

<sup>#123</sup> Dave Webber December 2009

With WOWT since 1978, Dave Webber retired in September 2009 as Sports Director, his position since 1981. Webber covered Husker football for 32 years and has covered all five Big Red national championships. He started his broadcast career as a KLNG Radio disc jockey in 1966. He also worked for KFAB Radio, KMEG-TV and KMTV. While at KMEG, he hosted a kid's cartoon show as a character named "Pops." In the picture, Webber has his guitar ready to perform; he's a folk singer. He's holding the famous lucky corn cob he claims helped Tom Osborne win his first national championship (Bob Devaney and Osborne are in the picture). ALSO SHOWN: A telethon team working for one of the many charities Dave emcees and performs for. Omaha Symphony conductor Ernest Richardson wearing a Santa hat at the Christmas Show where Dave performs yearly. The UNO Mayericks mascot Durango. A Creighton basketball player. A golfer at the Cox Classic. The Shelby, Iowa, county fair where Dave has judged pies for more than 17 years. Colleagues and roasters Ross Jernstrom, Merlyn Klaus and John Chapman, plus Greg Wagner, the zany Game and Parks outdoors spokesman who makes weekly appearances on Channel 6. Klaus said, "There's gotta be a spot in the Obama administration for a guy who spent the last 10 years selling a health-care plan on national TV." (Webber is on-air spokesperson for Physicians Mutual). In response to the roast and toast, Webber said, "I wouldn't be here if not for my family - spending money all the time. So I had to keep working."