

Neihardt votes against request for 'safe space'

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floors, he said. "Neihardt Council had every right to do what they did," Allies President Justin Fisher said. "Neihardt has over 500 students — it would be wrong not to hear everyone's input and opinion about the covenant."

Allies Programming Chair Jill Matlock agreed and organized floor presentations throughout the hall.

"We only attended floor meetings that requested our presence," Matlock said. "Some felt they understood, others didn't."

Matlock said after Allies finished discussions, they learned students were willing to accept the covenant; however, some of the wording was the main reason they felt uncomfortable signing.

"The reason my floor voted against it was the wording," said Love 3 proxy Senator Katie Harr. "Rather than being tolerant and accepting, it would be an affirming atmosphere."

Matlock said their covenant works for some student organizations but not for residence halls.

"Residence halls are a diverse population of students that only have once thing in common — they go to UNL," she said.

Matlock said Neihardt students thought a covenant supporting homosexuals on campus was unnecessary.

"The UNL climate does say it's all right to be a minority on campus," Matlock said. "But it does not support gays and lesbians on campus."

Fisher said Allies would like to make UNL a safe place for every-

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JILL MATLOCK
Allies programming chair

one and the "residence halls were a starting point."

Fisher said Allies approached UNL residence halls and asked if each would hold a presentation about making UNL a safe place for all students.

Matlock said Allies' reasons in addressing residence halls was to let people know there is homosexual diversity on campus.

"We are not out to change beliefs," Matlock said. "We just want to raise awareness and proclaim that people are people, regardless of their sexual orientation."

Matlock said the organization is heading in the right direction even though it has encountered road blocks.

"We will just try again in the fall," she said.

Fisher said the organization is planning to revise its covenant and approach the residence halls and greek houses again in the fall.

"This has been a learning experience for all of us," Fisher said. "We are disappointed that it did not come out in favor, but we still have a pretty positive outlook."

Staff reporter Amanda Schindler contributed to this report.

Entrepreneurs to compete

From Staff Reports

More than 200 students from nearly 20 schools around the Heartland and Canada will converge at the Cornhusker Hotel tomorrow to begin the 13th annual Entrepreneurship Conference.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Center for Entrepreneurship and Students In Free Enterprise are holding the conference, said Constant Percosky III, a free enterprise club member.

The conference consists of four main competitions:

- The Donald Duncan/Duncan Aviation Business Plan Competition.
- The Promodel Corp. Productivity Improvement Competition.
- The Nebraska Young Entrepreneurs Contest.
- The Collegiate

Entrepreneurship of the Heartland.

Each competition is designed to test students' knowledge of entrepreneurship and their skills in small business management.

Competitions continue through Friday.

On Saturday morning, the students will receive business plan competition awards, including a \$5,000 prize for first place and \$3,000 for the first runner-up.

Students also will receive \$10,000 worth of productivity improvement competition awards at this time.

Later Saturday, local entrepreneurs will share their business stories with students, said Tyler Wolford, University of Nebraska-Lincoln student and coordinator of speakers for the event.

The conference ends with a luncheon where 10 scholarships to UNL will be presented to finalists in the Nebraska Young Entrepreneurs essay competition.

'Brain Gain' bill is still alive

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lenge."

Legislators voted 26-7 Tuesday to advance the bill from general file to select file. LB1176, a \$2 million proposal known as the Quality Work Force Academic Loan Program Act, would provide scholarships of up to \$5,000 per year for top Nebraska scholars who agree to attend college in Nebraska, complete an internship with a participating in-state business and work in Nebraska for three years after graduation.

The bill would allow the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education to choose the criteria used to select scholarship recipients. Under amendments adopted during floor debate, the commission would be required to use financial need as a criterion in addition to academic merit.

Several senators, including Sen. Chris Beutler of Lincoln, said they want to see financial need included as a criterion.

Beutler said the government should provide scholarships to those with financial need before expand-

ing programs for those who don't need them. Including financial need as a criterion does not change the bill's purpose of retaining top students, he said, because statistics from the state's universities show the need for financial aid is greater than ever — including need among top scholars.

Even with the amendment requiring the consideration of financial need, merit is still the primary criterion in the bill's present form, Beutler said.

Beutler also said he thought the process by which businesses select interns could be unfair.

"It's the kind of a program that's subject to favoritism and corruption," he said.

The passage of LB1176 could start an unproductive cycle, said Beutler. Other states could pass similar legislation, making it harder for Nebraska to attract bright out-of-state students and more difficult for bright Nebraskans to find jobs elsewhere.

Sen. Bob Wickersham of Harrison, chairman of the Revenue Committee, said he has fundamental

questions about the bill's concept.

Supporters have failed to provide the Legislature with crucial statistics relating to the brain drain issue. As a result, nobody is quite sure of the impact of Nebraska's top students leaving the state, he said.

"I think it's a bunch of money in search of a problem," he said, "and I'm not sure it's the solution even if there is a problem."

Regardless of the Legislature's actions, bright students from Nebraska will go where the jobs are — whether in Nebraska or across the country, Wickersham said.

Bruning said he was open to changes in the bill that will make it more acceptable to his colleagues. He said he was hopeful that, with a few changes, the bill would be slated for debate next week by Speaker Doug Kristensen.

"The main goal is keeping the best and brightest students in the state," Bruning said.

Because this is the second year the Legislature has considered brain gain legislation, the bill must either pass this year or start from scratch next year.

ASUN convenes for final meeting

■ Senators approve a commendation for former Coach Tom Osborne.

BY JESSICA FARGEN
Assignment Reporter

ASUN senators met for the last time Wednesday and voted to commend Tom Osborne, former NU head football coach

ASUN President Curt Ruwe said this commendation was different from past ones because it contained the signatures from the

past 25 presidents of the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska.

"It would not be a funny April Fool's joke to oppose it," Ruwe told senators. The commendation passed unanimously.

The commendation, complete with signatures, was in the form of a plaque and will be given to Osborne, who retired after 25 years of coaching this year.

Osborne was recognized for his dedication to the football team, Athletic Department and entire university.

ASUN also recognized Osborne's high ideals of integrity,



hard work, moral and spiritual leadership and community service.

"Your action here is speaking for 25 years of students," Ruwe said.

In other ASUN news:

■ The student organization Millennium Discussion Group was approved.

■ Appointments for the Nebraska Union Board and the Campus Recreation Advisory Board were approved.

Milk contest: It will do the winner good

From Staff Reports

Don your wackiest duds and your thickest milk mustache.

It's picture day.

Today between noon and 2 p.m. in the Nebraska Union, representatives from the Milk Processor Education Program will photograph students with milk mustaches for their national milk ad contest.

The contest is part of a 100-city nationwide milk tour visiting most major universities.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln student photographed with the best milk mustache will appear in a large milk ad in the Daily Nebraskan and on the national milk World Wide Web site at <http://www.whymilk.com>.

One student will be chosen among all universities' entrants to appear in a milk ad in a future issue of "Rolling Stone" magazine.

Bill Hyland, spokesman for the Milk Processor Education Program, said that the judges of the contest will look for creativity.

The winner must look like he or she is saying: "Yes, I'm drinking milk. And I'm having fun."

Although a professional photographer will take official mustache contest photos between noon and 2 p.m., students can get Polaroid souvenir pictures taken between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Students also can have their pictures taken with life-size cutouts of supermodel Tyra Banks and Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway.

Jones case dismissed Claims said to be unworthy of trial

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harm ed emotionally or in her career.

"The plaintiffs' allegations fall far short of the rigorous standards for establishing a claim of outrage under Arkansas law," Wright wrote.

The political jeopardy for Clinton, if the trial had gone forward, was evident in the last few weeks, when both sides in the lawsuit waged a sensational war of words in court filings that included details of alleged relationships between Clinton and a half-dozen women.

While a final decision hadn't been made, the Rutherford Institute, which paid legal costs of Jones' lawsuit, said it would support an appeal — even if means going to the Supreme Court.

Wright's ruling comes more than three years after Jones alleged that Clinton, as Arkansas governor, made an unwanted sexual advance.

Clinton's lawyers had said even if he had asked Jones for sex on May 8, 1991, the case against him was "vener-thin" because there was no proof she suffered in her job.

Jones' records showed she received regular raises. Clinton's lawyers pointed out one of her claims of ill treatment was she didn't receive flowers one Secretary's Day.

The judge took note that Jones continued to work at the Arkansas Industrial Development Commission for another 19 months after the alleged incident and never filed a formal complaint or told her supervisors of the incident.

She also dismissed the portion of the lawsuit against state trooper Danny Ferguson, who allegedly set up the meeting during a state economic conference Clinton attended.

Excerpts from the opinion by U.S. District Court Judge Susan Webber Wright:

■ "The plaintiffs' allegations fall far short of the rigorous standards for establishing a claim of outrage under Arkansas law."

■ "The court has determined that her quid pro quo and hostile work environment sexual harassment claim are without merit and warrant a grant of summary judgment."

■ "Although the governor's alleged conduct, if true, may certainly be characterized as boorish and offensive, even a most charitable reading of the record in this case fails to reveal a basis for a claim of criminal sexual assault."

■ "While the court will certainly agree that plaintiffs' allegations describe offensive conduct, the court ... has found that the governor's alleged conduct does not constitute sexual assault."

■ "Absent an underlying violation of federal law, there can be no actionable claim alleging a conspiracy."

■ The alleged conduct "was brief and isolated; did not result in any physical harm ... did not result in distress so severe that no reasonable person could be expected to endure it."

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