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## Two senate bills aim for affiliation with National Student association

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Affiliation of ASUN with the National Student Association (NSA) is the target of two bills to be introduced in Student Senate Wednesday.

The first bill would place on the spring ASUN ballot a proposal that ASUN affiliate with the NSA. The proposal would be decided by the student body in the spring referendum.

The second bill is a resolution by Senate endorsing the affiliation proposal.

### Reason presented

ASUN President Dick Schulze will present reasons backing the bills and membership in NSA. At its next meeting on Feb. 21 Senate will vote on the two bills.

A national staff officer of NSA is scheduled to be on campus March 6 to discuss affiliation, according to Gene Pokorny, ASUN first vice president.

Although most student senators do not expect the proposal to be voted down, six years ago that Student Council decided not to consider affiliation.

### Issue caused controversy

The issue caused a lot more controversy than it will this time because of progress the organization has made.

It still faces internal problems, such as the constant question of raising funds. Linked to this is the stigma of the revelation a year ago by Ramparts magazine that NSA was receiving about 80 per cent of its funds from the Cen-

tral Intelligence Agency with the complete knowledge of top NSA officers.

In return, NSA staff members provided the CIA with information on student groups in other countries.

### NSA liquidated reliance

Since that fateful article, NSA has liquidated its reliance on the CIA for financial support. Authors and observers connected with the Ramparts article agree there is no indication NSA is receiving any more CIA funds.

Six years ago, though, the NSA affiliation proposal on campus brought a host of opposition. NSA did have its merits, as piles of evidence showed. But more was involved than the relative merits of the organization.

In the spring of 1962 various groups on campus, as IFC, Panhellenic, The Daily Nebraskan, etc., brought to light studies and information that was compiled throughout the year.

### Two themes involved

At that time two main themes were involved: no student body vote was going to be taken on the affiliation proposal — Student Council reserved that right and refused to let the students decide in a referendum.

The other basic issue was whether or not to affiliate.

A majority of the opposition was based on left-wing leanings, explained Don Ferguson, Daily Nebraskan editor for the 1962 spring semester. He added that those accusations have since been proven false over the past six years.

Ferguson explained that the Student Council voted not to affiliate — it was not a decision of the student body which is contrary to the provisions for the current affiliation proposal.

The editorial stand Ferguson took was that, although NSA had definite merits for its members, the student body of 1962 was not interested or well enough informed to support such an organization which did put forth liberal policies.

He was quick to point out that this was before groups like Friends of SNCC, since defunct, appeared on campus with their liberal ideas on individual rights, civil freedoms, war, etc.

### NSA movement

He thought the student body was probably now ready to support an NSA type movement. The free university concept and concern with a student role in University decisions are examples he cited of a change in campus thinking since 1962.

If the NSA was too liberal for an immature group of students at the University in 1962, its policies and statements today are in line with the attitudes and ideals of University students today.

The new focus, according to NSA President Ed Schwartz, is "to create new options for student actions and growth."

### Greater control

This involves finding ways to give students greater control and responsibility in their own affairs, according to Schwartz. Students

must be provided with new outlets in educational reform, community action and responding to political issues, he said in a recent statement.

Working with the American Civil Liberties Union, NSA has filed briefs in behalf of students and has always provided advice to students and has always provided advice to students regarding their rights under the law and in court.

### NSA response

NSA has responded to recent national issues in various ways:

—to the draft issue by suing Selective Service Director Lewis Hershey;

—to the Vietnam issue by developing an international program related to the war and by providing campuses with speakers on the war who are available at cost;

—to the drug issue by publishing a book and holding a major drug conference last year.

### NSA no decline

After the CIA disclosures last year, NSA membership did not decline in large numbers as predicted. In that year membership has grown from 285 to 335 member colleges and universities.

This fall 17 schools disaffiliated, but 26 others have joined.

"A major problem faced by NSA, however, is that the schools which are joining are mostly small, quiet campuses, while large schools such as the University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University are among those pulling out," states a recent Collegiate Press Service story.

### Concerns in two fields

NSA's concerns today fall into two fields — the national and international scene.

Nationally, the organization is concerned with civil rights, student welfare, student academic freedom, student government, conferences, leadership training, publications available at cost and issues as the draft and Vietnam war.

Internationally NSA involves itself with apartheid, cultural affairs, international students and a host of related programs.

Currently, ASUN belongs to no regional or national student government association. At last week's Senate meeting, University membership was dissolved in the Big Eight Student Government Association.

## On Campus . . . Today

Why does Nebraska have the smallest number of foreign students of any Big 8 school? The answer can be found in Wednesday's Daily Nebraskan in part one of a three-part series on the problems and difficulties of the foreign students at Nebraska. (See page 4)

ASUN Student Senate will meet at 4 p.m. in the Union Ballroom. ASUN affiliation with the National Student Association will be introduced for discussion.

Inter-Dormitory Association's lack of candidates for its highest two offices does not indicate a weakness in the organization to some of its officials. But others think differently. (See page 3)

The University of Nebraska Circle K Club will hold a meeting for all interested and prospective members tonight at 8:30 in temporary building G.

Guest speaker will be Mr. Gary Hill. Hill was recently cited by the Jaycees as being an outstanding member of 32 local civic and service clubs.

Second semester tuition is due at 4 p.m. Friday at the Bursar's Office in the Administration Building, according to University bursar James Wickless.

Tuition statements were mailed last Friday, and any student who has not received a statement or who has a question about it should contact the Bursar's Office as soon as possible, Wickless said.

A \$10 fee will be assessed for tuition payment after Feb. 16.



Cupid takes a deadly aim on his would be victims to herald another Valentines Day.

## Lupercalia lives as customs abound

February 14 is a holiday because "was on seynt Valentynes day when every foul cometh ther to chese his make," according to Geoffrey Chaucer.

Our Valentine customs are derived from the ancient Roman feast of Lupercalia. At this time, the priests would run all over the countryside striking women with a leather thong to insure fruitfulness.

Present celebration of this Saint's Day is fostered by a medieval belief of the French and English that it was at the start of the second fortnight of the second month that birds began to mate.

University students are made aware of this occasion by subtle hints or a barrage of reminders by the local enterprise. Celebration of this holiday is rendered by playing cupid with the help of cards, candy, and flowers — traditional symbols of love.

The Nebraska Bookstore usually buys about \$500 worth of cards,

and an official reported that most of them are sold.

Although, the Nebraska Bookstore buys more contemporary than traditional cards, the Campus Bookstore reported buying about \$200 worth of an equal amount of contemporary and traditional cards.

Nevertheless, may the romantics be happy and the cynics be tolerant as archaic moderns patronize St. Valentine.

The Holiday has also been immortalized by some nice men in Chicago a little while back. They chose Thompson Machine Gun's with which to show their love for some fellow Chicagoans who were inspecting a garage wall at the time.

This method of expressing your emotion, however, has been discouraged by authorities.

However, it can be pointed out that there are also more subtle, one might even call them sneaky, ways in which to wish your Valentine a Happy Valentine's Day.

## Abel-Sandoz . . . Petition circulated to recall president

by Mark Gordon  
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A recall petition against Richard Page, Abel-Sandoz president who has "failed to support Harper Hall," is being circulated, according to Clark Spivey, the petition's originator.

Spivey said Tuesday that 138 of the 500 required signatures have been collected in the Abel-Sandoz Residence Association (ASRA).

He anticipated obtaining the remainder by Friday.

Spivey, an Abel Nine resident, said he and several other floor members attended last Thursday's Inter-Dormitory Association (IDA) Council meeting where "Mr. Page was less than satisfied with Harper Hall's action."

"He has failed to reflect the majority feelings of the Abel-Sandoz residents and he has failed to get ASRA to reflect the feelings of the individual residents," Spivey said.

In a Feb. 4 Harper Hall open house, the dormitory openly violated article five, the open door rule, after its Student Senate announced the hall's intention to violate the policy in a motion passed the preceding week.

The open door regulation states that all doors except those of residents absent from the floor during the open house must remain

open and those residents leaving the floor must register their absence with the responsible officer.

"We are asking Page to withstand a vote of confidence rather than censure," he said.

If the required number of signatures are obtained, it would force a vote within two weeks after the petition is presented to ASRA, he explained.

At that time, Harper Hall supporters would run a candidate against the current ASRA president Spivey said.

"Most of the people we have talked to here support Harper and we will show that they do with this petition," he added.

He said 71 of 80 Abel Nine residents have signed a petition denouncing the open door policy after the floor conducted a Feb. 4 open house under the new open house regulations.

He said that petition gave "us a good opinion of how the majority of the group felt."

Page was unavailable for comment when contacted Tuesday afternoon.

The petition reads, "We, the undersigned, petition the recall of Richard Page, ASRA president, because of the inadequacy of his leadership in this period of disquiet relating to open house policies."

## Gold Star Winner . . . Marine says Vietnamese are fighting for freer government

by Andy Cunningham  
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The Vietnamese are fighting for a freer government, but probably not for democracy, according to a Marine Lieutenant Colonel who is returning to complete his studies at the University.

Lt. Col. Robert N. Burhans was awarded the Gold Star with a Presidential Citation at a ceremony in the Military and Naval Sciences building Tuesday.

Burhans received the award for "meritorious achievement" during his tour of duty in South Vietnam from June 1966 to July 1967.

Burhans, a former business major, explained that the Marine

Corps is putting him back in college to complete his studies towards a Bachelor's degree.

The forty-two-year-old Lincolnite said that he still has 10 to 15 years of service remaining in his military career and that when he does have it will be by requirement rather than by his own choice.

As a staff officer, Burhans explained that the amount of contact he had while in Vietnam with Vietnamese civilians and military personnel was limited.

Burhans said that the Vietnamese with whom he had come in contact were fighting for some kind of more free and popular gov-

ernment, but that he did not know whether or not they identified their goals with democracy as it is known to us.

He feels that democracy does not translate in the minds of the Vietnamese, presumably because of the nature of their political in-

puts. He said that U.S. physical and medical assistance, and particularly the sense of security, the American commitment was giving some elements of the population were definitely appreciated.

Burhans added that the recent fighting in areas that had been presumed safe, particularly in the cities, were setbacks in the sense that they necessarily detracted from this sense of security.

This setback, according to Burhans, is compounded by the fact that rooting out the enemy from the cities destroys civilian property and that this destruction eventually reflects on the South Vietnamese government or on the United States.

"This is very unfortunate," he said.

An amphibious warfare staff officer, Burhans explained that he was involved with the preparation and coordination of the operations of the Amphibious Ready Group-Special Landing Force along the entire coast of South Vietnam.

His positions as of Operations Staff Officer for the Combat Operations Center of the headquarters of the United States Military (MACV), also gave him other responsibilities.

Burhans explained that he also was involved with coordinating the activities in the I Corps area (the northern five provinces of Vietnam, where the Marines are stationed) and in coordinating operations in his area with MACV in Saigon.

Burhans received the medal in lieu of a third Bronze Star, from Navy Captain Arthur C. Mullen, chairman of the department of Naval science at the University.

Mullen also read the two-page citation written and signed for the President by Admiral John J. Hyland, USN, Commander in Chief of the Pacific Fleet.

The citation describes Burhans as "a conspicuously capable, resourceful, and effective staff officer."

Burhans, who received his first two bronze medals in Korea, entered the Marines upon graduating from high school in 1944.

Discharged after the war, he explained that he entered the University in the interlude before the Korean War which was to interrupt his undergraduate studies.



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Marine Corps Lt. Col. Robert N. Burhans, returning University student, was awarded a Gold Star by the President for "meritorious achievement" in Vietnam.