



Ryan Main searches Ed Iwari for weapons and intelligence after Iwan was ambushed during the ROTC exercises Thursday.

David Clasen/DN

# ROTC cadets help 'rescue' student

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David Wright said. "The purpose of this was to get them used to working with helicopters under time constraints."

Wright said the cadets would perform much more physically and mentally challenging exercises in the course of the year.

And in some cases, they're too challenging.

"I've seen cadets break down and cry on us, suddenly go (mute)," Wright said. "Other cadets just love (the exercises)."

For the main rescue mission, the cadets got off the helicopters and worked their way through an "enemy"-held woods, toward the downed pilot.

The pilot's orange parachute was hanging in a tree above him. The cadets had to fight their way to the downed pilot against sparse "enemy" resistance.

"They know the general vicinity he was in, and the next logical thing is to look for the 'chute,'" Maj. Matt Person said.

Person is an assistant professor of military science at UNL.

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UNL ROTC

The downed pilot was played by senior Tony Timanus, who wore an aviator's helmet and harness.

The cadets had to assess the damage to Timanus, perform first aid and load him on a tarp in about five minutes. They carried Timanus out of the woods and into a helicopter that arrived later.

The exercise was part of a weekly lab taken by the ROTC students, but it was anything but ordinary.

The class' labs are usually conducted in or near the Military and Naval Science building, hardly ever at Camp Ashland.

The exercise involved cadets of all ages and military goals, but they all were required to participate.

"Everybody learns infantry regardless of where they're going afterward," Person said.

## Law & Order

### Burglars steal money from apartment washers, dryers

The money from the washers and dryers of two different apartment complexes was stolen this weekend. Lincoln police said between March 1 and the week of March 26, the coin-operated washing machines at Pine Lake Heights Apartments, 7021 S. 38th St., were burglarized.

Police said there was more than \$300 damage to the machines and \$60 stolen.

Police said Quail Valley Apartments, 5500 Shady Creek Ct., also were broken into in the same time frame. There was \$450

of damage done to the washing machines, and \$500 was stolen, police said.

Police are still looking for suspects.

### Police recover stolen car

With the help of one UNL police officer, Lincoln police officers recovered a stolen car.

Assistant Police Chief Mylo Bushing said a UNL officer found a vehicle parked on the west side of Griffith Street, south of Leighton Street Wednesday.

The officer knew the car was reported missing earlier in the day, and got a hold of the Lincoln

Police Department.

### Police urge students to take precautions after prank calls

After several disturbing phone calls were made to residents in Selleck Hall Saturday and Sunday, students are urged to take caution if they receive a call.

Bushing said a male described as having a scratchy voice made several phone calls to Selleck Hall and Abel Hall.

Bushing warned students not to answer any of the caller's questions, and hang up immediately. After the phone is hung up,

lift up the handset and dial \*57, he said.

Directions will then be given for the trace to be successful, he said.

The trace is sent to Alltel Communications where it is available for law enforcement only, Bushing said.

A \$1.00 charge is added to the student's bill for every successful call.

After dialing \*57, students are urged to call the UNL police department at (402) 472-3555 to report the call.

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# Crowe upsets Princeton students

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PRINCETON, N.J. — Russell Crowe has Princeton University students up in arms after making an obscene gesture with just one finger.

Crowe stuck out his middle finger at a 21-year-old Princeton student who snapped his picture on campus as he prepared to shoot a movie scene on Tuesday.

But Ron Howard, who's directing Crowe in "A Beautiful Mind," defended the actor, who won the best-actor Oscar on Sunday for "Gladiator."

"He's not a bad guy," Howard told The Trentonian on Wednesday while on the set of the film, which co-stars Jennifer Connelly and is due in theaters in December.

"It was out of character for him. He was signing a lot more autographs than giving middle

fingers," he said.

Crowe wouldn't confirm to a television news crew that he made the gesture to student Meredith Moroney, who took the shot from her friend's dorm room.

"Well, you know whatever is printed in the newspaper is absolutely true," the actor said sarcastically.

Moroney said she was surprised at the attention her photo has received.

"I'll be happy when it's over," she said.

Crowe's gesture angered some Princeton students.

"You'd think he would be more gracious," sophomore Lauren Chu said.

"It kind of annoyed me," added junior Tovah Rosen.

"He comes on campus, and we've been pretty good about it. It was just a stupid thing to do."

Others were more forgiving.

"He was walking by and some people asked for autographs," said freshman Ann-Marie McGintee.

"He let people take pictures, and he cracked a joke about the pronunciation of my last name. He spent about 15 minutes signing autographs. He seemed like a really nice guy."

Princeton representatives tried to downplay the incident.

"The university promotes an atmosphere of civility and respect, and we hope that everyone on campus will do the same," spokeswoman Laura Robinson-Brown said.

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