



Target practice

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Darin Jurgens paints a circle in the intersection of 16th and L streets for the State of Nebraska Natural Resources Commission on Monday. The commission was painting the circles for an aerial photograph that will be used to make a map of the area around Antelope Creek.

UNL student to race for others

By Bob Ray
Staff Reporter

Last November, University of Nebraska-Lincoln student Shane Smith ran the New York Marathon for the Omaha Leukemia Society, placing in the top 2 percent of the 25,000 runners that participated.

Today, Smith has his sights on a similar contest—the Honolulu Marathon in Hawaii on Dec. 11.

Smith again is planning on making the run for those with Leukemia. And he wants as many UNL students as possible to run with him.

"It's fun," he said. "You don't need to be a runner to do this. Just by being there for the kids makes you feel better because the kids are so glad to see you, and it brightens their day."

Smith, a senior business management major, raised about \$3,000 for the New York Marathon.

Ninety percent of the money went to his sponsor child in Omaha, he said, and the other 10 percent went for the trip to New York.

"(If you) look at it as a challenge, it's rewarding the more you go along with it," Smith said. "The rewards pay off."

Smith said UNL students could enjoy a trip to Hawaii if they got involved with the Omaha Leukemia Society.

"Look at it as a chance to go to Hawaii and help a cancer patient by raising money," Smith said.

Smith, who will graduate in May, said he hoped more UNL students would get involved in the fund-raising project.

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"It's a great program and a good deal," Smith said.

In addition to soaking up the sun, students would be helping a good cause by raising money for cancer patients who need all the help and support they can get, Smith said.

He has plenty of information for those interested.

"I am more than glad to be the middleman for the students," Smith said.

Smith said his high finish in the New York race took back seat to the experience he received just being around the Leukemia patients.

"We have a party a week or two after the race with the kids that we sponsor; that's when it's most rewarding," Smith said.

RHA write-in party allowed to debate

Candidates stress keeping in touch with constituents

By Paula Lavigne
Senior Reporter

After a discussion over whether a write-in party, the Fishheads, would be allowed to participate with the three declared parties, Residence Hall Association debates got underway Monday night.

Fishheads candidates Kris Larson and Andrea Casart were not allowed to participate in the question-and-answer section of the debate. However, they were allowed the four minutes to discuss their party's platform.

Larson, current RHA vice president, said she had seen all the good and bad points of RHA and wanted to build on the good ones.

"We're in it for the long haul," she said.

Casart said her party would address serious areas involving residence hall government.

"We want to go to high schools to recruit young leaders. We want a liaison to ASUN and UPC," she said.

Casart said RHA needed to set time limits on events while addressing more specific issues.

Alliance party presidential candidate James Mackiewicz said he wanted to "make people excited about living in residence halls." He said the Alliance party wanted to create more places for students to gather, such as a coffee house or pizza place.

Communication between student assistants, floor governments, residents and RHA was necessary to strengthen RHA's voice on campus, he said.

PRIORITY presidential candidate and current RHA president Raquel Wright said she was willing to admit she made mistakes in the past to address concerns she had for the future.

"We need to follow up on the work of committee chairs," she said. "We plan on working jointly with housing to work on smoking policies in the halls."

Wright said her proposal would place smoking floors at the top of the halls to combat the problems with non-smokers.

Mark Stueven, PRIORITY vice

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RHA vice presidential candidate

presidential candidate, said he was a "politician at heart" because he worked at the state capitol and could use that experience in working with RHA. Stueven said he would propose a lock on parking fees.

"They're imposing nearly a 100 percent increase, and I can't stand it," he said.

Publicity and promoting residence hall activities were the objectives of Reform party candidates, presidential candidate Christopher Abel and vice presidential candidate Adam Buttress said.

"We need one strong voice in RHA, but we need lots of little voices to make that up," Buttress said.

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