

Residence hall opens doors to Sandoz collection

By Janet Lliteras

UNL students have access to the legacy of a famous name on campus who became a world renowned author during her lifetime.

To find out about Mari Sandoz, the Nebraska author not the residence hall, students can go to the Mari Sandoz Room on third floor of Love Memorial Library where the author's entire collection of notes, manuscripts, books and letters are stored.

Sandoz was a part-time UNL student during the late 1920's and early 1930's, before she went on to publish

more than 15 books concerning western American history.

When she died in 1966, she left her massive collection to UNL with the stipulation that it be kept intact. According to UNL archivist Joseph G. Svoboda, nothing was done to sort out the collection until he became archivist in 1968. Since he had no staff to help him, he said he did not have time to sort out the chaotic jumble.

The collection needed "highly specialized and detailed work," he said.

Finally, in 1974 he received a \$17,000 grant from the Nebraska Foundation to do an in depth analysis, arrangement and description of the collection. Scott Greenwell, a Ph.D. candidate who at the time was a graduate teaching assistant in the history department, was selected to work on the collection under Svoboda's direction. Greenwell currently is writing a dissertation on the historical writings of Mari Sandoz.

Personal collection

It's a "personal collection of an individual who did research for her writing," Svoboda said.

Greenwell said the collection is important "as a source of Nebraska and Great Plains literature, history, and lore, and as a record of the life and labors of one of the persons most responsible for making the region known to the rest of the country and to the world."

More than 200 linear feet of shelving space contains a filed and indexed collection available to any researcher.

In an article written by Greenwell, he said, Sandoz divided her collection into six major sections.

They include reference cards on her Indian Collection and White Man Collection, her personal files which included incoming and outgoing, more than 1,000 books, pamphlets, magazines and journals, her own publications both foreign and domestic and manuscripts of every book published before her death.

Other sections added were new editions and reprints of her works, materials written by Sandoz but published after her death and tapes from Nebraska ETV Network of several talks given by Sandoz.

In addition to sorting, arranging and indexing the collection, Greenwell also wrote a 122-page inventory to help interested people find what they need without too much trouble.

The room is open to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Officials cut up today

University and city officials will be cutting up again. No jokes, of course. Just watermelon.

The All-University Watermelon Feed will be at 4:30 this afternoon north of the Nebraska Union. It is sponsored by FarmHouse fraternity and Alpha Phi sorority.

The watermelon is free for the slurping; and guest cutters will include: Lincoln Mayor Helen Boosalis, UNL Chancellor Roy Young, NU Regent Ed Schwartzkopf, Athletic Director Bob Devaney, Basketball Coach Joe Cipriano and ASUN President Greg Johnson.

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Faculty change at CBA

While students were hard at work this summer enjoying their vacation, several administrative changes were taking place at the College of Business Administration (CBA).

Ronald L. Smith resigned as dean of the college effective July 1 and now is dean at the School of Business Administration at the Georgetown University.

The search committee, headed by Donald Pursell, director of the Bureau of Business Research, is looking for a replacement. Temporarily, Chancellor Roy Young appointed Gary Schwendiman as interim dean.

Arthur Kraft was named acting associate dean to fill the vacancy left by Schwendiman.

Meanwhile, the marketing dept. hired a new chairman. Ira J. Dolich, former associate professor of marketing at Pennsylvania State University, took over the administrative duties of Phillip McVey who returned to full-time teaching at UNL.

Mid-summer appointment

Schwendiman, 37, took up his duties as dean July 1. He is an industrial psychologist who came to UNL in 1973.

The Washington State University graduate received his M.D. from Brigham Young University in 1968 and his Ph.D. from the same place in 1971.

The year before he came to Lincoln he was associate professor of organizational behavior at General Motors Institute in Flint, Mich.

Besides serving on the board of director directors for United Way and St. Elizabeth's Community Mental Health Center in Lincoln, Schwendiman is a member of the American Psychological Association, a division for industrial and organizational psychology.

Kraft, 33, is a native of New York State. Along with being acting associate dean of CBA he is a professor of management and economics. He came to UNL in 1975.

Before that he was professor of quantitative methods at Ohio University in Athens and worked on a fellowship in Washington, D.C.

Economic major

Kraft received his M.A. in 1969 and his doctorate in 1970 from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He majored in economics.

Dolich graduated in 1957 from the University of Texas at Austin with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He went on to receive his M.A. in 1964 and his Ph.D. in 1967 from the same university, majoring in business administration.

His career included engineering positions with Structural Metals, Inc., and Reynolds Metals Co. in Texas, and teaching positions at the University of Texas and Pennsylvania State University. He also was an officer in the Air Force and consultant for a number of business firms.

Dolich began work as chairman of the marketing department Aug. 22.

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