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Tulane KAs suspected of racism

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In an attempt to stand up to ongoing racial tensions, members of the Kappa Alpha Order at Tulane University suspended two members for burning a cross in the back yard of their fraternity house.

The two members, both juniors, were tried by the other KA members and later suspended for one year from fraternity involvement. Later this week they also face charges from the university's judicial office, said Lou Stark, assistant vice-president for student affairs.

Another member involved was suspended for a short time while KA president David D'Herete investigated the incident. He was later reinstated.

D'Herete complained to Stark after the occurrence, and Stark then filed a complaint with university judicial officers.

"According to our code of conduct, the university will not tolerate any form of harassment or intimidation, including sexual, racial, religious or age discrimination," Stark said. "In my opinion this is a violation of that code."

Official charges for the students have not been released, Stark said.

"I've had a lot of support from the students," Stark said. "No one has come out against my decision."

Dean Gooden, a freshman KA pledge at Tulane, said he felt the members involved should have been expelled and not just suspended from the fraternity.

"I don't support this at all," he said. "We're all pretty upset over this. This is something that we (members of KA) just don't stand for."

Gooden also said that some of the campus minority groups were mildly upset at KA members and that the fraternity recently received a bomb threat.

The students involved with the cross burnings said the incident was a joke and the events did not in any way resemble the ones found in the movie "Mississippi Burning" or those by members of the Ku Klux Klan.

Jack Rosenzweig, editor-in-chief of Tulane's campus newspaper, The Hurlaloo, said a Martin Luther King road sign was recently reported to have been found with the cross in the fire rubble.

"Students are over-bombarded with this kind of stuff," he said. "Most of them have seen it before and are kind of numb to it."

This is the second cross burning this year, he said. The first incident occurred in September at another fraternity that gave a bid to a black student. The day after the bid was given, a burned cross was found in the front yard of the fraternity.

No one was found in relation to that incident, Rosenzweig said.

"We have really vocal students here from the Old South persuasion that have no problems with cross burnings. Some of these guys have never even been in a classroom with a black student until now."

Stark said he was impressed by the progress the university has made concerning racial issues.

"I'm proud of the guys (at KA). They took action and came to me with their complaint."



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It was how big?

Jim Davis, a sophomore from Washington, and Chris Morris, a junior from Charlotte, share a bench and a story Tuesday.

7 fraternities eyed in dry rush inquiry

By DIONNE LOY
Staff Writer

Seven fraternities are being investigated for alleged violations of UNC's first official dry rush, according to Rob Beatty, Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) president.

The dry rush policy, which banned alcohol from all rush functions during the week of Jan. 24 to Jan. 30, was unanimously passed by the IFC in December. The written policy was issued to each fraternity Jan. 19.

Beatty said he had received reports of violations through telephone calls and personal visits from rushees and people not involved with fraternities.

Beatty would not give the names of the fraternities under investigation.

He said he had expected more violations to be reported. "Out of 23 possible fraternities, only seven were reported. That's really not that bad considering this is the first year of any type of formal dry rush."

Frederic Schroeder, dean of students, agreed that dry rush had been effective overall. "Anytime something is new, you're going to have some confusion and some violations."

"I'm sorry that there were seven violations, but I'm happy that the other fraternities upheld the policy," he said. Reported incidents ranged from late-night parties including rushees to the

purchasing of alcohol for rushees, Beatty said. Most of the problems dealt with issuing early bids, he said.

Some fraternities may have tried to end their dry rush early by issuing bids sooner than usual, Beatty said. But issuing early bids had been against IFC policy even before the dry rush policy was created, he said.

Presidents and rush chairmen of the fraternities in question will meet informally with Beatty and the Panhellenic Council president next week to discuss the severity and consequences of the violations, Beatty said. More formal meetings will proceed if punishments need to be issued, he said.

"We're not going to go strictly by the book because it's obvious some of the fraternities just didn't know the rules. It isn't that nothing is being done — we just have to keep in mind that the policy was not actually concrete because it was the first year dry rush was tried."

Beatty said he thought warnings would be issued to most of the fraternities if they were found guilty of violating the dry rush policy. Violators would also be monitored for the next two semesters, he said. If they committed further violations, they would be placed on one or two months of social probation.

A compromise between the fraterni-

ties and IFC will probably result from the proceedings, Beatty said. "If we just issue warnings, then we (the IFC) in turn can work together with the fraternities as a tighter group."

The council is in the process of trying to form a subcommittee with one representative from every fraternity to discuss the ambiguities of the dry rush policy, he said.

Questions about the policy seem to focus on the true definition of a rushee, Beatty said. "If he's not rushing your (fraternity), is he a rushee? That seems to puzzle the fraternities and is a tough question. People might see it differently."

The council will work on restructuring and redesigning the policy in preparation for next semester, Beatty said. "Next semester, with a lot more help from the (fraternities), the policy should run a lot more smoothly. The more that it is understood, the better it will work."

Schroeder said he also thought the policy would be more successful next semester. "We need to look very carefully into the future. I'm very hopeful."

Fraternities agreed that the policy was unclear. "Since we didn't get the written policy until so late, we had to replace several of our activities," said David Harvey, president of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. "It was difficult and very frustrating."

Lewis calls for development task force

By ROBERT BROWN
Staff Writer

Student Body President Brien Lewis in a "Pit-Side Chat" Tuesday called for a task force that would set ground rules for campus development.

Student Body Vice President Joe Andronaco has been working on a task force that would work to improve the present building process, Lewis said. In addition to setting building standards and policies, the task force would develop a long-range building plan for the University, he said.

UNC needs a priority system to determine what University academic or administrative departments would move into buildings made available by new construction, he said.

Lewis also spoke about elections, campus development, academic issues and his recent talk with Gov. Jim Mar-

tin. The forum was meant to keep students abreast of current student government activities and to encourage student input and involvement, he said.

Lewis spoke in support of the proposed parking deck on the Hinton James tennis courts. The deck, which would have new tennis courts on the roof, would be reserved for student parking when not needed for special events at the Smith Center, he said. "It would be a badly needed addition to student parking."

Lewis said he wanted to receive student input on the parking deck before meeting with the Rams Club, which would be working with students to build the deck.

Lewis also noted that student government had submitted a report which voiced objections to proposed business

school sites and outlined other possible locations.

Lewis said he expressed his concern over cuts in educational funding during his meeting with Martin. He said he told the governor he was fearful that further cuts would lead to cuts in personnel as they did at N.C. State University. He also said he spoke with the governor about his Tuition Defense Initiative, a plan that would combat rising tuition costs.

The academic minor should soon become a reality, Lewis said. The Faculty Council will vote Feb. 23 on the minor. If the minor passes, it may be implemented as soon as next semester, he said. Lewis said he had heard a lot of support for the minor and that he was confident it would pass.

With student elections two weeks away, Lewis told students to get in-

involved and support a candidate. He also explained referendums that will be appearing on the ballot and encouraged students to support his "can of Coke scholarship" referendum. The referendum, if approved by Student Congress and if approved in the Feb. 20 general election, would raise student fees 50 cents to increase financial aid.

Lewis also asked students for input on how to improve Chapel Hill Transit. The service has asked student government how students can be better served, he said.

Lewis also praised students for showing their support for undergraduate teaching through the various teaching awards on campus. He said he was pleased that the number of teaching awards had been expanded.

Student government is also conduct-

ing a survey to determine the effects of research on undergraduate teaching, he said.

The student ambassador program is also getting under way, he said. Initial training programs have been completed and the program, which will send students to inform N.C. groups about the University, should be in full swing shortly.

Lewis said he would hold another "Pit-Side Chat" next week to talk about the UNC Board of Trustees meeting this Thursday. The pit forums allow him to be more accessible to students, he said.

It is important for him to be available to receive student input, Lewis said. "The student body president is the mouth of the student body, but he also has to be the eyes and ears."

Architects slate forums to refine SRC plans

By JENNIFER PILLA
Staff Writer

Architects will discuss concerns over plans for the Student Recreation Center (SRC) with physical education department faculty today, and with interested students Thursday.

Frank Pleasants, acting chairman of the physical education department, said faculty members would meet with architects today and were likely to express concerns about long-term considerations for the building.

"We have to think ahead so that it will be designed in such a way that possible future needs can be built into the existing building, and we won't

have to build a whole new one," Pleasants said.

"We want to provide some ideas so we can produce the best building possible — one that will meet the perceived needs of the students and one that will blend in well with Fetzer."

Pleasants said it was not likely that faculty members would express further concerns about the site of the building.

"I would be shocked if there were any major concerns voiced about the location again. That's a past issue, that's history," he said.

Norma Burns of Burnstudio in Raleigh, the SRC architect, said she believed concerns expressed by faculty

would be similar to concerns voiced by students at previous sessions.

According to Burns, concerns of students seem to fall into three major categories.

"First, students want to make sure that the building will function properly for the kinds of activities that will take place in the building," she said.

Burns also said students were concerned about access to lockers and bathrooms in Fetzer gym. Architects had not planned to include lockers in the building but to allow students to use lockers and bathroom facilities in Fetzer gym.

Pleasants said because of security

problems that might arise from this plan, it would probably be necessary to build some lockers and bathroom facilities in the new building.

Burns said her third concern was that students raised questions about the appearance of the building.

"Students want the building to be open, hospitable and friendly. They have also expressed concerns about respecting the current landscape and preserving the character of the present area," Burns said.

Thursday's meeting is open to all students and will be held at 5 p.m. in Murphey 111.

Lisa Frye, president of Carolina

Athletic Association (CAA), said architects would present students with a preliminary line drawing of the SRC at that meeting. Students will then be given a chance to critique the plans and give their input. Frye said students would likely be given the opportunity to form small groups and give feedback to architects.

"Students want the architects to design the building so that it will have an open atmosphere combined with an atmosphere of privacy while they're working out," Frye said. "They also want the wellness center to be accessible."

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Campus recycling site possible

By MARCIE BAILEY
Staff Writer

A proposal to place a town-operated recycling site on campus is still being considered by UNC administrators and the Physical Plant, said Mark Chilton, co-chairman of the Tar Heel Recycling Program, a committee of the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC).

The recycling bin would be emptied by the city for virtually no cost, and monthly maintenance fees would only be \$15, Chilton said. But an 8-foot-by-30-foot fence would be required for the site, he said.

"The reason we want this recycling bin is because the University uses 24 tons of newspapers and 4-5 tons of glass a month. It would cost \$15 a ton for the University to throw away or \$15 dollars to recycle. It would save a lot of money and cut down on air and water pollution by significant percentages."

The Physical Plant received the proposal a few weeks ago, Chilton said. He said he thought the Physical Plant had not been "extremely keen" on the idea but that students would support the proposal.

"We have enough student support that it will get done. I have made it clear that the location site is not as important as just having the recycling center. We're willing to negotiate on the site — we just want it."

Physical Plant Director Herbert Paul could not be reached Monday for comment.

Blair Pollock, solid waste planner for Chapel Hill, said he and Chilton together came up with the idea to have a recycling site on campus.

"I proposed that if they put a site for the bin, we would service it," Pollock said. "We want to have a cooperative relationship between the town and University in recycling."

Chilton said the proposed site for the bin was the parking lot between Wilson Library and the Kenan Labs because it was centrally located and was accessible for most students.

"It is currently possible to recycle but not really feasible for students because most students don't have cars," he said. "This place would be convenient enough that students could carry their stuff to it."

Provost Dennis O'Connor suggested

the Bell Tower Parking Lot as a possible site and seemed interested in the idea, Chilton said.

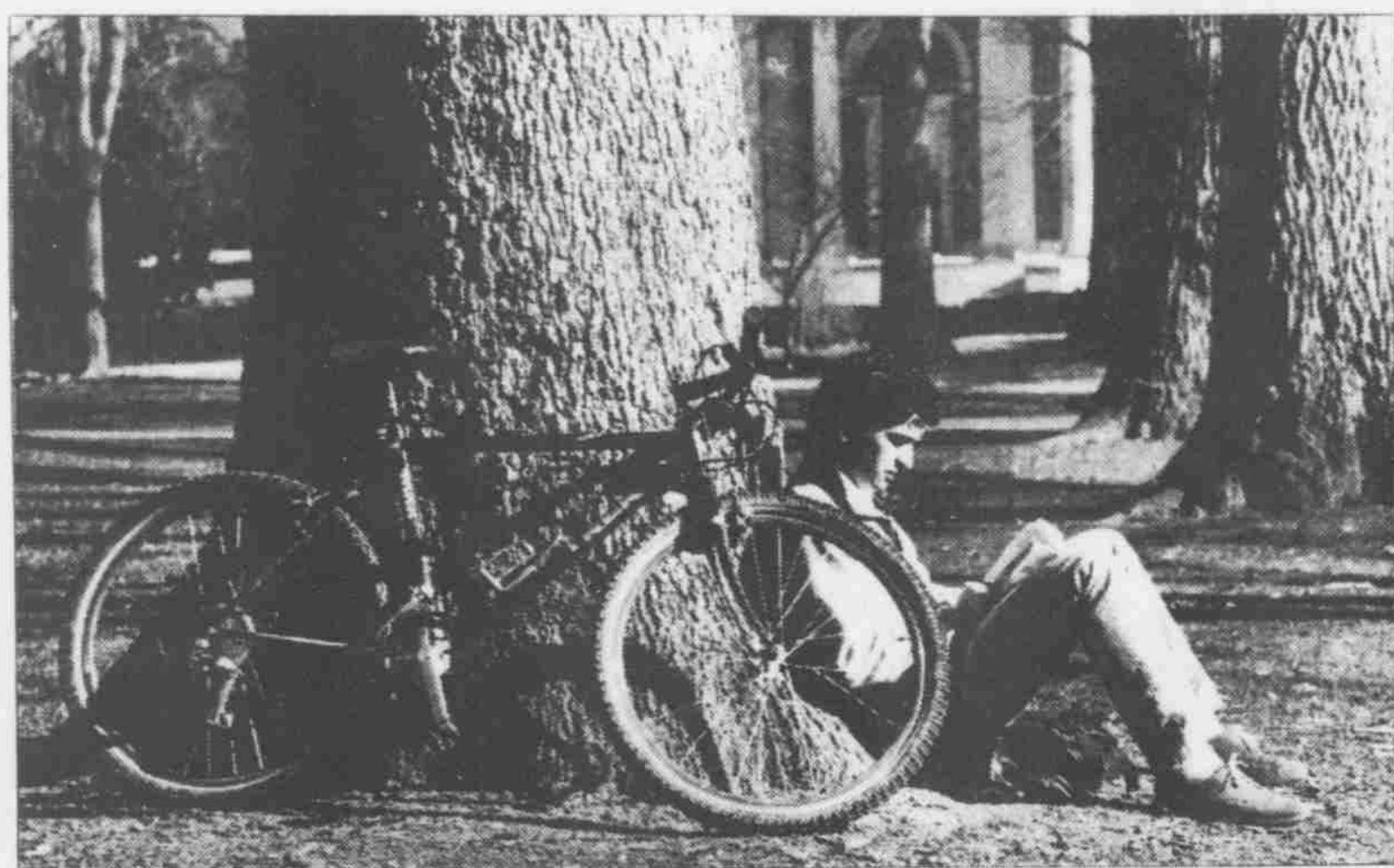
Liz Jackson, Residence Hall Association (RHA) president, said she mentioned the idea to Chancellor Paul Hardin in a meeting Monday and said he seemed interested.

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Adam Foodman, a junior from Charlotte, parks his bicycle in McCorkle Place Tuesday afternoon

to study diligently on the ground underneath a tree.

We'll jump off that bridge when we come to it. — Lester Pearson