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Chris Closson (foreground) and Sandy Bish bask in the sun on the putting greens near Harper-Schramm-Smith complex.

Students bake in the sun despite tanning dangers

BY ROBIN STANOSHECK

Shiny, golden bodies glisten in the sun. Streaks of white sunlight reflect from well-oiled backs and legs.

A spot check on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln city campus indicated that students know the dangers of overexposure to the sun but seek a tan anyway.

"I think I won't get wrinkles because I don't lay out for four hours a day like some people," said Traci Hansen, sophomore meteorology student. "I don't plan to change my skin tone to dark brown, just light brown."

Traci's philosophy is shared by other UNL students.

"Moderation is the key," said Mark Rooney, secondary education graduate student. He said he didn't have a "savage" tan because he didn't tan for more than one-half-hour at a time.

Harlan Milder, junior law student, wears

a hat to keep sun out of his eyes and to reduce the risk of sunburn.

"I stayed out a good eight to ten hours yesterday studying for an accounting test," said Kyle Wicke, senior accounting major. He started tanning slowly however, "usually an hour a day."

"I'd rather not think about wrinkles," said Cindy Rewinkel, electrical engineering senior. She doesn't use suntan lotion and said, "Not too many people die of skin cancer; it's pretty curable."

Chris Clossen, sophomore advertising major, believes the reports on cancer but this does not stop her tanning efforts.

"I assume that the reports on cancer are mostly true. I get so sick of being white in the winter, that I figure I'll worry about it when it happens," Chris said.

"I believe what they say about sun aging your skin, but I don't lay out too often. I feel, in a way, it's healthy to get your skin exposed to the sun," said Sandy Bish, undeclared freshman.

Improvement of self image and healthier looking skin were common answers given to the question on the reasons why students work at getting a tan. Other reasons included:

"Tanning helps clear my skin up," Bish said. "It gives it a smoother appearance and I don't have to wear makeup."

"Just because it feels good to lie in the sun," said Anne Chubbucks, senior finance major.

"My boyfriend likes me brown," was Cindy Rewinkel's reason for baking in the sun.

In response to a question on common personality characteristics of sun bathers, Rewinkel said, "I feel they can endure a lot of suffering. I think they care about their looks."

Brad Eastman, chemistry major, said that his tan is just a by-product of the sun.

"I'm not necessarily out for the tan. I just like to sit in the sun: it's relaxing."

"Everyone looks healthier with a tan," said Traci Hansen.

Mark Rooney, secondary education graduate student, said that tanning was a break from being indoors.

"Two years ago I worked in a packing plant and never saw the light of day," Rooney said.

Harlan Milder studies while he tans. He said getting a tan while skiing, and playing tennis and soccer was an alternative to lying in the sun.

He feels that the reason for tanning is obvious. "People are always performing for others. People dress to impress others and tan to impress others," he said.

Kyle Wicke said he receives positive verbal reinforcement on his tan. He has received such compliments as: "God, what a tan," and "You're sure brown."

"I think a lot of your clothing looks better with a dark background rather than a light one," Wicke said. "Really, it's not an ego thing with me; it's hard to say why I do it."

Insanity plea need not reduce confinement stay

WASHINGTON (AP) — People found not guilty of crimes by reason of insanity may be confined to mental hospitals for a longer time than they would have spent in prison if convicted, the Supreme Court ruled Wednesday.

By a 5-4 vote, the justices upheld the indefinite confinement of a Washington, D.C., man who has been held in a mental hospital since charged with stealing a coat from a department store six years ago.

The court said the Constitution does not prohibit legislatures and courts from making it easier to lock away people acquitted of crimes because of their insanity than it is to commit people alleged to be insane but who are not accused of any crime.

Senate kills Democratic plan to limit tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate, urged on by President Reagan, Wednesday killed a Democratic plan to limit the 10 percent personal income tax cut that takes effect Friday.

The Senate vote against the House-passed maximum \$720 "cap" was the last gasp for Democratic attempts to alter the final installment of the three-year, 25 percent tax cut Reagan pushed through Congress in 1981.

The issue, however, is certain to surface again in the 1984 elections.

Supporters of the measure conceding beforehand that the Senate would defeat it.

Foundation will help parents stay in school

NEW YORK (AP) — About 700 teen parents will start receiving educational and job counseling, family planning help and other services this summer as part of a two-year program, a foundation official says.

Prudence Brown of The Ford Foundation said the \$1.9 million program will help young mothers and fathers stay in school, raise their children and avoid future unplanned pregnancies.

The foundation will provide \$700,000 grants each to the Manpower Demonstration Research Corp. and the Bank Street College of Education, both in New York, to coordinate local programs in 15 cities.

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