

Morrill Hall makeover worthwhile, senator says

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

Today's dedication of the new and improved Elephant Hall in Morrill Hall is the result of five years of hard work and funding by the Legislature.

But, as one state senator said, it still isn't enough.

State Sen. Don Wesely of Lincoln testified to the Legislature's Appropriations Committee of the importance of LB788, which asks for \$6 million to finish the job of renovating Morrill Hall.

"It's not often you see something so evident that we get done here at the Legislature," Wesely said. "It's been an issue for so long, it's nice to see it get done."

"But we're not finished yet."

The renovation to Elephant Hall includes the addition of four galleries depicting what life on the planet was like during different time periods.

Betty Anderson, a member of Friends of the State Museum, said the additional \$6 million would be used for upkeep of exhibits and costs of research staff and facilities.

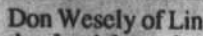
She said the improvements were important for the re-accreditation process, which the State Museum must undergo five years earlier than expected.

Also, she said, if the State Museum was not re-accredited, "it would be a catastrophe for the state and a huge embarrassment for the museum."

If the museum is not accredited, Anderson said, some staff members may leave to work for accredited institutions.

No one spoke in opposition of the bill.

LEGISLATURE



Sigerson vetos increased student fees for Campus Recreation's repair fund

By Andrea Kaser
Staff Reporter

After student senators thought budget legislation was out of the way, ASUN President Andrew Sigerson made a veto Tuesday that will hurt students in the long run, the director of Campus Recreation said.

Sigerson vetoed \$1 of the \$2.22 increase in Fund B student fees.

The veto keeps the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Campus Recreation's repair and improvement allocation at \$4 per student. Repair and improvement costs go to the upkeep of Campus Recreation facilities, which rely solely on student fees.

Stan Campbell, director of Campus Recreation, said tennis courts and equipment like stairclimbers, rowing machines and exercise bikes were

scheduled to be upgraded. If Campus Recreation doesn't receive the increase, he said, those improvements and others may not happen.

Campbell said if there was no money to pay for necessary and unpredicted repairs, some areas of the center might have to be closed and some equipment removed.

Sigerson's veto came as a surprise to Campbell, who said he was disappointed because he thought students supported the increase.

Campbell said he heard only one senator dissent in the voice vote at last week's meeting of the Association of the Students of the University of Nebraska.

Some senators said Sigerson had made it clear he wanted to keep his promise to keep student fee increases low, but they were confident the veto would be overridden.

"This is not the area to cut," said Sen. Kim Heyne. "I don't think there's

one student on this campus who doesn't use the Campus Recreation facilities in some way."

Sen. Matthew Maser said because the increase passed almost unanimously, it should have sent a strong message to Sigerson.

"We need to keep the rec center in quality shape," Maser said. "Student fees are spent wisely in this category."

Last week, Campbell urged senators to approve the increase, saying the repair and improvement fee was far below the rate of inflation since the fee was first installed in 1967. If it had increased with the rate of inflation, he said, the fee would be \$8.51.

Moreover, Campbell said experts recommended that 1 percent of a facility's worth be set aside for upkeep. Given its total value of \$37.5 million, Campus Recreation should have \$375,000 designated for upkeep, he said. The request would only reserve \$200,000 for upkeep, he said.



Students on East Campus say apathy over election abounds

By Virginia Newton
Staff Reporter

East Campus representation is one of the issues in this year's ASUN election, but students there say they want more than campaign promises aimed at soliciting their votes.

Michael Cheng, a senior hotel and restaurant management major, said that because half of his classes were on East Campus and the other half on City Campus, he was not very involved on either campus.

"I'm not very interested in campus activities," he said. "I just glance at that election stuff in the paper."

This "I don't care" attitude was apparent in a lot of students who take most or all of their classes on East Campus.

"We don't really care," said Laura

Sukraw, also a senior restaurant management major.

East Campus students are more involved with things that directly concern agriculture, she said.

Some East Campus students said they thought the campaigning parties largely ignored them.

Derrick Gallant, a junior physical therapy major, said that "It seems like (candidates) target City Campus more than East Campus."

"It may have something to do with the lack of involvement among students here," Gallant said.

Jeff Kildow, a sophomore pre-med major and East Campus resident, said he usually voted and was excited to find out election results.

But, he said, the promises made by parties last year to include East Campus in activities hadn't been kept.

"Last year during the election, they said they would include East Campus," he said. "I guess this year I would like to see it done."



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1:51 p.m. — Tires slashed, parking lot at 20th and Vine streets, \$100.
5:36 p.m. — Car keyed, parking lot at Burr Hall, \$100.

9:28 p.m. — Hub caps stolen, parking lot at 19th Street between Q and R streets, \$120.
11:10 p.m. — Bike stolen, Harper Hall, \$260.
Beginning midnight Monday
10:01 a.m. — Car keyed, parking lot at 17th and R streets, \$500.
11:22 a.m. — Book stolen, Burnett Hall, \$45.
1:08 p.m. — Person fainted, transported to Bryan Memorial Hospital, Law College.

Spending

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send by spending enormous amounts wasn't the message what he wanted to convey.

VOICE's First Vice-Presidential candidate Trent Steele said his party also was trying to cut campaign spending. He said supporters had bought more supplies and made more homemade signs, instead of having them professionally done.

But, he said, VOICE was willing to spend the amount necessary to show

students what the party stood for.

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Senate

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cess that's moving toward closure, finally," he said.

Also, Gerald Parsons, agriculture community senator, asked Joan Leitzel, senior vice chancellor for academic affairs, to look into the issue of providing more core classes on East Campus.

"It's not surprising that students on East Campus would like their classes come to them," he said.

Leitzel said task forces had been

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