

ASUN to support new rec center

By Jen Deselms
Staff Reporter

There's more to government than meets the eye. And the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska is no exception.

ASUN is composed of President Gerard Keating, 1st Vice President Rod Penner, 2nd Vice President Jeff Fishback and senators from each college. The ASUN president also is a non-voting member of the NU Board of Regents.

The senators work with college advisory boards and deans to make improvements and develop programs.

Elections are held annually in the spring. A record 3,128 voters participated in last year's election.

Last year ASUN played a major role in relocating the Culture Center and in building the new University Bookstore.

This year ASUN plans to improve UNL's advising program. Other plans are to publish teacher evaluations, continue pushing for construction of a recreation center and increase student involvement.

Student Legal Services, ASUN Book Exchange, a campus recycling effort and paper money coupons are some of the ASUN student services.

Two Macintosh computers will be added to the ASUN office this year. These computers are hooked up with 23 other universities, enabling students to gain information about university programs across the country.

"Our main concern is to improve life for all the students at the university regardless of where they live or what their major is," Keating said.

ASUN has several committees that deal with different areas that affect students. The Campus Life Committee deals with university life outside the

classroom. The Budget Committee works in preparing UNL's budget and handling ASUN finances. Academic problems of students are handled by the Academic Committee. Committee for Fees Allocation makes recommendations for the allocation of more than \$4 million in student fees. All other topics are handled by the Special Topics Committee.

The Government Liaison Committee is a volunteer organization open to all students. GLC monitors and lobbies in Nebraska politics. GLC gives students a chance to get involved in the government.

ASUN meetings are every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The meetings are open to everyone.

ASUN will have its first campuswide open house in late September for students to meet their senators, look at new computer services and explore UNL's government structure.

Health aides offer pills, advice

By Kip Fry
Staff Reporter

When residence hall and greek students encounter health problems, university health aides help find a cure. About 150 health aides will be in campus living units this year, said Margaret Pavelka, coordinator of the Health Aide program. This accounts for about two aides in each housing unit.

While health aides are limited in what they can do, they still can accomplish a lot, Pavelka said. They carry necessities such as over-the-counter drugs, bandages, thermometers and sterile dressings, she said.

"They have the first contact with students with health issues," Pavelka said. "They are also a communications

link to the health center."

Health aides must meet several requirements. She said they must be willing to become certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid and take a course in peer health twice a week for two semesters. Students earn two credit hours for the course.

"They also have to make a commitment of time because they can be called upon in the middle of the night," Pavelka said. The aides must also provide good public relations and demonstrate leadership ability because they meet people and do other things for them, she said.

When students need more attention than a health aide can provide, they often are referred to the health center.

Not everything health aides do is

related to the body and its physical health. They must also provide emotional support to students, Pavelka said.

"They are the person a lot of people turn to in the living unit," she said.

Health aides also must write and post health tips in their living units.

The pay isn't much — only \$8 a week — but there are many other benefits involved with being an aide, Pavelka said. The experience is unmeasurable, she said.

"There are an awful lot of pre-med, nursing, pre-dentistry and pre-pharmacy students involved."

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- Monday, Aug. 26** — First semester classes begin.
- Tuesday, Aug. 27** — Football ticket application deadline. First day of drop/add.
- Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 2, 3** — Labor Day, student holiday.
- Tuesday through Friday, Sept. 3-6** — Football ticket pick-up (8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Athletic Ticket Office.)
- Wednesday, Sept. 4** — Final day to add classes.
- Wednesday, Sept. 25** — Payment of semester fees (tuition due).
- Tuesday, Oct. 1** — Final day to apply for December 1985 degree.
- Tuesday, Oct. 8** — Mid-semester scholastic reports due from faculty.
- Friday, Oct. 18** — Final day to drop classes in the Office of Registration. Final day to change course registration to or from pass/fail.
- Oct. 21 through Nov. 15** — Early registration for second semester.
- Wednesday through Sunday, Nov. 27-Dec. 1** — Thanksgiving vacation.
- Monday through Saturday, Dec. 9-14** — Last week of classes (Dead Week).
- Monday through Friday, Dec. 16-20** — First semester exams.
- Saturday, Dec. 21** — First semester commencement.

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