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The Candidates

Ed. note: The following are the position statements of candidates for ASUN offices contested in the primary election tomorrow and Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Jot Travis Union. The statements remain as submitted,

unedited or altered in any way. The College of Business Administration is the only one represented in the primary senatorial race, as it was the only college with more candidates that can be represented in the general election.

ASUN President

John McCaskill

Over the last years the ASUN government has meant to represent the students at UNR, but they have not been effective because ASUN has been virtually powerless.

Many problems have arisen and are still present because the BOARD OF REGENTS AND PEOPLE IN CARSON CITY KNOW WE ARE ONLY TRANSIENTS and believe they can hold us off until we go away.

Until now, they have been successful. But no more.

I HAVE THE MEANS TO WORK WITHIN THE SYSTEM. My experience in student government goes back to my high school days when I was Reno High School student body president. It has continued here at UNR. I represented the college of Arts and Science in the senate and was also active on the Publications Board.

This past year, I was the business manager for Artemisia and was on the selection committee which screened over 220 applicants for the position of Arts and Science dean.

Although most problems can be dealt with through conventional channels, I would not hesitate to go outside these channels to achieve our goals.

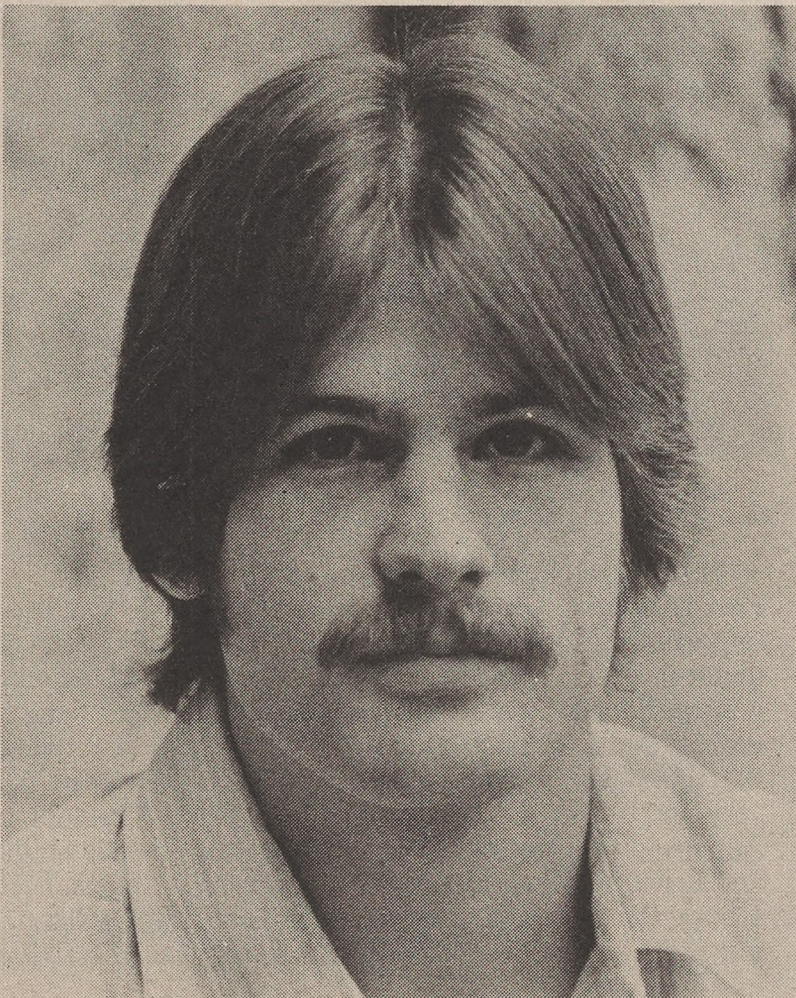
The most effective way to solve many of UNR's problems IS FOR THE STUDENTS TO ORGANIZE AND MAKE THEIR PRESENCE FELT. For a long time our state legislatures and board of regents have continued to ignore us. However, we have never made an attempt to organize the possible 28,100 voters that the University of Nevada system incorporates.

For two years, there has been an organization that was set up to represent the students in this state. It has only been organized at the top levels. THE POTENTIAL IS THERE, we must use it.

Through student voter registration drives, through our publications and by cooperating with all areas of the student body, WE WILL BEGIN TO SHOW THAT WE TOO ARE AN INTEREST GROUP TO BE DEALT WITH.

Currently we are 43rd in the U.S. in per capita income spent on education, and yet we are the only state which has an annual operating budget that runs in the black. THE LEGISLATURES IN CARSON CITY ARE GOING TO START REALIZING WE ARE NOT JUST AN INSTITUTION SEPARATE FROM THE STATE, BUT AN INTRICATE PART OF IT.

If only half the 28,000 students capable of voting were willing to express their views on candidates who would represent the university system in our state, WE COULD



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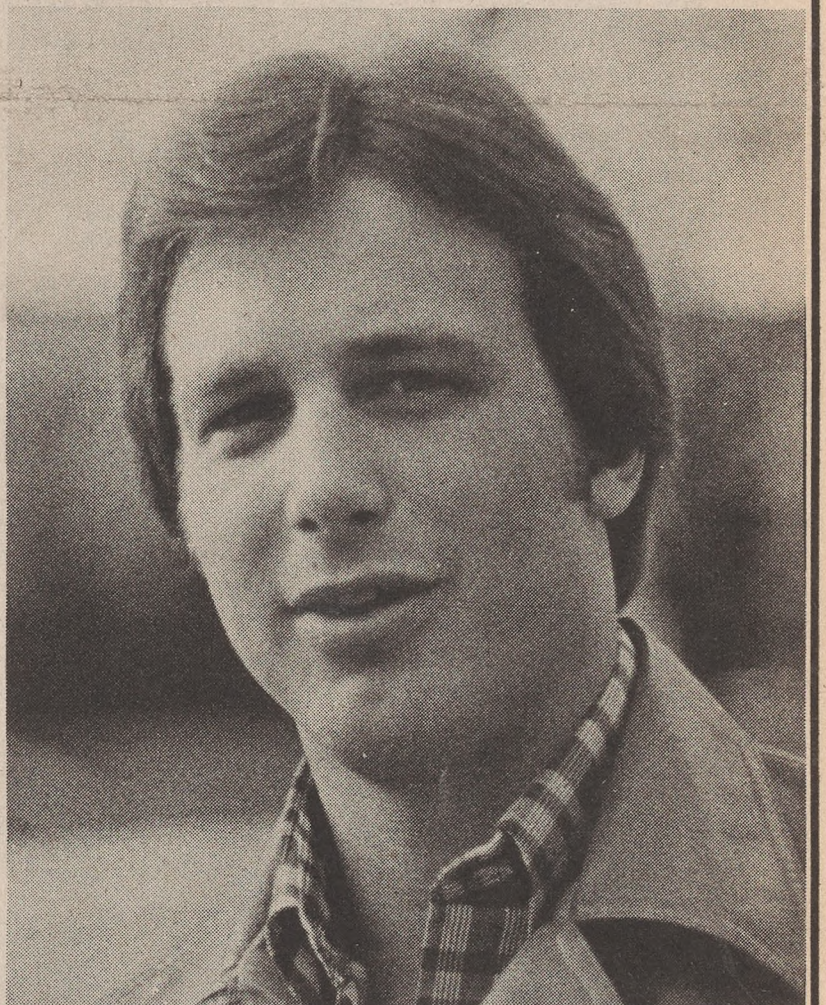
With this kind of backing, ASUN would no longer be powerless. No longer would a student walk into a Board of Regents meeting with 1,200 signatures on a petition and be completely ignored. No longer would those people who represent the university system in Carson City be made fools of. WE WOULD BE A VIABLE INTEREST GROUP THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THESE LEGISLATURES TO STAY IN OFFICE.

As an example, the recent consolidated fee controversy and special requests for such things as allowing consumption of BEER AT CERTAIN ASUN FUNCTIONS FOR STUDENTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 AND 21 must be considered and not ignored.

I am the person that can organize and effectively represent you when it comes to decisions that will determine whether the university will grow and prosper or just be considered a second-rate institution by those who make our decisions.

Mark Quinlan

I have attended UNR for the past three years and have lived in Reno all of my life. This past year I have become deeply involved in Student Government and have learned a great deal. I was a member of the following boards and committees: Senate: Publications Board: Academic Affairs Chairman: Program and Budget: Internal Affairs Committee: Grade Appeals Committee: Teacher-Course Evaluation Committee: U.S.U.N.S. Representative: State-wide Intramurals Committee Chairman: Senate President



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pro-tem. I am also a second year member of the UNR boxing team.

My primary reason for running for the office of ASUN President, is that since I have become so involved with Student Government, I have come to realize the possibilities and potential of Student Government. I feel that I can best represent all of the goals of the Student Body, and that I have the ability and the knowledge to implement them.

CONSOLIDATED FEE INCREASE: The full-time student should not have to subsidize the graduate student's education, and that is what the fee increase constitutes. The financial burden is being placed upon the full-time undergraduate students, and this is not an equal distribution. As President, I would work to reverse this increase.

OUT OF STATE TUITION: Although the petitions of students with over 1,000 signatures, were virtually ignored by the Regents, the fight for representation of the Students Rights on this campus must continue.

DORMITORIES: Simply, much more money is needed for renovation. I participated in a Leadership Conference this year which resulted in a grant from the Board of Regents of \$100,000. This should help matters in the very near future but more progress must be made in this area.

STUDENT LOBBY: There are more than 27,000 students in the University system of the University of Nevada. I intend to work for a powerful and influential lobby for the legislature to make our collective voice heard. We are a potent political force that before now has gone virtually unrepresented. We must harness this tremendous power and put it to our advantage.

TEACHER COURSE EVALUATION: I have served on this committee all year and have a great interest in this area. Any student has the right to learn as much as possible.

GRADE APPEALS: The students need a fair, just, and impartial system to appeal grades. I initiated this program this year and intend to implement this program at the earliest possible date.

U.S.U.N.S. (United Students of the University of Nevada System): I represented UNR at the U.S.U.N.S. Conference this year and through good ideas and hard work we can unite the students of the entire state to work through this organization for the preservation of our rights, and a powerful student lobby in the State Legislature.

In summation I would like to touch upon what I consider to be one of the major problems of our Student Government in the past. Some of the students in office feel that they are waging war against the Board of Regents. Through a system of mutual cooperation and trust a great deal can be accomplished, and I feel that I can complete this task. All I need is your support and your input and we can make next year a year to remember! Thank You.

Steve Scheerer

For those of you taking the time to read this statement, I welcome the opportunity to express my views. My name is Steve Scheerer and I am a candidate for the office of ASUN President. I ask for your assistance and support in this effort.

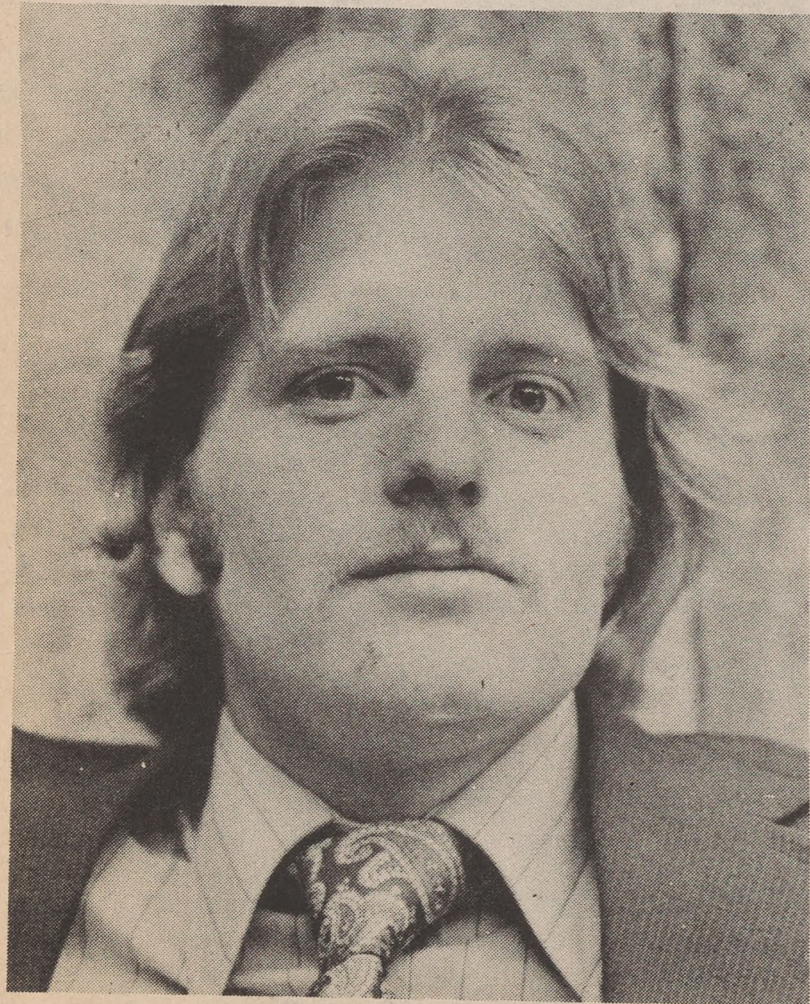
The office of ASUN President offers an unique opportunity for a student to shape the future of UNR activities and involvement for a year. Given the opportunity, I believe I will supply the necessary blend of knowledge, experience, and technical expertise to serve effectively as president.

My platform consists of the following planks:

(1) A program whereby free legal assistance will be available on campus to students. The legal assistance program will fill a void within the range of services offered by ASUN. This service will offer the student access to legal counsel and counsel access to a large clientele.

(2) Continued expansion of the "USUNS" (United Students of the University of Nevada System.) The USUNS has evolved from the drawing board to its present status as a viable tool for the collective student bodies of Nevada universities and community colleges to use. Its potential must be fully realized. USUNS offers us the opportunity to work together and plan for the common good in the spirit of communication and exchange.

(3) Elimination or relaxation of foreign language requirements for graduation. The foreign language proficiency requirement inhibits many students from com-



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pleting work in their chosen specialty. I suggest an alternative program whereby a student may satisfy this requirement with courses in cultural studies.

(4) Establishment of a Veterans Emergency Relief Fund. This fund would be established by ASUN and then augmented by funds solicited from those in the private sector who are sympathetic to the needs of veterans.

(5) Freedom of student publications from ASUN editorial review. I feel they should be responsive and responsible while maintaining their editorial freedom.

(6) Continued improvements to Residence Halls. I hope to work with the residents of each dorm in order to document their respective problem areas and bring them to the attention of the Regents.

(7) More musical events and lectures. I hope to implement collective booking arrangements with other universities and colleges to bring UNR the type of entertainment we all want. Additionally, I would like to see the clubs and organizations on campus work together cooperatively in order to stage group activities such as a craft fair in the Quad or other innovative proposals.

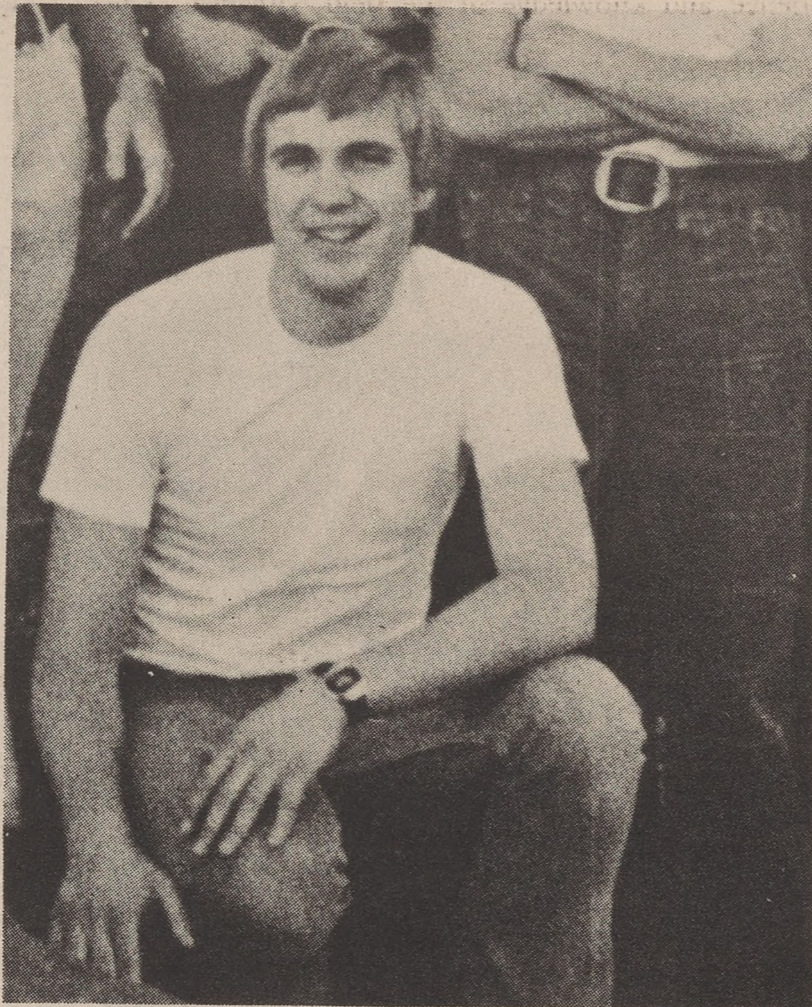
(8) Administration accountability to students and student government. I ask the administration to work with the ASUN in the spirit of accommodation and cooperation. I ask for more communication between the administration and ASUN.

At this juncture, I would like to express my appreciation for your interest and indulgence. In addition, I would like to thank my campaign manager, Bruce Harvey, the members of the Law Club, and many others too numerous to mention for their help and support in my campaign.

Please remember to vote STEVE SCHEERER for ASUN President.

Vice-President of Activities

Ross Chichester



"I believe that students do not have enough to say about what activities actually do come to UNR."

My name is Ross Chichester and I am running for Vice President of Activities. I believe this is one of the most important student offices here on campus. It is always under direct controversy from the students, and it always will be because we simply do not have the amount of money available to produce all of the types of activities that everyone wants to have. For this reason alone it is very important to have a person as Vice President of Activities that not only has the time, but also the ability and drive to follow through with campus activities. I feel I have the time and these qualities, and I am willing to put them to work to help produce a full year of activities in 77-78.

If elected I would like to work also to initiate some changes in the system, these being: A system where more clubs and the dorms could come before activities board and receive under-writes for dances and other

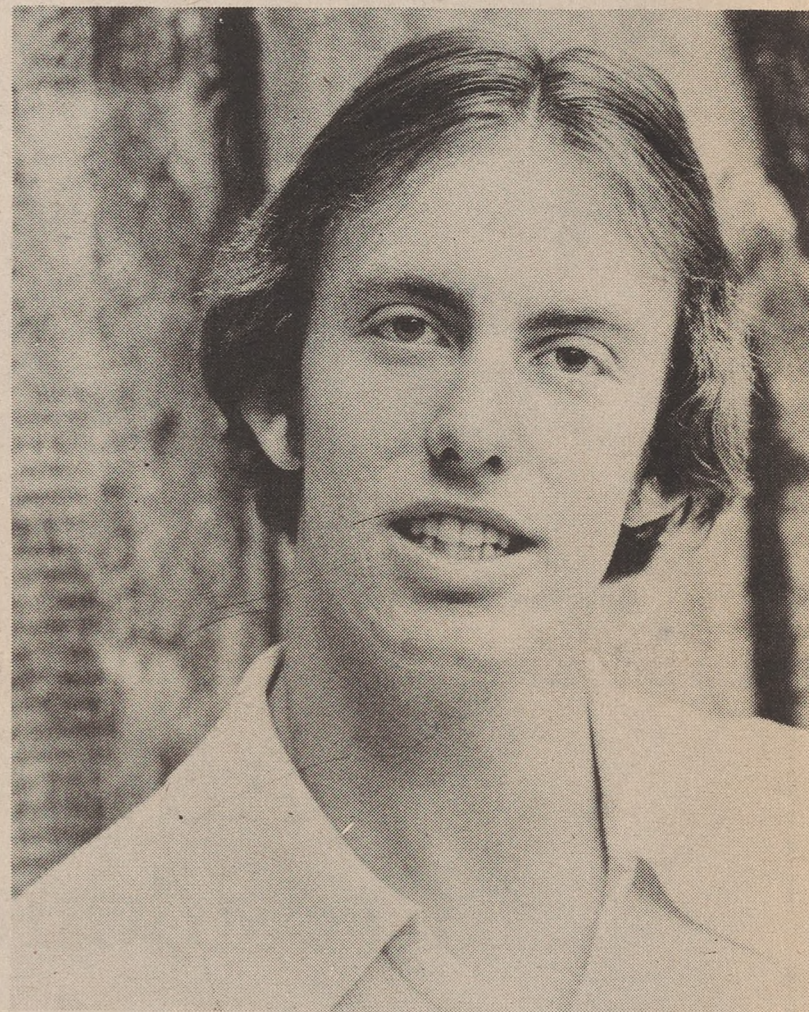
activities open to the entire campus, with any profit being kept by the dorm association or club. I would also work to set up a system through the United Students of the University of Nevada System to set up concerts and lectures in coordination with UNLV and the Community Colleges, thus lowering the cost to ASUN.

I believe that students do not have enough to say about what activities actually do come to UNR. I propose a student advisory council comprised of two students from each of the dorms, one student from each of the houses and three students at large. This group would meet and discuss activities and help schedule activities around each other and also send recommendations to the activities board for campus functions.

The Sunday night movies program on campus has been good. I feel it should be expanded to include another night of the week, and also more and better movies. I will work personally with producers over the summer to try to get a larger number of possibilities for concerts and lectures for the year.

I would like to ask your support on Wednesday and Thursday at the polls. This is a very important election this year. There are a lot of good candidates running for all of the offices. I would like to urge everyone of you to get out and vote for the candidates of your choice.

Kim Rowe



"We need 'showcase' activities . . ."

During the last two years I have been watching with some concern as to both the amount and type of activities that have been available to UNR students. How many students honestly feel that they have received their share of the \$62,000 that have been appropriated to the activities board for the past several years? The way to see that more students receive their share is: (1) through better management of the major activities; (2) a whole new program of activities; (3) opening activities up to more student input.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: In the past year 76 concert offers were presented to the board, of which 13 were accepted and only three of these have actually performed.

The promoters have taken advantage of the activities board by stalling and waiting for better concert offers. We need better working relations with the promoters and stricter provisions in the ASUN concert policy to deal with promoters holding out for such offers. The possibility of going outside of Nevada into California for promoters is one possibility that should be explored fully.

We need to be realistic as to the type of major activities available to us and use these resources to their full extent.

NEW ACTIVITIES: We need "showcase" activities on a regular schedule in the Jot Travis Lounge for the entertainment and enjoyment of all students.

Such entertainment would be relatively inexpensive and provide us with more activities than ever before. The list of small acts available at low costs from the producers is endless and exciting. The campus is very flexible. These events could be held in the Student Union, Old Gym, Dorms, Recreation Building or outdoors throughout the campus at a variety of times.

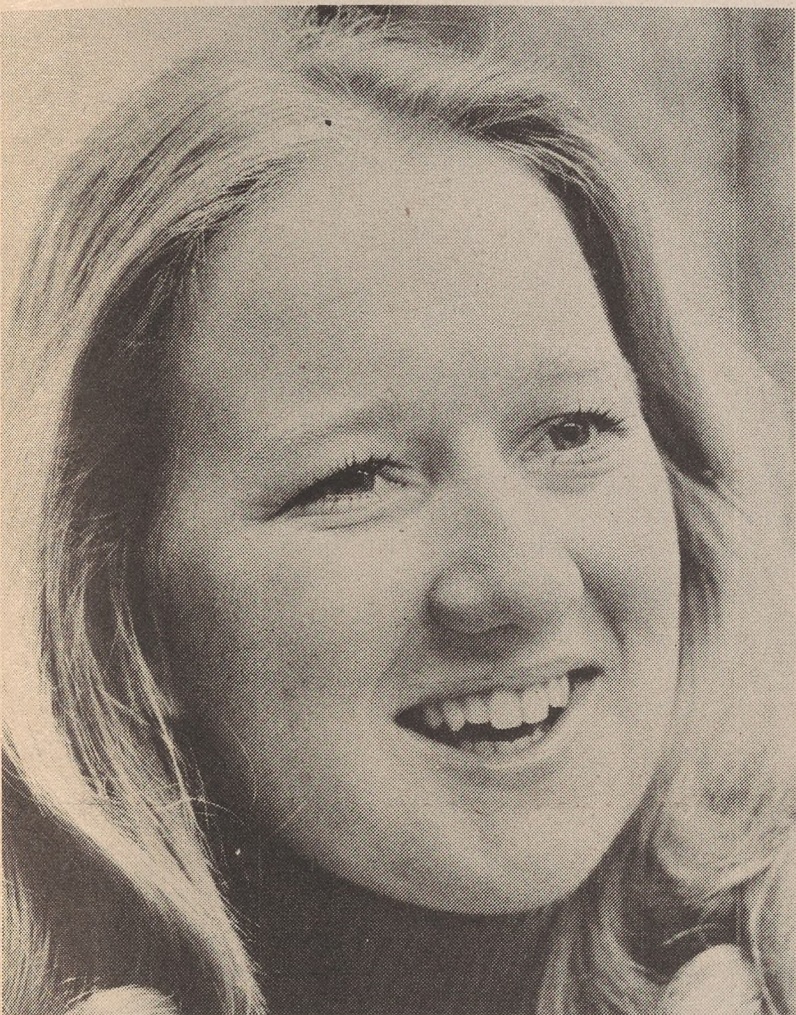
BETTER COMMUNICATIONS: An organization for student input composed of representatives from all major living groups and organizations should be set up.

A meeting every several weeks with these representatives would assure that the entertainment would no longer be selected by small, unrepresentative groups on campus.

OFFICE HOURS: This proposal was made by the ASUN public relations man this past year, but was not received well. Office hours are a must if the V. P. of Activities is to be available to the students. I will guarantee office hours throughout the week that will be posted and that I will adhere to.

What ASUN needs is a Vice President of Activities who will work hard to insure that UNR students have activities that are aimed at fulfilling their needs. With the proposals that I have briefly outlined, I feel I can provide these activities.

Sheri Skidmore



"... It takes the willingness and the drive ..."

Have you ever had one of those days when your cereal wouldn't snap, crackle, or pop, your 24-hour deodorant isn't, and even your prune juice won't make things run smoothly? And then, yes, to top things off, your favorite concert featuring the "Chartreuse Lizards" has been cancelled at the UNR gym—again. But don't worry, the "C. L." will be playing in S. F. for the second time

this year. In general, are you distressed with a boring Student Union? Do you feel there's nothing to do on weekend nights? Well, I don't have an answer for the first three problems (perhaps a letter to Ralph Nader or Ann Landers) but maybe for the rest, the answer is Sheri Skidmore for V. P. of Activities.

"But," you ask, "is she qualified for such a position?" Having served in the Senate, on Activities Board and on various committees for ASUN and also having worked with student government on another college campus, I feel I am aware of what is going on especially in this school in regards to student government. I feel it takes someone who has worked with the Senate and Activities Board to know what is required of them and what sort of work is entailed. I feel I am familiar with the procedures involved and would be that much further ahead of my opponents. Yes, I feel I have the qualifications to be a good V. P. of Activities.

But it takes more than qualifications to make a good anything. In this case it takes the willingness and the drive to go out and find activities, find entertainment and not wait for it to come to me. This year's Activities Board in regards to concerts found itself victimized because it was a small university. I know we can combat that by over-scheduling ourselves and staying one jump ahead.

V. P. takes someone who wants to do the job, who is willing to put in the hours, but most of all to be a good V. P. it takes your support. With the efforts of all the students behind me, I'm sure we can make the 1977-78 year the best ever for activities.

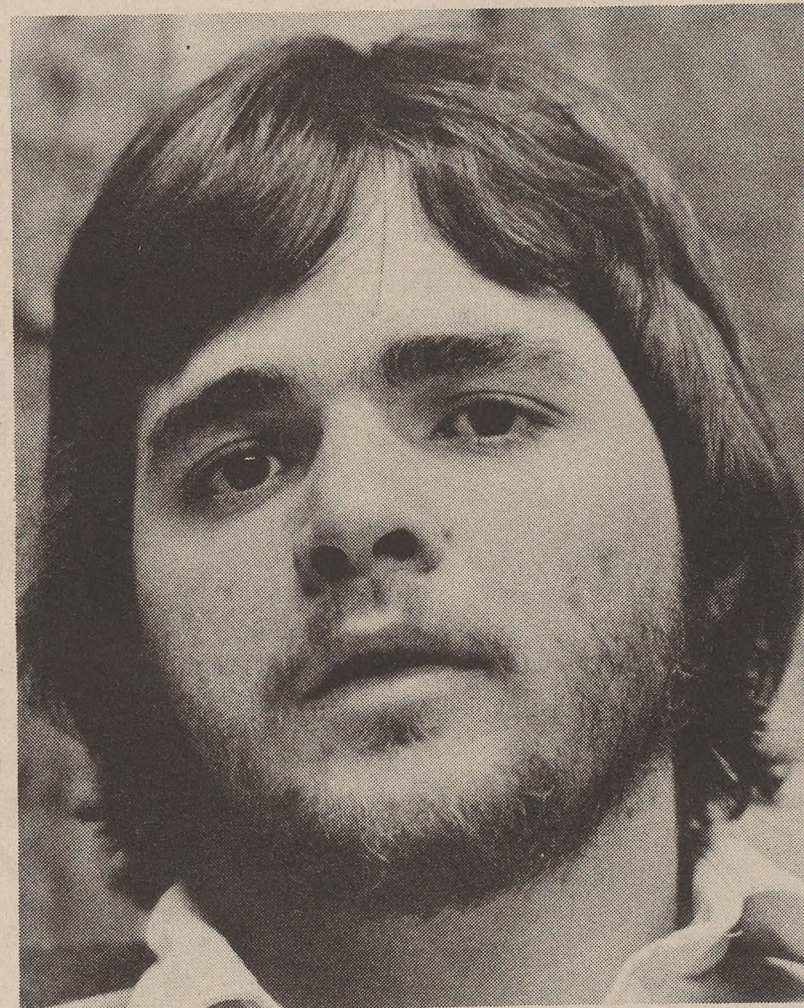
Vice-President of Finance and Publications Paul Etchgoyhen

I am Paul Etchegoyhen and I'm running for the office of Vice-President of Finance and Publications.

BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE: I am a junior majoring in Accounting. This past year I was a senator representing the College of Business. The fall semester I was on the Finance Control Board and this current semester I am on the Publications Board. I have served on the Dean's Advisory Council for the Business College and the committees I am on are the Senate Rules and Actions, and the Teacher-Class Evaluation Committee.

I am aware of the duties and responsibilities that the office of Vice-President of Finance and Publications has, and I am also familiar with the problems facing the job today. I don't pretend to have all the answers to all the problems. I believe, however, that my experience and background will enable me to handle any unforeseeable problems that the job will encounter.

In the way of Publications, I have served on the committee for Teacher-Class Evaluation and I believe it would be very beneficial to students and faculty to have a manual evaluating the classes and teachers. A lot of progress has been made concerning the Teacher-Class Evaluation manual and I will promise to continue working on it. For Publications in general I believe they should have greater autonomy from the student government. Many problems arise when you have a Publications Board that is full of senators who, for the most part, have had no prior experience in editing or writing, yet this board is overseeing editors and people who have much more experience and knowledge in the field. However, I do believe there should be some accountability to student government by publications because as the system is now, students are funding these publications and they should know how their money is being used. So, financially, publications should be accountable to the Publications Board, but I think government is overstepping their authority in telling an editor what he can or can't write or print in their publication. This is why it is a very important step to choose an editor of a publication



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(Sagebrush, Artemisia, etc.). If in choosing an editor you choose one who is competent and experienced you, in most cases, won't have to worry about the content being objectionable in his or her publication.

The Finance Control Board is a very important board as it allocates most of the money given to recognized

ASUN organizations. Planning is an important aspect of this board so that the money is used to the best possible

advantage. I believe my background in Accounting and my experience on Finance Control Board will be helpful to me in planning and organizing a budget that will make use of the students' money in the most beneficial way.

Many ASUN sports organizations come before the Finance Control Board requesting money (Women's ski team, Rodeo club, Soccer club, etc.). I believe that many

of these organizations could receive some funds from the intercollegiate athletics fund or perhaps another alternative, such as a booster banquet, could be started for these teams. This would let other recognized ASUN organizations, who have no other alternatives, to receive more money from ASUN funds.

I encourage everyone to vote and whether you be GDI, Greek, or whatever, I hope you consider voting for me on the election days.

Beth Morgan

As a candidate for Vice-President of Finance and Publications, I don't stand on any platform. I stand on the ground with the students.

I am a strong advocate of extending total freedom of speech to student publications, and leaving editorial control in the hands of the editors.

Sagebrush, in particular, is not only watchdog of the faculty, administration and board of regents, but also the ASUN government. This creates innate conflict, and



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in the four years I have been a student here there has been conflict every year.

If elected, I would work to sever the link between publisher and government by having a publications board elected at large, to meet once a month solely to deal with student publications' finances.

For the financial part of my job, I don't think an accounting degree could give me a greater sensitivity to student body needs and priorities, and I intend to adjust my *personal* views and priorities until they mesh as closely as possible with where *students* want their money spent.

ASUN is the students... and it's time the government was held more accountable to student concerns.

I have not ever held elected office at this university, but I have been actively involved, as a student, in pertinent issues throughout my four years. I gained political insight about working within the system, to change the system, as a congressional intern with Senator Laxalt in Washington, D.C. last semester.

I could promise to achieve student government miracles next year as Vice-President of Finance and Publications, but miracles of any kind are few and far between. I want to start from an honest position, that only strong leadership will initiate change, and only hard work will bring it about.

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Nick Rossi



" . . . an approach of objectivity and innovation . . . "

My name is Nick Rossi and I am running for the office of Vice-President of Finance and Publications. I have been a student of UNR for six semesters including this one. Currently my college is Arts and Science and Political Science is my major field.

I have been involved in student government for the past year as an ASUN senator from Arts and Science. During my term I have served on the following committees: Publications Board, Program and Budget, and Community Affairs.

The office of VP of Finance and Publications is an important position in ASUN government. I feel that I am capable of bringing new solutions and an approach of objectivity and innovation to problems that have remained stagnant over the past couple of years.

Briefly, my platform consists of several basic points which I feel deal effectively with the issues facing the VP of Finance and Publications.

1. We need to have better lines of communication between the office of Vice-President of Finance and Publications, the Publications themselves, and members of Publications Board. I propose a special conference composed of these groups to familiarize each other with their jobs and their problems.

2. I would like to hold regular meetings with the Editors and Business Managers to discuss such topics as funding, expansion, and long-range goals for Publications such as self-sufficiency from ASUN funding.

3. I would push strongly for a practical and working student-teacher course evaluation. For maximum efficiency I would try to make this evaluation form short, concise, and above all, fair to both students and faculty.

4. We need a dependable grade appeals program whereby all students would have a chance to fight for their rights. This program would be a positive thrust away from the present situation which offers students little opportunity to discuss grade grievances with the faculty.

5. Students need a powerful lobby program to make our voice heard when budgets for UNR come under consideration at Nevada Board of Regents meetings and in the Nevada Legislature.

6. Finance-Control Board must make its practices more readily understandable and accessible to all students. This must be accomplished along with a reorganization of student funding priorities so more students and organizations can get funding.

I will not pretend to possess the answer for every problem on this campus. Likewise, I can promise only one thing. I will be fair, honest, and above all, a protector of student rights. Primary elections are tomorrow and Thursday. I would appreciate your vote.

College of Business Administration Senators

Greg Neuweiler

My name is Gregory 'Newy' Neuweiler, and I'm running for Business Senator. I am a junior with a dual major in Architecture and Finance Pre-Law.

As your senator I will put student interest first and strive for quality education. The only way to get the quality education that's needed in our state is to develop a strong student lobby in Carson City—so our voices will be heard where it counts.

In my 10 years of working in business, I have had to deal with all levels of management, so I am in a unique position to understand both student problems and those of the "real world." With this experience, I feel I can help develop a rapport—a fluid line of communications between the students and the Senate, the Senate and the Regents, the Regents and the legislature. To solve our problems—like overcrowded classrooms, badly-needed equipment, rising student fees, unnecessary budget cuts, high student-teacher ratios, reconditioning of dorms—it takes money. No matter how much complaining we do, nothing will get changed if we don't get the money necessary to improve our campus. And the only way to get the additional funds is to get ourselves united behind our student leaders and get our voice heard in Carson City.

Remember, the first step is your vote. If you really want change on our campus, then get out and support the candidates of your choice. We need leaders that are going to support us—the students.

Cindy Thomas

I am a sophomore in Accounting and Economics and I am running for Senate from the College of Business because I feel I can accomplish many things for the students of this University.

This past year I spent as Administrative Assistant to Jim Stone. I attended all Senate meetings, many meetings of Finance Control and Publications Board, and Board of Regents meetings.

The most striking thing I learned during the year is what tremendous potential Student Government has to fulfill the needs of the students. This potential can only be realized when enough input is forthcoming from the elected officials. I am running for Senate because I have the energy and enthusiasm to get the most out of the job. A few of the issues I would work for next year are:

1. New Business Building—this is sorely needed and I would do all I could to insure construction as soon as possible.

2. Smaller sections—with a new dean entering office in July, now is the time to get organized and work on ways to decrease the size of sections.

3. Better Communication with the Administration and Community as a whole—if graduates expect to look for jobs in this community it is very important to maintain good lines of communication with future employers.

These are just a few of the more important problems we will be facing next year. I feel I am the most qualified candidate to deal with these problems.

John Youmans

My name is John Youmans and I'd like to be your senator in the College of Business Administration. I'm a sophomore majoring in Economics with a 3.34 GPA. Through being active on the Homecoming and Winter

Carnival committees, I've gained insight into the workings of Student Government and want to become actively involved in ASUN by serving on the Senate.

Furthermore, if elected, your interests, problems and ideas would become mine to bring before the senate. I would always be available to talk or to meet with anyone interested in discussing student and University affairs.

Blundering through

The Nevada State Attorney General has stated that the **Sagebrush** newspaper shall not print advertising which advocates the writing of a thesis or term paper falsifying authorship. Regarding the "Little Penny" ad in Tuesday's issue, **Sagebrush** regrets the error.

The advertisement on page four of Tuesday's **Sagebrush**, "Vote GDI," should have been labeled "paid political advertisement." **Sagebrush** regrets the oversight.

The editor and **Sagebrush** staff apologize for the sequence error of Tuesday's issue on the candidates' pages. By consent of the ASUN Publications Board, we reprint that portion of the paper to insure fair coverage of all candidates.

We even misspelled Kelsie's name.

Sagebarbs

Position papers for all general election candidates are due by noon today in the basement of Morrill Hall.