

ASUN debates night towing alternatives

By George Phillips

ASUN passed a resolution Wednesday forming an ad hoc committee to work with UNL Police and administration on finding an alternative to night time towing. Night towing is between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Lieutenant John Burke from UNL Police presented statistics showing that between August 1982 and July 1983, 300 vehicles were towed for unpaid violations and 115 for all other violations. During the same time, 1,702 vehicles were towed during the day.

Teachers college Senator Heidi Burkund said no viable alternative to night towing exists.

Lieutenant Burke said the paper work involved with holding grades is unrealistic.

Andy Carothers, arts and sciences senator, said holding grades would affect neither students who do not register their vehicles nor faculty.

ASUN President Matt Wallace said the possibility of assaults because of night towing is the real issue.

Last year, two sexual assaults were reported on campus, a decrease from four in 1982. Concern was raised about the number of unreported assaults and the damage caused by the fear of assault.

Parking availability for commuters, especially on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, was mentioned as a concern that police are looking into.

Farm funds to be topic

In his weekly press conference, Gov. Bob Kerrey said the severe financial problems of many farmers have made agricultural finance foremost in the minds of most midwestern governors.

The governors will gather in Washington, D.C., Feb. 25 through 28 for the annual National Governors' Conference. Kerrey said each governor originally was assigned to one of several subcommittees dealing with various areas of agriculture. However, the governors are concerned with the financial situation, so the discussion will deal mainly with solving financial problems, Kerrey said.

"There are far more problems out there than most of us thought," Kerrey said.

Two areas about which Kerrey expressed concern are the inability of many farmers to receive loans to help them survive until harvest, and the low prices a farmer's assets bring when he has to sell out.

Kerrey is taking nine people with him to Washington, including four staff members and representatives from the Policy Research Office, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Economic Development and the Tax Commission.

Kerrey said he takes them because the trip fosters staff development, and staff members gain useful ideas from other states staff members.

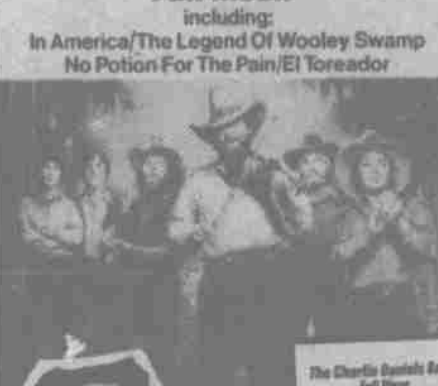
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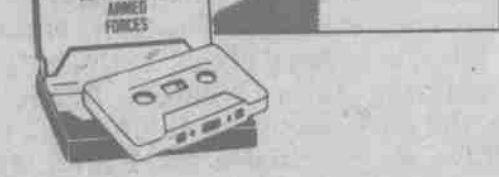
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