



Sculpture, sculpture, who's got the sculpture?

## Student sculpture 'stolen,' Zambanians suspected

By Diane Wanek

A news story appeared not too long ago about an art gallery in Chicago which specialized in abstract and modern sculpture. It seems they had just sold a large piece of metal sculpture for a 6-figure sum. They placed the sculpture outside in back of the gallery to be picked up and cleaned before it was turned over to its new owner. But the sanitation department got to it before the cleaners could, and it is now a very expensive piece of compressed scrap metal.

A similar event happened at UNL Monday, when John "Willie" McCarty, whose photographs and silkscreens are now on exhibit in the Union, displayed his semester project for his 3-D design class in the Art Dept.

McCarty said he had spent much time and money on his project, which consisted of three casts of people with their social security numbers written across their chests.

McCarty said he brought the casts down to campus at 7:30 a.m. Monday and placed them on the Administration Bldg. lawn, having first cleared it with the maintenance people. He then took two photographs of the casts, and he left to get his class instructor to evaluate the project.

"My instructor came back with me to look at them," McCarty said, "but I went into the Union because it was cold outside. At about 8:30 p.m. my instructor came in and said, 'They just took them.' I thought he was pulling my leg, so I went to the window, and sure enough, they were gone."

McCarty pressed his instructor for details. "He told me they had pulled up in a gray University pickup truck, unlatched the back and put the casts in and drove away," McCarty reported.

He said, however, he doesn't believe the University had anything to do with the heist.

"I think it may have been a plot by Captain Admen and his mad Zambanians, simply because they've been working against me for a long time now."

The fact that social security numbers were stenciled on them would make them distinctive, and thus hard to get rid of. McCarty said, however, that he is sure they have either changed the social security numbers or scratched them out. "I've heard that's the first thing criminals do," he said.

McCarty is bringing a private eye from Plattsmouth into the case. Further details will be reported as new evidence is found.

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## Regent candidates sound off on issues

By Greg Wees

Two UNL students are among 10 candidates who have said they will seek election to the Board of Regents in the November general election.

In the Seventh District, two candidates are challenging incumbent Robert Raun of Minden. In the Sixth District, eight challengers have filed for the position formerly held by the late J.G. Elliott, who died earlier this month.

In telephone interviews, the Daily Nebraskan talked with the candidates about issues affecting students and the University.

—Candidate John Gottschalk, 30-year-old mayor of Sidney and publisher of the *Sidney Telegraph*, said it is important that the regents divorce themselves from matters that should be handled between University administrators and students. Gottschalk has filed for the Sixth District seat.

Allowing alcohol on campus and modifying visitation and student fee policies are issues that "should properly be handled through the administration," he said. "I hate to see the regents getting tangled up with these student related issues."

He would not be in favor of allowing alcohol on campus "in the absence of a real need or reason for it," he said. The \$51.50 per semester student fees should be retained, he added, "if it's determined that the majority of students approve of the uses of the money. Students pay the fee, so they should decide how some of it is used."

Of State Sen. Terry Carpenter's proposal to merge the four state colleges with the University, he said, "I was relieved it didn't pass. We need a panel of legislators, students and citizens to study it further."

—Elvin Adamson of Nenzel said he would create "a better liaison with the students" and would aim to improve the academic quality of NU in relation to other Big 8 schools.

"We can afford first class education in all fields of study at NU," the 5-term former state senator said. But he urged that an in-depth study be undertaken before any merger with state colleges so that neither "the colleges nor University would suffer" financially.

"I have reservations about alcohol," the Sixth District candidate said. "I'm not sure that the campus is the place for it." He added that under age students would be a problem.

On visitation, he said, "I would favor liberalizing policies if they don't interfere with other students' rights."

In 1969 Adamson resigned as state senator and became Deputy Assistant Secretary of Agriculture to Clifford Hardin, then secretary of agriculture. Adamson, 59, was graduated from NU in 1940 with a bachelor's degree from the College of Arts and Sciences.

—UNL student Tim Evensen moved to Nebraska from New York two years ago and is currently Residence Hall Assoc. (RHA) president, chairman of the task force that prepared the Differentiated Housing Report and an ASUN senator.

Evensen said as Sixth District regent he would try to delegate more authority to University administrators.

UNL Chancellor James Zumberge "knows more about residence hall policy because he is more familiar with the situation" than regents are, Evensen

claimed. But until now, students have had to deal with the board because it controls policy, he said.

"A student should have freedom to choose his own living environment at the University. That decision shouldn't be up to the regents," he said.

Most student fees should be retained, he said. But fees that are used for "administrative purposes" by the University should be eliminated, he added.

Evensen indicated he did not favor State Sen. Carpenter's merger idea.

—Candidate John Olson, 40, of Alliance said, "I'm told we are duplicating some educational efforts by NU and the state technical colleges. I would like to see that eliminated." Olson is running from the Sixth District.

"Regents need to approach every question with an open mind," he said. "Students' rights also should be considered." Olson, a 1957 NU graduate, added that he would not like to see alcohol legalized in living units, but "if students want a bar in the Union, then the regents should not stand in the way."

—Albert Reddish of Alliance said that, if elected to the Sixth District seat, he would try to maintain the quality of higher education by expanding agricultural research and by "firming up areas where there is now short term accreditation."

On student fees he said, "It might be better to abolish them and then see what happens." He proposed that state tax dollars be used to finance the University Health Center, Nebraska Union operations and student government. Those areas now are supported by student fees.

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This map of Nebraska shows regents' districts and the names of candidates in their home counties.