Survey finds rural, urban Nebraskans' values similar

Despite popular belief, only a few differences in values exist between Nebraska's rural and urban populations, according to a survey.

UNL's Bureau of Sociological Research, in its 1978 Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey, interviewed about 2,000 Nebraskans by telephone last spring.

The respondents were divided into three categories: rural farm, rural non-farm and urban (those living in cities larger than 2,500).

According to the report, rural residents are more apt to express a stronger and more traditional family orientation than do urban residents, including greater satisfaction with their family lives.

Working mothers

The most marked difference between rural farm families and non-rural and urban families was in regard to working mothers. While 55 percent of rural non-farm residents and urban residents favored mothers working when husbands provided adequate support, only 41 percent of

Dogpatch recreated at Hawkins dance

10 at East Campus' Sadie cribe a day in the life of Hawkins Dance.

Sponsored by the East Committee, the dance will the East Campus Union. ty, and 'Dogpatch talent', newal, will perform.

urged to wear "Dogpatch" costumes, according to committee member Dan Rasby, and Abner candidates.

resources; Jane Kenner, themselves. ementary education; Ann Koehler, agriculture, natural resources, wildlife; Bev Todd, agriculture, journalism; and Sue Walgren, homemaking, advertising. Three of the women are from city campus.

"We've got good support from downtown this year," Rasby said. "We are pretty pleased with it.'

The Lil Abner candidates are: Clark Andrews, agriculture honors; Tim Cook. agriculture economics; Tim Graff, agriculture journalism; Clair Hoesing, agriculeducation; Glen Poppert, agriculture honors: and Scott Spilker, agriculture honors.

Six men originally applied to be candidates. However, 12 women wanted to participate, and the committee had to narrow the field. The women were asked to take on the personality of Sadie Hawkins during an interview. Dressed fitting the part and taking on country

Al Capp's "Dogpatch" accents, they had to answer has seen its last day on the questions such as how do comic pages of America. you plan to catch Lil But Sadie Hawkins and Lil Abner? what do you think Abner will live again Nov. of women's liberation? Des-

Sadie Hawkins. "The final candidates Union Dances and Concert were chosen on how creative their answers were, be from 9 to 12 p.m. in their spontaneity, personali-The cost is \$2.50 for admit- Rasby said. Their talent will tance. The band, Urban Re- be displayed in the fourminute sketch each of the Those attending are male and female candidates must perform before the voting.

The dance is inspired by who is organizing the dance. Al Capp's story of the They will also be able to mayor of Dogpatch, who vote for their favorite Sadie held the first annual Sadie Hawkins Day Race to try This year's candidates for to get rid of his unattrac-Sadie Hawkins are Penny tive daughter. All the homemaking, eligible bachelors of Dogeducation and extension: patch had to enter and the Angie Hudson, homemak- girls of the town chased the ing, education and family men to catch husbands for

ASUN agenda

The ASUN Senate will meet at 7 p.m. in the Nebraska Union. Room number will be posted.

I. Call to order/roll call II. Approval of minutes

III. Appointments

IV. Open forum

V. Executive reports

VI. Old business

Senate bill no. 29

(Union Board) Appropriations bill no.

16 (Money for Students

Day)

VIII. New business Resolution no. 23 (Open

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rural farm residents expressed a similar attitude.

However, Lynn White, director of the 1978 NASIS, and co-author with Alan Booth, said that "farm residents do tend to be a bit more conservative than urban residents, but most of the differences are small and many are inconsistent."

Other findings in the report:

 Although just as many rural and urban residents have considered divorce in the past two years, fewer rural residents are currently divorced. This could possibly be due to fewer rural residents actually getting divorced, a higher remarriage rate in rural areas, and migration of divorced people to urban settings.

-Farm residents are more likely to have a strong faith, but are somewhat less likely to attend church regularly than urban and non-farm residents, although the difference between rural and urban residents is quite small.

-Farm residents are more likely to be Republican than urban residents (48 percent vs. 34 percent), but differences on political issues between rural and urban residents are minor.

Community satisfaction

Despite the inconveniences in terms of services and facilities, rural residents, both farm and non-farm, are significantly more satisfied with the sommunities in which they live than are urban residents. Convenience by itself, according to the researchers, was not a strong factor in determining satisfaction with place of residence. Omaha

Class wins awards

A UNL advertising class project dealing with combatting venereal disease has been awarded three prizes in a nationwide competition.

The project won the awards from the Sexually Transmissable Awards Competition. The contest was conceived by a specialty advertiser from Atlanta, Ga.

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respondents, for instance, expressed the most satisfaction with convenience and the least satisfaction with place of residence.

White and Booth, in comparing responses from persons over 50 with those under 50 concluded that the current rural-urban similarity is of long standing, although older respondents were generally more conservative than younger ones.

Interestingly, they found that in terms of religious participation there is a significantly stronger rural-urban differential among the under-50 population.

The researchers concluded that the education level of Nebraskans may account for at least part of the closer similarity of groups in Nebraska.

Citing figures showing that the national farm population has completed only a little more than 10 years of formal education, they noted the education level of Nebraska's farm population is 12 years. The Nebraska farm population, in fact, is virtually the same as the urbar population in terms of educational level.

"We suspect that the educational homogeneity of Ne braska's population may be an important factor in reducing urban-rural differences," they concluded.

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