

# Tanzania next stop for mobile UNL graduate Poley

By Lori Merryman

Starting as a UNL graduate in 1966, Jan Poley, now an employee of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is planning a move to Tanzania as part of her work in the International Training Office.

Poley is now serving as the assistant deputy director of international training for the USDA's International Training Office.



Jan Poley

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Poley, who earned three degrees at UNL, will be in Lincoln for Masters Week, Wednesday through Friday. A Nebraska City native, she received her B.S. in home economics and journalism in 1966, her M.A. in nutrition in 1971 and her Ph.D. in education in 1975.

Acting as deputy director of the training office in the supervisor's absence, Poley manages program operations and works on program development, planning and evaluation.

"My job involves a lot of international traveling for training and education programs for the Department of Agriculture," Poley said.

The International Training Office interacts with developing countries in training them in areas such as agriculture, nutrition, management and administration,

Poley said.

**BEFORE ANY** training takes place in a country, Poley said her office makes a thorough assessment of what kind of programs are needed. Included in this assessment is agriculture, economics, budget and education. After this evaluation is made, The International Training Office can then devise a plan of training.

The Tanzania project will involve a two to five year move for Poley and her family. Poley will act as the project manager in Tanzania. Although she is projecting the move to be in January, she said they are still awaiting full approval from both governments for the project.

Looking back, Poley said she originally planned to attend college for only two years. She said during her education, she never looked ahead and planned specific career-oriented goals.

"I'm more oriented towards global kinds of goals," she said. "I've always thought people should think about what kinds of things we can do to make things better now," she added.

"I'VE ALWAYS liked to learn and have always been

curious about things," Poley said.

She added, "But you can be in a number of positions and see things you want to work out better in the world." She said this is one reason why she never sat down during college and specifically plotted her career.

"I didn't expect to come to Washington," Poley said, "then the opportunity came up and it was something that made sense to me."

"Maybe you could say I'm a fairly high risk taker," she said.

While working on her Masters degree, Poley was also a faculty member at UNL. She was hired as an associate professor of Agriculture Communications within a week after she completed graduate school, she said. Poley had responsibilities in college teaching, research and extension.

Poley said this dual status allowed her to get to know the faculty better than if she were just a student.

Since her move to Washington D.C., Poley has been back to UNL and Nebraska several times. Poley, who was born in Nebraska, says she has relatives here and that she was looking forward to coming back to the state.

## Buzz Books without faculty section

The 1979-80 UNL Buzz Books are on sale in the North Lobby of the Union according to Bryan Bredthauer, advertising manager for this year's publication.

Bredthauer said 5,000 copies were printed, although 2,800 have already been sold through advanced orders to fraternities, sororities and residence hall residents.

This year's books were produced by the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity. Bredthauer said the University Program Council also provided some financial backing for the project.

If the fraternity breaks even, all profits will be donated to the All-University fund, according to Bredthauer.

Bredthauer said student response was excellent, adding that only about 15 or 20 students asked that their names not be in the book.

However, this year there will be no faculty section. Bredthauer said an equipment malfunction delayed putting faculty names in the book. He said publication would have been held up about three weeks had the fraternity decided to put the names in.

Bredthauer added that a third to half of the faculty members had asked that their names not be printed this year.

The books will sell for one dollar and will be available at the North desk of the Student Union, as well as in both the Campus Bookstores and the Nebraska Bookstore.

Although Bredthauer said the books would be available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week, at 3 p.m. Tuesday, spokesmen from both bookstores and the North desk said the books had not been delivered.

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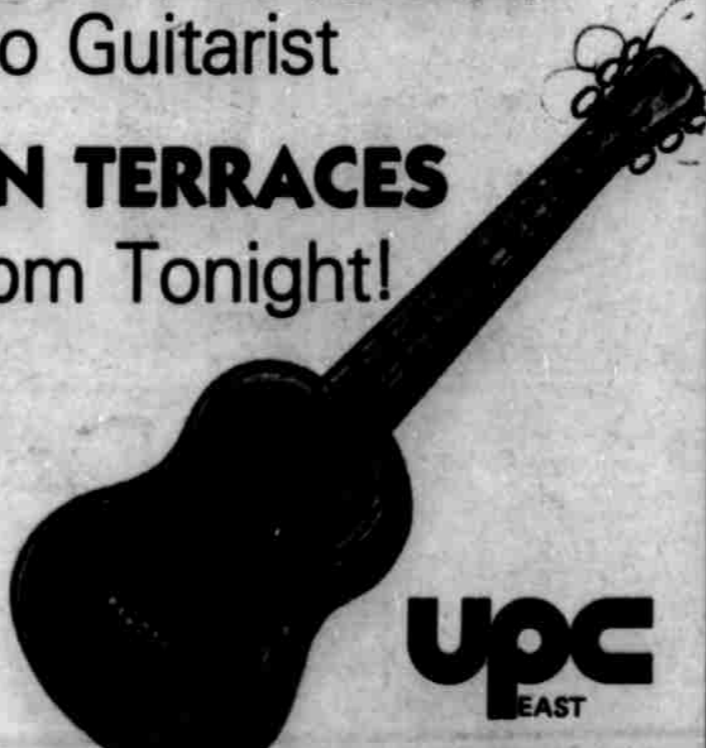
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