

# Nelson: I'll be an independent voice

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their votes. He said he emphasized his opposition to partial privatization of Social Security, his support for prescription-drug coverage and his proposed farm income protection plan, which he hopes will be the cornerstone of the 2002 federal farm bill. Republicans were buzzing over the weekend that, according to internal polls, Stenberg had narrowed the gap and could win by a small margin. Nelson knows about close races. He won the 1990 Democratic gubernatorial primary by 42 votes. But he said his

campaign's polls showed Stenberg wouldn't make a late surge. In the end, Nelson said, Nebraskans will favor his independent approach over that of Stenberg, who has associated himself with candidate George W. Bush and Sen. Chuck Hagel. "Nebraskans will see just two names on the ballot, not all the other names he's been talking about," Nelson said. "Voters are going to decide which of us they envision on the floor of the United States Senate representing the state of Nebraska. And they're going to decide who they envision deciding what's best for the people of Nebraska, as opposed to asking their political bosses."

# Stenberg says he'll pull ahead today

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W. Bush. Several prominent Republican team players such as former Senate majority leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., have visited Nebraska this fall to support Stenberg and convince voters the seat could be key to maintaining GOP control of Congress. Johanns said Stenberg is the best candidate to represent the majority of Nebraskans in Washington, D.C., because Stenberg's conservative views match the state's voters. "(Tuesday), 60 to 65 percent of Nebraskans are going to vote

for change with George Bush, and Don will be with them," Johanns said. "Ben (Nelson) will go out tomorrow and cast a vote for Al Gore. That will be (Nelson's) first vote of many for Al Gore." On the election's eve, Stenberg urged the crowd of about 50 supporters in the hanger to continue working for victory in what he called an "important election for Nebraska and the nation." "There's still work to be done and signs to go up," Stenberg said. "I expect a few of those signs will be stolen tonight, so we have to be out putting those back up."

# Council passes Antelope Valley plan

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"I think what all of us want is the best end product for Lincoln," Councilman Jon Camp said. In other business, the council approved two revisions to its month-old public nudity ban, which prohibited the showing of genitals or a

woman's breasts without covering the nipple. Monday's revisions require a fully opaque covering over the areola, which is the area around the nipple, as well as the nipple. The revisions also redefined nudity so the law would apply uniformly in both liquor-serving and alcohol-free businesses.

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# Voting party to rock the union

**BY GWEN TIETGEN**

Before heading off to the polls, don't miss the last chance to hear experts discuss the issues today in the Nebraska Union. "Rock 'n' the Vote 2000," sponsored by the Service Council, will try to motivate students to vote throughout the day. Lauren Hampton, Service Council facilitator, hopes to make an impression on politicians by having a large number of college students vote in the election. "I hope we can show the candidates that we are interested in political issues," Hampton said. "Hopefully, this will make a difference in at least one person's life, reminding them, they need to go and vote." In order to achieve their goal, the Service Council will be arranging groups of students to meet at Union Square at the top of the hour, every hour to walk, or drive if the weather is bad, to the Devaney Center and vote. Throughout the day, the Service Council will be giving away 200 Runza sandwiches, Pepsi and popcorn. Other events include a series of motivational videos highlighting why it's important to vote and a number of key speakers. Speakers in the Nebraska

Union's Crib from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. will include Joel Schafer, ASUN president, Mayor Don Wesley, Sheila Murphy, the field director for Victory 2000, the Republican party campaign organization, Bill Avery, adviser for the Young Democrats, and Dave Oenbring, a Libertarian candidate for the 1st Congressional District. Other experts will speak at alternating times in the Union Square. They include: Guyla Mills, chairwoman of the Defense of Marriage - Yes to 416 committee, Senators David Landis and DiAnna Schimek, both of Lincoln, Congressman Doug Bereuter, Karen Brown and Elizabeth Goodbrake representing the Green party and Andy Schuerman, former ASUN president, and Angela Clements, ASUN senator, representing Huskers Against 416. KRNU will be broadcasting live from the Nebraska Union throughout the day, and KFRX will talk with Service Council representatives in the morning. Cheryl Heineman, a Service Council member, said the council has tried hard to balance both sides of each issue by having a representative from each side. "We're not trying to be biased to any one particular issue," Heineman said. "I just hope it will

go well because we've put a lot of time into it." The Service Council has been working all semester in collaboration with Association of Students of the University of Nebraska and with Service Vote 2000, a national campaign put on by Youth Services of America, a national youth organization. Through the UNL group's efforts, more than 5,000 voter registration cards were handed out to students. The council also held voter registration drives in the Union and helped students participate in absentee voting on the computers. "Taking 20 minutes to vote is the quickest way to fulfill our civic responsibility as a United States citizen," Hampton said. "I hope students realize how important it is for us to get out there."

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# Faculty input sought

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including the humanities and the arts," she said. Joel Schafer, Association of Students of the University of Nebraska president, said he was pleased with Perlman's follow-up on the report. Schafer said he, as well as ASUN, supported the 20/20 Vision statement because it gives the university direction. "It's not just a feel-good document put together to placate the university community," he said. As for the prioritization that accompanied the report, Schafer said, identifying key classes is something the university has to deal with. "I don't think you can look at prioritization as equaling program cuts and funding cuts,"

Schafer said. Perlman's commitment to the 20/20 report is beneficial, regardless of whether Perlman becomes the permanent chancellor, he said. "I think (the 20/20 report) is a focal point in his administration, whatever capacity that is," Schafer said. Perlman, who has enthusiastically supported the report, said implementing the plan is not something he's doing to make a name for himself as interim chancellor. The report was prepared and released before Perlman took over the reins as UNL's leader. "We've had faculty conversations whether (the 20/20 report) is the vision for the university, and the answer seems to be yes," Perlman said.

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