

Poll shows increase in student marijuana use



by Bart Becker

Marijuana smoking is more common than ever on the UNL campus, although less than half of the 243 randomly selected students in the Daily Nebraskan Super Poll have sampled cannabis.

In response to the question, "Have you ever smoked marijuana?", 128 students (53 per cent) answered in the negative. In a similar poll taken in the spring of 1971, 63 per cent responded negatively.

An overwhelming 83 per cent of those who had not smoked marijuana said they will never try it.

Forty-seven per cent of those responding they had smoked marijuana indicated they would continue to do so. And 21 per cent of the marijuana smokers indicated they smoke once a week or more.

The plurality of respondents favor legalization of marijuana by a percentage margin of 43-37. Twenty per cent remain undecided.

Few of the students indicated they had used harder drugs. LSD and speed were the other drugs mentioned most often.

Ninety-five per cent of the respondents indicated they have drunk alcoholic beverages. Furthermore, 58 per cent said they drink at least once a week.

Despite Nebraska's Bible Belt reputation, only 39 per cent said they attend church services regularly. Forty-two per cent said they attend occasionally.

However, 71 per cent consider themselves a member of an organized church.

Daily Nebraskan Super Poll Results

Have you ever smoked marijuana?	
Yes	47%
No	53%
If you have smoked marijuana, do you intend to continue to do so?	
Yes	47%
No	34%
Undecided	19%

If you smoke marijuana, on the average how often do you smoke it?	
4 times/week or more	9%
2-3/week	6%
once/week	6%
2-3/month	15%
less than once/month	32%

If you do not smoke marijuana, do you think you'll ever try it?	
Yes	17%
No	83%

Do you think marijuana should be legalized?	
Yes	43%
No	37%
Undecided	20%

Have you ever drunk alcoholic beverages?	
Yes	95%
No	5%

If yes, on the average how often do you drink?	
4 times/week or more	4%
2-3 times/week	29%
once/week	25%
2-3/month	23%
less than once/month	18%

Do you consider yourself a member of an organized church?	
Yes	71%
No	29%

How often do you attend church services?	
Frequently	39%
Occasionally	42%
Never	19%

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A combo named Reunion was playing and it was almost time to give out the prizes for the raffle. A few private parties were going on in rented rooms out in the complex. No one was really hanging on what Walter Cronkite had to say.

There were a lot of students here too, but they wore suits or dresses, not jeans and letter jackets. Young Republican "go girls" in red dresses and white Miss America-style sashes saying "Go Republican" dotted the room. Quite a few women wore floor-length skirts or dresses. Even a couple of fur stoles.

Former Governor Norbert Tiemann was there. So were ASUN executives Bruce Beecher and Michele Gagne. Carl Curtis was in a private room somewhere and word had it he was sort of upset. A little after 11 p.m. Charley Thone entered, smiling.

But the surprise celebrity was Rich Glover, who came with James Ruffin, head of the state's Minorities Committee for Nixon.

Glover wasn't too far into the room before they started bringing up pencils and slips of paper. "Rich, would you sign one for Betty?"

Best Wishes, Betty—Richard Glover.

"Now would you write another for Carolyn?"

Best Wishes, Carolyn—Richard Glover.

The only people who weren't having a good time were the cocktail waitresses. Tips, they said, were terrible.

Back at Democratic headquarters, Darrel Berg was thanking workers.

"I will remain a spokesman for the loyal opposition," he told them. "I am by no means lauding Charley Thone. He has won his computerized, automated victory... But we're going to keep on.

"I love you all, and we will meet again."

A little later the mood lightened briefly when a few workers heard that a Republican celebration at the Prom Town House in Omaha had to be evacuated temporarily because of a bomb threat. But that was about it.

Wednesday, except for a few still undetermined races, all that was left was the clean-up. Literature that had to be filed, or recycled if possible. Thank you letters to write. Financial statements to prepare. Telephones to disconnect. Plans for the future.

To a rueful Democratic worker, "it looks like we're going to have Dick Nixon to kick around for four more years."

To his Republican counterpart, that sounded just fine.

SKI SHOW SPECTACULAR

presented by the University of Nebraska at Lincoln Student Union

Date: November 8 and 9, 1972

Place:

Time: November 8:

information booths open 7 p.m.-10 p.m.
style show courtesy of Gerry's Sport Shop
Ski Country Seminars by Doug Killham &
Crew from Breckenridge Ski Shop, Inc.

University of Nebraska Student Union
14th & "R" Street

booths and films located in the Centennial Room
main shows in the Ballroom

November 9:

information booths open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; reopen at 6 p.m.
ski films presented during booths
informal modeling courtesy of Gerry's Sport Shop, Inc.
Main ski show presented at 7:30 p.m.

Additional information:

No admission fee
Open to the general public
Door prizes given away free at the evening shows
Sponsored by the Union Style Shows Program Committee
Pamela Groat, chairman

MAIN SHOW AGENDA:

November 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Ski fashions style show courtesy of Ben Simon & Sons and Lawlor's
Ski talk by Doug Killham of Breckenridge Ski Shop, Inc.
Demonstration by Hidden Valley on the Graduated Length Method learning technique
Door prizes given away
Approximately 9 p.m. booths will reopen

For any further information please contact Pamela Groat of Edward Boye
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Booths set up by:

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Breckenridge Ski Shop, Inc.
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Devil's Nest
Frontier Airlines
University of Nebraska Ski Club
Gerry's Sport Shop, Inc.
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University of Nebraska Recreation Dept.
Ben Simon & Sons
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Brenner's Ski Chalet
Breckenridge
Wildwood Inn at Snowmass
Lake Eldora
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weekend lodging
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5 day ski passes
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3 days lodging
ski lift passes
3 days lodging and ski rental
ski lift passes
2 nights lodging, meals
after ski refreshments, transportation

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Devil's Nest

to and from the ski area from the Inn
ski lift tickets
1 week's lodging
4 days lodging and meals
ski lift tickets
3 day ski pass
ski clothing
ski clothing
ski jacket and 1 pr. Hart skis
ski lift passes