

# Humane Society: rodeo cruel; rodeo club members disagree

A recent study by the national office of the Humane Society concluded that some events in a rodeo, such as the one held at the State Fairgrounds last Friday and Saturday, are unnecessarily cruel to animals, but Steve Lauer, president of the UNL Rodeo Club, says the alleged cruelty is unfounded.

"The animals are more cruel to the contestants than the other way around," Lauer said.

"There is no way a person in a rodeo would abuse an animal, because that's his source of income," he said.

### Cruelty in roping

The study cited team roping as an example of the cruelty. The event involves the roping of the head and legs of a bull by two riders who then attempt to render the animal immobile by pulling the ropes in opposite directions.

The bull may sustain torn ligaments in this event, the report said.

Troy Smith, another rodeo club member, says most of the bulls used would have been slaughtered if they were not used in the rodeo, because they are not good enough for breeding stock.

### Horse riding

Referring to the horses in the rodeo, Smith said they, too, are not subjected to cruelty.

"If you add up all the time horses in the rodeo are ridden, especially the broncos, it is less than any other horse. If they weren't in the rodeo," Smith said, "they would end up as dog food because they don't make good saddle horses."

The report also pointed out that much rodeo stock is used over and over in preparation for the event, and not just for the few minutes they are in the sight of the fans.

Bernard Patton, director of the Nebraska Humane Society, said all branches of the society are working to eliminate the inhumane treatment of animals in rodeos by publicizing what they believe to be cruel treatment.

### Blind to cruelty

"Some people can't see cruelty in a rodeo because they don't want to see it," he said. "They won't admit it's cruel simply because of the money they can get out of it."

"They don't think the steers or calves have any feelings," he said.

Smith said that opposition toward rodeos has increased in the last few years, but it always comes from sources outside the rodeo.

"I've never heard of anyone familiar with the rodeo who has complained about it," Smith said.

# Jobless students must meet requisites

A bill which allows full-time students who also work full-time to be eligible for unemployment compensation if they lose their jobs was signed into law last week by Gov. J. James Exon. However, there are some qualifications in the bill which will keep many students from being eligible, according to Will Sheehan, chief of benefits at the State Employment and Job Service Office.

Under the new law, introduced as LB370 by Adams Sen. George Burrows, a student is eligible only if he has earned \$600 in two of the last four quarters of a year, Sheehan said, and these quarters must have been while the student was attending school full-time.

Summer jobs usually will not count, he said, unless the student is attending summer school full-time.

In addition, if the student is laid off the job, he must be "able and available" to work during that time, Sheehan said. A student who takes an additional course at the school during the time he previously was on the job, would thus be ineligible.

Sheehan said his office has answered inquiries by students into the bill, but found that few of those who asked about it were eligible.

To be a full-time student and a full-time employe is not a common combination, he said, and many students who are now in that situation have not been in it long enough to qualify.

Until 18 months ago, UNL full-time students could not work full time, according to Jack Ritchie, UNL director of scholarship and financial aid, but the policy was changed by the NU Board of Regents. He said this could account for the low number of students who are eligible for the compensation.

# calendar

**Monday**  
8:30 p.m.—Housing Office—Nebraska Union Room 216  
3 p.m.—Career Action Commission—Response Group—Union 216  
6 p.m.—Towne Club—Union

Harvest Room AB  
6 p.m.—Volunteer Bureau—Tax Assistance—Union 225G  
6:30 p.m.—Kappa Alpha Psi—Union 232  
7 p.m.—Nebraska Human Resources Foundation Potentiality Development Project—Union Auditorium  
7 p.m.—Table Tennis Club—Union Conference Rooms  
7 p.m.—Delta Sigma Pi—Union 337  
7 p.m.—Nebraska Karate Association Workshop—Union

Ballroom  
7:15 p.m.—Pi Kappa Alpha—Union 343  
7:30 p.m.—Free University "Controlled Learning"—Union 216  
7:30 p.m.—Math Counselors—Union 225 B-C  
8 p.m.—"Sleuth"—Community Theatre  
9 p.m.—Nebraska Human Resources Foundation Potentiality Development Project—Union 202  
3, 7 and 9 p.m.—"A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Sheldon Art Gallery

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**April 17**

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Mathematics 201c/801c - Geometry for Elementary Teachers (Sect. 810), 3 cr., P/F Optional, Profs. Max Larsen and Walter Mientka. Open to Elementary Education Majors. Tues., April 15, 4:30 p.m., Old H. 938; Fri. Apr. 18, 4:30 p.m., Old H. 938.

Physics 917 - Quantum Mechanics II (Sect. 810), 3 cr., P/F Optional, Prof. Dan W. Schlitt. Mon. Apr. 14, 3:30 p.m., Brace Lab. 113N; Tues., Apr. 15, 3:30 p.m., Brace Lab. 113N.

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