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Finding refuge in the final frontier

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TUESDAY
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Partly sunny today. Tomorrow highs will reach only into the 50's.



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Lauding women writers

Authors' experiences prompt professor's compilation, writing

By Kristine Long
Staff Reporter

Martha Gellhorn and Kay Boyle are two unfamiliar names for most readers.

But Sandra Spanier, an associate professor of English at UNL, has discovered their talents and is working to give these

women writers the recognition they deserve.

Spanier, who began teaching literature at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this



fall, said she wanted to "recover

women's voices in American literature."

Spanier teaches late American literature and a Hemingway/Fitzgerald class.

She published a critical study of Kay Boyle in 1986, and is editing a collection of letters from the 90-year-old writer.

Boyle always "had a knack for being wherever the action was," Spanier said.

Boyle lived in Austria in the 1930s and watched as the Nazi party rose to power, Spanier said. She wrote the first novel about the French resistance in World War II.

Boyle was friends with novelist James Joyce, poet

William Carlos Williams and many other famous writers, Spanier said.

Boyle had six children and two step-children, Spanier said, but she still found time to write more than 40 books.

"Kay Boyle was a very impressive example of a woman who was able to have a family and be a writer also."

Spanier is trying to locate Boyle's personal letters, which are scattered throughout the United States, to combine them into a book as a record of her life.

Spanier also is writing a critical study of the works of Martha Gellhorn, Ernest

Hemingway's third wife.

Gellhorn is 83 and lives in London, Spanier said. She was a war correspondent during the Spanish Civil War and World War II.

But Gellhorn's work is overshadowed by her identity as Hemingway's wife, Spanier said. "It's a grave injustice that in the United States, Gellhorn is best remembered as Hemingway's wife, rather than for her own accomplishments," she said.

Spanier contacted Gellhorn in 1990 to ask her permission to write a book about her.

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Funds focus of minority recruitment, official says

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

Although the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is lagging behind other schools in the race for top minority students, one official said the competition should not be the main focus.

James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs at UNL, said he would like to see an increase in funding for recruiting academically gifted minority students, "but not at the expense of other (minority) students who could also use the money."

The university reserves only about \$70,900 for minority student recruitment. The money comes from two scholarship endowment funds: the Larsen and Gupta fund and the Davis scholarship fund. Griesen said the

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Art exhibit promotes awareness of AIDS

By Steve Smith
Staff Reporter

The issue of AIDS awareness met the art world Monday evening when about 100 students, faculty members and administrators attended a student art exhibit and fund-raiser for AIDS research.

The fund-raiser, which was in the Richards Hall gallery, was sponsored by the Coalition of People of Color and the University Health Center, said Florencio Flores Palomo, coalition co-president and event organizer.

The exhibit included about 30 paintings and drawings by minority students. Art majors as well as stu-

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Park plan brings end to DaVinci's

Recreational area proposed for land near City Campus

By Kristin Armstrong
Staff Reporter

Restaurants are disappearing from a block of university-owned land, partly because of a plan to build a park on that land.

DaVinci's Pizza & Hot Hoagies restaurant on 13th and Q streets will close Dec. 31, and two other restaurants near the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's City Campus shut down recently. The Hole Works and Taco Inn, both near 14th and R streets, closed last summer.

The park that may take their place is part of a plan to build an "extension of the campus," Bob Carpenter, campus architect at UNL, said.

The park would be on the land that extends from 12th Street to 13th Street and from Q Street to R Street, Kim Todd, campus landscape architect, said.

The park would serve a number of purposes, Todd said. It would mainly be a meeting place, she said, and students arriving for New Student Enrollment might gather there.

Theater audiences from both the Lied Center for Performing Arts and the Temple Building also might use the park before and after performances.

Several details about the park have yet to be decided, Carpenter said.

Although many ideas have been suggested, he said, planners have no knowledge of what the park would contain.

"We would like to make this area more campus-like and accommodate the needs of the university," Carpenter said.

Officials have no knowledge of when the park would be built or how much construction would cost, Todd said.

The park may cover the entire block of land, which now includes a parking lot and a university-owned building. The parking lot would be placed elsewhere if it displaced parking spaces, Carpenter said.

The Hole Works and Taco Inn were in the building owned by the university. That building now houses only the Office of International

Affairs and a computer center used by the College of Business Administration.

The proposed park was not why The Hole Works closed, owner Sharon Kuhn said. Although the restaurant was busy during the fall, it could not make up for the slow business during the summer, Kuhn said.

Taco Inn closed when its lease expired. The university had offered the owners a month-to-month lease when its long-term lease expired, but the owners declined.

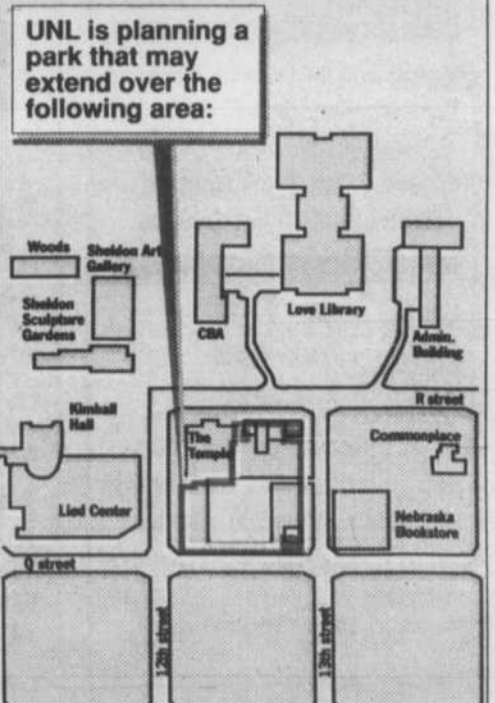
John Benson, director of institutional research and planning, said the building still was serving an important function by housing the Office of International Affairs.

CBA also still uses the space for a computer center, Nancy Stara, associate dean of CBA, said. The computer center will move back to the CBA building once construction on the building is completed in June 1994.

The university has not decided what to do with the building, Carpenter said. He also said he did not know if the university would force the Office of International Affairs and the CBA computer center to leave when plans for the

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Proposed park



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