

UNL students mourn victims

■ A memorial for those who died in last month's India earthquake was held Monday.

BY JILL ZEMAN

Faces of all colors gathered Monday to pray for victims and families of those who died last month in an earthquake in western India.

The Lincoln chapter of the India Association of Nebraska and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln chapter of the Indian Students Association sponsored an interfaith service memorializing victims of the earthquake.

More than 35,000 were found dead after the quake, said Jitender Deogun, president of the Lincoln chapter of the India Association of Nebraska and a UNL professor of computer science and engineering.

More than one million people were left homeless and

about 500,000 were injured, he said.

Deogun urged people to donate money to a relief fund for the victims in India.

Prayers from the Hindu, Muslim and Christian religions were included in the service.

Scriptures from the Bible and the Koran were read, and a traditional Hindu mantra was repeated.

Amit Shrivastava, vice president of the Indian Students Association, said planning for the event came shortly after the earthquake.

Shrivastava said he and other members of the Indian Students Association needed to do something to help out earthquake victims.

"I hope (the people of India) find the courage to build, to create, to hope and to dream again," Shrivastava said. "We hope our little contributions can help to put their lives back in place."

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Peter Levitov, associate dean of international affairs, spoke on behalf of UNL Interim Chancellor Harvey Perlman at the service.

Perlman couldn't attend because he had to teach a law class, Levitov said.

Perlman wanted to extend his personal condolences to the friends and family members of those affected by the quake, Levitov said.

"The magnitude of this earthquake is beyond comprehension," Levitov said.

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Levitov said the earthquake

was a world tragedy.

"It'd affect us if there was an Indian community in Lincoln or not," Levitov said. "This is a human tragedy."

Randy Jones, executive director of the Lancaster County Chapter of the American Red Cross, said cash donations were most helpful to aid earthquake victims.

The money is used for medical assistance, water, food, blankets and clothing, he said.

Donations for earthquake victims can be sent to the American Red Cross International Response Fund, P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C. 20013.

Law & Order

Becklun was cited for driving the wrong way on a one-way street and a .02 violation.

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Road rage leads to assault charge for 23-year-old man

A fight witnesses say started from road rage left one man in need of medical treatment Friday.

A UNL police officer saw Matthew Malone, 23, swinging a black baseball bat at a man on 19th St. around 1:30 a.m., said UNL Assistant Police Chief Mylo Bushing.

Bushing said as the officer approached Malone, Malone threw the bat into the trunk of his car.

Witnesses said they saw both men get out of their vehicles and start shoving each other.

Bushing said witnesses also reported seeing Malone get the bat out of his trunk and swing at the other man.

An ambulance transported the man to Bryan LGH East where he was treated for severe hemorrhaging and swelling in his right forearm, Bushing said.

Malone admitted to swinging at the victim, Bushing said, but was unsure if he had hit him.

Malone was cited for second degree felony assault.

DWI leads to jail time because of four outstanding arrests

One man was arrested Friday morning after four outstanding warrants for his arrest were dis-

covered.

An officer arrested Donald Jones, 41, after watching him drive north-bound on 17th St., and observed Jones crossing over into other lanes without signaling, then crossing approximately six inches over the center line before correcting himself around 1:14 a.m., Bushing said.

Jones' eyes were bloodshot and a strong smell of alcohol came from the vehicle when officers stopped Jones on 17th St. between Vine and Y streets, Bushing said.

Jones failed the field sobriety test given by the officer and registered .200 on a pre-blood alcohol test, .100 over the legal limit, Bushing said.

Bushing said Jones was taken to Cornhusker Place Detox where his blood-alcohol level was .191.

Jones was cited with DWI and also taken to jail for four outstanding warrants in Hall county: refusal to submit to a test, theft, burglary and another DWI, Bushing said.

UNL student cited for MIP

The discovery of a concealed bottle of alcohol led to an MIP citation for one UNL student.

Sophomore Thomas Cooper, 20, was arrested after a community service officer witnessed Cooper tapping on a exterior window of Selleck Hall, Bushing

said.

Bushing said the CSO saw a partially hidden bottle underneath Cooper's sweatshirt.

The CSO discovered the bottle was 1.75 liters of Jose Cuervo tequila, Bushing said.

A UNL police officer arrived and cited Cooper for MIP, Bushing said.

Student cited for driving wrong way on one-way street

University police stopped a UNL freshman Friday morning, after she was witnessed driving the wrong way on a one-way street.

Nicole N. Becklun, 18, turned her vehicle east-bound onto Q St., a one way street running west, around 3:00 a.m., Bushing said.

Bushing said Becklun then turned south into the U-Stop parking lot at 17th and Q streets, where officers stopped her.

Officers smelled a heavy alcohol odor from inside the car, and Becklun's eyes were red and bloodshot, Bushing said.

Becklun's field sobriety test revealed she was impaired, as well as her blood-alcohol level registered .086 in a pre-test, Bushing said.

Becklun was taken to Cornhusker Place Detox where her blood-alcohol level was .100, Bushing said.

Attendees of forum victims of 'hacktivism'

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GENEVA — Computer hackers obtained credit card details and other personal information for hundreds of attendees of World Economic Forum meetings, which annually draw such notables as Madeleine Albright, Bill Gates and Yasser Arafat.

Organizers of the annual gathering confirmed Monday that hackers broke into a computer containing the credit card numbers and other confidential data. But they denied reports that former President Clinton had been among the people compromised.

Anti-globalization protesters appeared to be behind the break-in and there was no indication the hackers had used any of the information maliciously.

Such acts, known as "hacktivism," are part of a relatively new way of combining hacking with political resistance.

Charles McLean, spokesman for the World Economic Forum, said hackers had obtained "proprietary data like credit card numbers" of 1,400 prominent people, but not necessarily those who attended the annual meetings of world leaders at Davos in the Swiss Alps.

The Zurich-based weekly SonntagsZeitung, which disclosed the security breach Sunday, said it had seen the contents of a CD-ROM that included data on Clinton, South African President Thabo Mbeki, China's No. 2 ruler Li Peng, Palestinian leader Arafat and others.

SonntagsZeitung said the CD-ROM contained secured information on 27,000 people who have attended the global forum in recent years, including former Secretary of State Albright and Microsoft founder Gates.

McLean dismissed that

number as the mailing list of the forum's magazine, and called some of the names in the article "wildly inaccurate." He would not elaborate.

The newspaper said its reporters had been shown 80,000 pages of information, including numbers of passports and personal cellular phones of many of the government and business leaders who had attend the annual gathering in Davos. It said the hackers also were able to get the "exact arrival and departure times, hotel names, room numbers, number of overnights, sessions attended" of all 3,200 people who attended Davos last month.

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