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Green' in Greenspace to become visible soon

By Angela Jones Staff Reporter

The parking lot north of the Nebraska Union, now known as Greenspace, is ready to turn green.

As of Friday, the lawn area was seeded and was being watered, said Bud Dasenbrock, director of the department of landscape services. He said the area should be green by Aug. 15

The landscaping for the area is basic, Dasenbrock said. The center of the area will be covered with grass and the perimeter will be planted with trees and shrubs sometime this fall, maybe even in August, weather permitting, he said.

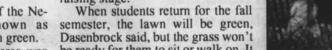
Benches and artwork for the area haven't been decided on yet, Dasenbrock said. The Candace Harms

memorial intended to be built in the new Greenspace, is still in the fundraising stage.

When students return for the fall be ready for them to sit or walk on. It will probably be a month before the grass is ready for any activity, he said. "It is still juvenile grass," Dasenbrock said. "We have to protect it until it is mature enough for activi-

He said students would be able to use the sidewalks, but strings and posts might have to be put up as a reminder to people to stay off the grass

The lights along the sidewalk are ready and working, Dasenbrock said. The extra light will enhance the safety and beauty of the area, he said.



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Tina Moss, a senior fashion merchandizing student, studies in front of Green Space.



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the farm level and calculated the social costs and benefits of agricultural research in Morocco.

"It was a personal discovery after an absence of 23 years to go back to see where you were born and what has changed," he said.

Aside from being able to take his wife and two children to see his homeland, Azzam said it was fulfilling to help Moroccan farmers increase their efficiency.

"It was a chance to operationalize my U.S. education for the benefit of people who have real needs that go beyond just intellectual curiosity," Azzam said. "Those people are poor."

"There is no reason why academics cannot go to an applied environment like that and make a real impact on people," he said.

Azzam said exposure to an American-style institution was a new experience for a country used to French education.

"The biggest difference in what they have now is that it's a hands-on applied problem-solving center with many U.S.-trained Ph.D.s," he said.

Azzam said the center had become a role model for development in Morocco. He said it would help commercial and subsistence farmers apply the research to improve their crops

An integral part of the project also rested with 50 Moroccan students who came to America to receive their master's degrees. When they finished their studies, they began replacing the American scientists in Morocco.

Only a few Moroccan students remain in the United States. Most of them have gone back to replace their American counterparts where they will have the chance to utilize the technology and research developed at the center.

August 31 is the end of the Moroc-co Project, but it will hopefully not be the end of its success. Azzam said with the help of communication, technology contacts would be continually maintained between the universities and Morocco.

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