

# Students to migrate south

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Ticket sales for the annual student migration football game have not decreased in recent years, but the ticket manager said a surplus still remains.

John Anderson, ticket manager for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Athletic Ticket Office, said 578 student tickets were sold for the game against Missouri this Saturday.

Eight hundred tickets were made available to students.

About the same number is available every year. "We ended up selling the rest to the public about a week ago," Anderson said. "Students just weren't buying them."

Migration-game tickets went on sale Aug. 23, he said, and for the first time this year, students were able to charge them to their consolidated

bills.

But the new payment process did not have an impact on the number of ticket sales.

ASUN President Andy Schuerman said ticket applications have been in the student government office for the last two weeks.

Applications were also available in the Athletic Ticket Office.

ASUN selects what game will be the migration game each year, Schuerman said.

Marlene Beyke, ASUN director of development, said students chose Missouri this year because they thought tickets might be more difficult to get.

"We go to Kansas and Colorado a lot, but students decided this was a good opportunity to get to Missouri," Beyke said.

Beyke does not know how many applications the ASUN office gave out this year.

Anderson said while there were more than 200 tickets that students did not buy, there are no tickets available now.

Because students had not purchased all of the tickets, Anderson said he sent the rest to football donors. "I can only hold them so long," he said.

The process of buying migration game tickets was different this year, Anderson said.

In years past, a lottery system was used to determine the order in which students could buy tickets.

That was eliminated this year because students never bought all of the tickets.

Anderson, who is in his fourth year at the ticket office, said tickets were sold on a first-come, first-serve basis this season.

"(Ticket sales) are still strong," Anderson said. "We're still selling 500-600 tickets."

# Center plans semester events

■ Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Resource Center wants to reach out to more students.

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Bea Carrasco may be new to the Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Resource Center, but she already has several ideas on the organization's role at the university.

The resource center has been providing a safe haven for University of Nebraska-Lincoln students for nearly 20 years, said Carrasco, the center's new graduate assistant.

This year, GLBT, which is located on the second floor of the Nebraska Union, plans to reach more students through a series of events throughout the semester.

"The main project this year is the (gay/lesbian) film festival," Carrasco said. "We hope the festival will bring people together."

The festival, which will be held in late October, will feature six films that cover gay and lesbian topics.

The center also plans on sponsoring many community-wide events, which will be announced in the near future.

Aside from the activities, GLBT is always busy providing a comfortable, friendly and educational setting for all UNL students, Carrasco said.

"Basically, the GLBT resource center is a resource place for any student looking for support," she said. "We have a lot of information for anyone who wants to learn more about gay and lesbian issues."

The resource center also acts as a headquarters for three student organizations: Allies, the Graduate GLBT Student Association and Spectrum, the undergraduate GLBT group.

Carrasco said all of the organizations worked in conjunction with the GLBT resource center to help make the university more aware of the growing gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered population.

Together the groups try to help students overcome stereotypes about people with untraditional sexual orientations.

"Not all gay and straight people follow a set stereotype," she said. "You might see some one who looks really dykey or flamey, but they aren't gay. Sexual preference is not like race. You can't just look at someone and tell whether they are gay or not."

Carrasco said she didn't expect people to totally change their perceptions of people with different sexual orientations, but she did hope they were willing to learn.

"People don't have to think that being gay is OK," she said. "I understand if people have a different opin-

ion, but they need to be aware that we're all the same with minor differences. Gay people just happen to fall in love with different genders."

Carrasco encouraged any student to come to the center to learn more about the different sexual orientations on campus.

"People come to college to get educated," she said. "A lot of students at UNL come from small towns that are somewhat narrow-minded."

Laura Ortmann, a senior biochemistry major, said she got involved with the center four years

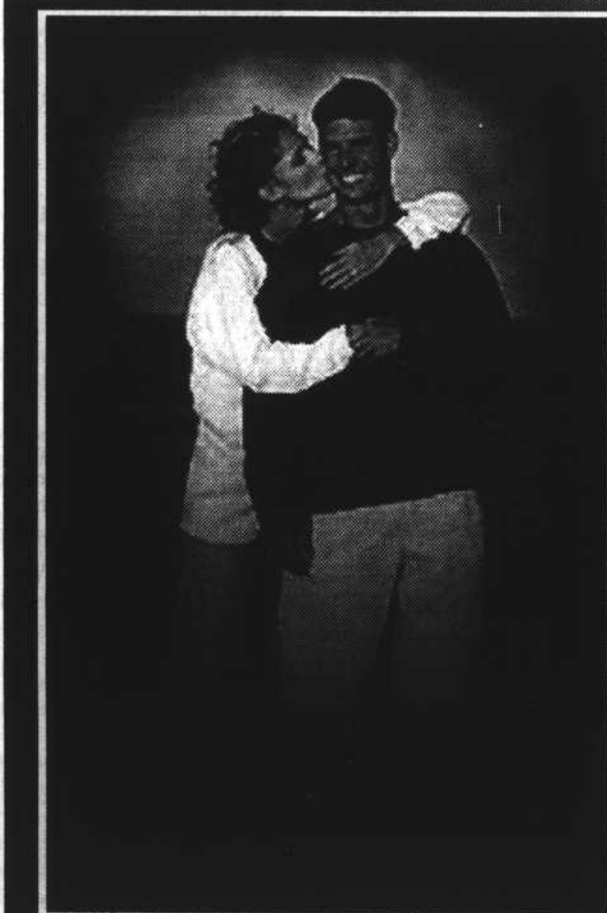
ago through the Allies organization.

"I'm an ally," she said. "I totally believe GLBT people should have the same respect that I'm allowed because I'm straight."

Ortmann said she had seen the center improve awareness of gay issues on campus in the five years she has been at UNL.

"I never heard about stuff like this when I first came here," she said. "They've done a great job of making people aware of the gay community, and it has opened up a lot of discussion."

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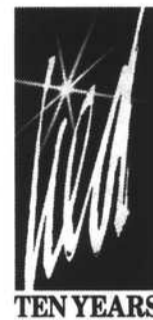
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