

In this document I will be converting a PKG into a VOSOTVO and converting a different PKG into a print story. This is to showcase my flexibility as a producer, that I can write PKGs into VOSOTVO's and print stories.

Bowling PKG Story:

((ANCHOR INTRO))

UNL STUDENTS ARE HITTING THE LANES AS PART OF THE UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT BOWLING LEAGUE. NEBRASKA NIGHTLY'S MACKENZIE NOBLE TAKES US TO EAST CAMPUS' HUSKER BOWLING CENTER.

((TAKE PKG))

[VO] TRACK: BOWLING ISN'T JUST A PASTIME—IT'S A WAY TO MAKE FRIENDS, COMPETE, AND HAVE FUN. FOR MANY STUDENTS, JOINING THE LEAGUE STARTED WITH A SIMPLE INVITATION.

((SOT CLAIRE (ENTER LAST NAME)//STUDENT PARTICIPANT))

[SOT] STUDENT: **"IT'S BEEN ABSOLUTELY AWESOME. IT'S JUST BEEN REALLY GREAT GETTING TO, LIKE, KNOW PEOPLE, AND ALSO, HONESTLY, FURTHER BOWLING SKILLS. I MEAN, IT'S SOMETHING YOU CAN USE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE."**

SINCE JOINING, THIS STUDENT HAS FOUND BOTH COMMUNITY AND IMPROVEMENT IN THEIR GAME.

((SOT CLAIRE (ENTER LAST NAME)//STUDENT PARTICIPANT))

THE LEAGUE HAS BEEN A LONGSTANDING TRADITION AT UNL, BRINGING STUDENTS TOGETHER THROUGH FRIENDLY COMPETITION. SOME EVEN SEE PERSONAL GROWTH IN THEIR BOWLING SKILLS.

[SOT] STUDENT: "I ACTUALLY THINK I HAVE. I'M STILL VERY INCONSISTENT. BUT, YOU KNOW, I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN ABLE TO GET MORE STRIKES, WHICH HAS BEEN REALLY AWESOME."

[VO] TRACK: AND WHILE SOME STUDENTS FOCUS ON THE GAME, OTHERS JUST ENJOY THE CAMARADERIE.

[SOT] STUDENT: "I WOULD SAY, JUST THE SUPPORTIVE ENERGY FROM MY TEAMMATES AND JUST BEING ABLE TO HAVE FUN WHILE DOING IT. LIKE, THEY'RE SERIOUSLY SO SUPPORTIVE, AND JUST BEING ABLE TO CHEER FOR ALL OF OUR WINS, BUT ALSO JUST LIKE THE FUNNY MOMENTS OF LIKE GETTING ZERO."

[VO] TRACK: BEYOND THE STRIKES AND SPARES, THE LEAGUE IS ABOUT CONNECTION AND MAKING MEMORIES.

[SOT] STUDENT: "I ENJOY JUST BEING IN THE MOMENT, JUST HAVING FUN WITH EVERYBODY. I THINK THAT'S EASILY THE BEST PART."

[VO] TRACK: THE LEAGUE HAS BEEN AROUND FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS, ORIGINALLY STARTED BY A STUDENT WHO WANTED TO CREATE A SPACE FOR FRIENDLY COMPETITION. THE PROGRAM HAS CONTINUED TO GROW, ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS EVERY SEMESTER.

[SOT] STAFF MEMBER: "IT STARTED OVER 15 YEARS AGO WITH A STUDENT WHO SAID, 'I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HOST A BOWLING LEAGUE.' AND SO WE ORGANIZED IT, WORKED WITH THE BOWLING STAFF, AND MADE IT HAPPEN."

[VO] TRACK: FOR STUDENTS LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED, THE LEAGUE PROVIDES AN EASY AND WELCOMING OPPORTUNITY.

[SOT] STUDENT: "ABSOLUTELY I WOULD RECOMMEND IT, BECAUSE IT'S AN EASY WAY TO GET INVOLVED. YOU CAN MEET NEW PEOPLE. YOU'RE ABLE TO JUST KIND OF PUT YOURSELF OUT THERE."

[CLOSER] TRACK: WHETHER IT'S TO COMPETE OR JUST HAVE SOME FUN, UNL STUDENTS SHOW THAT BOWLING IS MORE THAN JUST A GAME. IT'S ABOUT FRIENDSHIPS, TRADITIONS, AND MAKING MEMORIES ALONG THE WAY.

[STANDUP] REPORTER: THIS IS A TRADITION THAT'S BEEN GOING ON A LONG TIME HERE AT UNL, AND IT'S CONTINUING TO ROLL. SO IF YOU HAVE SOME SPARE TIME, COME ON DOWN—YOU'LL HAVE A BALL.

REPORTING FROM THE EAST CAMPUS BOWLING ALLEY, MACKENZIE NOBLE, NEBRASKA NIGHTLY.

VOSOTVO STORY:

ANCHOR INTRO:

UNL STUDENTS ARE ROLLING INTO A LONG-STANDING CAMPUS TRADITION THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT BOWLING LEAGUE.

[TAKE VOSOTVO]

VO:

BOWLING ISN'T JUST A GAME FOR UNL STUDENTS, IT'S A WAY TO BUILD COMMUNITY, MEET NEW PEOPLE, AND TAKE A BREAK FROM CAMPUS LIFE.

THE STUDENT BOWLING LEAGUE BRINGS HUSKERS TOGETHER EACH WEEK FOR FRIENDLY COMPETITION, WHETHER THEY'RE SEASONED BOWLERS OR STEPPING ONTO THE LANES FOR THE FIRST TIME.

MANY STUDENTS SAY JOINING THE LEAGUE STARTED WITH A SIMPLE INVITATION FROM A FRIEND AND QUICKLY TURNED INTO A HIGHLIGHT OF THEIR WEEK.

Sot – Claire, Student Participant:

“It's Been Absolutely Awesome. It's Been Really Great Getting To Know People And Also Further Bowling Skills. I Mean, It's Something You Can Use For The Rest Of Your Life.”

VO:

THE LEAGUE HAS BEEN A UNL TRADITION FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS AND

CONTINUES TO GROW EACH SEMESTER, GIVING STUDENTS AN EASY AND WELCOMING WAY TO GET INVOLVED ON CAMPUS.

LEA PKG:

((ANCHOR INTRO))

NEW TEACHERS IN LINCOLN ARE GETTING A LITTLE EXTRA HELP BEFORE THE SCHOOL YEAR EVEN BEGINS.

10/11'S MACKENZIE NOBLE HAS MORE ON HOW RETIRED EDUCATORS ARE MAKING SURE CLASSROOMS ARE STOCKED *WITHOUT* PUTTING THE COST ON TEACHERS.

((REPORTER INTRO))

STARTING OUT AS A TEACHER CAN BE OVERWHELMING.

BETWEEN LESSON PLANS AND DECORATING A CLASSROOM... MANY FIRST-YEAR TEACHERS SAY THE COST OF SUPPLIES CAN ADD UP FAST.

SO, RETIRED TEACHERS AROUND LINCOLN STEPPED IN TO HELP...

AND ONE NEW TEACHER TELLS US—WALKING INTO A FREE SUPPLY ROOM WAS EXACTLY WHAT SHE NEEDED.

((TAKE PKG))

THIS 'COME AND GET IT' EVENT, ORGANIZED BY THE LINCOLN EDUCATION ASSOCIATIONS RETIRED TEACHER GROUP, IS ESSENTIALLY A FREE STORE FOR CURRENT TEACHERS...

THIS EFFORT NOT ONLY GIVES CURRENT TEACHERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO COLLECT THINGS FOR THEIR CLASSROOMS, BUT ALSO A WAY FOR RETIRED TEACHERS TO GIVE BACK THEIR SUPPLIES TO HELP...

((SOT//SHERI PADEN//LEA RETIRED SECRETARY))

“We all are behind them and that we still know what they are going through. And we want to welcome them to our district and ensure them to welcome them to the world of teaching too.”

SHERI AND OTHER RETIRED TEACHERS SAY THEY KNOW THE COST ADDS UP... ESPECIALLY FOR BRAND-NEW TEACHERS, WHO OFTEN START FROM SCRATCH.

THEY ALSO WANTED TO BE THERE TO HELP THEIR STUDENTS IN ANY WAY THEY COULD.

((SOT//JOE SHANDERA// PRESIDENT, LEA RETIRED))

“A lot of kids wouldn’t be able to bring a notebook to class or just various things so we could get on with the business of class.”

THE ROOM IS FULL OF EVERYTHING YOU’D FIND IN A CLASSROOM, AND THEN SOME.

THE L-E-A SAYS THE MOST POPULAR ITEMS ARE DRY ERASE MARKERS, POST-IT NOTES AND KLEENEX...

((SOT//SHERI))

“And then we would tell them what stuff they need. I’d say ‘that’s a really great thing to have in the classroom.’ They go ‘I never thought about that’.”

FOR FIRST YEAR TEACHERS, SUPPORT LIKE THIS CAN GO A REALLY LONG WAY.

((SOT)) ((SOT//NICOLE HALSEY// FIRST-YEAR TEACHER))

“It means a lot because I didn’t have anything to start out with. So this is really great to help check things off the list.”

AND WITH SCHOOL JUST AROUND THE CORNER... THESE DONATIONS MAKE SURE TEACHERS CAN FOCUS ON WHAT REALLY MATTERS... THEIR STUDENTS.

((SOT//NICOLE))

“Don’t want to spend too much money. But we are always willing. Teachers are. They will do the most for their kids.”

THIS IS L-E-A’S FIFTH YEAR OF HOSTING THE ‘COME AND TAKE IT’ EVENT, AND WON’T BE THE LAST...

((REPORTER TAG))

ORGANIZERS SAY THEY HOPE THIS EVENT WILL GROW EVERY YEAR.

L-E-A HAS MADE IT THEIR MISSION TO LIGHTEN THE LOAD FOR NEW TEACHERS AND KEEP CLASSROOMS STOCKED ACROSS LINCOLN.

Print Story:

LINCOLN, Neb. (KOLN) - First-year teacher Nicole Halsey walked into her new preschool classroom with a long to-do list and an empty supply cabinet. But thanks to a group of retired Lincoln educators, she won’t be starting from scratch.

“It means a lot because I didn’t have anything to start out with,” Halsey said. “So this is really great to help check things off the list.”

Halsey was one of the dozens of new teachers who took part in the annual “Come and Get It” event, hosted by Lincoln Education Association Retired. The event provides free school supplies, classroom materials and words of encouragement to incoming educators.

Now in its fifth year the event transforms a local space into a pop-up supply store, stocked with everything from notebooks and glue sticks to books, games and classroom decoration. And the best part? It’s all free!

“We all are behind them and that we still know what they are going through,” said Sheri Paden, LEA retired secretary. “And we want to welcome them to our district and ensure them to welcome them to the world of teaching too.”

The support comes at crunch time for teachers like Halsey, who have the financial burden of setting up classrooms mostly on their own. Many teachers spend hundreds of dollars each year out of pocket to make sure their students have the basics.

“A lot of kids wouldn’t be able to bring a notebook to class or just various things so we could get on with the business of class,” said Joe Shandera, LEA retired president.

In addition to the supplies, retired teachers were on hand to offer practical advice as well as a few classroom hacks.

“And then we would tell them what stuff they need,” Paden said. “I’d say ‘that’s a really great thing to have in the classroom.’ They go ‘I never thought about that’.”

For Halsey, the support goes beyond material needs, it is about feeling part of a larger community that wants her to succeed.

“Don’t want to spend too much money,” Halsey said. “But we are always willing. Teachers are. They will do the most for their kids.”