

Cartoonist to roast media

Two-time Pulitzer Prize winner Jeff MacNelly, syndicated cartoonist from the Chicago Tribune, will give the University's seventh annual Ruhl Lecture on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the EMU Ballroom.

The 34-year-old cartoonist is expected to take "a whimsical look at journalistic ethics and press performance."

MacNelly's editorial cartoons appear in about 500 newspapers nationwide. He won a Pulitzer in 1972 and again in 1978 for his editorial cartoons, but he left that field almost a year ago to concentrate on his comic strip "Shoe," which is carried by 800 papers. Last

March, MacNelly joined the staff of the Tribune and resumed editorial cartooning.

"I thought the country had straightened out eight months ago, but I see we did not, so it was time to come back," MacNelly said. "I really missed editorial cartooning. I thought that through the strip I could vent my spleen and be funny at the same time. But when it came to humor, there's no substitute for reality and politicians," he said.

MacNelly, originally from New York City, graduated from Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and then attended the University of North Carolina. He started as a \$120-a-week artist

and cartoonist for a weekly newspaper in Chapel Hill, N.C., and from 1971 to 1980 he was an editorial cartoonist for the Richmond, Va., News Leader.

In addition to the Pulitzers, MacNelly has won the Reuben Award of the National Cartoonist's Society twice as well as the George Polk Award.

MacNelly's lecture ends the University's Ruhl Symposium, sponsored by the journalism school and funded by the Robert H. Ruhl Endowment. The endowment was created by Mabel Ruhl of Medford as a memorial to her late husband, a long-time editor and publisher of the Medford Mail-Tribune.

SUAB elects Allen chairer

The Student University Affairs Board on Thursday elected Dan Allen as its new chairer and Lori Kleinsmith as vice chairer.

Allen, who has served on the board since October, replaces Gale Graham, a two-year SUAB member. An interim chairer will replace Allen during the summer while he attends school in Europe.

Allen says he will allocate more time to lobbying the University Senate and the state Legislature, an effort he says has been lacking this year.

Irregular attendance by board members which has plagued SUAB meetings this year must be changed, Allen said.

In addition to elections, the board also approved a proposal to be presented at Wednesday's University Senate assembly. The plan would establish a six-member student committee to work alongside the Faculty Advising Committee, rather than SUAB appointing a member to the faculty board.

"Students have always taken the third level under the faculty and administration here," said Graham. "There are more students to represent, but the faculty outnumbers us on the committees."

"To put students in with faculty members would cause conflict here," said Jack Sanders, a University religious

studies professor who addressed the board. "What students want with the budget and what the faculty wants are entirely different."

SUAB also unanimously approved three amendments to its bylaws. The first states that only elected board members can be selected as SUAB chairer and vice chairer — an issue Graham has been especially concerned with due to the selection of a non-elected SUAB member as chairer two years ago.

The other bylaw amendments specify that SUAB members cannot miss two consecutive meetings and that they must serve on at least one campus committee.

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Constitutional questions, I refer to cooperating volunteer attorneys who research the problem and report to the Southern District Lawyers' Committee."

The 15-member committee then decides whether or not to get involved. To date, 25 cases have been referred to volunteer attorneys, but only a handful have been approved for participation.

The attorneys get absolutely no pay — any fees recovered in a successful action go to the ACLU. "So we don't load attorneys up with inconsequential, minor cases," Fidanque says.

"We're picky about things we take on and we have to be."

Many of the requests initially filtered out by Fidanque because they don't raise Constitutional questions have to do with employment discrimination or child custody. He refers employment problems to the State Bureau of Labor and custody questions to private attorneys. Even so, if a case the union takes doesn't look to set new precedent and expand individual rights, it's usually of a type Fidanque calls "esoteric"

— of apparently limited general interest.

For example, the union has filed briefs on the side of two of the three adult bookstores raided Jan. 7. ACLU challenges the validity of the warrants. Lane County Circuit Court Judge James Hargreaves has ruled in favor of the bookstores on the grounds that the warrants, having failed to particularly describe the property to be seized, constituted Constitutional violations of both free speech and search and seizure procedure.