

Show set for state fairgrounds

Club's registered cat show to be Saturday

By Jim Garrett

Purebred cats may not be as well known to the general public as the registered dog, but that doesn't hold true among members of the Lincoln Cat Club, Inc.

The Cat Fanciers' Association, which affiliates the Lincoln Cat Club, is comparable to the American Kennel Club (AKC) for dogs, said Kathleen Kline.

Kline, spokesperson and past president of the Lincoln Cat Club, said the club is sponsoring a purebred cat show, open to registered cats only on Saturday at the Nebraska State Fairgrounds.

Breeders from the United States and Canada will bring their cats and kittens to Lincoln for the show. She said the popular breeds like the Persians, Siamese and Himalayan, will be shown as well as others like the tail-less Manx, Maine Coon Cat (an American domesticated cat) and American shorthair breed.

Kline said most showman and breeders of registered cats have come from the ranks of the everyday household cat owner.

"Coming to cat shows provides a way of introduction to the sport of catshowing," Kline said. "It is a unique way to learn more about cats, their diets, grooming and breeding techniques, as well."

The breeds of the show can be divided into four general areas, Kline said. They are the "natural", breed such as the Siamese, the "hybrid" breeds, such as the Oriental shorthair and Himalayan; the "naturally established" breeds, such as the Somalian cat; and the "experimental breeds", which are not yet recognized breeds, Kline said.

Seven regions across the United States will have cat shows during the year. Each region will host cat shows, and send in the top winners' results to the national office in Ocean, N.J. The top cats from across the nation will be chosen for national recognition from their regions.

The association recognizes 26 breeds of cats for competition, which she said must be purchased and registered before they may enter.

America has two breeds that were developed within the United States under the domesticated cat, the Maine

Coon cat, which is a longhair species, and the American Shorthair cat.

The most sought after award is the Grand Champion cat award. The champion cat must have previously won against 200 other cats within the regional champion award level. The top award will always stay with that cat and its kittens as part of their registered papers.

"Unlike dog shows, cats are not expected to perform in any way, except to be beautiful," Kline said. "Each breed is judged according to a written standard of perfection for that particular breed."

Correction

It was reported incorrectly in Monday's Daily Nebraskan that the Buzz Books would go on sale today at the university bookstores on both Lincoln campuses and at Nebraska Bookstore.


According to Bryan Bredhauer, a member of the Tau Kappa Epsilon, the fraternity sponsoring the publication, the student directories will go on sale Wednesday at the bookstores. The Daily Nebraskan regrets the reporter's error.

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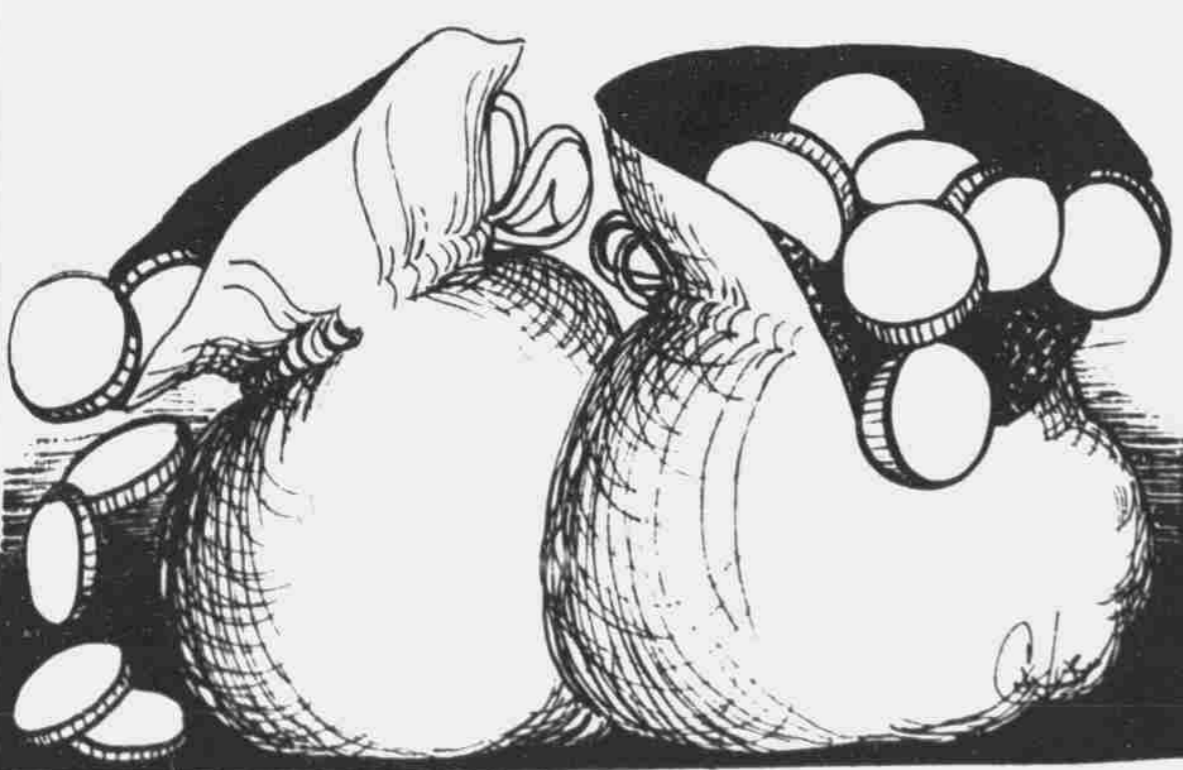


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