

Planning board recommends women's center relocation

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The Chapel Hill Planning Board decided Tuesday night to recommend that the Town Council adopt a proposal allowing the Orange County Women's Center to relocate at 210 Henderson St.

In a 5-3 vote, the board approved the rezoning of the house, located in the historic district, from residential to office/institutional zoning. The board also approved a special use permit allowing the house to be used as the facility for the Women's Center.

The board members who voted

against the proposal said they were concerned about rezoning the house.

"The rezoning changes the nature of the neighborhood," board member Mae McLendon said.

"I don't really feel like we've given the house a chance to be used for residential purposes," board member Don Francisco said.

The house is now used as a rental house.

"The house is too large and needs too many renovations to be a single-family home," said Katie Eyre, the rental agent for the house. "It will stay run-down if it remains a rental house."

The Women's Center has a contract to buy the house, which is part of the estate of the late Margaret Johnson, said Coolie Monroe, a member of the housing committee for the center. The heirs of the estate are selling the center for \$170,000, which is the amount paid for state taxes.

Some residents from Cobb Terrace neighborhood, located near the house, came to the meeting to request that the planning board deny the rezoning request.

"People will be gradually changing the residential areas into offices if they know they can rezone," said

Sally Massengale, a resident of Cobb Terrace. "We will eventually have a charming area that looks residential but isn't. This area should stay residential."

The center had an open house to display their renovation plans for the residents of the neighborhood, Monroe said.

"The Cobb Terrace neighbors boycotted the open house, but the Spring Lane and Henderson Street

neighbors came and were enthusiastic about the project," Monroe said.

"The rezoning offers no threat to erode the neighborhood," said planning board member Julian Raney. "The house is surrounded by uses compatible with the Women's Center, such as the Phi Mu sorority house and other offices."

Board chairman Alan Rimer said the center would provide a buffer between the neighborhood and the

offices in the town.

Ida Friday, a member of the center's advisory board, said the center had been searching for a house since 1982. "This house is perfect."

Monroe said, "We were absolutely elated about the planning board's decision."

The Town Council will make a decision about the rezoning proposal in its meeting June 22.

Volunteers

electrocardiogram lab. He has also spent time doing clerical work. This semester he averages about 10 volunteer hours a week at the hospital — three or four hours in the emergency room, and the rest doing clerical work for administrators.

Anderson said one of his most memorable volunteer experiences occurred in March, when a man who had cut part of his chin off with a chainsaw came into the emergency room. Anderson and another volunteer were permitted to "scrub up" and see the operation first-hand — a rare experience for volunteers.

The plastic surgeon even allowed the volunteers to assist with some of the minor procedures in the operation, Anderson said. "It wasn't so serious that we couldn't be involved."

Another experience helped Anderson realize that performing medical procedures is not the only difficult part of being a doctor. He said the case involved a woman who was admitted to the hospital for a gallstone operation, but doctors discovered she had cancer. "How could I tell someone something like that?"

"I'm the type of person that will always get close to his patients," he said.

Although Anderson has yet to perform open-heart surgery as he once imagined, he said his experiences as a volunteer will benefit him as a doctor.

"I broadened my perspective," he said. "I took my view of me out of the picture. I see there's so many other things now that are important to the program."

Fisher said the variety of hospital departments attracts many different

students. Volunteers can help with anything from clerical work to patient feeding, so even students who are uneasy around sick people can work in the hospital.

"Each student is treated as an individual," she said. The staff members understand that NCMH is a teaching and learning hospital, and they try to help the volunteers, she said.

Fisher said the experience volunteers get in the hospital is beneficial if they plan to enter a medical profession. "You need the practical experience along with the degree knowledge to get a real taste of the working world," she said.

Felicia Mebane, a sophomore business major, said she joined the program to get an idea of what the medical professions are like, but that she also wanted to get more involved in the community.

In her two semesters at the hospital, Mebane has worked at the medicine walk-in clinic and the cleft palate program.

Mebane said she chose the cleft palate program to learn more about the birth defect, which affects a friend of hers. But volunteer work has also helped Mebane decide she wants to be a medical professional.

"Just being there (at the hospital) has made me say, 'Yeah, that's what I want to do,'" she said.

Another student volunteer, Anita Adams, a senior who hopes to pursue a career combining business and medicine, said she entered the program so she would have experience to put on her resume.

"I thought it would be good to put on my resume," she said. "I wasn't doing too much around school."

Adams has volunteered for three

semesters, working in the hematology and pharmacy departments and helping to collect drug information from the library for hospital files.

Adams said that the program has not been all she expected it to be. "I don't think they give us as much responsibility as we want," she said. "But the stuff we do is important."

Sydney Wright, the supervisor for Occupational Therapy in the Burn Center, agreed that volunteer services are important to the hospital.

"When we're real busy (in the Burn Center), if it wasn't for the volunteers we'd never get things done," Wright said. "They're a great asset."

Some of her volunteers are given a lot of responsibility, she said. "If they're real innovative and excited about what they do, they get more responsibility," she said. "But if they're just here to fulfill some requirement, they don't get so much."

In the Burn Center, volunteers work one-on-one with the patients, Wright said.

Wright said she warns volunteers before they begin to work in the burn unit that the appearance of some of the patients may be difficult to deal with. But she said that she has never lost a volunteer who could not handle seeing burned patients.

Most volunteers come to the Burn Center knowing what they will see, she said. "When the volunteers see something that bothers them, we'll talk about what they're feeling."

The 40-45 student volunteers in the emergency room are also important, according to Roberta Vereen, team leader and liaison of volunteers in the emergency room.

Student volunteers are invaluable to the hospital staff and patients, Vereen said. "Money cannot buy them," she said. "We just cannot do without them."

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will be done by class, and the earlier students call, the more likely they are to receive the classes they request.

Lanier said students shouldn't worry about other students altering their schedules by phone because the system is very secure. It's the same system the IRS uses.

However, Jicha said the system will not allow students to bypass meetings with advisers. In order to get into the system, students must punch in their social security number plus a personal identification number available only from an adviser. This number can be changed so a student will have to see an adviser each time he wants to drop or add a class.

Students said Wednesday that they think the system will help to make the registration process less stressful.

"It's got to beat waiting in that line," said Sara Page, a junior from Winston-Salem. "You could do it in your pajamas, have a snack while you preregister."

But Page also had some apprehensions about the system. "I keep having this recurring dream that there'll be nothing but a busy signal

and nobody will be able to get through," she said.

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Recreation project in the works for development of Jordan Lake

By ANDREA SHAW
Staff Writer

If plans go as scheduled, residents of the Research Triangle Park area will enjoy the new Seaforth Recreation Center on Jordan Lake by the summer of 1988.

Announced March 30 by U.S. Rep. David Price, D-N.C., the \$1.9 million project includes plans for a picnic area, boat ramp and beach.

The Army Core of Engineers, which has funded the project, is developing Jordan Lake as part of the original plan for the area, said James Jordan, Price's press secretary.

"Jordan Lake was built with

federal funds in 1970," Jordan said. "The idea was to develop the lake for recreation."

Jordan Lake was also chosen for the recreation site because it is accessible to many people, Jordan added.

"It's easy access, since it's just off (Highway) 64," he said. "The decision was also made on the lake's proximity to a dense population."

J & W Builders of Greensboro will begin construction of the facility when Jordan Lake officials give them permission, said J & W Builders president Larry Francisco.

"On the 15th (of April), we will go down for a pre-construction

meeting on safety rules, new procedures and plans," Francisco said. "Problems and questions that may have arisen will be answered then."

Francisco said he expected to receive permission for construction within two weeks of the meeting.

Construction will take about 540 days, he said, so the project should be completed by next summer.

Francisco said the topography of Jordan Lake was ideal for the construction of a beach about 250 feet wide and 1,000 feet long. White beach sand will be brought in for the shore, Francisco said.

The state will maintain the facility, Jordan said.

<p style="text-align: center;">Campus Calendar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday</p> <p>12:15 p.m. Ackland Art Museum will offer a free gallery talk on the current exhibition, "American Drawings and Watercolors" from Amherst College.</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Students for Educational Access will hold a mock Donahue show in the Pit to protest financial aid cuts.</p> <p>3 p.m. Black Greek Council will sponsor a carnival in Hinton James Court. A step-show will follow in Great Hall at 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>5 p.m. Phoenix will meet in the Phoenix office for the staff photo. Also bring money for your Phoenix t-shirt. AIS will meet in the Union</p>	<p>to discuss and organize the upcoming Cultural Festival. All members are asked to attend.</p> <p>7 p.m. UNC Outing Club will meet in the Union. Final plans for this weekend's hang-gliding trip will be discussed.</p> <p>Special Features Committee will sponsor free shag lessons in the Union. Check the front desk for location.</p>	<p>Union or call 962-3912/1259.</p> <p>If your organization needs office space in the Union next year, be sure to pick up a Union Space Request form in Suite C. They must be turned in by 5 p.m. Friday, April 10.</p>
<p>Items of Interest</p> <p>1987-88 Glee Club Auditions will be March 30 - April 10. Contact Director Michael Tante-Horan, 225 Hill Hall or 962-5695/1039.</p> <p>The Carolina Symposium 1988 applications are at the Union desk. They are due April 10 in Suite B of the Union.</p> <p>Interested in buying a 1985-86 Yackety Yack or another previous edition? Come by Room 106 of the</p>		

Police continue accident probe

From staff reports

Chapel Hill police are still investigating a hit-and-run accident in which a UNC freshman was injured Monday on Manning Drive.

Kaari Snook of Rochester, N.Y., was hit by a light green Oldsmobile Cutlass at about 3:30 p.m. Monday while crossing the street near Chase Hall. A man was driving the car.

Public Safety Officer Keith Porterfield of the Chapel Hill police said Wednesday that police were trying to find witnesses to aid their investigation. Anyone with information about the accident should contact Porterfield at 968-2790.

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