American Broadband prepares for cable program changes

By Adam Maly
Staff Writer

American Broadband, a communications company that provides services for rural Nebraska towns, recently informed the City Council of improvement to Internet, cable and phone lines that will take place this summer in Wayne.

Shawn Hanson (President and General Manager), Mike Storjohann (Director of Enterprise Technology) and Jay Anderson (Account Executive of American Broadband) were present to provide the council with a briefing on a significant investment they are making this spring in Wayne in order to upgrade their network and infrastructure by $1,000,000.

With the upgrade in this infrastructure, American Broadband will provide a state-of-the-art cable television service in Wayne. It will be able to significantly increase Internet speeds, introduce a competitive telephone service and add more expanded basic channels, digital channels and HD channels.

The company will begin testing on June 1, with a hopeful launch on July 1, depending upon the weather.

Off-campus students will be able to have a more varied cable package than they ever had before.

“Their selection is going to be a lot better,” Anderson said.

Anderson also said that customer support for the new system will be more localized with an office right in Wayne.

“The services will be in town and not dispatched from other communities,” Anderson said.

But American Broadband won’t necessarily be the cable provider for WSC because the college’s cable is separate from the town of Wayne.

There have been two cable providers for WSC for some time. American Broadband already provides the cable in the lobbies and TV lounges, and Campus Televideo provides the cable for the dorm rooms.

The feed for Campus Televideo is received via satellite to WSC where it is then distributed to the dorm rooms.

“The quality of cable is much better in the lounges than it is in the dorm rooms, and students have complained about it in the past,” Dr. Jeff Carstens, Dean of Students and head of the committee that addresses campus cable issues, said.

Agreed that the quality of cable in WSC dorm rooms needs to be improved. And the biggest problem is the distribution system.

“It’s an issue of cabling and equipment. The distribution system needs to be upgraded,” Carstens said.

Carstens also said that the college is deciding whether or not it wants to stay with American Broadband and Campus Televideo.

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By Dennis Driscoll
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Wayne State to host first Nebraska Undergraduate Communication Conference

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Staff Writer

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Health and wellness fair to visit campus

Tips and tricks to a healthier body

By Katie Kasl
Staff Writer

According to Bachman, several area businesses and organizations have already pledged their involvement in the fair. Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD), the Student Activities Board (SAB), Students for Green Bikes, Greeks Advocating for Mature Management of Alcohol (SAVE/GAMMA), Wayne State College-Peer Education Network (WSC-PEN), Arbonne International, Planned Parenthood, the American Cancer Society, the Red Cross and Goldenrod Hills Community Action are among those participating. In addition to booths from the aforementioned groups, demonstrations will also be given on mindful breathing, healthy snacking and exercising in the dorm rooms.

Several students and professors are scheduled to give various wellness-related presentations and information regarding health and health services, including massages and chiropractic analysis. “We just want to reach out to everyone about their health and well-being,” Lindsey Grim, treasurer of the SHAPE Club, said. “We want people to realize that health is much more than being disease-free.”

By Andy Bachman
Staff Writer

Are you trying to communicate health in families? Now is your chance. Presentations of communication papers and research projects will bring undergraduates from surrounding schools together.

Wayne State College will host the first Nebraska Undergraduate Communication Conference on April 19.

The communication honor societies Mu Gamma and Phi Omega Chapters of Wayne State and Hastings College will sponsor the event. The WSC Communication Arts Department is very excited to host the first annual Nebraska Undergraduate Communication Conference,” Dr. Deborah Whitt, Professor and Chair of the Communication Arts Department, said. “The Lambda Pi Eta (the communication honor society) students will take an active role in the day’s events, hosting undergraduate students from surrounding universities as they present their communication research papers and projects,” Whitt said.

“Dr. John Perlich and his Lambda Pi Eta students from Hastings College will also assist in co-hosting the event.”

The conference planning started in September by Mike White, a graduate assistant in the communication department. White assisted in creating the program brochure and flyer. A call for papers was sent in December. The deadline for registration and submission is this Friday, March 26.

Once all the papers are received, the faculty will review the papers, and accept or reject them. Notification letters will be sent and final plans for the conference will be underway.

Registration for the conference begins at 8:30 a.m. in the Student Center.

From noon until 2 p.m., there will be a lunch with the keynote address from Dr. Kathleen Galvin. The sessions will be made at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the WSC Student Center.

The top-paper awards will include money. The winners’ papers will reflect the conference theme, Communicating Health in Families.

Dr. Galvin, a leading family communications scholar and text book author from Northwestern University, will be the luncheon speaker.

“Dr. Galvin is an extraordinary colleague, scholar and friend. We became acquainted through using her textbook in my family communication class. I met her in person at the National Communication Conference three years ago,” Whitt said.

“When Dr. Perlich approached me last year with the idea of a Nebraska conference, I already knew who would be the perfect keynote speaker.”

Galvin’s research specializes in discourse-dependent families and family communication regarding health, families formed through transnational/transracial adoption and on gay male parenting.

She is involved in health-related decision-making in families faced with female child’s cancer diagnosis that threatens her fertility. For more information, contact Dr. Deborah Whitt at (402) 375-7352. See this site for registration: www.wsc.edu/newscenter/story_archives/2010/100305_lpe_conf.pdf.

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Just Juniors program attracts 123 high school students to campus

**By CandaCe Binder**

Staff Writer

The aroma of fresh coffee and muffins chased away the sleepy gazes of prospective students and their parents on Saturday morning for Just Juniors.

An attendance of 123 juniors, along with their parents, gathered from Nebraska, South Dakota and Iowa in the Student Center at 9 a.m., for registration and a complimentary snack.

“We host this program twice a year, once in the fall and then again in the spring. The big draw is, of course, the free ACT prep course,” Kevin Halle, Interim Director of Admissions said. “We know any prep students can do for the ACT will improve their score, which increases their chances at great scholarships.”

The college search process opened with a talk by President Richard Collings in Ramsey Theatre. Collings talked about being prepared and choosing the right college. Two WSC students introduced themselves, and Kevin Halle took the floor.

“I spoke in detail about the timeline juniors need to be aware of. Specifically, when they should apply and when they should visit. We encourage applying and visiting early in the process so they don’t miss anything along the way,” Halle said.

For those who preregistered, an ACT prep course was set up in Gardner Hall for the juniors while the parents stayed in Ramsey for Financial Aid 101.

Following the two short seminars, lunch was served. Ninety minutes were set aside for the students and their parents to eat in the unusually-packed Student Center Frey Suite, along with the current WSC students, to get the feel of college life.

The students and their parents were then split up for a tour of campus. Each group walked around and visited campus buildings, met with professors and were able to see the different dorms. The tour guides educated their visitors about campus life and answered any questions they had.

“They also get a chance to talk to every academic area on campus. We know the more they connect with people, the better the experience.”

“That is why we put our faculty and staff, and students first. It gives high school juniors a chance to see what Wayne State can offer them, not just academically, but also the opportunity to get involved in campus life,” Halle said.

The final session ended at 2 p.m., leaving the visitors more informed about Wayne State College and what it has in store for their futures.

WSC explores cable options in hopes of improving current service

**By CandaCe Binder**

Staff Writer

“A problem with the cable is that the technology is just not available. But, it will be soon when fiber optic connections are installed. Something that American Broadband is adding to the infrastructure at Wayne. Fiber optic connections are used for the Internet at WSC, but not for video.”

“…and takes staff and resources to maintain,” Carrigg said. Communications Associate Professor Maureen Carrigg agreed with Carstens that the cable distribution is an issue.

“We’re looking at if we want the same two vendors for the college,” Carstens said. “We try to balance product with cost. We’ll look at quality, provide-ability and afford-ability.”

“This is a problem,” Carrigg also said that Internet may be a large reason why students aren’t watching television in the first place and may not get cable if given the choice.

“With fewer students watching television and more using the Internet, it has become less of a priority,” Carrigg said. “If students had a choice, I think some students would pay and some wouldn’t.”

WSC will be requesting proposals from outside vendors to improve the quality of the picture and broadening the number of channels for campus soon.
Earth Day Celebration planned for April 22

Northeast Nebraska’s watersheds will be focus of this year’s celebration

By Samantha Turney
Opinion Editor

The WSC Arts and Humanities department is once again joining with the School of Natural and Social Sciences in this year’s Earth Day Celebration.

Though the event is still in the early stages of planning, the focus of this year’s celebration, which is scheduled for Thursday, April 22, will be celebrating the watersheds in Northeast Nebraska.

“We are hoping to increase awareness and value for the earth and our local environment while celebrating Wayne and Nebraska,” Dr. Barbara Hayford, WSC Associate Professor of Life Science, said.

Hayford has played a large part in the planning of this year’s celebration and will also be taking part in the day’s activities.

“I’m the director of the A. Jewell Schock Museum of Natural History, and we’re trying to emphasize the natural beauty in Northeast Nebraska,” Hayford said.

In past years, the Biology Club has hosted a cook-out with lots of games and activities. This year, however, they have planned an outreach activity instead and will be heading to the local elementary school to help with environmental education.

Many campus groups have volunteered to take part in this year’s celebration.

“Dr. Engebretsen’s leadership group has organized a bike ride to increase awareness not only for Haiti, but for their water resource issues,” Hayford said.

This year, there will also be a panel of people from the region, city and campus, all with expertise from Northeast Nebraska’s watersheds. The main point of this panel is to encourage interaction and discussion rather than just outputting information.

“We want this to be a bridge event between the campus and community,” Hayford explained.

At noon on April 22, Dr. William Slaymaker will give a Brown Bag presentation about Northeast Nebraska’s watersheds. The School of Arts and Humanities usually provides music throughout the day to add to the festivities.

In past years, people have enjoyed themselves while participating in the outdoor activities of the Earth Day Celebration. During the past three years, Earth Day has attracted as many as 200 students throughout the day, and the students and faculty in charge of the event put a lot of time into making it interesting and enjoyable for all.

“We have a core [faculty] every year that like to help out,” Hayford said. “They encourage student involvement or presentations.

“This year, the city will have a green expo in the City Auditorium on Saturday, April 24, so there will be a nice overlap of campus and city events.”

Hayford encourages everyone to attend and to take an active role in their environment.

“Every single person makes a difference. Think globally, act locally.”

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Student Senate

Pile Hall renovations scheduled for 2011, Wildcat Wheels experiences Thursday night lull

By Bill Hunt
Staff Writer

Pile Hall renovations, which are set to begin next year, were explained by Dr. Jeff Carstens, Dean of Students, at the Student Senate meeting held on Sunday.

“There will be all new electric and plumbing installed, along with heating and cooling systems,” Carstens said.

Carstens also said that suites will be placed on the first floor, and the basement will be converted into a family room for the whole hall. It will have sofas, chairs, a kitchen, laundry room, pool table and television.

On the first floor of Pile Hall, there will be an office and meeting room installed. A kitchen will be added as well, and a guest room, like the one in Terrace Hall, will also be built.

There will be four suites installed with a two-bedroom and one-bathroom setup.

“We hope to begin in January or May 2011,” Carstens said. “Hopefully, it will be ready to run in fall 2011, but it is very possible it won’t be ready until the spring semester 2012.”

The project will cost somewhere between $4.5 million to $5 million.

In other news discussed at the Senate meeting, Wildcat Wheels reported that it was very busy on St. Patrick’s Day. However, the following Thursday was slow. It is estimated that around 130 people typically use Wildcat Wheels on Thursday, but on March 18, Wildcat Wheels only served around 30 people.

In its next meeting, the Student Senate will discuss the possibility of raising student fees to help cover the cost of intramural sports due to the increase of students participating in intramurals.

For the 2009-10 school year, it costs an average of $44 for the Spring Concert, $25 for Recycled Percussion to perform, $10 for the hypnotist and $60 for the 12 movie showings throughout the year per student, for a total of $139. The student fee that each student pays for these activities is $66.

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2010-11 Student Senate Candidates

Above: Candidates for the 2010-11 Student Senate, who presented their platforms Monday afternoon in Cats Corner, are joined by event moderator Dr. Jeff Carstens and Student Senate President Whitney Kolar (sitting). Standing are candidates Logan Morris, Mark Ramaekers, Cale Giese and Joe Whitt with event host Brianna Twohig.

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Opinion

Staff Viewpoints: The truth is waiting

Samantha Turney
Opinion Editor

It appears that some police officials may have short memories.

It has been reported that on Friday, February 5, Wayne police entered a home without a warrant or speaking with anyone at the door.

Eighteen people were cited with MIP's and one was arrested for entering a home without a warrant or speaking with anyone at the door.

No one knows exactly what happened that night. Did the police have a lawful reason to enter the house, or did they enter on a whim?

Whether what the officers did was lawful or not is a big issue, but I'm going to leave that alone for now because I have not seen the official report.

Let's focus instead on the Chief of Police's comment when asked about the incident.

In the Feb. 24 issue of The Wayne Stater, Wayne Chief of Police Lance Webster was quoted as saying, "we've never had a judge overturn a case on a bad search since I've been here."

It was recently brought to my attention that the statement Webster made is wrong.

Jason Sturek, The Wayne Stater Editor at the time, covered a story in the April 25, 2001 issue that was titled "County judge scorches the Wayne Police."

On February 2 that year, senior Wayne Police Department Officer Matt Hoffman illegally let himself into a Wayne residence.

The case was overturned by Wayne County Judge Phillip Riley because Hoffman did not obtain permission from the tenant before entering nor did he try to get a warrant, which violated that resident's Fourth Amendment rights.

Hoffman followed a resident into the house in hopes of finding a man he had seen outside, and believed to be under the legal drinking age. It was later found that this man was of legal age.

"You went into someone's private residency. You can't invade somebody's home to go talk to a rather vague suspect."
-Wayne County Judge Phillip Riley

The truth is waiting.
Meet the Critic:  

**Joel Janecek**

Being an avid viewer and collector of movies, I enjoy a good remake or sequel/prequel—to an extent. It seems like these days there are at least one or two remakes a month, which is getting a little ridiculous.

Doesn’t anyone in Hollywood have a decent original idea? But the remakes aren’t stopping at movies. Nope, the idea-recycling business is stemming into television and toys as well.

In the past five years, the movie industry alone has produced enough sequels, prequels and remakes to make this fan crave something new. Some examples are: “Miami Vice,” “Star Trek,” “Pink Panther,” “Rocky Balboa,” “Poseidon” and “The Dukes of Hazard.”

That’s just a short list. Now for the television remakes. In the past five years, we have seen reboot attempts for several series, including “Doctor Who,” “Knight Rider,” “Beverly Hills 90210” and “Reggie Perrin.” Other notable TV remakes that have come out are “Battlestar Galactica” and “Dragnekt.”

Then there’s the reintroduction of certain toys. For example, Strawberry Shortcake, My Little Pony and the original Mighty Morphin Power Rangers have returned to stores, as well as Transformers and G.I. Joes, thanks to their respective movies. What is this saying about our entertainment industry?

In my opinion, it’s saying that the people who get paid the big bucks to keep us entertained are running out of ideas. As I stated earlier, I can handle a sequel or remake. Unfortunately, it’s hard to come across a quality one. A lot of times, people will see a sequel just because it’s a sequel, and it’s the same with remakes. I’ve been one of those people, and I’ve been disappointed far too often. Because of the trial and error series of sequels and remakes that have been released, I am no longer sure of what to think about new ones coming out, such as “Ghostbusters Three,” “A-Team” and “Indiana Jones 5.”

I believe that the television and movie industries have suffered somewhat due to their attempts at recycling ideas, however, I see the toy industry doing well.

It is much easier for an adult to watch a movie or TV show and criticize it than it is for a child to criticize a toy. This is an opinion based on observations I have made while in stores or watching my nieces play. If you give a child something bright and colorful such as a doll or race car (just examples) they are likely to be entertained. This is mainly because they don’t care what they’re playing with, just as long as they’re playing with something.

Also, the parents may be more likely to buy something they had when they were a kid because of sentimental value. What I’m trying to say is Hollywood, step up your game and give us something new.

Toys makers, keep up the good work.

**Grinds My Gears:**  

**Dennis Driscoll**

Creighton competes in. It’s okay, Mr. President, I picked Kansas, too, and over half the country had the Jayhawks.

Now, to look at his bracket, did Obama pick any of the upsets in the first round? He didn’t pick Ohio over Georgetown. However, he did pick St. Mary’s, Cornell and Murray State to win. Good call, Barack.

Now to the second round. He didn’t pick St. Mary’s or Cornell to advance to the Sweet 16. Bad call, Barack. He went one for three, as St. Mary’s and Cornell join Northern Iowa and Washington as Cinderellas.

His Sweet 16 is messed up. Out of the 16 teams left, he correctly picked 11 teams. That is just under 69 percent. That’s even higher than his approval rating right now.

Let’s take a look at his Elite Eight picks.

His Midwest Regional final—Kansas versus Georgetown—is not going to happen. His Elite 8 in the West region looks okay so far, as he has Syracuse and Kansas State battling out, and there is a good chance that could happen. His final in the East Region has Kentucky and West Virginia playing, which is plausible and I see likely. And finally, in the South Region, he has Duke against Villanovan. He missed on ‘Nova, but Duke advancing is again likely.

Finally, Obama’s Final Four: Kansas, Kansas State, Kentucky and Villanovan. That hurts, because right now there are only two teams that are still playing.

Based on how things are going so far, I wouldn’t be surprised if either Kansas State or Kentucky is knocked out. Wouldn’t that be crazy? After picking last year’s winner, his whole Final Four may be MIA!

Even if that does happen, he has one thing he can be thankful for. His health insurance bill passed!
Slamming on the brakes
Wayne State halts five-game losing trend with weekend wins over Bemidji State

By Aaron Lueth

Staff Writer

The Wayne State baseball team used extreme offensive prowess to win its two-day series against Bemidji State in WSC’s first Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) action of the season.

The series featured two doubleheaders that were originally set to be played on Saturday and Sunday. However, due to bad weather in the Bemidji area, the games were postponed one day.

After a five-game losing skid, the Wildcats were eager to come out and dominate the Beavers from the very start. It didn’t take long for the fire power to kick into overdrive for the hungry Wildcat crew.

WSC, helped by junior Nick Bidroski’s three-run homer and a five-run third inning, took a commanding 9-0 lead into the third inning. The Wildcats won 15-2 in seven innings, recording 11 hits, and taking advantage of 11 walked batters.

Along with the high-powered batting display from which eight of the nine Wildcat starters recorded at least one hit, the Cats were led by senior pitcher John Snyder, who struck out six batters and allowed only eight hits while pitching the duration of the seven-inning game.

In the second game of the first double-header, the Wildcats once again jumped out to an early lead due to dominating hitting, when a double by junior Treye Hacker put WSC up 2-0 early in the first inning. The game went much like the first, seeing the Cats up 5-1 in the sixth inning. However in Bemidji’s half of the sixth, the Beavers were able to muster together enough hits off the Wildcat relievers to rally for a 7-5 lead going into the final inning.

WSC’s attempt at a comeback was halted with the potential tying run left on second base, leaving them with a 7-6 defeat, despite out hitting the Beavers 11-10.

Day two of the double-header series against Bemidji was not a pleasant experience for the Beavers. Wayne State made it a close contest in game one, but still came away with the 11-9 victory. The Wildcats then proceeded to pummel their opponents in game two with a season-high 17 base hits and 19 runs scored in a 19-2 winning effort against their rivals up north.

The Wildcats found themselves tied up with Bemidji 9-9 going into the ninth inning of game one, before a pinch-hit double by junior Josh Nielsen put the Wildcats up for good to claim the 11-9 victory. Eric Dye, who came into the game on relief duties for starter Josh Voth, earned the win for the Cats with his six innings of work. Freshman Justin Beranek led the Wildcats offensively with a double, triple and a pair of RBI’s.

WSC used its season-high 17 base hits and two seven-run innings to clobber the Beavers 19-2 in the final game of the four-game series. The offensive sparks were led by pre-season NSIC Player of the Year Amy Sandstrom and Engelkamp yesterday afternoon.

In the first game, WSC, now 14-2 for the season, scored two runs in the first inning when Amy Sandstrom singled and scored on Sun Earleywine’s two-run homer for a 2-0 lead. The Cats scored three more runs in the fifth inning, as Aeriell Earleywine singled and scored on Hannah Engelkamp’s two-run homerun. Blaire Kuhl added another homerun for the Wildcats, totaling three total homeruns in the first game.

After taking three out of the four games with its conference foes, WSC improved its season record to 7-11, and put its NSIC record at 3-1. WSC will get a chance to play in front of its home fans when it hosts Minnesota Duluth on Saturday and Sunday in another four-game conference series at noon at the Pete Chapman Baseball Complex.

Softball sweeps Lopers 5-0 and 14-2
Wildcats look to use momentum in today’s double-header

By Maddy Moser

Staff Writer

Five homeruns boosted the Wildcats to a 5-0 and 14-2 sweep over in-state rival Nebraska-Kearney yesterday afternoon.

In the first game, WSC, now 14-2 on the season, scored two runs in the first inning when Amy Sandstrom singled and scored on Sun Earleywine’s two-run homerun for a 2-0 lead. The Cats scored three more runs in the fifth inning, as Aeriell Earleywine singled and scored on Hannah Engelkamp’s two-run homerun. Blaire Kuhl added another homerun for the Wildcats, totaling three total homeruns in the first game.

Pitchers Katie Goetzinger (8-2) and Amber Baird held the Lopers to just four hits. Goetzinger allowed just three hits with six strikeouts and one walk in five innings. Baird worked the final innings, striking out five while allowing one hit with two walks.

“Kearney is always a tough team,” head coach Krista Unger said. “It is a good in-state rivalry game. The Lopers are hot right now coming off of two big wins against Mesa State. I expected our team to come out with a two-run single while Michele Hogan, Sandstrom and Kuhl each added RBI singles. Radley then added a solo homerun in the third inning to give the Cats a 10-0 lead. In the fourth inning, Kuhl had a three-run homer, followed in the fifth by a RBI single to close the game.

WSC had a season-high 17 hits in the win, led by Radley going 3 for 3 with a homer, three RBI’s and three runs scored. Kuhl was also a leader, finishing 3 for 5 with a homerun and five RBI’s. Aeriell Earleywine added three hits on four up-to-bats. Kassie Nurtzon, Sandstrom and Engelkamp each put up two hits for WSC in the win.

Hogan (2-0) was the winning pitcher, striking out five and walking just one.

Today, the Cats will open at home with a double-header against Nebraska-Omaha beginning at 2 p.m. in Wayne.
**WSC hosts high school track meets**

More than 700 area athletes and 30 teams compete in Rec Center

**By Aaron Lueth**

Staff Writer

Over 700 high school athletes representing 30 teams filed into the WSC Rec Center over the weekend to compete in the annual Wayne State Invitational track meet.

“We hosted 16 teams on Friday, which was the Class D and some of the smaller Class C schools and on Saturday there were 14 teams, which consisted of Class B and the larger Class C schools,” head WSC track coach Marlon Brink said.

The teams on Friday consisted of Homer, Stuart, Newman Grove, Winside, Leigh, Pender, Dodge, Newcastle, Wyanot, Howells, Wakefield, Santee, Hartington, Pender, Wausa and Allen.

The first day of action was highlighted by two new meet records, which were set by Keith Jorgensen of Allen in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:09.18, and Tyler Bodlak of Wakefield, who broke his own record from the previous year in the 3200-meter run with a new mark of 10:21.94.

The next day saw 14 more teams compete, including Wayne, Harlan, Sergeant Bluffs, Platteview, Norfolk Catholic, Stanton, Plainview, Battle Creek, Omaha Roncalli/Duchesne, Glenwood, Osmond, West Point-Beemer, West Holt and Norfolk. On this day of action, seven more meet records fell from the record books.

The West Point-Beemer girls’ 4x800 meter relay team broke the tape at 10:30.30, and Kristie Mulllen from Omaha Roncalli/Duchesne crossed the line at 2:27.19 in the 800-meter run.

In the boys’ field, Darnell Collins of Wayne High set a new mark in the long jump with 22’8,” Brent Schlote from Battle Creek tossed the shot put 51’7 ½” inches and Marcus Baier also from Wayne finished the 800-meter run in 2:08.27. Glenwood Iowa boys set two new relay records in the 4x800 (8:26.18) and the 4x400 (3:43.11) meter relays.

The Wayne State Invitational has traditionally been held at WSC on the indoor track at the Rec Center each year in order to give many high schools the opportunity to get work in at an official track meet early in the year, with the added appeal of not having to worry about the weather coming into play.

“It gives the high school athletes a chance to compete and see where they are early in the season, and for us it’s a chance to promote track across northeast Nebraska,” Brink said. “It’s also a good fundraiser for our team.

“The meet overall turned out to be a success, hosting over 700 young high school athletes in their first real competition of the 2010 track season, and seeing nine records be broken was a fun experience.”

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**Wildcat track teams look to take success outdoors**

**By Dan Keller**

Staff Writer

After an indoor season riddled with new school records, the WSC men’s and women’s track teams look to carry their success into the outdoor season.

For three members of the women’s team, senior sprinter Christina King, junior thrower Casey Buskirk and freshman high jumper Savannah Wakeley, the season ended at the Indoor National Championships in Albuquerque, N.M.

King currently holds the indoor track school record for the 200- and 400-meter dashes, while Buskirk holds it in the weight throw.

Other returning record holders for the Wildcats include Megan Zavorka (1,500, mile, 3,000 and 5,000-meter runs), Paige Pollard (800-meter run), Megan Dias (triple jump), as well as the distance medley relay team (Sarah Thomsen, Pollard, Ky’Lee Engelken and Melissa McIntosh).

The Wildcat women, who spent two weeks in the USTFCCCA Top 25 during the indoor season, will try to use the momentum of a good indoor season to build on what they did outdoors in 2009.

Pollard qualified for nationals in the 400-meter hurdles in 2009, while Zavorka just missed qualifying in the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

The men’s team had a strong indoor season which came to a close with a disappointing ninth place finish at the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) meet. The Wildcats seem primed for a successful outdoor campaign. Like the women’s team, the Wildcat men have several athletes coming off of record-setting indoor seasons. Sophomore middle distance runner Andy Jansen set school records in both the 400-meter dash and 600-meter run, while sophomore Cody Diehl holds the record in the pentathlon.

The outdoor season allows us to utilize our athletes in some other specialized events that they can’t compete in during the indoor season.”

- Head coach Marlon Brink

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Wrestling season wraps up

Sophomore year a huge improvement for WSC club

By Sarah Thomsen
Sports Editor

Though only in its second season at WSC, the Wildcat wrestling club has the statistics to show experience and talent.

As a team, WSC came in fifth at conference, and sent five athletes to the national meet in Hampton, Va.

Individually, freshman Cory Devine led the team in points (51), pins (7) and near fall points (30). He also had 18 take-downs. Devine made nationals on a wildcard in the 174-pound bracket, but didn’t place. His season record was 10-16.

“The season was pretty good,” Devine said. “Most of the matches I lost were pretty close.”

Making nationals his freshman year set the bar high, and next season he hopes to surpass that. Placing at nationals and finishing with a winning record were his top two goals.

Second in team points was Matt Bates with 48. Bates had the most take-downs on the team (36) and had 4 pins. He went 2-2 in the 197-pound bracket at the national meet, finishing in the top-10 in the National Collegiate Wrestling Association (NCWA).

Myles Butt came in third for team points with 46, and racked up 32 take-downs. He finished the season with 10 near fall points and 3 pins.

Myles Butt, who is in his second year with the club, noticed two major changes with the team from year one to year two: “numbers in the room and number of matches.”

Last year, Butt’s record was 6-2 for a total of 8 games. This season, he saw the mat for 25 matches. His record was 12-13.

Matt Peter scored 34 points for the team and had 27 take-downs, 5 pins and 15 near fall points. He also competed at the national NCWA meet in the 149-pound bracket, going 1-2. Fifth in team points was Tahner Thiem (31), who tied with Peter for pins and had 10 near fall points. Thiem also qualified for nationals, going 1-2 in the 184-pound class.

“Last year we were a club,” Vander Weil said. “This year we are a club, but we are more like a team.”

As far as numbers go, there were 11 members at the end of the season. That’s more than double last year’s team.

“It was really nice to have 11 guys carry us all the way to the end of the season,” Vander Weil said.

The wrestling club wouldn’t be possible without those who generous enough to provide financial support, who Vander Weil and the team extend their thanks.

Two backing the wrestlers this season were Len Dickinson and Julie Goeller, owners of Sand Creek Post and Beam in Wayne. They chipped in throughout the season, and helped cover the plane tickets for the five national qualifiers (Bates, Peter, Mullens, Thiem and Devine).

Wayne State faculty and staff also helped, as did the hometown communities of each of the qualifiers. Captain Gary Hansen and the National Guard assisted as well, helping pay for posters and other means of support.

Though the season is over, Vander Weil is working to raise funds and get the schedule together for next year. On Sunday, May 2, there will be a wrestling and alumni banquet. A guest speaker is currently being negotiated.

The team hopes to improve their practice facilities next year, and “come back bigger and better,” Butt said.

Growing as a team shouldn’t be a problem, as the program’s success has already sparked the interest of 6-10 other wrestlers looking to join the team next season.

Cage fighting returns to Wayne

Wayne Wreckage to wreak havoc in City Auditorium

By Joshua Keadle
Staff Writer

The fists will be flying on Saturday at the Wayne City Auditorium.

Team Adrenaline will be in action against other fight clubs from the tri-state area in the Wayne Wreckage fight night. Highlighting the action will be two title fights.

Tickets are now on sale at The White Dog Pub or from any of the Team Adrenaline fighters. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the action starts at 7 p.m.

Tahner Thiem (13-3) will be fighting Jarrod L’Hearx (9-2) for the 185-pound title belt.

Thiem, a Crete native, began fighting mixed martial arts (MMA) after a successful high school wrestling career.

He was the team captain and a three-time state qualifier, finishing fourth as a senior. The Wayne State junior is majoring in industrial technology education.

“He [L’Hearx] is a rough and tough guy that wants to stand there and bang, and he’s going to swing until somebody goes down,” Thiem said of his opponent. “I’m going to surprise him and play his game. I’m going to stand there and go toe-to-toe with him.”

Josh Prokapec (7-0) will be making his first defense of his 205-pound title belt.

His opponent is yet to be announced. Prokapec, who hails from Clarkson, is a physical education major at WSC and just began fighting MMA a year ago.

The former WSC football player took up the sport to stay active and is thriving. He is undefeated and will fight Brian Houston, the number-one ranked light-heavyweight in the Midwest, sometime in the upcoming months.

“I’m a crowd pleaser. They want to see knock-outs and so do I,” Prokapec said, when asked of his fighting style.

Aaron Nielsen will make his MMA debut on Saturday against Matt Weis, the current belt holder in the heavyweight ranks.

Nielsen is a native of Creighton and was a four-year football standout for Wayne State College. He has a strong wrestling background as well.

Nielsen qualified for state three times, taking home third place his senior year.

Also on the fight card will be Team Adrenaline members Beau Boryca, Collin Krogger, Jared Hamik, Rob Peter and Sheldon Onderstal.

Hunter Buck will be making his debut in the cage as well.


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Kentucky: A champion in the making

It’s time to face it. The NCAA tournament winner is going to be Kentucky. Another banner will be hung in Rupp Arena in April.

Now, I don’t want to sound too confident in my prediction, as anything can happen in the tournament, but when I watched the Wildcats cruise through their first two games, I was pretty well convinced. Kentucky doesn’t exactly have an easy route to the championship game either. They play Cornell, the pride of the Ivy League.

And the Big Red is not exactly a Cinderella 12-seed. They took care of five-seed Temple and four-seed Wisconsin by a combined margin of 31 points. Each game wasn’t really close, either.

The Wildcats also have to get past West Virginia, perhaps the strongest two-seed in the tournament. But unless Cornell or West Virginia goes bonkers from three-point land, Kentucky will win each game by double-digits.

Between Patterson dunking, Cousins patrolling the middle, Bledsoe shooting threes and Wall heading the fast break, the Wildcats can’t really go wrong right now.

This has been Calipari’s M.O. for a while now, to have a very talented young team that gels come March, but falls late in the tournament.

This time around, though, the team he is coaching is very, very talented. He has sure-fire, top-five NBA picks in Cousins and Wall and another first-round pick in Patterson. Bledsoe is also a draftable prospect.

To think what could happen if Meeks would have stayed another year. Hey, they only have 11 scholarship players on the roster, one short of the limit. Back to the dance now. I need not discuss the Final Four game.


Fast forward to the National Championship where the Wildcats will most likely face Syracuse. I mean, I can’t really think of another team with the talent to reach the title game in that side of the bracket.

Maybe Kansas State, but Clemente and Pullen will have to stay sizzling. My money is on Wesley Johnson and the Orange.

This rematch of the 1996 National Championship game will be a close affair.

I just think Kentucky is too talented to lose this. Wall and Cousins could be the two best players in the entire tournament.

I predict that Wesley Johnson goes for 30, but Kentucky still wins 76-72. The only thing we can do is sit back and watch the madness.

March Madness to hit Wayne this weekend

The Ninth Annual March Madness Rugby Tournament and 72 teams across the United States come to Wayne, America, this weekend to endure “The House of Pain.” The Wildcats will take home-field advantage against the top schools in the country.

The annual tournament will feature defending USA National Rugby Champion, Northern State University and teams represented from 17 different states and Canada. Northern State’s first game will be held at 3:15 p.m., Saturday.

The teams featured this weekend will be the Iowa State Cyclones, Nebraska Cornhuskers, Wayne State (men’s squad), Kansas Jayhawks, Oklahoma State Cowboys, Kansas State Wildcats, the University of Manitoba and California Azusa, to name a few.

The “Border War” showdown between the Nebraska Cornhuskers and the Iowa Hawkeyes will kick off at 1:15 p.m.

The WSC men’s squad will take the field at 2:15 p.m. The women’s games to be highlighted are Denver vs. Kansas City and University of Minnesota vs. Colorado State.

The Wildcat women’s squad will not be in attendance. It will travel to Baton Rouge, L.A., and take part in the national tournament.

Four teams that have competed in the annual tournament have gone on to eventually win the USA National Championship in May. The Wildcat women have qualified for the national playoffs twice, advancing to the Elite Eight and Sweet 16.

Angela Matthews, a former WSC rugger, returns to Wayne to take the field with her new team, Chicago. Mathews is part of the USA Rugby Team roster, and was recruited by WSC head coach Darrin Barner.

All March Madness games are to be held at Wayne Rugby Complex from 8:45 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. Semi-Finals are on Sunday starting 11:30 a.m. with Finals at 12:30 p.m.

The annual tournament is estimated to generate over $200,000 for the Wayne community this upcoming weekend. Teams will be arriving from Canada and around the U.S. starting tomorrow.

The rugby field is located just south of Pamida, east on 4th Street.

Women’s games will be held on the field adjacent to the main field. Admission to one of the largest rugby tournaments in the U.S. is free. It is strongly suggested to arrive early for good seating.
Lifestyles

Catherine Ferguson hopes to inspire Wayne State artists

By KatElynn Wolfe
News Editor

Hello all, I have been in Greece for a little over a week now and I am still having a hard time believing I am going to be here for another 10 weeks. Time has flown by with language class and lecture things around here keeping me busy.

It amazes me how laid back the Greeks are compared to Americans. Not once has anything run on time, started on time or happened when it should have. Don’t get me wrong, I don’t mind this at all, but sometimes I would like to get on the bus at 5:30 when it says it will pick me up instead of 5:45.

I must say that the weather here is amazing. It is so nice to wake up in the morning and not have to put on a winter coat to walk to class. I will admit that my pasty white skin is angry with me for showing it to the sun, so to retaliate, it has decided to burn me to a crisp. I have not burnt so badly yet that I resemble a cooked lobster, but I am just waiting until I have a free weekend to go down to the beach.

Throughout this last week, I have learned most of Greek history, but sadly, history is my worst subject and I maybe only retained about one third of the information given.

Language class has been exciting and wonderful. I now know how to say “hello,” “thank you” and “good-bye.” Something everyone should know. I must say, the Greek language is a lot more exciting then I thought it would be. I was afraid that I was going to struggle with it and stick out like an even bigger tourist then I already do. I mean, I know I have tourist stamped on my forehead but maybe, just maybe, I can throw the locals off by speaking their language. One can only hope; right?

With field trips planned, I will have more to tell you about the Greek culture later on.

Until next time, enjoy your semester and I will enjoy mine!

(Greetings from Greece is a series that will detail Wolfe’s experiences and travels.)

By Kaitlin Effle

A few Wayne State College art enthusiasts got to take part in a presentation that was given by artist Catherine Ferguson last night.

The presentation and dinner that was supposed to be held in the Niobrara Room was moved to Frey Conference Suite for easier accessibility.

The social/dinner began at 5:30 p.m. and lasted until a few minutes after 7 p.m.

While students and faculty sat socializing after the meal, books were handed out that showed Ferguson’s work and explained her art in detail. Ferguson then came around to each table signing the book for prospective artists.

After autographs, everyone piled into the next room where the presentation began. Ferguson first began by showing slides of some of her installations (a temporary art piece that is similar to a sculpture, but does not retain a permanent residence), that were that were on view at the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, the Museum of Nebraska Art at Kearney and the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden in Lincoln. After viewing and discussing her installations, she moved on to drawings, as well as sculptures.

Ferguson also discussed the art and design that she created for Opera Omaha when it was producing an opera titled “Aida,” based in ancient Egypt. Ferguson worked two years designing the set and costumes for the opera.

WSC art enthusiasts enjoyed a good evening of viewing art from a talented professional.

“Catherine Ferguson gave a wonderful overview of her artwork that was equally interesting and inspiring,” Jen Missel, a WSC senior with a minor in Art, said.

Photos by Kaitlin Effle/Wayne Stater

Above: Krista Albers, Andrea Timp, Mandi Schueth, KatElynn Wolfe, Jessica Borrenpohl and Andrew Smolek are in their second week in Greece as part of the “Semester in Greece” program offered by WSC.

Above: Catherine Ferguson autographs a book that shows her work that was created for the opera production of “Aida.” The book was given to those students who attended the dinner and presentation that was held last night in the Frey Conference Suite.

Above: Greetings from Greece is a series that will detail Wolfe’s experiences and travels.

Right: Last night, artist and designer, Catherine Ferguson gave a presentation about her work. She showed numerous slides and discussed some of her installations.

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Dr. Gail Dooley provides Appalachian folk traditions and songs for students

Left: Dr. Gail Dooley of Morningside College gave WSC students a taste of the mountain dulcimer and its interesting history during her presentation on March 18 in the Fine Arts building.

Above: Dr. Gail Dooley entertained WSC students while playing the mountain dulcimer during her Appalachian folk presentation last week.

By kAitlin Effle
Lifestyles Editor

An active Sioux City performer Dr. Gail Dooley visited WSC last Thursday evening to teach some Appalachian folk traditions. Dooley, a faculty member at Morningside College in Sioux City, described the origins of the Appalachian folk song tradition, as well as the history of the mountain dulcimer.

She performed Appalachian ballads and songs that the immigrants from the British Isles brought with them to the Southern Appalachians.

The program provided some familiar tunes and some sing-along tunes.

Two members of the audience included WSC President Richard Collings and his wife, Marilyn.

Coming up on the music performance schedule is Pfaltzgraff and Frfriends, Monday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. in Ley Theatre. WSC faculty will be performing.

Guy gone Greece

By Andrew Smolek
Staff Writer

The first, first of my week was my first trans-Atlantic flight. It was torture, in my opinion. Eight hours in one spot without moving or moving very little isn’t a great way to start the experience that I get to write about and live. I would have much rather taken a boat, it may have taken longer, but you have more freedom. My first trans-Atlantic flight wasn’t the worst first experience I have had thus far in my life. However, the experience and the sights after made the eight-hour trip well worth the torture.

My first time in a foreign country was in an Amsterdam airport. It was an eye-opening experience to say the least, so much was different, yet exotic than the languages that I heard. I recognize. I tried a little bit of Dishes of all kinds, none of them put together a small buffet for all of us, to welcome us to their home. Dishes of all kinds, none of them shelling their eggs.

The other Greek food that I have had the pleasure of tasting is the Greek Gyros (pronounced Euro). The Gyro is made up of a tortilla that is filled with meat, cheese, vegetables and french fries. It is very good and many of the students choose that as their afternoon lunch here.

Our introduction to the Greek language has been a learning experience. Their language is much different than our own. However, it does share characteristics of German for those who are familiar with that.

We have just started doing basic phrases like hello (gia sou); (me lene) my name is; (kalimera) good morning; (kalisperia) good afternoon (used after three o’clock); (kalinihta) good night and (antio) good-bye. It gives us the basics to hold a small conversation with the locals. I personally can’t wait until we learn more phrases. The last couple classes have been learning the Greek alphabet. We finish with the alphabet next week, followed by our first test.

I could continue forever on the first experiences I have had in the last week, but as length is sparse I will have to stop for now. I will leave you with my final first of the week. The writing of my first article sitting on a rock in the middle of a gorgeous bay as the beautiful day begins and another adventure waits for me.

(Andrew Smolek is just one of the several students spending time in Greece this semester. “Guy gone Greece” is a series that will detail his experiences and travels).
Listen to the Lyrics

The White Stripes do it again, this time live

By Mary MacClure
Staff Writer

Be jealous of Canadians.

During a 2007 tour, The White Stripes made it a point to play every province in Canada. They filmed it, slapped on the title “Under Great White Northern Lights,” and it’s a film you should see. The corresponding live album, though, will be people’s first taste of that magical journey. And for a band with a lot of energy, it’s remarkable they’ve gone this long without a live album. But now that they have, everything feels like it’s closer to the way it was originally spawned inside Jack White’s head.

Each track is darker and deeper, and more bluesy, and eccentric and haggard, but and just as beautifully catchy.

The key to a great live album is the layout of the tracks. Do they cover enough of their back catalog or are there enough hits? For The White Stripes it thumps extra hard, sinisterly. It starts with “The Union Forever,” a song that should not exist unless played live. Its manic and demented lyrical content, combined with White’s singing that breaks down into a rejective rant, is something that rocks a body while scaring and confusing a whole stadium of people.

While the first half of the record is all about shattering bones, the second half has its highlights, albeit in a more subtle way. “Jolene” stands as kind of a mid-point in the story of the album. The first eight or so tracks are all spitfire, and the Dolly Parton original creates an atmosphere of raw emotion and a communal intimacy. “300 M.P.H. Torrential Outpour Blues” is a brilliant choice for a follow-up. It’s sweet and loungey in parts before kicking off into absurd levels of noise to the cheers of “thank you” from a crowd that doesn’t even know what’s left to come. And you’re right there with them.

Of course, no White Stripes effort is complete without a rip-roaring finale. “Seven Nation Army” could be the phenomenal ending to any of their shows. It thumps extra hard, sinisterly whipping the crowd into a pure, ecstatic chaos. But that’s not the finish. “End” is a blur of computerized dance noise that shifts right into the album opening bagpipe once more. It’s a firm reminder to expect the noisy and unconventional in everything White Stripes.

REALITY ON THE REEL

‘The Bounty Hunter’ feels like prison

By Joel Janczak
Staff Writer

Greeting movie goers! Because I had already seen “Alice in Wonderland” and “She’s Out of My League,” the choices this weekend were very limited, so I decided to settle for the new romantic comedy, “The Bounty Hunter.”

The film stars Gerard Butler, Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis and Chris Pine and Baranski.

The plot for this movie seems clever. Aniston has jumped bail and Butler is the bounty hunter that’s supposed to bring her in.

Eventually, we find out that Aniston is a reporter hot on the trail of a murder cover-up. She thinks that one of Butler’s ex-cop buddies is involved and some bad guys have kidnapped her informant and some more bad guys have kidnapped one of her co-workers.

For some reason, a tattoo parlor is involved and then, out of nowhere, along comes Carol Kane for about five seconds. As I slowly nodded off to sleep, some more stuff happened. Aniston played with her hair, some people got shot and finally Butler and Aniston kiss at the end, like we all knew they would.

This movie was bad. It was 98 percent unfunny, the dialogue was unintelligent and it was too long.

For you female viewers, there’s a bright side. Butler has a shirtless scene and yes, he still has the abs from “300.” I did not enjoy this movie. It was dull, boring and it made me feel as though I was confined in a prison cell and forced to watch it as torture for some crime. Just awful.

“T he Bounty Hunter” rightfully earned the final grade of an F. My final verdict: skip it.

Rental pick of the Week: I’m going with a real romantic comedy for this week, it’s from 1989 and one you’ve probably heard of. Check out “When Harry met Sally.” It stars Billy Crystal, Meg Ryan, Carrie Fisher, Bruno Kirby and Steven Ford.

Harry and Sally meet, and then don’t see each other for years. The film follows their lives separately until finally they are reunited and become very close friends.

Eventually the two are faced with a problem: “Can a man and a woman be friends without sex getting in the way?”

The film was nominated for an Oscar and five Golden Globes.

Help Wanted

Person to assist in horse training facility close to Wayne. Duties include riding horses, chores, etc. Full-time or part-time hours available. Contact Gary at 402-385-2239. For additional information, log onto www.wilsonhorsetraining.com.

Health for Thought: Jumping Jehosaphats

By Bill Hunt
Staff Writer

We’ve all had a friend of ours sneak up on us and startle us. Some of us just jump a little, some of us scream as loud as possible and some of us get so startled that we scream as loud as possible and sneak up on us and startle us. Some researchers have reason to think the disorder may be psychological and not genetic.

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The Jumping Frenchman of Maine Disorder, according to webmd.com. G.M. Beard was the first to discover this disorder in the French-Canadian lumberjacks in the Moosehead Lake area of Maine.

A person with the Jumping Frenchman of Maine Disorder, or hyperekplexia, has a genetic mutation that prevents “exciting” signals in the nervous system from being regulated, according to rare-disorders.com. So when a person is startled, instead of a normal startled reaction, a “jumper” would react by crying out, flailing limbs, twitching and sometimes convulsions. It has also been noted that a jumper can be susceptible to another outburst as soon as an episode disappears. So a jumper could have repeated outbursts, one after another.

Another symptom found in people with hyperekplexia is if they hear a phrase that is unfamiliar or spoken in a loud voice, they will uncontrollably repeat that phrase back. This phenomenon is known as echolalia.

Hyperekplexia in the lumberjacks has originally been thought to be caused by inbreeding. However, some researchers have reason to think the disorder may be psychological and not genetic.

So next time you get embarrassed about getting startled by a friend sneaking up on you, be thankful you have at least some control of your reaction.
Cooperative Education

Cooperative Education is a paid, credit-bearing or transcript-rotation program combining work experience with classroom learning. Contact the Career Services Office regarding the following positions available through the Cooperative Education program.

CO-OP EDUCATION/INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

If you’re interested in looking for a job related to your major, Career Services wants to help. We will assist you in preparing your resume, looking at job possibilities or even determining if your current job will qualify for a Co-op Education/Internship experience. The Co-op Education/Internship program provides you an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of your chosen field and build contacts for your future job search. Often times the positions are paid, so you can earn extra money, acquire college credit and obtain valuable work experience all at once. For more information, contact Heather Reinhardt, Co-op Education/Internship Program Coordinator in Career Services, located in the Student Center Atrium, room 101.

A CPA Company in Norfolk is looking for a temporary part-time income tax preparer. Experience required: tax preparation or accounting background. If you are interested in this position, resumes will be e-mailed from Career Services to CPA firm.

A camp staff is wanted for a residential summer camp for girls located in northern Minnesota. Please contact Career Services for a listing of positions available.

The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission has 2010 temporary employment opportunities available to assist with its park management functions. Contact Career Services for locations and information on how to apply.

Nebraska Life Magazine currently has an open position for an administrative assistant (full or part-time position). Individual will assist subscriptions department director, advertising department director and others as needed. See Career Services if interested.

Holmes Murphy & Associates has a business development internship available. Holmes Murphy & Associates is the nation’s 29th largest independent insurance broker, and has been delivering insurance and financial solutions for 70 years. It has locations in Iowa, Texas, Neb, S.D., Ill., Wis., Pa., Kan. and Mo. The intern program is structured to last two years. Interns work the summers preferably after their sophomore and junior year of college.

The FDIC will once again be offering summer internships. These internships are generally available for business or economics majors who graduate no earlier than December 2010. They have openings in Sioux Falls, Sioux City, Fargo and Grand Forks. See Career Services for more information.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has summer opportunities for a team-in-training intern in Omaha. Some of the duties include assisting with recruitment efforts, meeting logistics and planning, local event planning, publishing monthly newsletter, media development and working with patient hero and mentor programs. See Career Services for more details.

Farm Service Agency USDA is currently advertising for their summer intern program. Exact location in Nebraska is to be determined at later date. Desired major/course work: economics, finance, agriculture, agribusiness, business management or marketing. Computer skills/word processing required. Knowledge and skill in the application of ESRI ArcGIS 8.3 products desirable. See Career Services for additional information and application process.

The Cox Classic Golf Tournament in Omaha is seeking interested students for its summer practicum and internship opportunities. They offer four paid internships and a minimum of one non-paid internship. Internships are in the following areas: marketing, operations, facilities management and public relations. Please see Career Services for more details.

A software and services-based solutions company in Omaha is currently seeking a finance intern for the summer 2010. Visit Career Services for details and information on the application process.

The Red Cross is offering communications internship opportunities available for summer, fall and spring terms in Omaha. Must apply at least one month prior to start of term. Internship qualifications include interest and/or experience in public relations, marketing, media relations, community relations and/or communications. See Career Services for list of internship duties and how to apply.

The Crittenton Center in Sioux City is currently seeking a part-time youth counselor position. Contact Career Services for more information.

The Upward Bound program has a residence advisor summer program position available in Lincoln. See Career Services for position description and application process.

A health care facility in Omaha is seeking an intern to assist the annual giving officer with the implementation of a comprehensive program of annual giving. The position is unpaid, 10-20 hours a week with flexible scheduling. Successful applicant will gain practical experience in resource development including project management. Application deadline is April 19, 2010. See Career Services for application information.

A clinical laboratory products company in Omaha is recruiting for several summer 2010 internship positions. These positions include: a research and development intern, quality assurance summer assistant, advertising intern, sterile services summer assistant, red blood cell summer assistant and quality assurance summer assistant. Contact Career Services for further information.

A Co-op in Pilger is looking for seasonal employees and a year-round permanent person. Duties include maintenance and repair of equipment, loading and unloading grain and delivery of fertilizer and chemicals. Must have Class BCDL (with a Haz Mat endorsement preferred). Contact Career Services for further information.

The Health Center Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2010 Summer Internship Program in Sidney, Neb. The purpose of this program is to provide hands-on experience to undergraduate students pursuing careers in the healthcare field. Deadline submission is April 9, 2010. See Career Services for more information.

Goldenrod Hills Community Action’s Head Start Early Childhood Education Program is looking for a part time center aide for the Wayne Center. Position will assist the teacher in planning and carrying out the educational activities of the center. Hourly wage. Visit Career Services for details and application process.

HELP WITH FULL TIME JOB SEARCH?

TERRIN in the WSC Career Services Office can help you conduct your full-time job search. Schedule an appointment to discuss your resume, cover letter, interviewing skills and the job search process. Career Services is located in the Student Center Atrium, room 101. Terri can be reached at (402) 375-7425 or btebeggl@wsc.edu.

CAT TRACKS - JOBS POSTED ON-LINE

Check out a variety of full-time, part-time and cooperative education/internship positions on CAT TRACKS at http://www.wsc.edu/career_services/jp.php. Check the website as often as possible because new positions are added daily. If you have questions, please contact the WSC Career Services Office at (402) 375-7425.

MOCK INTERVIEWS

Nervous about an upcoming interview? Then get some practice with a mock interview! Mock interviews give you a chance to get feedback on your interviewing skills and also calm your nerves for the “real” thing. Stop by the office to see the schedules. Career Services is located at the west end of the Student Center Atrium.

Tutor Openings for Fall 2010!

STRIDE, Student Support Services

If you have:
- A GPA of 3.0 or higher in the subject area you’d like to tutor in
- Have completed 55 credit hours

If you would like to:
- Earn some money ($7.25/hour)
- Share your wisdom
- Increase the probability of a student’s success in passing academic requirements

Then you can stop by the STRIDE, Student Support Services office (student center, lower level, Room 12) and pick up a TUTOR APPLICATION packet at the front desk!
YOU CAN KISS MY COUNTRY CONCERT

Blake Shelton rocks the boots off students and fans

BY MOLLY MAYHEW
Photo Editor

A sea of boots, plaid and Stetsons filled Rice Auditorium Sunday night for the long-anticipated Spring Concert featuring Blake Shelton and TelluRide.

The Student Activities Board (SAB) ordered 2,500 tickets and reported that 2,200 were handed out to students.

“I would estimate the audience attendance was close to 2,000,” Belinda Vavricek, SAB programer, said. “I noticed the bleachers were filled out and there were many people on the floor.”

SAB members and a volunteer crew of about 50 helped the two bands set up speakers and equipment from morning until the mid-afternoon from three semi trucks and sound checks ran from 5 p.m. up until the time the doors almost opened.

“Everything went very smoothly,” Vavricek said. “There was only about an hour of downtime before doors opened and students came flooding in.”

And quite a flood it was.

It took the full hour before the concert for students to be checked by security and let into the auditorium. Few items were confiscated and most of the traffic moved pretty well.

TelluRide, who traveled from Indiana, Illinois and Missouri before stopping in Wayne, opened for Blake Shelton.

Brain Smith, drummer for TelluRide, regaled about being on the road.

“Last year, we did over 250 dates,” Smith said. “We get really homesick, but what’s really cool about country is that wherever you go, someone makes you family.”

TelluRide, who got hooked up with Blake Shelton through a Nebraskan family and made their name playing in honky-tonks, plans on taking a short break sometime in the near future, but not before touring with Charlie Daniels this summer.

“We have a good time with it [life on the road], but it’s really exhausting sometimes,” Smith said. “We’re all looking forward to a little bit of a break.”

TelluRide was happy though that they did get to come play at WSC.

“Not only did we get to play the show, but we got to see old friends,” Smith said. “Wayne kind of reminds us of the area we grew up in.”

After TelluRide left the stage hot with country flare, Blake Shelton performed and the entire concert lasted over two and one half hours with very few problems from the audience.

In fact, most audience members enjoyed country swing dancing throughout the evening.

Blake Shelton even gave the crowd an encore, which is when packing up began.

“Once the encore began, the student workers assembled backstage to begin the load-out process. It took until 2 a.m. to get everything tore down and loaded back into the trucks,” Vavricek said.

“I would just want to thank everyone who helped with the concert, from the planning to the execution, everyone did fantastic.”

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Above: Students write down their names in hopes of winning the autographed Blake Shelton CD or $20 at Pizza Hut that was given away by the campus radio station 91.9 The Cat. Kathy Neuhaifer and Kathrine Lukes ended up winning the gift card and CD. The Cat also threw free SAB t-shirts and water bottles into the crowd in between TelluRide and Shelton.