

UNL finds uses for old school

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ing, is the setting for the members of the Lincoln Fencing Club, who practice there from September through July.

The floor hockey team, through the Campus Recreation Center, also uses the gym for practice from February to May.

Intramural and club sports use the fields outside of Whittier for practice and games, McDermott said.

Parts of the school are dedicated to offices and laboratories for research.

The office for Research Compliance Services, which monitors research conducted at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln on humans and animals, is located on the first floor.

Jan Wassenberg, a staff secretary in the office, said she doesn't run into many people when she goes to work every day at Whittier. "It's empty," she said.

But a perk for Wassenberg is the parking lot, located directly outside the school, she said.

The school also houses various research projects, including the Polar Ice Coring Office, located in what used to be the industrial arts area of the school.

Posters of Alaska, Antarctica and Greenland adorn the walls of the conference room of the office, and Karl Kuivinen, the office director, can point out the places he's visited as if he was looking at a map of the Midwest.

Under grants from the National Science Foundation and NASA, office employees have visited the world's arctic regions to



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Steven Skoda, biologist, reaches into a nest of flies he is raising as a part of the Department of Agriculture's Biosecure Screwworm Project, which is located in the Whittier building. The lab grows and tests the insects, which have been erradicated from the United States.

obtain ice samples from up to 3,000 meters below the surface for scientific study, he said.

The school also houses the United States Department of Agriculture's Midwest Livestock Insects Research Unit.

Researchers study screwworms, flies that lay eggs in open wounds that hatch into maggots and eat flesh, usually on cattle.

On the second floor of the school, directly above the Research Compliance Services offices is home of the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research.

The office, also known as

EPSCoR, works to bring federal research dollars to UNL, said Royce Ballinger, director of Nebraska EPSCoR.

The office opened in 1991 and has brought more than \$42 million in research grants to UNL, he said.

Ballinger said he doesn't mind working in the Whittier building because the EPSCoR office is just like any other university office.

The office is fully furnished with air conditioning and heating, he said.

"It's pretty useful," he said. "People can always find the place."

GOP objects to ad attacking Stenberg

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defended, but to a second lawsuit filed Sept. 14, 1999.

In that lawsuit, Stenberg sought to repeal the entire Safe Drinking Water Act, which the Senate reauthorized 98-0 in 1996.

"It sounds as if (Johanns, Bereuter and Hagel) were not aware of all the circumstances," Boyle said. "I am shocked that the governor and Congressman Bereuter would, in a partisan fashion, defend an attempt to repeal the Safe Drinking Water Act."

Boyle said she would be surprised if Bereuter was unaware of the second lawsuit.

She said the ad would continue to air.

"We're not going to take it off," she said. "It's correct on the face of it."

The Democratic Party, not the Nelson campaign, paid for the ad, but the Nelson campaign also defended it.

Scott Hoffman, a Nelson spokesman, said Nelson supported Stenberg's first lawsuit. But he objected to Stenberg's second

lawsuit, filed after Nelson left office, because the Safe Drinking Water Act had protected water quality throughout the country, Hoffman said.

"When it comes to the administration of the act, the governor was very adamant that it be based on sound science," he said. "But in his effort to repeal the entire act, (Stenberg) would go too far."

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Julie James-Branch, lab instructor at the Child Development Center on East Campus, spends her time teaching students how to care for children like 3-year-old Maranda Gruber. Some students, who either cannot afford daycare or are pressed for time are forced to take their children to class.

Support helps student moms cope

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Hae-kyung Jeong, a doctoral student in physics, said she had to work around class and work schedules to see her daughter.

Support from her husband, Cheol-soo Yang, helped her get to work on time, but she still finds herself tired at the end of the day.

Jeong said she doesn't get a lot of time to rest because she doesn't want to miss out on being a mom or a student.

"It's OK," she said. "I enjoy every moment."

Jeong said it is hard to combine her roles as mother and

student in the workplace.

Some moms bring their children to class and work, she said.

Because she shares an office with four other people, Jeong said her four-year old daughter, Heesun, does not come to work with her very often.

"(Heesun) needs attention, so it's hard to focus on my research," Jeong said.

During the day, Heesun stays at the Ruth Staples Child Development Lab on East Campus, she said.

In addition to day care services, UNL offers family housing services, or apartment com-

plexes, where student families live. Rebecca Gruber, a doctoral student in choral music, lives there with her husband and three children.

Many of the student parents are from different countries such as Sri Lanka and Korea, she said.

Having other children around for her kids to play with gives her more time to study, Gruber said.

She said she has to take advantage of every study opportunity she gets.

"Don't stop moving," she said. "If you do, you might not start again."

RHA to display Ally card

BY MAUREEN GALLAGHER

After nearly two hours of debate Sunday night, the Resident Hall Association narrowly passed a resolution to declare "the RHA office, its meetings and all events solely sponsored by RHA" a safe space.

The Ally safe space card will be posted on the door of the RHA office.

Of the 28 voting members present, five abstained, which meant the resolution needed 12 votes in order to pass. There were 13 votes in favor of the bill.

The meeting's open forum featured several people offering opinions on the bill.

Matt Beermann, a junior computer science major, spoke on behalf of the Allies organization.

Beermann said the Ally card is "not just symbolic, and a safe space is not just words."

Senators discussed what the Ally card means and how it is perceived by the public.

Bill Napoliello, president of Selleck Residence Hall, said that

"signs and symbols are what people make of them."

Melanie Mitzel from Harper-Schramm-Smith Residence Hall was quick to point out that simply "because the majority says something is right, doesn't mean that it is right."

Another topic discussed in the meeting was whether or not the Ally card was the appropriate symbol for RHA to post.

Napoliello said he was concerned about favoritism because the pink triangle only represents one group.

An amendment was defeated that would have also posted the Human Rights Campaign equal sign on the door to the RHA office. The sign is a symbol for equality for everyone and is often associated with civil rights. That issue may be discussed at later meetings.

At 9:45 p.m., the RHA voted by secret ballot.

"It makes me sick to my stomach to make me think someone would feel uncomfortable in our office," Mitzel said. "This is an excellent first step."

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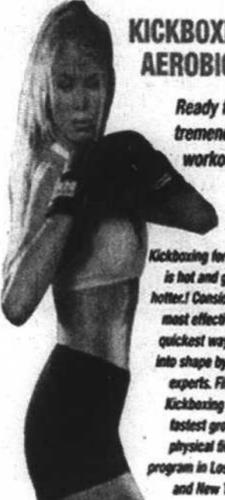


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