

# ASUN pledges support to sculptures, 'sunshine'

By George Miller

Two resolutions passed by the ASUN Senate Wednesday night supported sculptures and "sunshine."

One resolution puts ASUN on record backing the proposed 10 contemporary Bicentennial sculptures to be placed at Interstate-80 rest areas across the state.

The resolution also urges Gov. J. James Exon, the Legislature and the entire state to "accept and take pride in the cultural gift of sculpture for our state."

Sen. Jeff Searcy, who introduced the resolution with Sen. Karen Langland, said the sculptures "take time to grow on people."

People who oppose the sculptures have three main complaints against the project, Searcy said, which are money, the lack of Nebraska artists on the project and that the public was not told of the project.

Many persons think citizens' tax money will finance the projects, he said, but no tax dollars will be involved.

Searcy said \$100,000 for the project comes from the Nebraska American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, \$342,500 in contributions from Nebraska businesses and individuals, \$20,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts and \$12,500 from the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

The Senate also passed a resolution backing the "Sunshine Initiative," a petition drive to get the 1976 Nebraska Political Reform Act on next November's ballot.

A booth is being manned in the Nebraska Union by the Nebraska University Public Information Research Group (NUPIRG) to gather signatures for the petition.

The petition is required by law to obtain 31,590 signatures, Search said, five per cent of the total votes of the last gubernatorial election.

The drive is coordinated by the Coalition for Open Government in Nebraska. Nationwide passage of the initiative is organized by Common Cause, a lobbying organization.

"Sunshine" refers to letting "the sun shine into state government," Searcy said.

## No CSL meetings called until controversy settled

The effects of the controversy between ASUN and the Council on Student Life (CSL) are apparent as the CSL Thursday night meetings remained uncalled.



Photo by Ely Marsh

The Guide Right Program, coordinated by Larry Bailey, is a service organization sponsored by Kappa Alpha Psi.

## Group's goal city services

There is more to a fraternity than pledge classes, secret oaths and Greek letters. One example is Kappa Alpha Psi's (UNL's only black fraternity) national service program, the Guide Right Program (GRP).

Larry Bailey, GRP coordinator for UNL's Eta Chapter, said the program was adopted in 1926 and operates in every national chapter.

GRP was created to provide relevant services to both the student and nonstudent community, Bailey said.

Each chapter's GRP varies, he said, and UNL's is geared toward students and the low-income community.

Bailey, a senior in secondary education, said Lincoln's Malone Community Center has cooperated in the fraternity's community events.

This semester Kappas hosted about 80 youngsters at their annual Halloween party, he said, with most of the children from the Malone area.

Fourteen needy families suggested by the Malone Center received Thanksgiving baskets from the fraternity. Food was donated by individuals and five area grocery stores.

The Kappa Alpha Psi Scholarship fund has provided books and supplies for several students in the past, Bailey said, with the help of the Office of Minority Affairs. The Kappas hope to increase the scholarship fund through money-raising functions and by soliciting donations from businesses with the help of the Office of Minority Affairs.

Another fall semester GRP event was a faculty-student tea sponsored by the Kappa Alpha Psi Kittens, the fraternity's women's auxiliary.

Some upcoming GRP events are a Christmas toy drive; a career day to provide Nebraska high school seniors planning to attend UNL an opportunity to meet advisers before preregistration; the annual Kappa Carnival, a picnic for students and community; a talent show for Lincoln children and basketball competition for young people in the community.

Kappas also are involved in Malone Center's Big Brother/Little Brother program, Bailey said.

During the November 20 CSL "meeting," Chairman Lyle Young refused to call that meeting, and all future meetings to order until the controversy of who the real CSL members are is cleared up.

This direction would come from the UNL chancellor or Student Court, Young said.

During its November 19 meeting, ASUN rescinded all its student appointees to CSL and replaced them with ASUN senators.

This recession is temporary, ASUN president Jim Say said, and will last until the reorganization of CSL is done.

A proposal which the ASUN senators want to introduce and pass at CSL would change the route of CSL recommendations.

Instead of going directly to the chancellor, the proposal would require CSL recommendations to go to ASUN and the Faculty Senate for approval. If approval is not given, the recommendation would go back to CSL for revision.

If approval still is not given, the recommendation would not go to the chancellor.

CSL student member Chip Lowe is expected to petition for a hearing before the Student Court. Action is not expected until second semester.

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