

UNL Red Cross wins donor award

UNL Red Cross president Bob Sundberg presents Daryl Swanson, Nebraska Union assistant director for administration, with a plaque for outstanding response by UNL students to last year's blood drive.

The award, given annually by the Omaha Regional Blood Center, signifies excellence for bloodmobile operation in Nebraska and Iowa. Number of new donors, total number of donors and smoothness of operation determine the award's winner.

The Red Cross will sponsor another campus blood drive Dec. 8 and 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Abel North Lounge.



Photo by Kevin Higley

Chan quits post under pressure

By George Miller

The ASUN Senate Wednesday was informed that newly-appointed Senator Art Chan had resigned, possibly under pressure from the UNL administration.

In his resignation letter, Chan said he felt he could not serve on ASUN and continue his education at the same time. Chan is a graduate assistant in the Economics Dept. He said he felt a hostile attitude toward the senate by the administration and the Daily Nebraskan.

However, Sen. Frank Thompson said pressure was applied on Chan to resign after he had expressed his support of a resolution sponsored by Thompson opposing construction of the Campus Assistance Center in the main lounge of the Nebraska Union.

Thompson said this pressure was channeled through Ken Bader, vice chancellor for student affairs.

He also said some of Chan's students complained that he was using his position as a student teacher to promote ASUN. However, Thompson said the students' complaints went to the Chancellor's office rather than to Chan's department chairman.

He added that Bader had pressured Chan because Chan had reportedly called Bader something "vulgar" at the last ASUN meeting.

Sen. Robert Simonsen, also an economics graduate assistant, said a survey was passed out to his classes by his department chairman asking his students if he had abused his position as an instructor.

He asked for full senate support on a petition to stop construction of the assistance center until more student input had been received.

Simonsen termed the administration's actions a "power play" in order to get the assistance center built.

He said much supportive evidence on lack of student input had been gathered, but a petition was needed to back up the evidence.

"Without many signatures, we're left high and dry," Simonsen said.

However, he warned other senators who are also student teachers not to circulate the petitions in their classes.

Thompson said Chan resigned from the senate fearing he would lose his teaching position if he stayed on.

In other action, John Welch, chairman of ASUN Governmental Liaison Committee, reported that the results of an opinion poll taken by Selection Research Institute to gather student opinion on the possession and sale of alcohol on campus would be announced at a press conference Tuesday morning.

However, he said \$70 more is needed to pay for the poll. He said ASUN had appropriated \$400, Residence Hall Association \$150, and the Union Board \$35 for the poll.

However, he said the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Association refused to help in financing the poll, worrying about possible adverse publicity if they should contribute.

The Senate then passed a resolution appropriating \$70 to cover the poll's cost, with \$35 to be reimbursed by the Union Board.

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