

Voice potential rape victim's best weapon

By Deb Bettenhausen

"If you're going to rape me, you'd better make it good."

A potential rapist hit with this stunning statement would most likely turn and run—exactly the intent of Linda Steinman, Lincoln Police Department officer, who spoke at Morrill Hall auditorium Monday on rape and how to prevent it.

According to Steinman, "The perfect rape victim is the woman who walks down the street looking like she doesn't know where she is going."

Steinman said a woman's best weapon is her voice, not self-defense tactics or weapons such as mace, because they may harm both victim and assailant.

When a victim is raped or an attempt is made, it should be reported immediately to the police, Steinman said. The victim should then go to a hospital, where police will meet her. Only female officers handle rape cases in Lincoln, Steinman said, because this makes the trauma less unbearable and easier to discuss.

Steinman advised victims not to change their clothes, take a shower or do anything to change their physical state after the

attack. These measures are taken to prevent further physical injury to the victim and to preserve any evidence, she said.

According to Steinman, the patient is identified at the hospital, then seen by an emergency room physician and nurse. They hear a brief statement from the victim and attempt to find out just what happened, she said. Hospital personnel may then tell the police what characteristics to look for in a suspect.

The initial check-up is followed by a thorough physical examination, Steinman said. She said past sexual history of the victim is ascertained and the victim is advised of her options in the case of pregnancy or venereal disease. This examination "deals with the victim on an emotional as well as physical level," Steinman said.

Upon completion of the physical examination the victim, if well enough to leave the hospital, is taken to the police station for an interview.

"Every little bit counts in a rape investigation," Steinman said, explaining the need for repeated accounts of the story.

The victim is shown mug shots

and a composite is made from the victim's description of her assailant. The victim also is asked to make a sworn statement which verifies that her account of the rape is true, she said.

According to Steinman, officials are careful in advising places for victims to go for counseling. Some victims may wait two or three weeks before reporting a rape, but Steinman said these cases are just as much a rape as those which are reported immediately.

Women may not report a rape for several reasons. "Society looks upon a rape victim and says she caused it. This is not so; the victim is passive and has little control over the situation. Also, a lot of victims drop out when they have to testify in court," Steinman said.

Rapes may occur at any time of day or night, according to Steinman. To avoid becoming a rape victim, women should be aware of what's going on around them. She advises women to lock doors and get into the habit of looking in the back seat of the car before entering.

Steinman strongly discourages hitchhiking and walking

alone at night. If approached by a suspicious person, a woman should say something unexpected, she said.

"In most cases the assailant is known to the victim," Steinman said. "He may be a family friend, relative or neighbor, but is usually someone who knows the victim."

No male under the age of 18 can be convicted of rape in Nebraska, she said. Minors are referred to juvenile court. Rapists of legal age in Nebraska may be given three to fifty years in prison depending upon the judge and the jury's discretion.

Steinman is a member of the Lincoln Coalition Against Rape, which will begin full operation on Oct. 1. The group is taking steps to make women more aware of rape and how it can be avoided. Rape workshops are part of the community education program. Long-term counseling services are being made available and a rape telephone line is being opened for on-the-spot counseling, Steinman said.

The coalition hopes to initiate the use of the term "assault", thereby including men in their purpose.

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