

# RHA outlines year's festivities

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The Residence Hall Association used its first executive meeting of the semester Sunday night to get organized for the year. The group planned its yearly retreats and activities at the 6:30 p.m. meeting.

RHA is planning a volleyball competition between residence halls that is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 12, at 1 p.m. at the Abel Residence Hall courts.

Sarah Wilmer, events chair for the Residence Hall Association, said she hoped RHA could find a sponsor for the event.

"We need help from all of the

halls," she said. Wilmer also said that the RHA social committee was planning a grasshopper dance, a suitcase dance, and had plans for the residence halls to become more active in festivities during the football homecoming weekend.

But she said for now, the volleyball tournament remained the biggest priority for the events committee.

"We need to hold it the weekend after Labor Day," she said, "because after that RHA retreats and it turns colder."

RHA representatives also made tentative plans for their annual RHA retreat at the meeting.

RHA President Raquel Wright said she urged RHA members to attend the retreat. The retreat is a very important training session for new leaders, she said.

"It is a really important training session and a way for people to get to know each other and get the student government off the ground," she said. This year's annual RHA retreat will be held Sept. 18 and 19 in Gretna.

The theme of the leadership workshop will be "Planet RHA."


Participants in the workshop will enjoy volleyball, recreational courts, a water slide, as well as training workshops and keynote speakers.

RHA also discussed other important dates at the meeting, including the Midwest Conference of College and University Residence Halls which will be held Nov. 12, 13, and 14th.

Registration for the conference is Oct. 16, and an organizational meeting will be held at 9 p.m., Sept. 14, in the blue room at the Neihardt Residence Center.



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# Ride-share project caters to commuters

By Jenny Groen  
Staff Reporter

With all the clamor about the lack of parking, one UNL student has come up with an environmentally friendly solution.

Mark Petersen, president of Ecology Now, said a ride-share program would begin at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this semester.

Through the program, off-campus students and faculty can hook up with other commuters for the daily ride to campus. Petersen first presented his ride-share idea to the Nebraska Union Board in January.

Interested commuters can fill out forms displayed outside the ASUN office in the Nebraska Union. The new board is located next to the weekend ride-share board for students traveling to different areas of the United

States. The Association of Students of the University of Nebraska information office takes the cards and files them according to where the commuter lives.

A map outside the ASUN office divides the commuters into regions. The ASUN information office places commuters' cards into file boxes for their region.

Commuters can look into their area's file box to find the names and numbers of nearby commuters, Petersen said.

The Nebraska Unions Board and ASUN agreed to fund the program completely, he said. The board paid for the maps and frames, and ASUN covered the printing costs of the information cards.

Petersen said the benefits of the program were two-fold.

First, the program will decrease air pollution and use of natural resources, such as gasoline, by reducing the number of cars on the road, Petersen said.

The ride-share program also will alleviate congestion and lessen the number of parking spaces needed on campus, he said.

"The fact that most UNL students and faculty drive to campus by themselves is disturbing when you consider today's environmental problems, the congestion on UNL's streets and the parking problems on campus," he said.

Petersen said he hoped to expand the program in the future by getting the University Parking Services to issue ride-share permits for a parking lot that is closer to campus.

The closer lot would create a greater incentive to use the program, he said.

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1:28 p.m. — License plate bracket stolen, 17th and R streets, \$50.  
1:34 p.m. — Car accident, 14th and Avery streets.  
3:42 p.m. — Hit-and-run accident, remote lot, \$100.  
4:42 p.m. — Intoxicated people transported to detoxification center, 1545 R St.  
8:41 p.m. — Bike part stolen, Hamilton Hall, \$50.  
9:27 p.m. — Bike seat stolen, Nebraska Hall, \$30.

**Beginning midnight Tuesday**  
9:47 a.m. — Bike stolen, Sandoz

Residence Hall, \$700.  
11:40 a.m. — Two-car accident, 19th and R streets, \$450.  
11:58 a.m. — Book bag stolen, Selleck Quadrangle, \$175.  
1:40 p.m. — Two-car accident, Reunion, \$500.  
1:41 p.m. — Graffiti on sculpture, Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery, \$60.  
3:54 p.m. — Two-car accident, 14th and W streets, damage unknown.  
8:32 p.m. — Hit-and-run accident, 17th and Vine streets, \$200.  
10:17 p.m. — Trespassing, property ransacked, Harper Residence Hall.  
10:41 p.m. — Intoxicated people transported to detoxification center, Union Plaza.

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