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'Basic Life 101': Educator to speak on 'avoided' topics

By Milli King
Staff Reporter

Starting new relationships. Trusting others. Coping with sexual pressures. Being yourself.

Ellen Rosenberg will discuss these and other "avoided topics" today at 7:30 p.m., in the Nebraska Union.

"It's Basic Life 101," said Rosenberg, an educator and author. "An experience that can help you get closer to friends, roommates, boyfriends, girlfriends, your husband, wife, parents, family or anyone else."

Rosenberg has taught health, family life and human sexuality at the college level for 12 years and is certified as a sex educator by The American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists.

Rosenberg said her program, "Getting Closer: The Relationships You

Have — The Relationships You Want To Have," is more than a lecture.

"It's an active, personal dialogue where people can anonymously ask questions, discuss concerns, share feelings and gain insight and advice that can immediately help improve relationships," she said.

Some of the questions people ask are "incredible," she said.

"Some of them make you really want to cry," she said. "It's not just a nice program. It can make an impact in people's life."

Rosenberg said she presented her first program in 1976. She said many of her college students felt distant from family and friends, lacked self-confidence, had low self-esteem, couldn't express their feelings and seemed ill-prepared to cope with day-to-day experiences in a meaningful way.

She has conducted hundreds of "life"

education programs for children, parents, teachers, college audiences and organizations throughout the United States.

Rosenberg said she has collected thousands of anonymously written questions and concerns at her programs. The feelings, questions, pressures and yearnings are always the same, she said.

"Too many are not being answered — at home, school or anywhere."

Rosenberg said she wants people to walk out differently than they came in — better able to deal with day-to-day issues.

Rosenberg is the author of "Growing Up Feeling Good," the first complete growing up handbook for children, and "Getting Closer," a handbook that helps parents better understand and get closer to their children.

UNL sponsors education consortium for teachers

By Jen Deselms
Staff Reporter

UNL will sponsor the third annual Nebraska Consortium for the Improvement of Teacher Education today and Friday at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education.

Education professor Robert Egbert, conference planner, said the conference has had a previous impact at UNL. A current experimental program for educating junior high school teachers came in part from the consortium. He said this program helps student teachers apply theory to individual students.

Egbert said 15 Nebraska colleges have teacher education programs. At the consortium these colleges can work together and think about current problems and improvements in teacher education.

He said several colleges made program changes as a result of the conference. Egbert said the changes affect the programs and the method of selecting and recruiting teachers.

Egbert said the conference is important because it shows that Nebraska institutions want to improve their teacher education programs.

This year's consortium will focus on research and the cognitive development of prospective teachers. The keynote speaker, Lee Shulman, a Stanford University professor, will combine theory and research with practical applications in teacher education. He will speak from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. today at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education.

Egbert said he expects 300 people to attend the conference.



David Creamer/Daily Nebraskan

Tedious teetering
Donna Schaal, senior accounting major, gets decked out for the weather early Wednesday morning, as she takes her shift near Broyhill Fountain on the Delta Delta Delta/Lambda Chi Alpha teter-a-thon philanthropy for the Cedar's Home for Children.

No room in budget for recruiting

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measures cost money that is not available because of recent budget cuts.

Ferguson said some minority faculty members choose to leave UNL because they do not see the rural, predominantly-white setting of Nebraska as a desirable place for a permanent teaching position.

Owomoyela said that for this reason, minority candidates need to be given more incentives to stay at UNL.

Owomoyela, Myles, Ferguson and Munn agreed that UNL needs more minority professors for several reasons.

Myles said sociology faculty members made him feel welcome since his

arrival at UNL in January 1984. But he said he feels tension as the only black professor in the department. He said UNL would seem more attractive to minority faculty members if a sense of comradery were established.

Owomoyela said recent attempts by the College of Arts and Sciences to improve student awareness of other cultures will not be successful unless the university hires more minority professors.

He said classes such as African literature, which has not been offered recently because of low class enrollment, should be reintroduced regardless of how many students want to take the classes.

Recently, a temporary position held by a minority instructor in the political science department drew attention because the position might be cut. Zelma Mosely teaches the Blacks in Politics course in a position created jointly by the political science and ethnic studies departments. David Rapkin, political science chairman, said a lack of funds has kept the position "in limbo" since 1984.

Myles said one way to measure the administration's commitment is to see whether they keep that position open.

However, in a Sept. 18 Lincoln Journal article, Rapkin said the position is one of about 35 in question in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Shorts

Students who received tuition statements that showed a *credit balance* can pick up refund checks at the Student Accounts window, Administration Building 204 weekdays starting today from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. However, refund checks will not be available

until about Nov. 6 for credit balances resulting from 1) late scholarships, grants and awards that were not printed on tuition statements, 2) courses dropped after Sept. 4, but before the end of the refund period and 3) overpayments. Students must present a

valid UNL identification card to pick up their refund check. ***

The Women of Color Task Force will produce a weekly program for the next six months on KZUM radio. "Women of Color Presents" will air Saturdays from noon to 2 p.m.