

## UNL students' Albion designs get second review in Lincoln

A juried review of ideas for Albion's development was held in Lincoln's old City Hall Building on Wednesday, Nov. 4. Experts in architecture and community planning from both Lincoln and Kansas State University critiqued the designs of Professor Martin Despang's fifth and sixth year architecture students, all of which focused on ways to help Albion grow.

At the review, the students presented the second of three designs each is developing for Albion. Ideas included utilizing space above downtown buildings for apartments and as hotel rooms, a permanent farmer's market, studio space for visiting artists, a wine bar, a recording studio, an apartment tower capable of generating electricity from the wind without a visible turbine and many other unique and innovative concepts.

Jury members examined each design in detail and then made comments and suggestions. Several jurors commented that the results of this partnership effort between Albion and the UNL College of Architecture will, in addition to assisting in Albion's growth, provide new ideas and approaches for rural communities to follow throughout the Great Plains.

The third and final review of

the students' ideas will be held in Lincoln on Dec. 10. The students' designs will then be displayed in the Rotunda of the State Capitol through Dec. 18. After the exhibit at the Capitol, the designs will be brought to Albion for further examination and consideration.

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