Dr. Tom Osborne To Speak at Peru State Program Friday

Peru State College's Phi Beta Lambda chapter will host an Undergraduate Research Conference on campus Friday, April 13. The theme is Mission Impossible: Overcoming Obstacles in Today's Society.

The Undergraduate Research Conference is interdisciplinary and encourages topics from all areas of study. Students can enter their work in four different categories, including paper, poster, presentation and/or Website. Winners in each category will be awarded \$500. Those finishing second in each category will receive \$100.

Legendary Husker Football Coach, current University of Nebraska Athletic Director and former Congressman Dr. Tom Osborne will provide the keynote address at 7 p.m. in the College Theatre. There is no charge to attend and the event is open to the public.

PBL Advisor and Assistant Professor of Business Sheri Grotrian-Ryan said, "This conference has provided PBL members an opportunity to demonstrate their leadership to see a project through from start to finish. It's a great way for students across campus to showcase their work. Our group is ecstatic to host a Nebraska legend, Dr. Tom Osborne, as the keynote speaker for the conference. It is sure to be a memorable event for all involved."

Widely known for his leadership, integrity, honor and compassion, Osborne and his wife, Nancy, have poured time and effort into building the TeamMates mentoring program, which provides support and encouragement to school-aged youth with the goal of seeing children graduate from high school and pursue a post-secondary education.

PBL is a state and national business association. Two Peru State students won national championships at the organization's National Leadership Conference last year and seven others placed in the top 10 in each of their categories.