

First bomb threat investigated

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A bomb threat on Coker Hall was called in to University police Sunday night and again Monday morning, a Security Services official said Monday.

The caller told police a bomb would go off at approximately 9:30 a.m. Monday, said director Robert E. Sherman. Calls were made at 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Sunday and at approximately 9 a.m. Monday.

No bombs were found during the police search. The building was not evacuated, Sherman said.

"The decision to evacuate a building is mine," he said. "I might discuss it with people in the administration, but the final decision is at my discretion."

The incident was the first threat of the year, Sherman said. Five threats

were received last year and more than 30 threats were called in two years ago.

Although a building's evacuation is not guaranteed for each threat received, an investigation is made for each case, Sherman said.

"The main thing is to first protect life," he said. "But we also have to go into it with an understanding of why everyone is here. If we continued to evacuate buildings and disrupting classes we would be remiss in our duties."

"Within the department, we look at every call with the possibility that the threat is real," Sherman said.

Among the steps taken in an investigation are determining the motive behind the call, what was scheduled for the building at the time of the threat and how the call was phrased.

"Any threat of that nature we'll investigate trying to determine who was responsible," Sherman said. "We may even request telephone taps to help in identification."

In this incident, the only reason the caller gave for the threat was "student apathy," Sherman said.

"For the most part, in schools the calls have something to do with what papers are due and what exams are to be taken," he said.

A deterrent to such threats is the scheduling of alternate sites for exams, he said. The sites would be announced if an evacuation is necessary.

"Very rarely do you see people actually out to injure people," Sherman said.

A person making such a threat could receive a maximum fine of \$500 and a jail term of six months, he said.

Contests spur challenge, profit

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It's nearly impossible to eat at a fast-food restaurant these days without winning food, trips and unheard of amounts of cash. Each of the four major fast-food chains located in Chapel Hill and the Fast Break are presently promoting food contests and games.

These games attract business for the restaurants and excite the customers.

"I think they're a good idea because they get interest going and keep people intrigued," said James Jones, manager of Burger King.

Tony Moretz, assistant manager of Hardee's, said, "they most definitely help business. They're a challenge; they excite people, especially around this area. I like them because they give us a chance to give the customer something back and to show our thanks."

McDonald's, the same restaurant that brought us "Build a Big Mac" last summer, now offers us "You Deserve a Break Today."

In order to win this game, a player must first pick up a McDonald's passport. The inside of the passport is like a stamp collecting book. The object is to get free stamps with each visit to McDonald's and match them with the stamps inside the passport to win prizes.

Prizes include food (french fries, Egg McMuffins and Big Macs), money from \$1 to \$100,000 and trips to Canada, Australia, Europe and the Orient. The grand prize is \$300,000 or a trip around the world.

Hardee's is promoting their home-made biscuits with a game called "Made from Scratch." To win this game, a contestant must scratch the silver latex covering off of nine biscuits on the game card and match any three words underneath.

Prizes include chicken sandwiches, sausage biscuits, medium Pepsi's, french fries and money. At the bottom of the card is a box which, when scratched, reveals a letter. To win \$100 the customer must collect the letters F-R-E-S-H. To win \$1,000 the customer must collect the letters H-O-M-E-M-A-D-E.

The Meal Card Game offered at the Fast Break is also like the Hardee's game. Everyone in line gets a game card. The object is to scratch off the silver covering and win food prizes.

One heart wins a 12-oz. drink; two hearts wins a drink and french-fries; three hearts wins a drink, fries and a hamburger. "It's basically a monotony breaker," said Gary Pantan, catering manager and student coordinator. "Students need something; it makes them look forward to supper."

Burger King's game, "21," is a mixture of blackjack and "Made from Scratch." To win, one must scratch the silver latex covering off of the box on the front of the card. The object is to uncover an instant prize or to collect cards that add up to 21. Prizes include sandwiches and money up to \$250,000.

Although these games are exciting and intriguing, they have one shortcoming: a small number of winners. All of the restaurants reported winnings of small prizes but few have given away any large prizes.

The chance of winning a regular order of french fries in one visit at McDonald's is one in 18, while the chance of winning \$30,000 is one in 416,670,000. The odds of winning a Pepsi at Hardee's is one in 9.2 and the odds of winning \$1,000 is one in 3,250,000.

Traveling abroad

Friendship Force offers opportunities

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With the efforts of two Chapel Hill residents, local citizens will soon be able to enjoy the experience of a foreign exchange trip.

Like other large universities, UNC provides many opportunities for students and faculty to participate in various foreign exchange programs. But some private citizens have complained of a lack of such opportunity, leading to the creation of a Chapel Hill chapter of the Friendship Force International.

Wallace Kuralt and his wife Brenda, members of the Raleigh chapter of the Friendship Force, recently began to organize a local chapter.

The idea was to give Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Durham residents better access to the program.

"I realized there are no exchange programs outside of the University," Kuralt said. "This exchange program is for normal, plain-old, everyday people."

He said that many of the participants, known as ambassadors, were working-class or retired people who wanted the chance to make friends from other countries, something the average sight-seeing tour does not provide.

Friendship Force International, an organization dedicated to promoting goodwill between citizens of various nations without heavy political overtones, was conceived in 1973 by Jimmy Carter while he was governor of Georgia.

Chartered in 1977, the organization has grown to include such countries as England, Brazil, Korea and Spain.

The FFI will make a breakthrough next year when it sends about 50 of its ambassadors to the Soviet Union. That country will not allow its citizens to return the trip, though.

The trips, which last for two weeks, place the ambassador in the home of citizens of the host nation, preferably of a similar background.

Last summer a fireman and his wife from Durham stayed with the family of a West German fireman, Kuralt said.

Ambassadors also are obliged to arrange either for or serve as hosts for a foreign ambassador.

Kuralt said only about 30 of the 280 ambassadors of the Raleigh chapter's last exchange were from Durham and Chapel Hill. One of the goals of the new chapter is to send 75 of 185 people who will make a trip next summer from this area.

The new chapter, which held its first meeting last week, will begin in January to interview and screen anyone interested in participating, Kuralt said. Those chosen to become ambassadors learn where the trip will be only two months before departure. Kuralt said that eliminated tourists and sightseers only interested in the trip and not the cultural and diplomatic exchange.

One local resident who has served as an ambassador is Patricia Poret, a staff nurse at the Student Health Services. Poret, who went to West Berlin last summer, said the program had much to offer someone intent on learning more about other cultures.

"It made me more informed about that part of the country," she said. "I gained insight into the West German people and how they feel about life."

"It's not really a tour. It's a trip with a commitment toward meeting new people."

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\$300 to \$400 a week.

A spokesman for Raleigh Music Company, which supplies the machines to some of the local businesses, did not agree.

"Our most popular machine ever in its best location in its best week did not take in even \$300," he said.

Tim Kirkpatrick, a bartender at Henderson

Street Bar, and Star Trax manager Don Pinney discussed the effects that having alcohol available has on the amount of money the machines take in.

"Drunks spend more money than sober people do, believe me. This place makes a fortune on the machines," Kirkpatrick said.

"There has been an increase in business with

the beer. They're (drinkers) going to spend money and not know it," Pinney said.

Stephenson said that he had noticed a difference in the types of games men and women preferred. He said the women play the less complicated ones, while the men play the more adventuresome games.

Greenpeace presenting whale program

Greenpeace, an organization dedicated to ecology and protection of the environment, is scheduled to present a program concerning ocean life and the killing of whales at 8 p.m. in room 102 of the Carolina Union. Patrick Noonan, Greenpeace director of education, is to speak, and a film entitled *Voyages to Save the Whales* is scheduled to be shown.

Gregory Kats, a senior who has been

instrumental in an effort to start a campus Greenpeace chapter, spoke about the importance of the organization and of tonight's program.

"This is part of an extensive educational campaign to inform people about the dangers of killing whales," Kats said. "It's important because two-thirds of the earth is covered by water, and because a lot of people use the oceans."

Noonan will talk about Greenpeace's educational purposes in confronting ocean issues. He tours the country, speaking often to high school and college students about the organization.

"Greenpeace is an international organization of ecologists and environmentalists working to protect our world," Kats said. The group is involved in preventing the slaughter of whales.

"Whales present a kind of symbol for the entire ecology movement," Kats said. By confronting whale killers directly, Greenpeace has saved hundreds of whales from being slaughtered, he said.

About 15 UNC students are presently involved in organizing a Greenpeace chapter here. It would be the only campus chapter in the southeast, Kats said. Those interested in speaking personally with Patrick Noonan are encouraged to attend a potluck supper at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at 106 Carr St. in Chapel Hill.

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