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Monday, September 26, 1988 **Daily Nebraskan** Comedy alive and well in Lincoln; new club, more crowds appear

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they expect \$10 worth of performance, unfortunately. They figure that they're paying \$9.25 a month for their HBO and that's where they're going to get their comedy," said McMeen. Duffy's presents a "comedy work-

shop" every other week, and the next one is Oct. 3. Duffy's began the workshop after it quit bringing profes-sional comedy to the bar eight or nine months ago. The workshop allows people to get up and try out material, as well as presenting ensemble skits and improvisation. The workshops are taped and some of the bits are played on KZUM radio's "Magic Dragon Theater."

There is no cover charge for the workshops. McMeen said by the end of the evening the bar is usually

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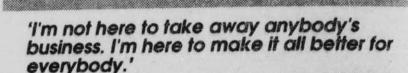
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packed and he said he has begun to notice people coming regularly just for the comedy.

McMeen said he has considered resenting the workshop every week, if the workshop ensemble can add some members. Duffy's also might charge a small cover to give the comedians some repayment for their time.

The Des Moines restaurant was the first to try a comedy club and Shaw handles the booking for it and Omaha's Noodles club.

Jeff Weak, a comedian from Omaha and former University of Nebraska-Lincoln student, said that Noodles' opening is good for Lincoln's audiences and comedians. Weak, who does an act as a charac-



-Johnson

Another local outlet for comedy is the Royal Grove Night Club at 340 W. Cornhusker Hwy. Although McMeen said he wasn't

sure how well Lincolnites could be lured out to the Grove's location for regional comics, the manager of the Grove said that since Thursday's comedy night began about six months ago, the popularity of comedy night has grown amazingly.

In fact, the Grove has been getting an average of 300 people each Thursday for comedy-more than twice the capacity of Noodles.

The club presents national circuit comedians and has presented bigname comics such as Jerry Seinfeld and Carol Liefert.

Noodles, like the Grove, will only present regional or national comics, although the club relies on locals for masters of ceremonies. The masters of ceremonies introduce acts and can present a few minutes of his or her own material.

Johnson said he will choose the masters of ceremonies, but the book-ing will be done by John Shaw, general manager of the Spaghetti Works restaurant and Comedy Club in Des Moines, Iowa.

ter named Rollin' Ray, said the new club gives local comics a chance to tour the three Spaghetti Works loca-tions, to have good audiences without hecklers, and to get several nights of work for each booking.

Weak said he has done comedy since about 1980, and started out in a Lincoln bar called O.G. Kelly's. He predicts a big resurgence in comedy after the movie "l'unchline" is restand-up comics, stars Tom Hanks and Sally Fields.

When the national comedy club chain The Funnybone opens in Omaha, local comics will be given another chance to show their stuff, Weak said.

Although more clubs are beginning to present comedy, rivalry is not a problem. McMeen wished Johnson and other comedy promoters well. Johnson also said he didn't want to be competitive with other comedy spots.

"I'm not here to take away anybody's business. I'm here to make it all better for everybody. The more things we can do together, the better it's going to be for everybody in Lincoln," said Johnson.

