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NU Coach Danny Nee wants his four new players to step up in the final part of the season. Nebraska plays at Northern Iowa tonight. **PAGE 7**



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Cloudy with flurries, high 28. Windy later, low 17.

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Candidates set priorities for election

New ASUN parties announce candidacies

By KASEY KERBER
Staff Reporter

ASUN Elections

This year's ASUN election will pit a KEG party against ADVANCE after the EXIT party quit before Wednesday's deadline to announce party candidacies.

The EXIT party withdrew because it lost its presidential candidate, Josh Wimmer, who accepted the honors board presidency instead.

Two of the EXIT party's three remaining candidates joined the KEG party. Mark Stone, the defunct party's vice presidential candidate, will now run for the College of Engineering and Technology senate seat and his sister Penny Stone will run for the College of Architecture senate seat with the KEG party.

The remaining two parties, ADVANCE and KEG will have a combined 72 candidates running in the March 12 Association of Students of the University of Nebraska election.

If the ASUN Election Commission finds that all candidates have the required number of signatures on their petitions, ADVANCE will have 65 candidates on the ballot and the KEG party will have seven.

In the ADVANCE party, Curtis Ruwe will run for president, Amy Rager will run for first vice president and Malcolm Kass will run for second

vice president.

In the KEG party, Scott Brauer will run for president, Mark Meyer will run for first vice president and Heather Olsen will run for second vice president.

KEG is expected to announce its candidacy tonight at 6:30 at the Abel Residence Hall ballroom. ADVANCE announced its candidacy Wednesday at the Nebraska Union Crib, with the presidential and vice presidential candidates outlining the ADVANCE party's platform goals there.

The presidential candidates of each party also outlined three platform goals during the Election Commission meeting Wednesday afternoon.

Ruwe said ADVANCE would concentrate on the issues of diversity and current racial tension, ensuring the renovations of buildings and the instituting of technology for use by students.

Brauer said the KEG party also would work toward racial "sensitivity" and would focus on promoting post-tenure review and expanding the jurisdiction of the Parking Services Advisory Board.

On Feb. 19, the Election Commission will reconvene to discuss the schedule for debates between the two parties.



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ASUN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE Curt Ruwe, right, and Steve Saylor, campaign manager for the ADVANCE party, greet supporters after Ruwe's speech at the Crib in the Nebraska Union Wednesday afternoon.

ADVANCE to enter ASUN race

New party stresses "getting back to the student body" as part of campaign goals.

By TASHA E. KELTER
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The ADVANCE party announced its candidacy for ASUN office Wednesday in the Nebraska Union's Crib.

Leading ADVANCE is presidential candidate Curt Ruwe, current speaker of the senate for the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska.

Amy Rager, currently the Campus Life Committee chairwoman, is the ADVANCE candidate for first vice president. Malcolm Kass, currently the Committee for Fees Allocation chairman, will run for second vice president.

Kass said he wanted to continue his involvement in student government because he is interested in

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"getting back to the student body." He emphasized the great diversity of interests and colleges of the students within ADVANCE.

Rager stressed the experience that she, Ruwe and Kass had in all areas of student government and leadership in general.

"It's important to include a cross section of campus," she said. Rager

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ASUN Candidates

ADVANCE

President Curtis Ruwe
1st Vice President Amy Rager
2nd Vice President Malcolm Kass

KEG

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President Scott Brauer
1st Vice President Mark Meyer
2nd Vice President Heather Olsen

Candlelight vigil stresses unity

By ERIN GIBSON
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Not one single race — not black, white or any other — met to encourage understanding on campus last night.

All races did.

University members of all colors and backgrounds vowed to end racism Wednesday night during a meeting by the Ethnic Minority Affairs Committee in the Nebraska Union.

Their message was simple — action must be taken to correct racism on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus. And action must be taken by people of all races, not just those who are victims of racism.

James Zank, a senior English major, said all campus members, includ-

ing minorities, whites and university administrators, were frustrated about racism on campus that was demonstrated in recent incidents.

Groups should not attack each other with accusations of racism, but work for unity, he said.

"We have to go forward and we have to do it together," Zank said.

Eric Crump, race relations committee chairman for the Afrikan People's Union, said when an injustice was committed against people of one race, those people would be the first to react. This situation occurred after the Sigma Chi incident, he said.

Now all people of UNL need to react to enact change on campus, he said. All university members must work to convince top administrators to act also, he said.

"All of you have power because you are the people," Crump said.

Crump said Sigma Chi has apologized for the cross-burning incident. He and the Afrikan People's Union asked the university to apologize publicly for failing to reprimand the fraternity for its actions.

Marty Ramirez, a psychologist with Counseling and Psychological Services, said the university minimized the incident somewhat.

But the diversity of those interested in promoting unity and defeating racism is paramount to past university action, he said.

"If the top is not going to be committed to allowing people to be accountable, it's going to be a very rocky road," Ramirez said.

"But you can make it."



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ANITA SAUNDERS, a graduate student and member of the Ethnic Minority Affairs Committee, reads Maya Angelou's inaugural poem on the south side of the Nebraska Union Wednesday night.