

Long Distance

Cross Country Coach Jay Dirksen says Michelle Brooks, a transfer from England, is ready to step in and make an immediate impact at NU. PAGE 9

Golden Words

Edward Ruscha combines simple images with simple words, inviting viewers to bring their own interpretations to his work. PAGE 12

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Sunny, high 76. Clear tonight, low 46.

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JUDY DITTMER smiles while listening to an appraisal of a penny bank she brought into an International Toy Collectors Association show Wednesday. The toy show's operators said that anybody can bring their old toys in for a free appraisal while the show lasts through Friday at the Best Western Airport Inn.

Toying Around

Antiques available at show

BY GWEN TIETGEN
Staff writer

It's time to clean out the attic and look for that old toy your grandparents gave you.

Then, take it to the Antique Toy Roadshow, which will be in Lincoln until Friday at the Best Western Airport Inn, 3200 N.W. 12th St.

The show, sponsored by the International Toy Collectors Association, runs from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. through Friday.

According to the association, toy collecting is

one of the hottest and fastest-growing hobbies nationwide. The association, based in Champaign, Ill., offers anyone a chance to have their old toys looked at and bought by the association.

This is first time the International Toy Collectors Association has been to Nebraska.

At the show, the group displayed toys such as a tractor, Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck toys, toy cannons and Barbies.

The association is looking for items such as

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Police set sights on sidewalk bicyclists

BY JAKE BLEED
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"If you can't stand the way I drive," a common bumper sticker says, "stay off the sidewalk."

But bicycle riders downtown must stay off the sidewalk to avoid more than crazy drivers: This week Lincoln police will begin posting 50 signs throughout downtown warning riders to stay off the sidewalk or risk a fine.

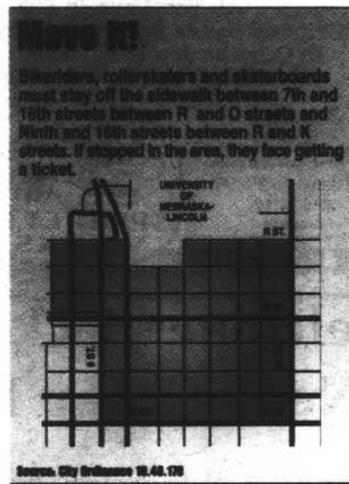
Rollerskaters and skateboarders must also avoid downtown's pedestrian pathways, including the south side of R Street.

The city ordinance against riding on sidewalks dates from October 1960, but recent increases in bicycle-related offenses downtown triggered the posting of the signs, Police Capt. Joy Citta said.

If a person rides on a sidewalk, city ordinance 10.48.170 states, he "shall do so at his own risk and shall yield the right-of-way to any and all pedestrians."

Last year, police issued 202 bike offense citations in the center team area, which includes downtown and surrounding areas.

Officer Katherine Finnell said the majority of the citations issued were against side-



Source: City Ordinance 10.48.170

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walk riders. The remainder were against riders violating traffic signals or for interfering with traffic.

Riders must avoid holding on to moving

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Memorial plans await feedback from tribes

BY KIMBERLY SWEET
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Plans to build a memorial on the East Campus site where American Indian remains were incinerated more than 30 years ago are on hold.

Instead of moving forward with construction, members of a committee charged with submitting a design for the memorial will wait to get feedback from tribal representatives, said Priscilla Grew, UNL's Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act coordinator.

The construction of a memorial was part of an accord signed by UNL Chancellor James Moeser and tribal representatives on Sept. 1, 1998.

The accord was signed after it was discovered that a former chairman of the anthropology department ordered graduate students to destroy American Indian remains sometime between 1965 and 1967.

The agreement stated that the University of Nebraska-Lincoln would set aside and enclose the areas where the remains were incinerated and mark it with a memorial.

Since then, the campus NAGPRA committee has worked with landscape services to gather suggestions from American Indian students, spiritual leaders and others to come up with a design to present to tribes.

The committee sent out a preliminary design in February with a letter to tribal leaders asking for guidance on several aspects of the memorial, Grew said.

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We're more concerned about doing it right than doing it hastily.”

PATRICIA GREW
UNL's NAGPRA coordinator

"The Sept. 1 agreement states that the university will receive guidance from tribes who were interested," Grew said. "We wanted to make sure people could respond before proceeding."

Six months later, the committee has received one response in writing and another response asking for more time to make suggestions, Grew said.

But some tribal leaders say that asking for written suggestions is not enough. Instead, the university should assemble tribal leaders to work out a design.

James Riding In, who has served as the NAGPRA representative for the Pawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, said it is necessary to bring tribal members to campus in order to work out the details.

"I think it will be very difficult for the university to get a suitable memorial unless it is able to bring representatives to campus," Riding In said. "A forum would be better so that a consensus can be reached."

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