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## Capitol grains



SCULPTOR CHARLIE BEAULIEU of Seattle begins work on a sculpture of an Omaha World-Herald front page. A sand sculpture of the Nebraska State Capitol and other parts of the Lincoln skyline are in the background.

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## Union Board details plans for additions, renovation

BY MATTHEW WAITE  
Senior Reporter

The Nebraska Union Board started off the new school year by discussing two changes that will be visible to students in just a few months.

Union Director Daryl Swanson told the board about construction plans for the Nebraska Union expansion and the parking garage near Memorial Stadium.

In the renovated union, Swanson said, the planned convenience store that was to be on the first floor will instead be moved to the expanded University Bookstore.

"We're disassociating ourselves with the convenience store," Swanson said. That means the money from the store would go to the bookstore, not the union.

The space originally set for the convenience store will now be storage for the union, Swanson said.

Also, the Computer Shop, now located in the 501 Building, will be moving to the bookstore. Swanson said the union staff had mixed emotions about the move.

"We didn't want to run the computer store," he said. He said the bookstore has said it was planning to expand store hours because of the change.

Parking garage plans call for a bakery in the first floor of the garage in space already designated for commercial use.

Swanson said the bakery in the garage would be similar to the bakery in the Nebraska Union. The bakery would neighbor an Athletic Department-sponsored team apparel shop, he said.

In other business, Swanson gave board members a time line of when construction was going to begin on the union expansion:

- In the first week of November, parts of the food court are going to be closed to begin asbestos removal.

- In the first week of December, the second floor offices will be closed for asbestos removal. The offices will be moved to the ballroom.

- Over Christmas break, the north entrance will be closed to begin asbestos removal. The entrance will remain closed until next Christmas.

## Firearms ban extended to faculty

THERE WAS no problem with faculty-owned guns, one official says; the issue is fairness.

BY TODD ANDERSON  
Staff Reporter

UNL's ban of firearms on campus has been extended to faculty and staff, but don't expect the number of faculty-owned guns on campus to decrease.

The policy extension, signed by Chancellor James Moeser late last month, does not indi-

cate a problem of campus firearm storage by faculty, said Herbert Howe, assistant to the chancellor.

Rather, the policy is an issue of fairness. It will make faculty and staff abide by similar firearm storage rules applied to students last year.

The difference is that students living on campus are asked to store their firearms at the campus police station, while faculty and staff are simply being asked not to bring them.

The ban extension came in response to a recommendation by the Task Force on Conduct Standards and Behavior Expectations appointed by former Interim Chancellor Joan Leitzel, Howe said.

This summer, Moeser had said he was "absolutely stunned" when he learned the university did not have a policy regarding firearms

owned by faculty and staff.

Howe said faculty members also were surprised that the University of Nebraska-Lincoln had no firearms policy for faculty and staff members because many other universities do.

The original policy banning firearms on campus only applied to students, he said, while the extended policy affects everyone on campus, including visitors.

UNL has had problems with guns on campus in the past.

In 1993, student Art McElroy entered a UNL classroom with a gun and attempted to fire on a room full of students, but the weapon jammed.

In September 1994, Gerald Schlondorff, a former UNL student, shot and injured Robert

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## Professor extends Internet knowledge to Brazilians

Exposure leads to new globalization

BY PETER MARHOEFER  
Staff Reporter

Professor Mike Stricklin must have fallen victim to the Kiss of the Spider Woman in Brazil as a member of the Peace Corps in the '60s.

The UNL journalism professor returned to Brazil this summer to spin the World Wide Web to the students and faculty at the State University of Piaui, a rural farming area.

Stricklin and his wife, Chere, spent two years in Brazil as Peace Corps volunteers from 1966-68, teaching community planning and development to residents of Brejo Grande. Stricklin said the experience changed his life.

He returned to Brazil to teach a course called, "The Internet, Commu-

nication Tools for the 21st Century."

He taught more than 170 students, ranging in age from 11 to 70, about the Internet, which he calls "an uncharted territory." In Brazil, that description is especially true. The Internet is a new phenomenon in Brazil, and has just recently made its way to the rural state of Piaui.

Stricklin had to use Portuguese, the main language of Brazil, to teach the course. The speaking part wasn't a problem, he said, but he left the writing to a teaching assistant.

Stricklin said he believed Brazil was charting a course to become a world economic power.

"Globalization is a buzz word now in Brazil," Stricklin said.

The challenge is Brazil itself, a country of 180 million that has an il-

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MIKE STRICKLIN  
UNL journalism professor

literacy rate above 25 percent. Still, Stricklin believes Brazil can become one of the great powers of the next century.

As an elected member of the State University of Piaui faculty, Stricklin will return in May 1997 to continue teaching.

Stricklin's trip was just the first part

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PROFESSOR MIKE STRICKLIN shows a photo from the Seven Cities National Park in Piaui, Brazil. Stricklin served as professor at the State University of Piaui last summer.