

# Greeks seek healthier image

By Rebecca Oltmans  
Staff Reporter

Newly elected Panhellenic and Inter-fraternity Council presidents said improving the Greek system's image should be a priority next semester.

Panhellenic and IFC new officers, who were recently elected, will be installed Dec. 8.

New Panhellenic officers include Julie Anderson of Chi Omega, president; Camilla Wacker of Alpha Omicron Pi, vice president; Shelly Byrne of Kappa Alpha Theta, secretary; and Delia Montejano of Alpha Delta Pi, treasurer.

New IFC officers include Nick Reifschneider of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, president; David Acheson of Alpha Gamma Sigma, vice president;

Brian Hill of Theta Chi, secretary; and Bill Snyder of Farmhouse, treasurer.

The elections came only a few weeks after a UNL Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity pledge fell from a third-story window after he reportedly was hazed.

Reifschneider said incidents such as those made attracting new members difficult for the greek system.

"We'll have to dispel rumors that parents have heard," Reifschneider said. "I'd like to see rush be more of a greek rush than an individual chapter rush."

But that incident was just one of many image problems the greek system needs to fix, he said.

Reifschneider said fighting that was a result of fraternity rivalries also made the greek system look bad.

Fraternities should try to resolve those problems and focus on turning out well-rounded members, he said.

"It's important to prepare them for college life as well as life after college," Reifschneider said. "If they don't stress it as freshmen by the time they are juniors and seniors it's a little late."

One way to do that would be by creating a model pledge program for chapters to follow, Reifschneider said.

Anderson said she thought greeks' image could be improved by getting the word out to the community about greek accomplishments.

Greeks also should work to make their chapters more sensitive to cultural diversity, Anderson said.

## POLICE REPORT

Beginning midnight Sunday	Beginning midnight Monday
7:47 a.m. — Reserve stall sign stolen, College of Dentistry, \$170.	10:20 a.m. — Clock stolen, Filley Hall, \$129.
8:46 a.m. — Parking area sign stolen, Lied Center for Performing Arts, \$177.	10:40 a.m. — Sign stolen, Filley Hall, \$50.
11:39 a.m. — Ground effect lights damaged, Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery, \$25.	12:39 p.m. — Mirror broken, remote parking lot at 17th and Holdredge streets, \$75.
2:44 p.m. — Rose trellis damaged, south of Agricultural Communication Building, \$300.	2:04 p.m. — Book bag stolen, Sandoz Residence Hall, \$169.
2:45 p.m. — Hit-and-run accident, Abel/Sandoz meters parking lot, \$150.	2:24 p.m. — Cologne stolen, 635 N. 16th St., \$40.
3:48 p.m. — Wallet stolen, Selleck Residence Hall, \$28.	4:33 p.m. — Vandalism, Love Library.
6:07 p.m. — Fire, Culture Center.	5:11 p.m. — Car vandalism, 14th and New Hampshire streets, \$100.
	6:13 p.m. — Backbelt, worn by custodians to support their backs, was stolen, Nebraska Hall, \$40.
	7:44 p.m. — Money stolen, 1548 S St., \$80.

# Students' run to economize inflates scholarship offers

By Steve Smith  
Senior Reporter

Two University of Nebraska-Lincoln students' driving talents have paid off at the gas pump — and for UNL.

Lonnie Behrends, a junior business management major, and Christin Curry, a senior marketing major, raced to a fourth-place finish in last week's Geo Metro EconoRun.

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# Lawyer to defend MU students

From Staff Reports

An Omaha attorney will appear in Lancaster County Court on Dec. 6 on behalf of five University of Missouri-Columbia students charged with criminal mischief in the theft of a statue on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus.

Judge James Foster last week allowed Attorney Woody Bradford to represent the five men at their docket call appearance.

Jason Mott, Jason Meyer, Richard Daniel, Brad Schuster and Craig Rehmer were charged with criminal mischief in the theft of an Abraham Lincoln statue from the Sheldon Memorial Sculpture Garden.

The criminal mischief charge, a Class IV felony, carries a maximum sentence of five years and a \$10,000 fine or both. The felony has no minimum sentence.

The five men, all members of the Missouri Farmhouse Fraternity chapter, were in Lincoln for a weekend outing when they were arrested early Nov. 21.

The students spent almost two days in jail and were released on 10 percent of a \$1,000 bond Tuesday.

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# Thieves hit union, video games

From Staff Reports

Thieves broke into the Nebraska Union this weekend and cleaned out change from seven video games.

Night security officers for the union discovered the break-in Sunday morning, Sgt. Bill Manning of the University Police said. The thieves forced open a door at the south entrance of

the building sometime between early Saturday morning and Sunday night, he said.

Vendor operators took the games out of the union Sunday afternoon, Manning said. He said he did not know whether they would repair or replace the games.

Loss and damage to the games have not been estimated, he said.

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