three times, one of three suspected intruders was found at BryanLGH East hospital by police an hour after the attack. The 23-year-old was still hospitalized Thursday. Lincoln police Capt. Gary Engel said the suspect would be arrested upon release.

A second suspect, 19-year-old Kenneth Barnes, was arrested Tuesday and charged with robbery, kidnapping and felon in possession of a firearm.

Officer Kacky Finnell said Barnes' previous felony is from another city.

At about 3:40 a.m., three men forced into an apartment at 131 Wedgewood Drive and held the 56-year-old resident at gun point. They were looking for a man named Bob.

After telling the intruders no one named Bob lived there, the resident was robbed of her wallet and forced at gun point to visit a neighboring apartment.

Police said the three forced into the second apartment and exchanged shots with a 56-year-old male resident. Apparently firing in self-defense, the man has not been charged. The three intruders then fled the scene.

Engel would not say if all three intruders were armed but said firearms related to the crime were recovered. Engel said a description of the missing suspect would not be released until a warrant was issued.

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