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### Landis disputes Maxey's means of obtaining air time

Dave Landis is objecting to tactics used by State Senator Jo Ann Maxey to request free air time on KFMQ radio. Landis, who hosts a Sunday night jazz program, is Maxey's opponent for the 46th Legislative District seat.

Landis said that Maxey acted improperly in representing herslef as a senator instead of a candidate in her request for air time. He said a letter to Steve Agnew, president of KFMQ Inc. dated April 14th came from her state office staff.

Agnew verified that Maxey's letter came on state stationery but refused to comment as to whether he thought that was ethical.

Maxey said drafting the letter on state stationery "was a mistake. I should have handwritten the letter."

She said due to the pressures at the end of the legisla-

tive session she asked a member of the staff to stay and type the letter after work. It was inadvertently put on state stationery, Maxey said.

Landis voiced another objection regarding the intent of Maxey's request. "Ideally, she would like to have me taken off the air," he said.

Landis criticized such an intent as "an intrusion of (my) employment relationship."

Agnew said that the letter he received only asked for equal time. "She pointed out that other stations in the state have taken political candidates off the air," Agnew said, adding she had not suggested that Landis be removed from the program.

Maxey said she had no intention of trying to get Landis



off the air, but said she was aware that other radio stations in Lincoln had offered free time to candidates running against radio personalities and was informed by the Federal Communications Commission in Washington that she was also entitled to free time.

Stations which had taken persons off the air were ones where "other senators have a radio spot," keeping their constitutents abreast of the session, she said. They were discontinued when they filed for office, Maxey said.

Landis' final objection dealt with the timing of Maxey's request for equal time. Her letter arrived about three weeks before the election, Landis said, while he declared himself a candidate in February. "To do that now exploits the issue for political purposes," Landis said.

Maxey said she became aware of the situation about a month before she wrote KFMQ, when she was contacted by various members of the community.

"I happened to be in legislative session all that time," she said, referring to her delay in contacting the station, but admitted she was using "the time to the best advantage to me... He's had free advertising from February 6 to April."

Landis said he informed the station in December that he was considering filing for the seat. "I had been cautioned not to say anything political," Landis said.

"The law has declared what is equal and I approach it from what is fair," Landis said. "It is ironic that she (Maxey) can take her air time any way she wants...I didn't comment on the day's headlines," he said saying his program consists of comments on jazz music, weather forecasts and public service announcements.

Maxey said although Landis did not make political comments, "the thing is name recognition." The Landis program also was promoted at various times during the day and week, adding to name exposure, she said.

By bringing his complaints to the public, Landis is exploiting the issue further for his own purposes, according to Maxey. Other personalities have voluntarily taken themselves off the air avoiding the problem. "He had that option," she said.

Maxey is presently receiving short political spots on KFMQ to total 68 minutes of air time.

Students construct

Photo by Ted Kirk

This UNL student takes dead week seriously. For more crazy pictures, stories and fun, see the Daily Halfasskan parody issue on page 9.

## Parents given special weekend

A Parents' Weekend is being planned for April 27 and 28 according to Al Papik, director of admissions and coordinator for the program.

Papik said the objectives of Parents' Weekend are to get parents involved and familiarize them with the activities of the university.

Parents of all undergraduate students will be invited. Included also weill be the parents of students in the Colleges of Law and Dentistry.

Individual committees have been formed to develop presentations in seven areas for the weekend. Academic affairs, student/alumni affairs, living units, social/cultural, the athletic department, publicity, a total student committee and a group to coordinate activities with the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, will be subjects.

According to Papik, each committee will be asked to cover its own expense although minimal expense is anticipated. The chancellor's office will pay the costs of informing parents of the weekend.

"The success of the program depends on students' enthusiasm," he added.

# Spending restraint is sought for YAF

ASUN is seeking a restraining order on all UNL Young Americans for Freedom expenditures and is requesting that UNL YAF President Jeff Chizek be held in contempt of court.

ASUN President Ken Marienau filed the petition early Thursday afternoon in response to a continuance granted to YAF in the case Wednesday night.

The document asks that all collecting and spending of money by the chapter be curtailed until the court reaches a final decision in the case next fall. It also asks that Chizek be held in contempt of court for not filing an answer to ASUN's original petition within the time required by the student court's judicial code.

Marienau also filed a subpoena Thursday asking for the complete minutes of all YAF meetings in 1978-79. ASUN had requested the minutes of YAF and the Nebraska University Public Interest Research group through senate action, but YAF never complied.

The subpoena also asks for the UNL YAF membership list, including nonstudents, a list of names and addresses of officers, a list of new 1977-78 members, financial records since August 28, 1978, and financial records of the State YAF Chapter regarding funds spent to the campus chapter's benefit.

A hearing on these motions will be heard by the court Tuesday night.

#### Brace sundial

If you want to know the time, date, or month walk to 307 Brace Hall and look at the ceiling.

There you will find multi-colored lines criss-crossing the ceiling in what looks like a modern art painting. But the designers of this montage, Bill Welker and Joe Saint-Lucas, call it a sundial.

The lines across the ceiling each represent months or time of day, explained Saint-Lucas, a graduate assistant in physics. The lines showing months and approximate dates run west to east on the ceiling, he said. Red and blue curved lines drawn north and south indicate the time of day.

The core of the sundial is a small mirror embedded in the frame of the room's window. The sun reflects off the mirror to the ceiling and the reflection falls on a spot showing the exact month and time, said Walker, a physics teaching assistant.

Saint-Lucas said they got the idea for the sundial from a magazine article. Using the pattern, the two men re-calculated where to place the lines and mirror with respect to the size of the room, he said. After those calculations, it took three weeks to paint the sundail, Welker said.

"We did the dial mostly out of personal interest," Saint-Lucas said. "We've both been interested in astronomy since we were real small."

The two graduate students of physics and astronomy say their sundail is rare in this area, though they have heard of one in Denver.

The sundial occasionally works at night also. Welker said the moon's reflection can be followed on the wall three days before and after the full moon each month.

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