

Program to inform students about Fulbright scholarship

From staff reports

Students who want a firmer grasp on international experience have a chance to tighten their grip today and Wednesday.

The Fulbright Association at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the Office of International Affairs are sponsoring workshops for students interested in applying for Fulbright grants.

Workshops will be held today from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Nebraska

East Union and on Wednesday from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Nebraska Union.

The Fulbright Program — one of the government's best scholarship programs — provides students support for study at foreign universities.

Its aim is to foster understanding among nations through educational and cultural exchanges.

More information about the Fulbright Program can be found at <http://www.iie.org/fulbright>.

ASUN ELECTIONS

Electoral Commission doles out final penalties

By Margaret Behm and Jill Zeman

Staff writers

After spending months of planning and dollars upon dollars on advertising and campaign materials, student election groups still have to shell out a few more bucks.

Members of the Electoral Commission met Monday to decide how much each party should be charged for infractions committed during the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska election.

A total of \$170 was handed out in fines for this year's election, and the money will go to benefit NU on Wheels, said Marlene Beyke, ASUN director of development.

Election violations are reported by individuals or members of the Electoral Commission, Beyke said.

Members of A-Team were fined \$20 for banners hanging from fraternity houses with incorrect wording, \$5 for a banner that is still displayed at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house and \$25 for fliers placed on cars.

The group was also fined \$5 for a poster with incorrect information that

"I'm going to hunt down that person in Harper. They owe me five dollars."

Joel Schafer
ASUN president-elect

was hung up in Harper Residence Hall.

Joel Schafer, president-elect from the A-Team party, said members of A-Team did not create or post the sign.

"I'm going to hunt down that person in Harper," Schafer joked. "They owe me five dollars."

Members of the Empower party were fined a total of \$35: \$30 for having campaign posters at polling sites for the general election and \$5 for a poster at a run-off election polling site.

Empower presidential candidate Heath Mello said he didn't think his party should be fined for the infraction.

"It didn't help us; we lost," he said. "Obviously we shouldn't be fined."

Impact was fined \$30 for two separate infractions of incorrect wording on posters and banners.

Duff was given a \$5 fine for a poster displayed at the Abel-Sandoz polling site and the Fishpond party was fined

\$20 for incorrect wording on campaign material, causing it to drop out of the race before the election.

David Koesters, independent candidate for the College of Journalism and Mass Communications senate seat, was fined \$25 for a poster at a polling site that also did not contain correct wording.

This year's fines per party were less than in the past two years.

In 1999, a total of \$100 was equally charged to the two parties involved, Focus and Voice.

The two parties running in 1998, Vision and Commit, received a total of \$133 in fines.

Todd Franzen, director of the Electoral Commission, said the commission was as fair as possible.

"We didn't try to be biased," he said. "We considered all the factors involved and determined the fines from there."

Fetal tissue researcher named Fulbright scholar

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of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases.

Even though there has been intense discussion over the use of fetal tissue in the research of neurodegenerative diseases, Gendelman said it has not affected the portion of his research that uses the tissue.

"I've come to do a job here in Nebraska," Gendelman said. "I was hired to establish a world-class research center in the study of the brain."

In doing this, Gendelman said he relies on a number of different research techniques to determine how to fix a damaged brain.

The use of fetal cell research is simply one of those tools, he said.

Upon coming to Nebraska, Gendelman said he weighed the facts about the research carefully.

"I don't have a problem with this," he said. "I looked at it very carefully when I came."

Gendelman said he followed his integrity, guidelines, laws and God when pursuing his research.

Now, the fight is beyond him, he said.

"If the people feel what I am doing is wrong, it is for the Legislature to decide," Gendelman said.

If the State Legislature decides to end the use of fetal tissue in research at the medical center, Gendelman said he would leave the state and pursue his research elsewhere.

So would others, he said. "What scientist would ever come to Nebraska if one of their research tools is thrown out by the Legislature?"

Harold Maurer, chancellor at UNMC, said Gendelman's being named a Fulbright researcher reflected positively on the research being done at the university.

"This is certainly another strong validation of the outstanding research being done by Dr. Gendelman and his colleagues," Maurer said in a statement.

Because Nebraska is among the states with the highest percentage of people above 85 years old, Gendelman said he hopes he can bring back helpful research to Nebraskans from his eight-month stint in Israel.

"We're dealing with a problem that is of great importance to this state," he said.

Aerospace engineer to talk about Challenger explosion

By Tony Moses

Staff writer

An engineer who predicted the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger will speak tonight in the Nebraska Union.

Roger Boisjoly will speak at 7 p.m. about the Challenger explosion.

Boisjoly worked for Morton Thiokol, the company responsible for designing the faulty part that led to the Challenger's explosion.

Boisjoly, who had more than 25 years of experience as an aerospace engineer at the time of the explosion, warned NASA and Morton Thiokol about the faulty design several years before the explosion.

NASA and Morton Thiokol ignored the warnings and continued to use the faulty design for space shuttle flights.

"He begged them to hold things off," said Constance Walter, communications director for the College of Engineering and Technology at UNL. "He also struggled to find a solution to the problem."

Boisjoly will also speak about engineering ethics and responsibilities today at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Beadle Center.

The events are being sponsored by the College of Engineering and Technology at UNL.

Boisjoly was awarded the Prize for Scientific Freedom and Responsibility by the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Despite his many warnings, Boisjoly watched the Challenger launch on January 28, 1986, with the faulty design.

"He had to watch it explode," Walter said.

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