



"The candidates are all idiots except me, and sometimes I'm not too sure about me."

Kent Apthorpe is campaigning for ASUN President with a cartoon poster, absurd speeches, and rock and roll music. In contrast to the long and detailed platforms of other candidates, Apthorpe's Grease and Freedom Party is handing out comic books titled the "The Grease Platform and Coloring Book."

Nevertheless, Apthorpe, usually known as "Rick," leader of a popular rock group known as the Rockets, says he is running a serious campaign.

"I feel that the rest of the candidates do not represent the students' views and are not representing themselves truthfully," he explained. "They talk a great campaign but they have poor results working in an impudent organization."

Many students don't care about their potential power in student government or the functions of ASUN. They just want to go to school and learn and I don't blame them," Apthorpe added.

Apthorpe said he made his campaign look absurd because the current status of ASUN is absurd. "When only a small portion of the student population votes in the elections it is ridiculous to think that ASUN power or votes for anything has meaning."

In order to build real student power, he said he would attempt to set up a new faculty-student government. Although he thinks the faculty-student idea would be an improvement, Apthorpe refused to promise miracles for it because "in reality the Regents can do anything they want."

The Grease platform is a combination of serious proposals and jokes. "Nothing better than beer," a common slogan among the Rockets, appears with an appeal for serving the beverage in the Union. Demands for rock 'n roll music on campus jukeboxes and a plan to make Bob Devaney President of the campus are typical of much of the Grease program.

Among the more serious parts of the platform are proposals for open dormitories which were inspired, according to Apthorpe, by memories of his own days in the dorm.

An area deserving special attention, he noted, was the integration off East Campus students into University activities and more attention to East Campus students' problems.

Apthorpe made his first appearance in campus politics last year when his 1950's rock and roll band, "Rick and the Rockets" greased up their ducktails to play for campaign rallies in the 1970 ASUN election.

Tim "Sticks" Hartin and Tim "Kid" Sindelar are running for First and Second Vice-President with Douglas C. Hintz as their candidate for Arts and Sciences Senator. Joe L. Olson and Nola Kinneman are the Grease candidates in Teachers College. Apthorpe has endorsed several other candidates.



Kent 'RICK' Apthorpe



Steve Fowler's "number one priority" for ASUN next year is educational reform.

Fowler, an ASUN Senator who is running for President with the University Coalition party, noted that many organizations work with education but their efforts have been ineffective due to lack of coordination. If elected, Fowler pledged to assign one ASUN executive to the task of coordinating and implementing various reform effort programs.

To improve communication between students and their government, Fowler proposed having the ASUN Executive Committee publish a report to students at least twice a year. He also plans to set aside a time during each ASUN meeting for any student to speak directly to the Senate.

Fowler also wants to ask living units and organizations to appoint liaison members with ASUN to promote communication.

The candidate emphasized programs for student economic development that he wanted to initiate. Fowler believes that ASUN should investigate the feasibility of an infant care center for children from 1-3 years old, a student art and gift shop to sell student produced items on consignment, expansion of the ASUN Xerox service to other areas on campus, a cooperative bread and milk store and a student photo lab.

Fowler also suggested an expanded student services program to take advantage of next year's longer semester break.

A "new area of concern" which Fowler said ASUN should investigate is the environmental use issue. He pledged that the University Coalition will create an Ecology Task Force composed of concerned members of the University community to study and make recommendations about the way the University affects the environment.

Fowler stated that each living unit should be able "to determine its own social regulations" and have a variety of available living arrangements.

Fowler, who was the chairman of Free University and PACE this year, said he and his executive candidates are an experienced group which will cooperate and get things done.

"The other candidates have attacked involvements of ASUN in the past year," Fowler claimed, "but their platforms are basically duplicates of the UC platform, particularly in such areas as educational reform, student services, housing and legal rights."

Running with Fowler on the UC ticket are Michele Coyle for first vice president and Rod Hernandez for second vice president. Senate candidates include: Van Bonnesen and Phil Lamb for Agriculture, Bill Behmer, Michael Berns, and Michael J. Hays from Architecture and Engineering, Roy Baldwin, Doug Beckwith, Ralph Bradley, Patti Humickel, Patti Kaminski, Ann Pedersen, Barry Pilger, Richard Pille, and Shelley Stall in Arts and Sciences, Jonette Beaver, Kirk Sayre, and John Theisen from Business, and Teachers College candidates are Sara Ashby, John Haskins, Tom Krapel, Paula Peter, and Joann Tansey.



Steve Fowler



If elected, Tim Kincaid said his first priority as ASUN President will be to "make student senate responsive to the needs of the students."

"The power of ASUN," he added, "is directly proportional to the number of students who support it."

To increase that support, Kincaid proposes student referendums on the important issues of the year, random sampling polls of student opinion before ASUN takes a stand on controversial issues, and continuing speaking appearances for senators so they could discuss issues with their constituents.

Another area given special emphasis by Kincaid is liaison between the University and the outside community. "In the past the University has neglected its responsibility to the taxpayer," Kincaid said, and the current problem with the budget demonstrates that the University should "give people information with which they can make intelligent decisions."

Kincaid claimed that ASUN's constitution is "full of outdated and unworkable material" and should be revised. He suggested looking toward the possibilities of an all-university Senate to complement the student senate. The all-university Senate, Kincaid explained, would involve all segments of the University community to work for "University-wide interests."

Kincaid noted the importance of effective student lobbying in the Legislature and suggested that ASUN should expand lobbying to include city government.

To improve student services, Kincaid recommended that Senate produce a monthly newsletter to send to parents. It should also study the parking situation, according to Kincaid, looking toward high rise parking, lower fine rates, and the paving of parking lots. He also said that studies should be compiled and recommendations made on a student gas station and bread and milk store.

Kincaid proposed to work for self-determination in the dorms and more married student housing.

Concerning educational changes, he called for an expansion of the pass-fail system, the right to drop or add a course any time during the semester with the instructor's permission, elimination of confusion in the drop and add procedures, reevaluation of course requirements and removal of language requirements, and more independent and interdisciplinary study.

Kincaid, who spent over two years as a Senator and is currently Speaker Pro-Temporary, argued that "the need in the upcoming year is to explore the implications of an expanded relationship of the University to the community." There are no "snap solutions" he remarked, but work must be started to "justify the University's existence in the 70's."

Kincaid said, with his previous experience, he knows how ASUN works and will be able to make accomplishments.

Kincaid is running without party affiliation but has endorsed several Senatorial candidates



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"I would rather get just one vote and have eight or ten thousand students vote than win with only a few thousand voting."

Gary Schleiger, the United University Party's Presidential candidate, said his party's objective is "to open ASUN to the students and by using ASUN as a legitimate speaker for all students open the administration and faculty to the students."

Schleiger accused the current ASUN of being an "elite," self-perpetuating body which has "dealt for the whims of specialized interest groups within the University community" and "has acted arbitrarily in its decisions ignoring student opinion."

In order for ASUN to reflect the view of the student body, Schleiger wants to form a Communication Committee to establish contact between students and the Senate. Representatives from all living units and off-campus students would be placed on the committee. As further communications tool, he proposes that ASUN hold conferences in living units and with student organizations upon request.

Schleiger also listed the establishment of an ombudsman to represent students in the administration as one of his top priorities, along with faculty-student-administration liaison committee which would have final governing powers over campus activities.

Schleiger supports placement of a student on the Board of Regents, the expansion of the Pass-Fail system, more classes in living units and greater freedom for individuals to choose courses for their major.

Concerning campus protests, Schleiger feels that a code on disruptive action must be established in order to insure due process and define the limits of individual conduct. He added that the code must be applicable to both students and faculty and must specify "the boundaries between non-disruptive and disruptive activity."

"Apathy," Schleiger stated, "is a serious problem at the University." He hopes to do something about apathy through ASUN "to make students feel part of the total University community rather than isolated in living units."

Schleiger supports the Regents Committee plan rather than the PACE program. He said the Daily Nebraskan "should be an independent paper" and favors approval of the Joint Peace Treaty on the ballot.

Schleiger, a sophomore speech major, called the UUP a diverse party which "covers the political spectrum" from right to left.

His First Vice Presidential candidate is Jackie Barret. UUP candidates include: Ed Anson, Patty Banker, Kent Davy, Frank Halpine, Douglas C. Hintz, Gary Schleiger, Tim Sindelar and Linda Vesio from Arts and Sciences, In Teachers, Jacki Barret, Randy Brown, Nola Kinneman, and Joe L. Olson are representing UUP while Ray R. Bamdad, Kyle U. Davy and Ken Wiseman are running from Engineering and Architecture. Ron Sindelar in Business Administration and Louis Robinson from Graduate and Professional complete the UUP slate.



GARY SCHLEIGER



"The student body wants a change in the leadership of ASUN. They don't want just new faces. They want new policies and a change in attitude."

Voegler criticized ASUN for what he called a concern "with debating national and foreign policy. "ASUN," he stated, "is the student government of the University and should be mainly concerned with what happens on the University campus."

Voegler supports the Regents Committee plan for low income scholarships which will appear on the ASUN ballot along with the PACE program. The "Voegler plan" which he presented to the Board, was instrumental in creating the Regents Committee plan.

Voegler said it was unfortunate that ASUN didn't put a "no-plan" option on the ballot for the benefit of those students who want neither option. He said he supported the PACE program in concept but thought the Regents plan was the most convenient and cheapest way to achieve it.

Regarding the Joint Treaty of Peace, which also appears on the ballot, Voegler said it is "not a proper or constructive way" to achieve peace in Vietnam.

"A vote for it is not simply an expression of a desire for peace. NSA and radical leaders will use, abuse and twist the meaning of the vote on this treaty." Voegler urges voters to write "PEACE" on the ballot when they vote no.

Voegler also attacked ASUN's membership in the National Student Association, claiming that association with the NSA "lends the name and integrity of the University to extremist positions, not in line with the majority of students."

Voegler's campaign slogan is "The purpose of ASUN is to serve the students, not for the students to serve the purposes of ASUN." From that philosophy, Voegler proposes that the Senate should concern itself with programs that benefit all the students.

Some of the ways he intends to help students include: investigation of language requirements, allowing individuals to drop courses at any time during the semester, improvement of counseling services, and more entertainment for students.

Voegler said ASUN must "go to the students" with meetings in residence halls and other buildings and providing a portion of each meeting where students can address the Senate.

Co-ed dorms and relaxed visiting hours should be provided for anyone who wants them, Voegler argued, but those who feel these would be an "invasion of privacy" must also be considered.

Voegler is running as an independent. He said he has considered parties but decided they "mean nothing on our campus" because they represent only one side of the issues and are "thrown together for elections and dissolved afterwards."



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