

opinion READER

Students angry about Pizza, recall election

Reader disagrees with Pizza review

Trite? Stereotyped? Formulated? Soggy? The movie "Mystic Pizza" is anything but that. I disagree with Kelly Anders' movie review (Daily Nebraskan, Nov. 28) and so do many critics. We see "Mystic Pizza" as a crispy, tantalizing slice-of-life movie with the works.

Yeah, the works: Comedy, uncertainty, desire, expectation, moving on and ... well, moving on and growing up. Everything except exploding buildings. A good ensemble-acting piece makes you see life from many points of view. You can see yourself in all the main characters. Well, "Mystic Pizza" succeeds there.

I fail to see how the characters are stereotyped. Case in point: Anders says the "infamous girl-meets-parents" scene ends with Daisy feeling terrible and leaving. But, why did Daisy leave? A stereotypical Daisy would have left because Charley's parents, she sees through Charley's plan to use her to get back at his parents. Very nonstereotypical for a character Anders calls "dumb, risqué and wild."

Anders finally complains "... so many questions arise ...". Hmm. Sounds like life to me. And perhaps real life is as trite, stereotyped, formulated and soggy as one makes it.

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CFA issues invitation for student input

This is an open invitation to the students of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to attend one (or both) of the "Student Input Nights" sponsored by the Committee for Fees Allocation.

Before I get into the details of "Student Input Night," I would like to remind the student body that CFA is their student-fee advisory board, established to oversee the budgeting of their student fees. These fees, more than \$5 million, are allocated to the Daily Nebraskan, the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska, the University Program Council, the University Health Center, the Nebraska Unions and the Office of Campus Recreation.

On Thursday night at 6:30, CFA will have its annual "Student Input Night" in the Nebraska Union, and another on Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. at the East Union. The East Campus input night also is intended as an effort to reach out to our often-neglected East Campus students.

I am told that for the last five years not one student has attended the "Student Input Night."

We may only hope that this won't be the situation this year. Some controversial matters that are expected to pop up include funding for the Gay/Lesbian Programming Council and Phase III of the Student Recreation Center.

We need the help of our constituents in order to arrive at sound decisions that meet the approval of the student body. You must remember that we are here to serve you. But in order for us to do so, you must voice your opinions and concerns to us. It is for this reason, two separate evenings have been reserved for you.

Keith A. Malo vice chairman Committee for Fees Allocation

Beavers says Petersen works hard

It is great to see students who are interested in the welfare of the student body. If Peter Barufkin thinks he is going about looking out for the students at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln the right way, then he hasn't done his homework.

If Barufkin had taken the time to look at what ASUN has done this year

he would realize that he is writing up a petition to recall the best thing about the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska — Jeff Petersen. It is sad that Jeff works harder than anyone I've ever seen for ASUN in the three years I've been involved and that he takes all the heat for the two-thirds of ASUN that don't do anything. But once again, isn't this what always happens ...

It is the people that do the work that are in the spotlight and that take the heat whether it be good or bad. Jeff has taken the time to develop numerous programs to help the students. For example, cutting \$14,000 out of our budget to efficiently use the student fees that ASUN receives. Also, he has proposed over 19 programs for the senate to work on and is currently working on over five of those himself. And, this is the person we want to recall?

Barufkin, take another look. And to you're so upset about what ASUN has been doing where have you been the last five months?

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Editor's note: This letter was submitted before the petition drive was canceled.

ASUN recall election 'bogus, undemocratic'

I am writing in response to the petition being circulated to recall Association of Students of the University of Nebraska president Jeff Petersen and Senate Speaker Matt Gotschall. The accusations by Students' Eye on the ASUN Senate (DN, Nov. 21) are completely bogus.

Peter Barufkin has said his primary reason for the petition drive is to get students involved with the student body. Apparently the only way he thought he could do this was by recalling the president and senate speaker

of ASUN. I think one way to get students involved would be to have better election turnouts.

Barufkin and fellow-petitioner James Finley also stated that they want to recall Gotschall and Petersen because they are not following the principles of democratic government. Yet Barufkin apparently self-appointed himself president of SEASUNS, because no one has heard of any elections. You claim that this group is the "students' eye," but I'm a student and never voted in a SEASUNS election.

Finley stated that the senators should have consulted students before apologizing to Gov. Kay Orr and UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale for students booing them at halftime of the Homecoming game. Gotschall questioned 17 agriculture students, 14 of who were in favor of the letter. Apparently Finley must have wanted all the students at UNL to be contacted. Finley, for your information, ASUN senators are elected by the students because they represent the students' views. In essence, we give the senators the power to voice our opinions.

The other reason SEASUNS came up with for the petition was because Gotschall and Petersen were the most influential members of ASUN. That is about the most ludicrous reason for recalling an ASUN member that I have ever heard.

I'm glad that Gotschall and Petersen are such "influential" people. It shows that they have the initiative to get a job done.

I think SEASUNS is going to hear the phrase "shit out of luck" quite often from students when it tries to get them to sign its petition.

Since I'm a concerned student, I would like to know how to go about recalling the president of SEASUNS. I was wondering if Barufkin and Finley could give me some pointers.

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