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Join Janet Smith, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Philosophy at the University of Dallas, as she takes a look at the emotional and moral impact of contraception.

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NAACP chapter formed for college involvement

BY VERONICA DAEHN
Staff writer

Last year, a group of black students decided it was time for some college-level action.

Under the direction of Jose J. Soto, vice president for affirmative action/equity/diversity at Southeast Community College, the local chapter of NAACP was expanded to include a branch specifically for college students.

"There was a group of UNL and Wesleyan students who wanted to focus on issues more relevant to them," Soto said.

Adair Shanks, a UNL graduate student, and Janet Rathod, a Nebraska Wesleyan student, initiated organization of the college group.

Soto said the students identified others with similar interests and were encouraged when they learned that other national college-level organizations existed.

"They wanted to form a group to support each other, and also address concerns and challenges within the

campus community," he said.

Students of color experience specific problems and challenges that the college chapter of NAACP can help to address, Soto said.

Rick Wallace, past president of the NAACP Lincoln branch, said the college group's mission is to empower college students to become one voice in the community to address issues, concerns and problems of minority students.

The college group has set goals of holding voter registration drives for blacks and building coalitions with community organizations and campus organizations, Shanks said.

Soto, who is now an adviser to the college-level group, said his contact with group members now is limited to the original founders.

He does, however, feel that the group is an important part of the campus community.

"NAACP serves a good purpose by addressing issues of discrimination and unfair treatment," he said. "There continues to be issues, and it's necessary that these efforts continue."

RHA secretary spot open Debate ends with appointed seat unfilled

BY BERNARD VOGELSANG
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The Residence Hall Association senate voted 14-11 against the appointment of Anna Charron to RHA secretary Sunday night.

Pound Hall President Kasey Kerber said the 14 senators declined to appoint Charron, a sophomore engineering major, because another applicant for the secretary position is better qualified.

RHA President Shane Perkins, who nominated Charron, said he was disappointed by the senate's decision.

"The candidate was not only qualified on the requirements of the RHA constitution and bylaws, but also by my qualifications like time commitment and teamwork," he said.

Perkins said some senators opposed the appointment of Charron because another applicant was not nominated.

"That is not a valid reason to vote against an appointment," he said.

Perkins and Kerber both declined to say who the other applicant is.

"It is an RHA senator," Kerber said. Charron, who was a Love-



Memorial Hall representative last year, said she had no comment on the senate's decision.

After the decision, Perkins announced the application process for RHA secretary was reopened. Students living in residence halls can apply in the RHA office in the Nebraska Union until Sunday.

In other business, the senate approved an amendment of bylaws to the RHA constitution.

After much opposition against the requirement of a 2.5 GPA to become an RHA officer, the senate decided 16-13 to change it to a 2.0 GPA.

The senate also appointed Kristy Jacobberger to the RHA election commissioner position.

Speaker Dave Burns said Jacobberger, a junior engineering major, will ensure the RHA elections run smoothly on March 31.

"She is qualified for the job because she is unbiased and not a member of the RHA senate."

Nebraska Bookstore lobbies for ID-charging capability

BY ANDREW BROER
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The Nebraska Bookstore wants to turn student ID cards into off-campus charge cards.

To do this, the bookstore, 1300 Q St., has launched a petition to show university officials what students may want in terms of spending power.

But the university isn't looking to make the switch from on-campus charging to citywide use anytime soon.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Housing Director Doug Zatechka, who administers the card, said it is still evolving.

But, he said, the card's focus probably will remain only on campus, at least in the near future.

The university now accepts the card at places such as the University Bookstores in the Nebraska and East Unions, the Campus Recreation Center, university libraries and the snack shops.

And some places off campus already give students discounts for presenting their ID cards, Zatechka said.

Stan Vala, general manager of Nebraska Bookstore, said some students were angered after trying to make

purchases at the store and being told that their ID cards are not accepted there.

Students should have the right to use the card to charge items anywhere, Vala said, not just at the university.

But Zatechka said the card was created primarily for on-campus usage.

The Nebraska Bookstore has run ads in the Daily Nebraskan encouraging students to sign petitions asking university officials to allow the cards' use.

Students can cut out the ad and mail or take it to the bookstore. Petitions are also available at the store.

Ken Johnson, an assistant manager at the bookstore said last week the about 1,092 signatures had been collected. Johnson said he hopes to have 2,000 before presenting the petitions to Melvin Jones, UNL vice chancellor of business and finance.

Tom Lynd, manager of the downtown Kinko's, 1201 Q St., said he has not heard anything about the proposal.

But, if instituted at Kinko's, Lynd said, he was worried about the liability to collect the money from the university.

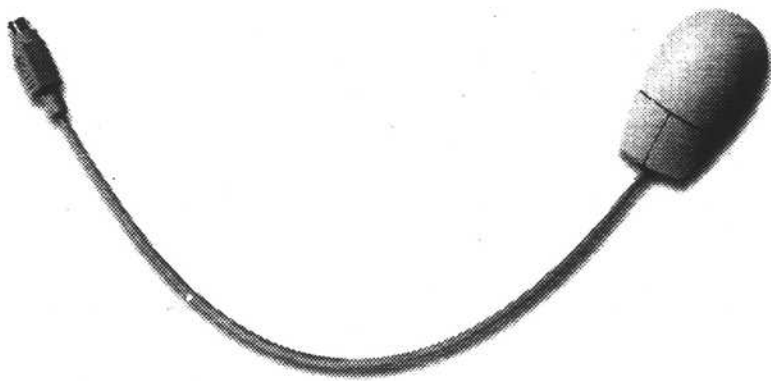
Bobbi Zapp, a junior broadcasting major, would like to see the card accepted at the Nebraska Bookstore.

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