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Kirsten Olsen, a senior language arts major from Plattsmouth, makes use of a break in last week's rainy weather to study for her film theory class in the sculpture garden south of Sheldon.

Residence halls offer more than bed and board; programs aid transition to campus living

By Michelle Dyer
Staff Reporter

The transition from living in a small town, or moving across the state or country can be a smooth one with the help of UNL's residence halls.

A total of 12 residence halls serve both East and City Campus. They are: Abel, Sandoz, Harper, Schramm, Smith, Cather, Pound, Neihardt, Burr, Fedde, Selleck, and Love Memorial co-op.

Each hall or complex has a government consisting of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and floor representatives. This government, known as the Residence Hall Association (RHA), works with an adviser, representing hall members to ASUN,

researching and debating issues such as the residence hall budget and provision of services to members. They also plan special events for residents.

Michelle Cole, assistant director of housing administration, said the biggest benefit of residence hall living is the feeling of community. The floor size ranges from sixteen to ninety people. Another benefit, says Cole, are the programs involving health aids, and student assistants. There is one Health Aid per floor, and these students go through extensive training at the University Health Center. Health Aids are trained to know how to react in any emergency and also are trained to advise students and listen to their problems.

Student assistants help bring floor residents together creating a feeling of

community and helping students become aware of their rights and responsibilities to themselves and to others.

Each complex offers a wide range of services and benefits. Some of the facilities in residence halls are: 24-hour study areas, computer rooms, saunas, weight-training areas, softball diamonds, snack bars, swimming pools, darkrooms, music practice areas, floor TV lounges, sports courts, tutors, game rooms, horseshoe pits, and tennis courts. These are just some of the facilities included in the residence hall complexes. Each complex does not have all of the facilities listed. However, the pool at Abel-Sandoz is open to all residence hall dwellers.

Other services include laundry machines in each complex, linen service, and some furniture is provided.

Speak your mind in student government

By Lynne Bomberger
Staff Reporter

Working for the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska (ASUN) is a rewarding experience and a good way to meet people, said Andy Pollock, ASUN's student body president.

ASUN, according to Pollock, is an active student government organization that is composed entirely of students working for students.

Students work with administrators, the Board of Regents, the state legislature, and the student body to provide solutions to problems from a student standpoint, he said.

The executive branch of ASUN consists of the president, first vice president, second vice president, the speaker of the senate, and cabinet members.

The president and vice presidents are elected by the students in the

spring, the speaker is elected by the senate, and cabinet members are appointed by the president.

The senate operates on a committee system. Through committees, students can become active participants of ASUN.

There are five In-House committees:

- Campus Life, which deals with all aspects of the students' university life outside the classroom.

- Communications, which works with all the publicity and promotion for students and student groups.

- Academics, which focuses on problems in the students' academic life.

- Committee for Fees Allocation (CFA) which has a vast impact in the use of over \$4 million in student fees.

- Special Topics committee handles all issues that do not fall into the other committees.

Students can join these committees by filling out an application, Pollock said.

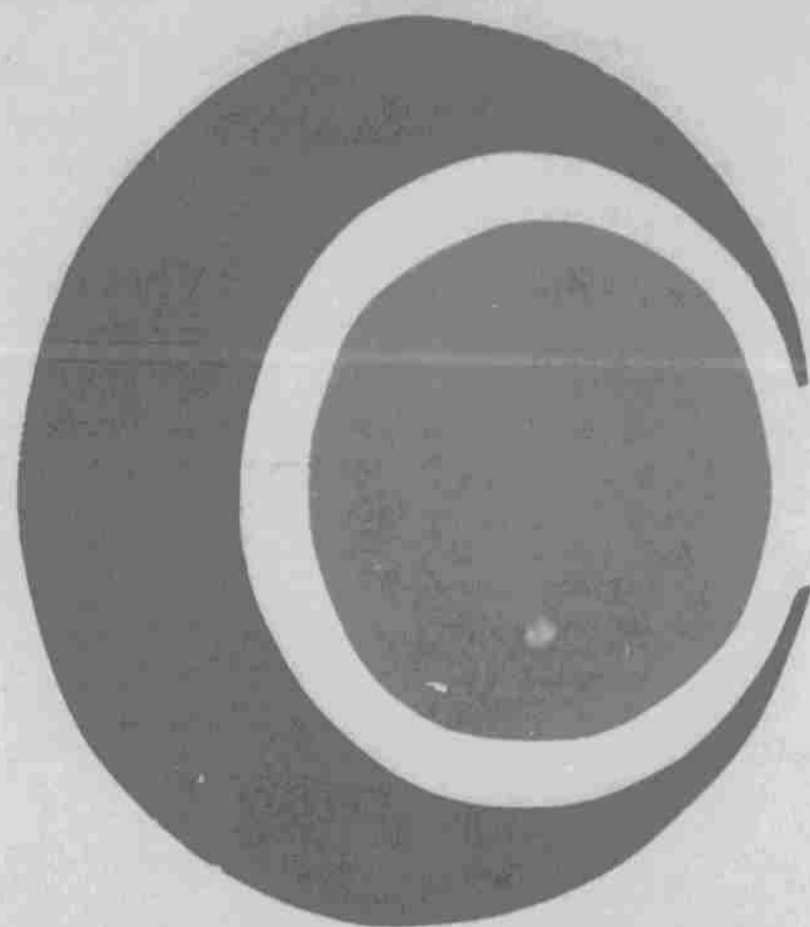
"Committees are open to everyone," he said.

Not only are there In-House committees for students to fill but there are also 25 campus wide, faculty-senate committees in need of dedicated students.

Some of these committees are: Parking Appeals, Government Liaison Committee (GLC), Student Employee Rights, Scholarship and Financial Aid and Grading, Curriculum.

ASUN also provides free services for full-time students. These services include: Student Legal Services, Student Information Center, keep campus clean recycling program, and distribution of paper money coupon books.

More information about ASUN and applications for committee positions can be obtained in the Student Government Office located at 115 Nebraska Union, City Campus or by calling (402) 472-2581.



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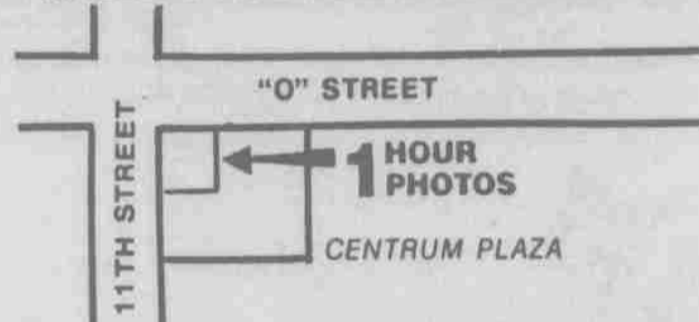
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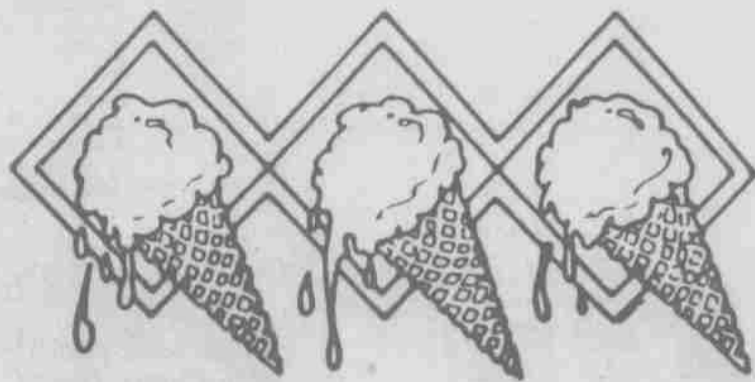
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