

Friday

**Weather:**

Valentine's Day forecast: Cloudy this morning with clearing this afternoon. High today of 27 with the low in the mid to upper teens. The weekend outlook calls for cloudy skies and cooler temps.

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## Budget axe could shear student zeal

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**Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles examining possible budget cuts by department.**

If the budget-cutting axe falls as proposed on the College of Business Administration, Nebraska students, high school through graduate levels, will suffer, said business college

officials.

Proposed cuts, officially called reallocations to instructional programs, total \$208,000.

The \$25,000 reallocation proposed for the Center for Economic Education would eliminate economics courses for future high school teachers, said Roger Riefler, chairman of the Economics Department. Introductory economics courses at secondary schools throughout the state would become scarce as the number of qualified economics teachers drops, he said.

"In the long run, students will come here less prepared in economics," Riefler said.

The center's director, Bill Walstad, was not available for comment.

Economics workshops statewide also would be eliminated, Riefler said. At least one of the three graduate students who run the workshops will no longer be funded, he said.

Riefler said he thinks it's fortunate that only a small percentage of the center's funding comes from the state — most is from private donations. But

the \$25,000 reduction represents about half the state's commitment, he said.

"You sort of wait for the other shoe to drop," he said. "It's going to be devastating."

Undergraduates majoring in business also would be hurt by proposed cuts. Students would have to maintain a 2.8 grade point average to take 300-level or 400-level classes. Currently, a 2.5 GPA is required for upper-level status.

D'Vee Buss, the college's director of advising, said that in recent semesters classes originally intended for 40 stu-

dents have been forced to move into auditoriums to accommodate enrollment increases.

The budget cut proposal is intended to reduce these growing classes by reducing enrollment in the college, she said. No specific price tag is attached to this proposal.

Blocking students from enrolling in more difficult courses will allow students with higher grades to receive a better education, Buss said.

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## Stationery, callers affect Labeledz stand on banned film

By Jonathan Taylor  
Senior Reporter

Lincoln Sen. Bernice Labeledz said Thursday that she did not sign a letter responding to the "Hail, Mary" film cancellation because some constituents object to the movie's content and she objects to the stationery the letter was sent on.

The letter, signed by Lincoln Sen. Dave Landis and 13 other state senators, said decisions about university funding would not be influenced by the choice of films at the Sheldon Art Gallery.

Labeledz said she opposed the letter because Landis used Legislature Executive Board stationery rather than his own. Some executive board members might not approve of the movie and use of the stationery could misrepresent them, she said.

"In no case would I have signed it," she said.

Labeledz said she expressed her concern about canceling the film but did not send a letter to NU or Sheldon officials.

Labeledz said she called Dan Ladely, Sheldon Film Theatre director, after receiving about 40 complaints about the film.

"I told him I was concerned about the film and that I did not want what happened in Boston and New York to happen at our university," Labeledz said. Demonstrations occurred in those cities.

Many of the people who called or visited her office last week were concerned that "taxpayers' dollars" were being used for "something that was wrong," Labeledz said.

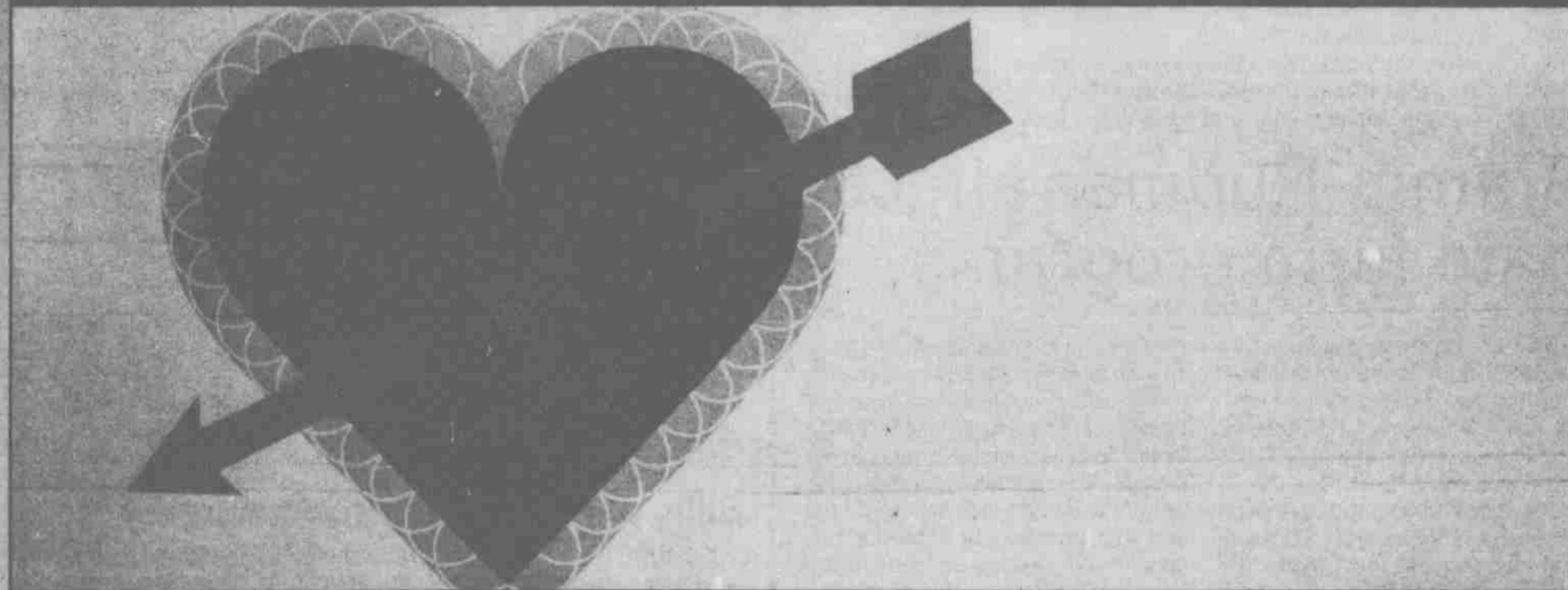
Because of one caller's request, she said, she asked Ladely how much the state funded the operation of Sheldon.

Labeledz said she also told Ladely she would "let him know if I felt it was necessary to introduce a resolution to the Legislature to determine whether the film should be shown."

Labeledz said she has not seen the movie and is basing her opinion from the calls she received from people who had seen the private screening and told her about it.

"The movie is not something I would show anyone," she said.

## LINCOLN TRANSPORTATION



Valentine's salutations from Lincoln Transportation System.

Mark Davis/Daily Nebraskan

## All aboard the LTS 'Love Bus' Passengers warm up to 'Pavement Princess'

By Charles Lieurance  
Senior Reporter

*"Love, exciting and new, come aboard, we're expecting you."*

— theme from "The Love Boat"  
You say you want to get away for Valentine's Day?

You say you want to visit exotic ports of call like Russ's IGA and the Veteran's Hospital, find romance with some dashing stranger and live life the way you see it lived on TV?

For Valentine's Day, the Lincoln Transportation System is giving you that chance.

LTS's "Love Bus," or "Pavement Princess" as it was affectionately

dubbed, sailed its maiden voyage Thursday, hoping to generate some warmth and affection on its journey down O Street in the February cold.

As the bus left the curb, the faces aboard were hesitant to leave the mundane stress of life behind them and break into the carefree grins associated with Cupid's spell.

One cynic, Dorothy Swain (not played by Barbie Benton or Karen Valentine) summed up some initial reactions.

"I think I've kind of outgrown Valentine's Day," Swain said.

The only man (not played by John Davidson) seated next to a woman on the bus reacted with equal enthusiasm.

"This woman is my supervisor," he said. "You want her to hit you?"

The woman, Pam Dughman of Lincoln, said she had just broken up with her boyfriend and she wasn't one to talk to about romance. She insisted that she wasn't on the "Love Bus" by choice. The doctor simply wouldn't let her drive, she said.

Lina like "I'm too old for love," and "I didn't even notice the hearts on the side" spread through the bus like wildfire.

This is the first year that LTS has painted a bus for the holidays. This Christmas the bus was painted with holly and Christmas ornaments. Now the bus is adorned with hearts and

lacy filigree for Valentine's Day.

As the bus left port from a stop-over at the Veteran's Hospital, the mood lightened. Apparently no one wanted to go into the hospital to get souvenirs of the maiden voyage, or perhaps they were afraid the "Love Bus" would leave without them, so they got acquainted.

The captain, Rick Brooney, who has been with LTS for four years, initially said that he noticed no difference between behavior on the "Love Bus" and any other bus. But as the bus steamed out of the parking lot, even he was involved in conversation.

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