



## Paddleball players charge discrimination

Claims of discrimination by several women paddleball players have been made against the UNL Athletic and Recreation departments.

According to Dyan Dodendorf, "women are receiving no equal opportunity to play paddleball."

Dodendorf alleges that the Recreation Dept. broke an agreement with the women students. The agreement allowed women students to use four paddleball courts in the fieldhouse for a total of four hours a week, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The agreement was broken, Dodendorf said, when two of the four courts the women were supposed to have available were taken away. One paddleball court is being repaired and the other is full of football equipment, according to Dodendorf.

Recreation Director Daniel Steller said the use of paddleball courts by women was a Recreation Dept. experiment. Steller said an additional court was made available to the women.

The fieldhouse is the property of the Athletic Dept., Steller said, and they have the final word about court use.

Athletic Dept. needs and intramural sports have priority over recreational use of the courts, he said. Three paddleball courts are available to women and four to men during recreational time, Steller said.

Dodendorf expressed dissatisfaction with the way her complaints were received. She reported encountering an "I don't give a damn attitude" by Athletic officials when she campaigned for more court time.

Dodendorf said she was given a run-around by the people who are in charge of allocating recreational time and space on the paddleball courts.

Letters have been written by Dodendorf to the Recreation and Athletic Departments, in an attempt to get what Dodendorf thinks is fairer treatment. She also has contacted the Equal Opportunities Office and talked with Ombudsman Babcock.

According to Steller, no one has contacted the Recreation Office claiming that the agreement has been broken. Steller said he was aware that two of the courts the women were to use are unavailable, but thought the matter was settled when a third court was provided for them.

A total of seven available courts are in the Fieldhouse. The Recreation Department has no paddleball courts of their own, Steller said.

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Governor Frank Willis of Ohio, at one time taught in a law school. One day he asked a youthful pupil what a demurrer is, and what is meant by filing a demurrer in a legal petition.

The young man hesitated.

"Don't you know," demanded Willis.

"Ye-es, I think so," said the student, but still showing great hesitation.

"Then tell it," said Willis.

"Well," ventured the young man, "as I understand it, one side comes into court and admits the truth of a charge, but practically asks the other side what in thunder they're going to do about it."

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