

Fraternity members happy to be back home

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Evicted from their home nearly two years ago, members of Kappa Sigma Fraternity say they are glad to be back on their old stomping grounds.

"It's great," said Nick Randall, a Kappa Sigma member and senior psychology major. "I couldn't wait to come back to the house."

In December 1997, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln fraternity was shut down by its international headquarters for disciplinary reasons and financial woes.

Eager to keep their fraternity alive, 10 of the members traveled to Memphis, Tenn., about three months later to appeal the decision.

The executive committee on hand for the hearing allowed Kappa Sigma to keep its charter but placed it on six months' probation. The probation ended in September 1998.

The committee also granted Kappa Sigma permission to reopen its house for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Since the victory, members have been striving to mold the fraternity back into a prominent greek house.

The same members who took the trip to Memphis last year also spent the 1999 summer re-establishing their goals and recruiting some additional members.

Meanwhile, the fraternity was handed close to \$2 million by alumni nationwide to be used for renovating their house at 519 N. 16th St.

Though the money was nice, the process of getting back on their feet and reopening the house was difficult, members said.

"We kind of stuttered, stopped and tried to figure things out last fall," said Adam Miller, Kappa Sigma president. "We definitely learned a lot in how to make something out of nothing."

The 10 members who stuck around after the initial closing met once a week at Selleck Quadrangle last year to determine house goals, Miller said.

Sixteen members were added to the house this summer, and half of those recruited were from out of state.

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around the fraternity because they don't know as many people when they get here," Miller said.

Staying close to the fraternity would help the members learn a great deal about the greek system, he said.

"Members from the surrounding metro usually go home over the weekends, and they're not around as much," Miller said.

Kappa Sigma's goal is to have 51 members in the house by next fall from both in- and out-of-state.

"We just want to get new members so we can get the house filled up,"

Each of the rooms on the third floor, for example, were renovated, he said.

The third floor also has been re-furnished, including new telephone lines and cable wires.

"We expect to continue with the renovations on the other two floors," said Pittack, whose son, Joe, is a member of Kappa Sigma.

"The house is designed for 51 occupants, and we would like to have 51 occupants in by next September," he said.

Pittack praised the way Kappa Sigma won back its house.

"The undergrad members of this chapter have a lot of heart and courage," he said. "They've been up against a lot of adversity, and that just doesn't stop them. I'm convinced that they're going to succeed because of their determination."

Linda Schwartzkopf, director of Greek Affairs, agreed.

"We're pleased that Kappa Sigma has reopened their living unit," she said. "It says a lot about the commitment they made to the fraternity they joined at the time."

UNL joins in national anti-drinking campaign

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James Griesen, vice chancellor of student affairs and a member of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges, said the group decided at a June meeting to go ahead with the campaign.

None of the upcoming ads will appear in local papers, but Griesen said the national association is encouraging universities to run similar ads in local papers.

The move to bring paid publicity to the subject of binge drinking goes along with a number of efforts the association has made to reduce high-risk drinking, Griesen said.

Joining the ad campaign isn't the first collaborative effort UNL has made to fight binge drinking. UNL

was one of 10 schools to receive a \$700,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation last September to develop a plan to stop binge drinking.

Since then, UNL has been working with other grant-receiving institutions, Workman said.

NU Directions, a group that promotes awareness about binge drinking on campus, has made efforts to spread the message in Nebraska that the campaign intends to promote nationally, Workman said.

"I think the more people we can get to understand that high risk drinking is not a problem specific to universities, the more we will be able to attack it on different levels," he said. "If we just talk about universities, we're going to miss a much bigger picture."

City readies for 1999's 1st home game

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utes before kickoff.

Fans are not allowed to bring glass, cans, large coolers, backpacks, video cameras, parcels or umbrellas into the stadium.

Alcohol is prohibited in the stadium and in university parking lots and property.

Hug said parking is scarce this year. Anyone parking on City Campus must have a permit or pay a fee, but fans can also park at many private off-campus lots.

"Parking is no different," he said. "It will be as tight as ever. Some lots are reserved for donors, and there is public parking downtown."

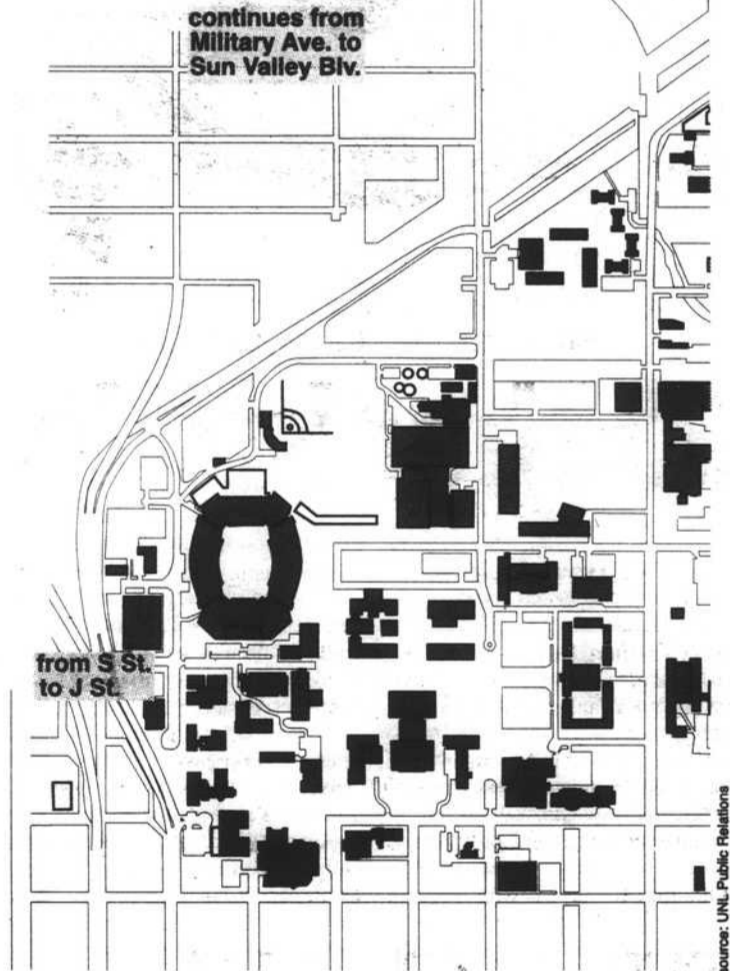
According to a press release from UNL Public Relations, pedestrians will find some sidewalk restrictions along P, Q, 11th and 12th streets because of construction.

The following streets will become one-way after the game: 10th Street, northbound from Military Avenue to Sun Valley Boulevard; 14th Street, northbound from Avery Avenue to Cornhusker Highway; Eighth Street, southbound from S Street to J Street.

Cornhusker Highway, which will be under construction throughout the football season, will consist of two westbound lanes and one eastbound lane before games and two eastbound lanes and one westbound lane after games.

Which way?

After Saturday's first home football game, portions of three streets near Memorial stadium will become one way.



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UNL offices move into former fraternity

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Hall and Hamilton Hall.

In last month, other offices have found their way to the new building.

Summer Sessions made the move to University Terrace on Aug. 10, after it was relocated several times in the past two years.

The office was originally in Canfield Administration Building, then moved to the old Kinko's site near 12th and R streets. In February, the office moved next door to the same building as International Affairs.

Janet Wagner, associate director of Summer Sessions, said the old building on R Street will be demolished and will be replaced by the Mary Riepma Ross Film Theater. The theater is now in the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus.

A Visitors Center will also be built on R Street where the old offices were located. A few days after Summer Sessions made the move, International Studies followed.

International Studies programs are now united at University Terrace, said Ret Pennell, secretary for international

studies.

Pennell said coordinators formerly had office space in Lyman, Bessey and Andrews halls. Having everyone in the same building makes it easier to work with secretaries and work-study students, Pennell said.

Academic Senate moved into its new home Aug. 16, and the new building boasts nicer facilities but less space, said Karen Griffin, coordinator of Academic Senate.

Griffin has to store some files on the third floor because of the smaller office.

Like Levitov, Griffin acknowledged the problem of the new building's location. Many students are unfamiliar with University Terrace, which is near Cather and Pound residence halls. Griffin said she felt like she was on the "edge of campus."

Griffin hoped more students would become aware of the new location as the year progresses and also when more signs are posted to inform the public.

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