

# Black fraternity returns to UNL

■ Kappa Alpha Psi will reintroduce itself to Lincoln Saturday night.

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Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity is returning to the UNL scene with big intentions.

Although Kappa Alpha Psi, a traditionally nonexclusive black organization, has been around since 1916, it has not been as active in recent years.

In August 1994, Kappa Alpha Psi's national offices put all of the national chapters of Kappa Alpha Psi on hold because of violations of fraternity rules, which included membership hazing.

The hold on chapter activity had "nothing to do with this campus," said Linda Schwartzkopf, director of UNL's Greek Affairs.

In October 1996, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln chapter started working toward re-establishing itself.

Kappa Alpha Psi has an alumni chapter and an undergraduate

## Greeks

chapter. The alumni work closely with the undergraduates, said alumnus Gregory Parrish.

Parrish graduated from college in 1986 and has been active in alumni chapters since.

The UNL chapter, which was the seventh nationwide, wants to reintroduce itself to the campus as well as to the Lincoln community, Schwartzkopf said.

The fraternity is sponsoring its Spring Parlay Saturday night at Temptations Dance Club, 1600 O St. The event is open to everyone.

Money made through the Spring Parlay will benefit community organizations such as the Salvation Army and the Malone Center. Doors open at 9 p.m. The event costs \$3.

The group's mission is based on community service and was founded on brotherhood and the community, Parrish said.

"We definitely are a fraternity that gives back to the community."



## Two cited for possession

A littering citation led police to find nearly 7 ounces of marijuana in a woman's purse.

An officer approached Michael Parrow, 42, and Tina Rucker, 32, in Pioneers Park just before 9 p.m. Wednesday after he observed them littering.

Parrow had a warrant out for his arrest, and when police searched him, they found a plastic bag of marijuana in his pocket, Lincoln Police Sgt. Ann Heermann said.

He was arrested on the warrant and cited for possession of marijuana and littering.

Rucker was holding a marijuana cigarette in her hand when the officer approached them, and in her purse they found eight plastic bags of marijuana totaling 195.6 grams.

She was arrested for possession of marijuana with the intent to deliver.

## Man's SeaDoo stolen

A Hastings man had his Personal watercraft trailer and per-

sonal watercraft stolen from his pickup truck hitch sometime Tuesday night.

The victim parked his truck and trailer in front of a house on the 900 block of Mahoney Drive on Tuesday night, Heermann said.

When he came out to the pickup Wednesday morning the trailer and SeaDoo were gone, a \$12,200 loss.

## \$1,200 in baseball cards stolen

Three Pete Rose rookie baseball cards were stolen from a car parked on the 200 block of Dawes Street sometime between Saturday and Wednesday.

The three cards, valued at \$400 apiece, were taken from the car, Heermann said.

There was no sign of forced entry.

Compiled by Senior Reporter Josh Funk

# ASUN sets goals for term

## Updating Web site, seeking out students priorities

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## ASUN

When students visit the ASUN Web site, they will find out Kurt Ruwe is the Speaker of the Senate and Sara Russell is a senator.

The only problem is that Ruwe is now the former president, and it's "Curt" - with a "c."

Russell is now president, and as president, she hopes the Web site finally will be accurate.

Updating the ASUN World Wide Web site was just one of the eight goals the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska set Wednesday.

ASUN President Sara Russell said she wanted to continue the town hall meetings COMMIT held during its campaign because students should not always be expected to come to ASUN with their concerns.

"We are elected to represent students," she said. "It is student government's job to go out and find students."

Russell said the monthly meetings would probably deal with current campus issues and be held in the residence halls.

ASUN also plans to reach out by updating its Web site. She said the current Web site, updated a year and a half ago, was a "poor statement" on ASUN's part. Russell said e-mail links to senators, more links to the university and updated pictures would make ASUN more accessible.

But that's not the only thing ASUN plans to do to the Web.

Paul Schreier, engineering and technology senator, said ASUN

will continue to work toward Internet class registration, a goal of the previous ASUN administration, even though it was not listed as a current goal.

Schreier said that next year, ASUN wants to increase education and support of student computer users.

One possible idea is a student help desk that would provide answers to questions about the Internet, e-mail and software programs. The help desk would be for on- and off-campus students, so students could call from home with questions about their own personal computers, he said.

"If they don't know how to take advantage of the technology we buy, then what good is it?" Schreier asked.

The money for the help desk would come from the \$2 per credit hour technology fee students pay each semester. Part of COMMIT's platform was to ensure the technology fee was used efficiently and benefited students.

Russell said she also wants to look into student academic evaluations between the third and eighth week of class.

Evaluations at the end of the semester are good for professors, she said, but do not directly affect the students because the class is over when they fill them out.

"It would make (students) feel like their input is more valid," Russell said.

Revising and adding to existing student evaluations was a goal

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ASUN president

from the previous ASUN administration, but several platform ideas from Russell's COMMIT party did not make the transition.

COMMIT wanted to start a Campus Coalition with members from University of Nebraska-Lincoln student organizations and an NU Week in the Spring, similar to Homecoming. Neither is included in the current list of goals.

Kelly Hoffschneider, first vice-president, said those goals still could be implemented.

He said second vice president Eddie Brown ran on the VISION ticket, which advocated a president's council comprising the presidents of about 40 student organizations. A compromise still could be made, he said, especially now that committee chairpersons were elected, giving ASUN a full executive board.

Other goals for next year include:

■ Working to unify City and East campuses.

■ Looking into starting sensitivity and diversity training classes.

■ Opening lines of communication with the parking advisory committee.

■ Implementing collaborative community service projects.

# Panel: Asians see less racism

BY ERIC RINEER  
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Asian students are not discriminated against as much as African-Americans and other minorities, members of a panel said Thursday.

The panel of about 20 Asian-American students and faculty members met to discuss their different experiences in Lincoln and UNL.

The meeting was part of the scheduled events for Asian-American Awareness Week and included members from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Asian student organizations.

Among the issues the panel discussed were racial discrimination and the difficulties of adapting to American school systems.

The panel gave several reasons that Asian students, in general, do

not receive the same amount of discrimination as other ethnic groups.

Viet Hoang, a senior finance major and former Association of Students of the University of Nebraska speaker of the senate, said more scholarships and better job opportunities for Asian students are evidence of less discrimination.

While some Asian students experience some discrimination, the Lincoln community has generally been supportive, Hoang said.

Some of the difficulties that Asian students face when moving to another country are language and cultural barriers, he said.

"When people come over, they're naturally going to be different," he said. "People must seek for understanding before criticizing a culture."

Sharon Auw, a junior advertising major and Asian Student Alliance officer, said it is important

for Asian students to make their voices heard on campus.

Much progress now is being made thanks to the recent establishment of the Asian Student Alliance, she said.

Auw said that UNL faculty members do a good job of encouraging students individually. Faculty members also need to focus on embracing the community as a whole, she said.

Though many of her experiences at UNL have made her "more knowledgeable," Auw said it is difficult for Asian students to adjust to a different form of government.

"Many students do not realize how strict the government is in China," said Auw, who was born in China and raised in Omaha.

"Sometimes students can take their democracy for granted. It can be hard for Chinese students to adapt."

# Supporters of Jones lash out at NOW

WASHINGTON (AP) - A conservative group that is backing Paula Jones accused the National Organization for Women on Thursday of abandoning her in favor of abortion politics.

John Whitehead, president of the Rutherford Institute, struck back at NOW's decision Wednesday not to file legal papers in support of Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit against President Clinton.

In an open letter to NOW President Patricia Ireland, Whitehead, whose group is financing Jones' legal expenses, wrote that the organization "abandoned the moral high ground" because the institute has represented anti-abortion

activists.

"Instead of affirmatively and publicly demeaning Paula Jones' case, NOW could have demonstrated its commitment at least to the law despite its disagreement with the Rutherford Institute," the letter said.

Ireland said Thursday that her group has worked before with organizations opposing abortion, and insisted that abortion politics "was not part of the decision" to oppose filing a friend-of-the-court brief in the Jones case.

"For us, the issue ... is only whether it would advance the law for women in the workplace," Ireland said. "The key point is, I don't think this was a good case to advance women's rights."

On Wednesday, she said her group "decided not to work with the disreputable right-wing organizations and individuals advancing her (Jones') cause, who themselves have a long-standing political interest in undermining our movement to strengthen women's rights and weakening the laws that protect those rights."

Despite the flap, Whitehead said the institute remains willing to work with NOW on sexual harassment issues. Jones has appealed a federal judge's dismissal of her lawsuit, which alleges that, as governor of Arkansas, Clinton caused her to suffer job discrimination because she refused his sexual advance.

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