

Nebraskan endorses candidates

Presidential endorsement

While a respectable three-man race is somewhat of a novelty in ASUN presidential elections, the choice is actually between two men — if the voters are looking for someone to lead student government.

That choice is between Bill Chaloupka and Bob Zucker. The third candidate, Ray Vavak, is a student sincerely concerned with educational improvement at the University. As such, he would make an excellent member of an advisory board, or a valuable delegate to the Council on Student Life (if it can be organized by next semester).

But Vavak's concern over education in the classroom is not unlike the interest shown by Zucker and Chaloupka. And, he lacks the forceful programs that the other two are encouraging in the governmental aspect of ASUN. Also, he is unfamiliar with the process of student government — lacking the much-needed skills of working with students, faculty and administration.

So, if you vote for Vavak, write him in for advisory board, where efforts are being made to strengthen the academic areas of student life. But for an ASUN president who can lead in social and political areas, the only real choice remains: Chaloupka or Zucker.

Those who know — those who have been involved with student government for the last few years — tend to make this evaluation:

Chaloupka has been a fairly effective senator, expressing his ideas and working to implement them. He did a good job of handling the reapportionment committee — an area where the differences in opinion are greater than on any other issue. He is respected by all elements of the University community and has the political ability and know-how to get things done.

Zucker was instrumental in the formulation of Government Bill 24; and, he has been a strong member of the Student in the Academic Community

(SAC) committee which is proposing the Council on Student Life. He has been involved in many things, quite often behind the scenes, which have attempted to give ASUN more power and responsibility.

On the critical side: Chaloupka has done nothing which could be construed as a failure during the past year.

Zucker was not successful in bringing out the Faculty Evaluation Book; he did not implement NSA programs to the satisfaction of many people; he did not seek to put NSA up to a vote of the students; he has tended to spread himself too thin.

With these aspects of past performance in mind, one could still be uncertain which of the two would be the better man for moving student government to a position of respectability. By past performance, Chaloupka would appear to be the best man for president — simply because of his ability to get things done.

But neither of them has been in a position of leadership comparable to student body president. Either one might excel or fail miserably.

With this in mind, the Daily Nebraskan endorses Bill Chaloupka for president of ASUN. This, because of his ability to accomplish those things which urgently need to be done, to make the students an important force in the decision-making of the University.

The important thing, however, is not who is endorsed, but who is elected. For this reason, the Nebraskan urges all students to express their endorsements by voting in Wednesday's election. If we expect student government to mean anything at all, we must give it the electoral support to confront the problems facing the University.

The Nebraskan feels that Chaloupka will be best for the students. The important thing is who the students believe is best. Vote.

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"I thought they wanted ROTC off-campus."

John Fryar . . .

Saturday maladie . . . poison ivy

You had better believe in magic, because the witches and warlocks descend on campus this weekend. It's known as Ivy Day, and it is the best policy to show up drunk.

That way you can look truly unconcerned as you are thinking, "Will they? They're looking at me. Aw, what the heck. But just maybe . . ."

BY WAY OF explanation to the masses (mostly dormies), this mystical happening is the annual day of the gunners' equivalent of the Wilber Czech festival: it comes complete with a virgin queen, human chains, and tackling and tapping (not beer, dummy, although that would probably be just as much fun).

It's all meaningful. Really. The men's honorary picks the Dirty Dozen Plus One for next year. The women's honorary picks as many as they feel like, which is one way of rewarding both the activities jockettes and the increasing numbers that really deserve it.

This is all preceded by well-rehearsed pagan chants which evidently invoke the agricultural gods to let the Ivy plant live, just this once.

YOU MAY NOT realize it, but your partner in Zoo lab might be one of the many

who have been serving a rigorous novitiate for the last three years in order to be qualified for the priesthood.

He or she has been attending AWS activities more faithfully than you go to church. Their grades are very good, but part of the novitiate has been the careful discrimination between good and bad courses and good and bad profs.

Ask them if they are interested in becoming a Motor Broad or an Innocent (no pun on this word: it's bad enough as is), and they will deny it on a stack of Cornhuskers.

Then they will say that they don't have the activities and whip out a three-page mimeographed sheet of those organizations to prove it. Finally, they will shrug that they don't have the grades. You tell them that it has happened in the past, and they beam as they protest anew.

THE NOVITIATES play a little game with the others Who Really Care, called "Who ya think it's gonna be?" They decide who are sure things, study their back issues of the Nebraskan and reckon the chances of the Tokens: the token independent, the token jock, the token Black, the token president of this and the token president of that.

By the time they have decided to issue their predictions, they discover that they have included too many tokens and have to start over.

Watch for those Who Really Care at Ivy Day. They are the only ones who can identify the current honorary members under the robes and masks and sunglasses. They always come with a friend who can drag them into the circle when they are protesting their lack of interest.

They do the best job of ignoring the glassy stares of the current innocents and M.B.'s, instead paying such close attention to the singers that you'd think they were seeing the Lettermen in concert.

THESE GLASSY stares are appropriately termed "spooking." Everybody gets spooked: potential candidates, freshmen, little old ladies, everybody. And everybody hopes it means something. It usually never does. Nobody smiles. Nobody talks. Parents and little kids enjoy it. Like watching circus clowns.

But the gunners don't really like it at all. They keep wondering if that history grade might have made the difference. Maybe if they'd joined Red Cross, or SDS.

Go have another beer

when the Motor Broads start tapping. Nobody seems to know who they're looking for in the crowd. One wonders if they occasionally make a mistake and never admit it.

The highpoint of the afternoon (which is another way of saying show up late, it won't matter) is the tackling of new innocents. It might not be as fun to watch now that it won't be behind Sheldon. Rumors have it that proceedings will be moved to East Campus, but the Sheldon grounds could still be an interesting place for new innocents selection.

FOR EXAMPLE: instead of tackling there could be a game of King on the Mountain. Or a dirt fight, with the biggest clods winning. At the very least, why not combine Ivy Day with Spring Day and squeeze the tackling between the tug-of-war and the pillow fight?

In fact, there are numerous other ways of selection that would spruce up the process. Why not a chugging contest? Or a shuffleboard match? Or a pig party?

You don't really want to be one, do you? Then you aren't going Saturday, are you? Right? Wrong.

Diane Theisen for 1st VP

Diane Theisen — through her past performance, her present grasp of the workings of student government, and her ideas for the future—is the best candidate for ASUN first vice-president.

Miss Theisen acquired invaluable experience in student government as assistant to former president Dick Schulze. She further demonstrated her political ability as chairman of the Legislative Liaison Committee. Anyone who can work with Nebraska's legislators (especially when advocating

the cause of the University) deserves considerable credit for diplomacy and energy.

She was also involved in refining Government Bill 24 and has added constructively to the effort to bring the University more in step with other colleges, through NSA.

Since the position of first vice-president (or president of the Student Senate) requires ability to work with various factions, and since it requires considerable time, energy, and ability, Diane Theisen is clearly the best choice for the office.

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Tom Wiese

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Fritz Olenberger

Harry Silver

Agriculture and Home Econ.

Terry Cameron

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Mary Lynne Nelson, language
Michael J. Shonsey, social science and philosophy

Teachers

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Home Economics

Denise Abrams, home economics education

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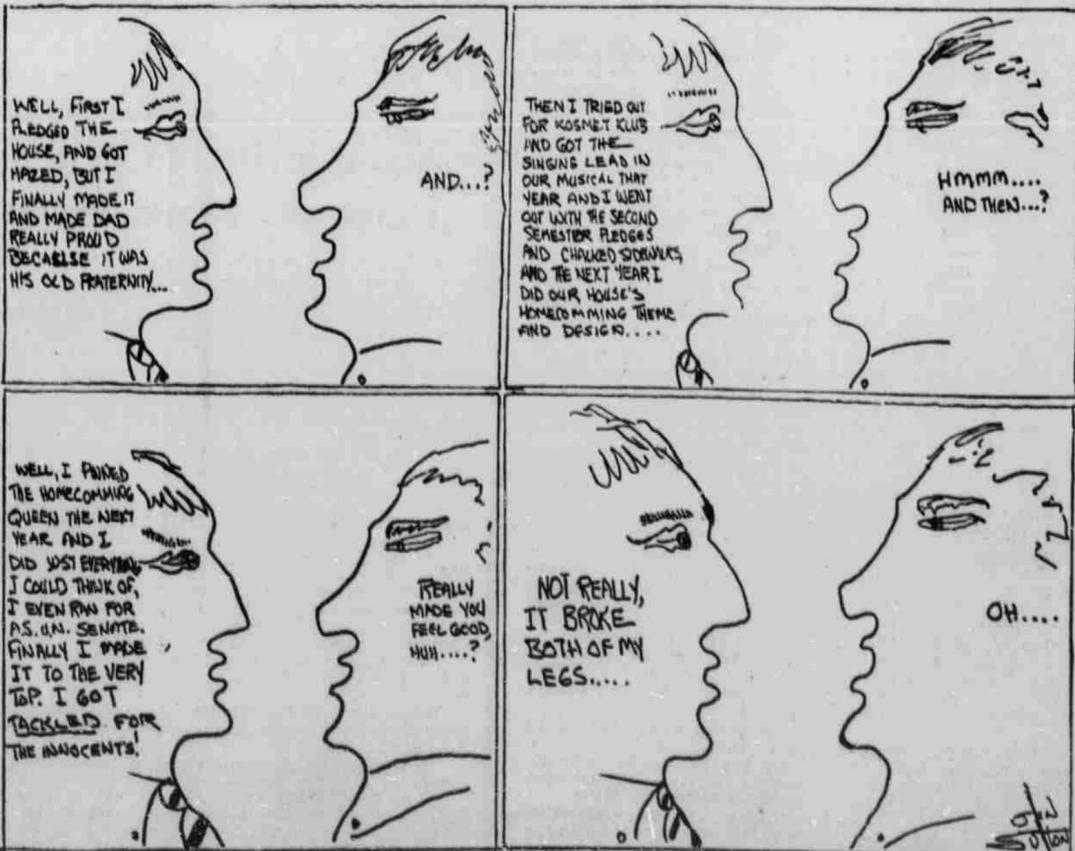
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Campus Opinion . . .

Urge amendments defeated

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, April 30, the student body will be asked to vote to fill the vacancies of ASUN executive and senate positions. Also on this ballot will be a series of proposed amendments to the ASUN constitution.

These constitutional amendments have been placed on the ballot as a result of a successful petition drive held shortly after the recent constitutional referendum failed to pass. The proposed amendments presented on that petition contained changes which were not acceptable to the

Constitutional Convention and are not acceptable to us.

OUR CONCERN lies with those amendments dealing with reapportionment of ASUN. Reapportionment was and is being sought to give fair and equal representation to all student interest groups on campus. A constitutional convention can and should be called next fall to reconsider ASUN reapportionment.

Ample time could then be devoted to the preparation of a plan which would meet satisfaction with the entire student population. Such a plan could be presented to the student body in a December election allowing

reapportionment to be effective at the time of Senate elections one year from now.

Reapportionment as it is outlined in the currently proposed amendments will not provide equal representation. Inter-Dormitory Association will not support a reapportionment plan which does not guarantee equal representation to all university students, and we therefore oppose its passage on Wednesday.

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