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# Vander Woude becomes new RHA president

#### **By Angie Schendt** Staff Reporter

Eric Vander Woude considers himself an average student.

But come Dec. 3, that average student will represent about 4,300 students from both University of Nebraska-Lincoln campuses.

The junior pre-med major will take over as president of the Residence Hall Association that day, leaving his vice-presidential post. It will mark the last RHA meeting of the semester, and the last meeting for Philip Cilliers as president. A new vice president also will be sworn in.

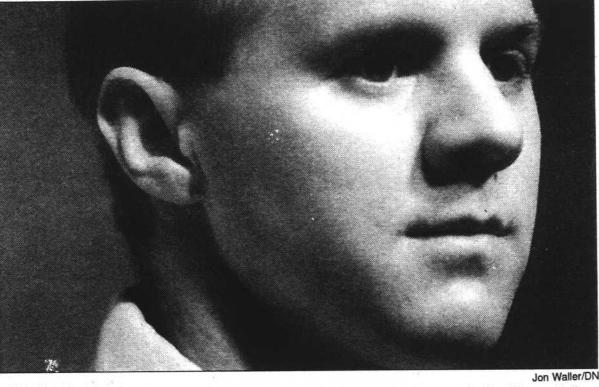
Cilliers announced last weekend he would resign following his December graduation. Cilliers said he had expected to serve out his presidency and graduate in May, but changed his mind 'because of personal reasons.'

For Vander Woude, all that will change next semester is his time commitment. He said he now spends nine to 10 hours a week as vice president, but "that will bump up to about 15 hours a week because I will attend all of the meetings."

Many presidential and vice-presidential duties are the same, he said. But where vice presidents take care of office duties, he said, a president is more visible, attending association committee meetings and meeting with programming sponsors.

The goals and direction of RHA will not change with the transition, he said. Vander Woude said he and Cilliers talked extensively about the goals of their administration.

"It is not my goals or his goals, it



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is our goals," Vander Woude said.

One of those goals is to lessen the role of RHA as a liaison between housing officials and residence hall students - instead being more student oriented.

programming, not only for residence, thought he could make a difference hall students, but all UNL students.

And they wanted RHA to become more visible in the halls.

"We went out to them instead of them coming to us," he said, by attending hall meetings.

Vander Woude said he first joined He said they did that through more . RHA as a freshman because he

and he wanted to meet new people.

It has been a valuable experience so far, he said, because he has learned things like time management?

Despite the busy schedule, he said he always has time to talk to students.

"Anybody can come talk to me," he said. "If they have a concern or problem, I'll actually do something about it.'

# Morning ceremony for greenhouses on East Campus

## By Melanie Brandert

Staff Reporter

Twenty-four renovated research greenhouses will be dedicated today north of the Animal Sciences building on East Campus.

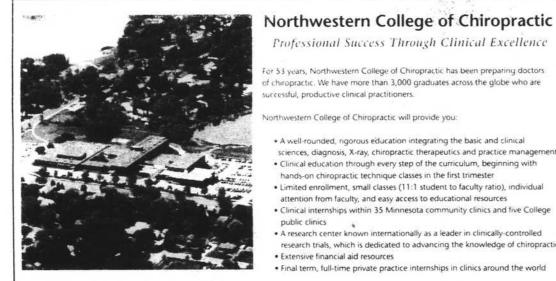
Paul Read, chairman of the horticulture department, will speak at the 11 a.m. dedication. Darrell Nelson, dean and director of the Agricultural Research Division, will preside at the event.

State Sen. Roger Wehrbein of Plattsmouth and Secretary of State Scott Moore will speak at a private noon luncheon in the Nebraska East Union following the dedication.

Other speakers at the luncheon include Dale Vanderholm, associate dean and director of the Agricultural Research Division; Paul Sindt of Agriculture Builders of Nebraska, Inc.; and Steve Baenziger, chairman of the agronomy department.

The renovation, which cost \$2.1 million, will let Institute of Agricultural and Natural Resources scientists conduct plant research. The greenhouses are operated by the IANR.

The public is invited to the dedication. Guided tours of the greenhouses will be provided.



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