

Few find fault with standing students

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the bleachers through the first half of the game.

But, because 27 rows separated those students from non-student seating, they did not block non-student spectators' views of the game.

Most students standing on the bleachers actually inconvenienced other students seated in row 41 during Saturday's game, the Daily Nebraskan found.

Students sitting in row 41, located just above the mid-section aisles that separate rows 40 and 41, were the only spectators who said they could not see the football field because of those

standing on bleachers in the lower portions of sections 13, 14 and 15.

Katie Faust, a UNL sophomore, said she could not see the game, even when standing, from her seat in section 14, row 41.

"The last couple of games, it was not a problem," Faust said. "This time, it was."

Police officers had yet to ask those standing in front of her to stand down, she said.

At an Association of Students of the University of Nebraska meeting last month, senators said the UNL police had refused to enforce the "stand down" policy.

Gina Wiles and Rebecca Dame,

UNL sophomores also seated in row 41, said event security staff sometimes asked those obscuring the row's view to stand down, but to no avail.

Wiles and Dame continued to stand in the footwells because "they asked us to," they said. But if they stood on the bleachers like those in front of them, they would have been able to see the game.

But, they said, students standing on bleachers were excited about a high-action night game and didn't deserve to lose their seats next fall because of their enthusiasm.

Those in non-student seats in section 12 sitting in rows 68 to 79 had difficulty seeing the game and loudly expressed their frustration.

Sheryl Jedlick, a UNL alumna, said she was unhappy she paid for two seats in the first row of section 12, yet those standing in the aisle in front of her and on bleachers in section 13 below forced her to stand to watch the game.

She said it "wouldn't be a bad idea" to move student seats, because the "stand down" policy was not being enforced by police or event security staff.

Security staff member Quinn Eddy, a UNL senior, said security tried to keep students off the bleachers, but they would only stay off bleachers for brief periods.

"We can tell them to (stand

down, but it's a student section," Eddy said. "They're just here to show their support by standing up."

Security receives the most complaints about those standing in the lower half of section 12, he said.

Adults sitting in the upper section often yell at students below them to sit down, and students sometimes "lip off" in return, he said. Security guards intervene to prevent fights or yelling matches.

For John and Kathy Wilhelm of Omaha, who sit on the east side of row 74 in section 12, the problem is they've paid for their seats for the past three years, but they've never sat on those seats during the first three quarters of a game.

They must stand, instead of sitting, to see the action on the field, they said.

"I would enjoy sitting," John Wilhelm said.

Kathy Wilhelm said the Athletic Department should make an announcement asking spectators to stand off bleachers during a football game.

A similar request from Coach Tom Osborne could also cause those standing on bleachers to step down into the footwells, she said.

"They'd all get booed, then," if they went against Osborne's wishes, Wilhelm said.

One older man who sat nearby thought more drastic measures would

be required to keep students off the bleachers.

"Just shoot 'em. Shoot three or four of 'em a game," the man, who wished to remain anonymous, said. "By the end of a season, we won't have a problem left."

But those sitting above row 79 on the far-east side of section 12, and those sitting in most of the west side of section 12 said they had no problem seeing the game while seated.

Other people sitting in section 13 said they could also see well, and that the new "stand down" policy was helping them to better enjoy the game.

"We've been sitting here for the last few years, and this is the first year we haven't had to stand the whole game. We appreciate it," Mike McDermott of Omaha said.

Carroll Vetic of Columbus, who also sat in section 13, agreed.

"The new rule is working good," Vetic said. "A couple of years ago, you had to stand the whole time."

John Peterson of Omaha also had a good view of the game, although he said students should consider those who can't see when standing on the bleachers.

"You just have to be courteous and think of someone else," Peterson said. "People in the back row can't enjoy it until the front row is seated."

"It's like dominoes - it really does affect the rest of us."

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Golden Key targeted for discipline by RHA

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RHA

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Residence Hall Association resolved Sunday to take sanctions against the Golden Key Honor Society after it failed to hold up stipulations of a previous agreement.

At the Sept. 14 meeting, Golden Key approached RHA asking for permission to distribute student guides to all residence hall students through their hall mailboxes. One stipulation was for stickers to be placed on the front of the guides telling students that the guides were provided by RHA, ASUN and Golden Key.

RHA President Ben Wallace said many of the guides were distributed without stickers, and Golden Key also handed out the guides before they were distributed in the halls, causing some students to get two of them.

"I am afraid if we let this go, we will be getting trampled on," Wallace said. Golden Key will not be allowed to

distribute any information through hall mailboxes until fall of 1998, and material distributed after that time must be brought before RHA one month in advance for approval.


Jodi Cramer, advertising and marketing chair, said she hopes these sanctions come as a warning to other groups. "If we let the fact that they didn't hold up their side of the agreement go, we seem wishy-wash," Cramer said.

Wallace will formally present these sanctions to Golden Key today.

RHA also passed a Greek Life Interaction Bill that formally initiates communication between the greek system and RHA.


"We want members of greek organizations to become a part of Campus Escort," Wallace said. "Greek houses are also going to help RHA sponsor the green space in the Adopt-a-Space Program to help keep that area clean."

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