

Cultural diversity emphasized Women's Week addresses concerns

By Sara Bauder
Staff Reporter

A week of events showcasing accomplishments and concerns of women began Thursday night at the Women's Resource Center with a showing of two films about women.

Gina Matkin, coordinator of the center, said increasing awareness of women's accomplishments and obstacles that still confront them are the goals of Women's Week 1990.

"The discussions on women's concerns are meant to be informational, and also provide an opportunity to get people together and talk about the concerns," Matkin said.

Connie Neal, assistant coordinator of the center, said the program for Women's Week shows more awareness of cultural diversity than in past years.

"There has been a concerted effort to diversify and include multicultural programming," Neal said. "We want to promote awareness and

emphasize the similarities of people instead of the differences."

Matkin said in addition to emphasizing the similarities of people, Women's Week will celebrate the diversity of various cultures. She said people should see diversities as adding to society and making it richer.

Women's Week 1990 continues today with an open house from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the center and a one-woman play by Jude Narita, "Coming into Passion/Song for a Sansei," at 8 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Nebraska Union.

Matkin said Narita's play will deal with stereotypes of Asian women.

Matkin said Narita, of Redondo Beach, Calif., will talk to students on campus before the play to find out how they feel about some of the issues in it. She also will answer questions after the play. Admission is \$4 for University of Nebraska-Lincoln students and \$5 for non-students.

Events on Tuesday will begin with a University Health Center presenta-

tion on contraceptives at noon in the union. At 3 p.m., UNL Political Science Professor Susan Welch will discuss women in politics. A discussion with men supporting feminism will be at 7 p.m. in the union.

Wednesday's discussions in the union will include some important concerns of women today, according to Matkin. At noon there will be a discussion about violence against women and safety issues. At 8 p.m., there will be a panel discussion on women entering male-dominated professions.

A dance with Jumpin' Kate and the Rollover Sisters in the union Ballroom will begin at 8 p.m. March 17. Admission is \$2 for UNL students and \$3 for non-students.

Women's Week 1990 is organized by the University Program Council's Women's Words and Music Committee and is co-sponsored by the Women's Resource Center, several UPC committees, campus groups and community organizations.

Casino Night changed to comply with law

By Ryan Steeves
Senior Editor

The play money used at Lambda Chi Alpha's annual Casino Night on Friday had less value than gamblers expected.

Eric Kringel, coordinator of the event, said the fraternity and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs James Griesen reached an agreement Friday

in which fraternity members agreed to hold a lottery for prizes instead of auctioning them off for fake money made by gambling.

Gary Lacey, chief deputy county attorney, had said Casino Night's format violated the law because it allowed people to use play money won from gambling to bid for prizes.

Griesen said that after Lacey got a ruling from the Nebraska Attorney

General's office, he told university officials that Casino Night would violate the law if money used in the auction was tied to admission costs.

Kringel said he thinks money issued at the event is not tied to admission because participants all pay the same price to get in and are provided with an unlimited supply of fake

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University in 1956. He received his doctorate in 1963. Aside from studying for a year in Great Britain, he has lived and taught in Leningrad since his graduation.

Lincoln is Kvitko's first experience with American life. He has nothing but praise for the university and the city.

"I like Lincoln very much," he says. "It's a beautiful place to work. Your campus here is practically a botanical garden."

When Kvitko takes a break from

his research, he says, he likes to walk around Lincoln.

He sometimes can be found reading Russian newspapers at Love Library or browsing through shelves in the bookstores.

Kvitko says he also enjoys the exhibits at Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery.

But he says the lab and the people who work in it impressed him the most.

"The pleasant surprise was the good atmosphere in the department and a very friendly lab," he says.

"Anytime I need help there's someone there to help me."

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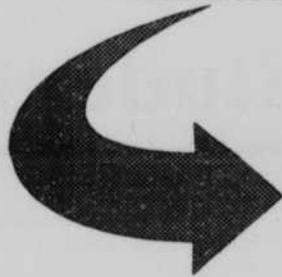
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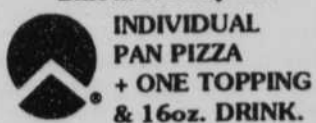
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