The Gallup Poll on marijuana has been conducted since 1969.

By ERIC MOORE

Lawmakers say change is still “a ways off” in Iowa regarding loosening marijuana regulations, despite a rise in national support for its legalization.

A Gallup Poll released Monday showed, for the first time, Americans who support the legalization of marijuana outnumber those who don’t.

But Sen. Joe Bolkcom, D-Iowa City, said lawmakers would need to provide more support before changes legislators will address it.

“Legislators are still nervous about seeming weak in the war on drugs,” said Bolkcom, who introduced medical-marijuana legislation in the last legislature session that failed to advance out of committee.

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At Tuesday’s meeting, members of the public approved the change to the land use designation.

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Let foreclosures ‘hit bottom,’ Romney says in Vegas

**By KASIE HUNT**

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In an interview published Tuesday ahead of a presidential-primary debate, Romney told Las Vegas Review-Journal’s Editorial Board that solving the foreclosure crisis would require letting banks proceed against homeowners who have defaulted on mortgages they can’t pay.

"The right course is to let them hit rock bottom," Romney said. "Let it run its course. It’s not a huge stage where there’s a bunch of eye-watching. There is a lot of interaction with a crowd. Audience interaction is a major part of the show, according to Bratlie said. At every show, people ask all ask all the time, What band do you sound like? Well, we don’t. We truly have a unique sound." Because the band’s singer is a banjoist, Hazelton, is from Texas, Bratlie says he brings everything and kind of outlying in Las Vegas, and it is from Las Vegas, which makes him feel very, very well, and a lot of foreclosures. "We’ve always looked at the crowd as the seventh member of the band," Hazelton said. "It’s part of what we do. There’s a lot of singing along, even if the crowd hasn’t heard the song, they pick it up really quickly." Many of Dirtfoot’s songs, he said, are call-and-response. "But the members say their sound doesn’t fall into a specific genre. 'Gypsy punk country grumble hooge is really sort of the description we’re ever come up with, simply because the sound is so diverse,” Bratlie said. "People we ask all ask all the time, What band do you sound like? This is something about our show that will clear your mind."

California-based band Dirtfoot will perform at Gabe’s Thursday night. Admission is $7. (Publicity photo)

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**By JORDAN MONTGOMERY**

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- Parent and Toddler Fitness, 3:30 p.m., Roslin Gym, 7201 Brailford
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- Inorganic Seminar, Mid to Late Valen Dinour Complexes of Groups 4 and 5, M. Katze Olson, Chemistry, 12:30 p.m., W323 Chemistry Building
- Kids Tech Club, 3:30 p.m., Kids Tech Club, 13 S. Linn
- Academic Success Workshop: How to Get Paid for What You Love To Do, 3 p.m., C219 Pomerantz Center
- Idea Beam Lecture, Medieval Books: Materialist Appropriations, Elaine Treharne, 4 p.m., C107 Pappajohn Business Building
- Sociology Seminar, "What is a person and, so what?" Christian Smith, Notre Dame, 4 p.m., C107 Pappajohn Business Building
- Farmers’ Market, 5 p.m., Chauncey Swan parking ramp
- Zumba with Aimee, 5:30 p.m., Old Brick, 211 Iowa
- Homecoming Sports Night, 6 p.m., Kids Tech Club, 13 S. Linn
- Ladies Night, 8 p.m., Senior Center, 28 S. Linn
- Prescribed Pastime, "Live from Prairie Lights," 7 p.m., CSPS, 1103 3rd St. S.E., Cedar Rapids
- Parents’ Night Out, 6-9 p.m., Women Who Wine, 6 p.m., Brick Arch Winery, 116 W. Man, West Branch
- Readers and Writers Group, 6 p.m., Upson Library, 720 S. Dubuque
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- Handstands: Kick Up is hard to do, 7 p.m., Heartland Yoga Studio, 22F College
- Ebert Miller, 7 p.m., Blue Moose, 211 E. College
- PJ Story Time, 7 p.m., North Liberty Community Library, 120 W. Cherry
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- "We Were Here — Tom Stoppard"
- Writers’ Workshop Reading, Walla Tower, 8:15 p.m., Van Tassel, 221 W. College
- "The PhD Movie," 9 p.m., Chamberlin, 9 p.m., Mill, 120 E. Burlington
- Max Studio, 10 p.m., Yacht Club, 13 S. Linn
Tough defense meets explosive offense this weekend when Michigan State hosts Wisconsin.

**FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS**

Northwestern, with Tyler Nelsen shifting in to middle linebacker in place of the injured James Morris, Donatell took over Wisconsin's usual strong-side role and registered seven tackles. "I didn't see it coming at all," said Donatell, a junior. "But it's awesome to get out there and play, and help contribute to a win." When linebacker Shane Dillman went down in an Anthill injury in training camp, Donatell said coaches approached him and said, "Hey, we'll try you out for a couple practices." "It sucked, and I've been doing linebacker ever since," Donatell said.

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Leader with a capital ‘T’

Senior Becca Spengler has been a symbol of leadership for the Hawkeyes the past three seasons.

Becca Spengler’s story is one of inspiration. At least that’s how her field hockey head coach Tracey Evans describes Spengler, the only three-time team captain in a four-year career in Iowa history. Spengler’s playing statistics show consistency throughout her career, but her indescribable effect on the program akin to her sport.

“I keep the team moving, or if she needs some- thing, she’s got what we need done, on the field and off the field. She’s a lin- quist between the coaches and the players. She’s the glue; the team needs something al- lured from them if they need something different out of you, just being able to communicate that both ways.”

Point on the playing field in her name.

“On the field, it gets dropped. Off the field, rela- tionship carry on,” says the Lititz, Pa., native said. “I’m a competitor; I always want a competitor; I always want to improve. I try to communicate that both ways.”

The lone senior on the Hawkeye’s squad, Spengler is also the only remaining player from the 2008 team that advanced to the NCAA Final Four. She said she looked up to the eight seniors that ended the previous year’s season because of an injury, as her career lasted five years. Spengler is set to graduate upon the completion of her senior year.

Spengler had only one full season as a collegiate athlete before she was elected team captain as a true sophomore. She is nominated by other team members for the position, and the squad’s captain is chosen after a process based on a player and coach vote.

“[Being picked captain as a sophomore] was just more of an adjustment.”

The Hawkeyes’ coliseum to lift its

VOLLEYBALL

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the big-time match-ups. It’s a tough, long season,” said a senior midfielder Becca Spengler (left) defends during a field hockey practice at Grant Field on Tuesday.

VOLLEYBALL

Who is Iowa’s midseason MVP?

James Vanderberg, Tight end

James Vanderberg has been a team player for the Hawkeyes in 2011, and the quarterback’s back-up warrants the title of the team’s midsea- son MVP.

Vanderberg’s offense has flourished under Vander- berg’s wing this year in the first full season at starter. The second-year starter’s offensive production has been pivotal; he solidified the team offense in five of six games.

The junior has led the offense to at least 35 points five times — the same number as Ricky Stanzi has managed in 2010. Vander- berg’s role has allowed receivers Marvin McNutt, Keenan Davis, and Kevonte Martin-Manley to shine as well, and the Hawkeyes have two of the conference’s top seven pass-catchers in number of receptions and receiving yards.

Vanderberg’s numbers have improved, espe- cially for a quarterback who has been on the starting bench since Week One.

Vanderberg is second in the Big Ten in passing yards, behind only Wison- son’s Heisman-worthy gun- slinger Russell Wilson. Vanderberg has completed more than 10 percent of his passes to date, and he is ranked third in the Big Ten in passing efficiency behind Wilson and Illinois’ Nathan Scheelhaase. Vanderberg also leads all other passers in total offense and first in offensive yards.

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— Ryan Murphy

Miah Hyde, cornerback

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Hyde is a key player on the Hawkeyes’ defense. With the loss of several defensive players and the NLF draft, Hyde has stepped into the role of difference maker, and he is being an MVP-caliber season. The 6- 1 corner leads the Hawkeyes this season in interceptions (three), has broken up a team-leading six passes, and is third in the team in total tackles (first among defensive backs).

When Hyde plays well, Iowa usually follows suit.

Iowa has played a huge role in the Hawkeyes’ historic come-from-behind Pitts- burgh team that led by 17 points in the fourth quar- ter. The Hawkeyes’ defense by intercept- ing two passes — one of which ended a late-game scoring drive that came with 1:41 to play and the other on a kickoff.

In the Hawkeyes’ most recent game, against Northwestern, the team took the field without sec- ond-leading tackle James Morris. But Hyde rose up and continued to perform be- cause he and fellow senior defensive tackle Cordova contributed.

Iowa senior Becca Spengler in the game to take a new lead.

“It’s a tough, long season,” sophomores Rachel Boddell said. “Especially this week, because we’re getting back on the road, and being busy can make it harder to get sleep, make sure you’re eat- ing the right things, and such. But we’re all really excited to get out and experience this. It’s more than worth the trip.”

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By JORDAN GARBERT

Iowa is experiencing uncharacteristically low production from its tight ends this season.

Through six games, four tight ends — Zach Derby, Brad Hanson, C.J. Foudenza, and Ray Hamilton — have 14 catches among them and zero touchdowns. Allen Robinson alone caught 19 passes with one touchdown in Iowa’s first six games in 2010.

But coach Kirk Ferentz — who recently debuted in the offensive backfield against Penn State — said the lack of production is OK, because the Hawkeyes are scoring points.

They are.

Despite a 3-point output at Penn State, Iowa is still averaging 32.5 points per game, putting it in the Top 10.

“Don’t matter who’s catching or what’s happening,” Ferentz said. “One game it’s this guy, and the next game it’s that guy. The thing is trying to get points — that’s the bottom line.”

Surprisingly good wide receivers have recovered depth has helped neutralize some of the concerns from its tight ends. Marvin McNutt and Keenan Davis both rank among the Big Ten’s top 25 in receptions and receiving yards per game. Both have also been involved in the passing game, quarterback James Vandenberg said, he would like to get the tight ends more involved.

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But if we’re running the ball and we’re throwing the ball, it’s going to get them the ball, too,” Vandenberg said.

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