

Clues sought in slaying

Police chief says there were no signs of forced entry

Police continued to search for clues over the weekend in and around the home of an 86-year-old man found stabbed to death Thursday.

Lincoln Police Sgt. Tom Towle said the east Lincoln home where Kenneth Genuchi was found dead was still taped off and being searched for clues by police Sunday.

The retired certified professional accountant was found by his 20-year-old grandson, Adam Eppert, Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady said.

His death was Lincoln's seventh homicide this year.

Eppert returned to the home in the 500 block of Cottonwood Street he shared with his grandfather around midnight Wednesday, Casady said, and woke in the morning to find his grandfather murdered. Police responded to a call from Eppert at 7:47 a.m. Thursday.

Casady said the murder took place sometime between last Wednesday evening and early Thursday morning and that Eppert is not considered a suspect in the case.

Police investigators did not find signs of forced entry or struggle in the home, Casady said. Casady did not know Friday if any property was missing from the home.

Woman found dead in her apartment

The body of a 65-year-old woman was found in an apartment building in the 500 block of South 12th Street on Saturday.

Delores Stone was found dead in her apartment in the Metropolitan apartment building around 10 a.m., James Hecht, the Metropolitan's chief maintenance man, said.

Hecht said two tenants asked him to check on Stone. Stone's apartment door was half open, and Stone was lying on her bed when he arrived, Hecht said, adding he did not know if Stone was alive or dead at the time.

"I've talked to a lot of people

who live here, and nobody really knows anything," Metropolitan resident Christine Duty said.

Lincoln Police Capt. David Beggs said police received 11 calls from tenants in the Metropolitan this month, regarding medical emergencies and disturbances. Beggs said Stone reported a disturbance to police earlier this month.

Hecht said he did not know the cause of Stone's death but said he was not shocked.

"This is nothing unusual for me," Hecht said.

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Smoking restrictions become law

From staff reports

Nebraska has taken actions to extinguish smoking in state buildings.

On Saturday, a legislative bill that restricts smoking in state buildings became law. On March 25, state senators approved LB211 43-0 vote.

The bill may have an impact on smokers at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. LB211 states that not more than 40 percent of university residential housing may be smoking rooms.

UNL housing director Doug Zatechka was unavailable for comment Friday about the potential impact the bill could have on students and faculty.

The bill restricts smoking in many buildings and vehicles owned, leased or occupied by the state.

In addition to the fraction of residence hall rooms, smoking will also be allowed in:

- Veterans homes.
- Private residences.
- Health and Human Service buildings.
- No more than 25 percent of overnight lodging facilities at state parks.
- No more than 50 percent of beer gardens at state fairgrounds.

Lincoln rally targets removal of land mines

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of the problem. It costs \$3 to install a land mine but \$1,000 to remove one.

The Lincoln chapter of the United Nations Association took its first step Sunday afternoon at its Adopt-a-Landmine Kick-Off Rally at First Plymouth Congregational Church, 20th and D streets.

The campaign is in conjunction with the northwest chapter of the Adopt-A-Minefield organization, located in Connecticut, which also hopes to raise about \$30,000 to demine an area in northwest Bosnia called Velika Kladusa, said Anita Fussell, the Lincoln coordinator of the Adopt-a-Minefield Campaign.

This area of land is about 60 acres and should take about 22 weeks to complete, she said.

Adopt-a-Minefield operates in five countries: Afghanistan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Cambodia, Croatia and Mozambique. Sponsors can adopt an area of land to de-mine in one of these countries.

"We are asking the whole community to help, and hopefully, by the end of November, we should have all the money," Fussell said.

Several local businesses were at the rally, which drew about 30 supporters, to demonstrate what they are doing for the project. The Lincoln Literacy Council, the Red Cross, the League of Women Voters, the U.N. local chapter and people involved with a new elementary school curriculum project were among those at the rally.

Fussell said if the entire city worked together to raise money, the thousands of people who die or are injured by land mines each year could decrease.

"Land mines never go away," she said. "They are there forever until you dig them out."

Gary Hill, who has been to Bosnia about 20 times in the past few years, spoke at the rally about the importance of Adopt-a-Minefield. Hill went to Bosnia as part of an effort to train prison officials in the United Nations.

"This is a critically important project that we have undertaken to help clear out the land mines," he said. "It's a very needed project."

The land mines will be removed mostly by dogs, which are trained to sniff out any type of mines.

What most people go through when they're living in an area with a land mine is fear and uncertainty, Hill said.

"Four, five, six, 10 or 20 years from now, land mines that are not cleared can still destroy people," he said.

Lincoln Mayor Don Wesely also attended the rally to make a proclamation. On behalf of the city, he dedicated September as Adopt-a-Minefield month. Even though it may seem like Bosnia and the land-mine crisis are far from Lincoln, Wesely said, it is still important for people to help.

"When someone is hurt by land mines, we have an obligation to do what we can to help," he said. "I'm here to encourage the entire city to get behind this and to make donations and private help."

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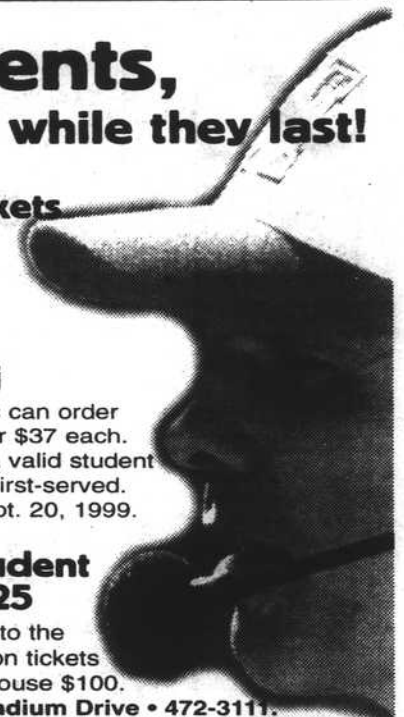
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