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## Residence Hall Will Not Close

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It's official - there will be no residence halls closing for the 1991-92 academic school year. After much debate the administration has decided to keep the seven residence halls in working order.

Discussion by various officials signified that a hall may close in regard to the possible low enrollment of next year and the need for major renovation in the halls. When word reached the Student Life Committee consisting of Chairman Lee Dubs, Dick Prust, Shelby French, SGA President Bill Cox, and SGA Vice-President Abe VanWingerden, the group decided to confront Dean of Students Cynthia Greer as to its reasons. When they received no definite answers they asked to delay room sign-up until April 15, so that a decision may be made before room sign-ups were to be given.

"We were hearing from students major concerns in regard to signing

up for room and paying a deposit," Dubs explains as to the committee's concern. "At the meeting we asked the Dean for facts. She responded that the only reason a dorm would be closed was for renovation and that they were waiting for the funds and the approval by the President.

"The Student Life Committee made a recommendation to the President and Dean that room sign-up be delayed until April 15 and a decision made by then." He added, "There was no aggression on our part. We were just asking for the facts."

However, it had been noticed by many that the Dean expressed opposition to the proposal with very little explanation. It was obvious that the Student Life Office felt a sense of pressure by the committee, "There were a lot of people who were eager for a decision and the only decision that we could make was to leave all the halls open," stated Stephanie Anderson-Currie, interm director of residence life. Greer was unavailable

for comment.

Renovations will continue however, and Dubs assures, "No one will be displaced due to the renovations." Winnie Gay, secretary to the Student Life Office, adds, "We'll work around the students while they're here." She explains that renovations will start during the summer but, points out that already they are working on the new roofs of many of the halls.

The Student Life Office is very unsure as to what will happen next year. However, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Committee and the Senate, there will be more rooms open for privates to help curtail the problems that may be created by the lower enrollment. The Private Room Lottery will still go on as planned at 10:00 p.m., on April 4, with the lower halls giving seven private rooms and the higher eight. However, a waiting list will be compiled of those who did not win in the lottery.

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## No Kegs for Ganza

By Jennifer Woodward  
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It was recently decided following a February 29 meeting of an executive committee of Student Life and various administrators, that there will be no kegs for the annual EXTRAVAGANZA weekend and alcoholic beverages will be carefully monitored.

Following the recent "Drug and Alcohol Survey" and pressure by the local Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, various members of the St. Andrews community felt it imperative that the kegs be revoked for this year's event.

Last year, 40 kegs were served throughout the three-day event. Due to a report by the ABC Commission, alcohol was clearly abused. The report stated that there were "a large number of persons clearly under the influence, including those who were obviously under the legal drinking age of 21 years." The Commission recommended that extra support be given to the security force so that offenders and abusers of the limitless beer be carefully monitored.

However, due to the lack of funds, St. Andrews is unable to afford the extra security. "We decided to get rid of the kegs altogether," explained Dean of Students Cynthia Greer. She explained that the committee regretted the decision but, "our hands were tied, we had no other choice."

President Tom Reuschling expressed relief following the decision made by the executive committee, "The weekend of GANZA is always a nervous time for the school, simply because we are afraid of vandalism

and someone being seriously injured due to a large consumption of alcohol."

Kegs were recently re-instated for GANZA two years ago. In years past, GANZA was known throughout the South as the "biggest and best party." Former alum Marshall Wright, Class of 1972, and current resident of the Laurinburg area, fondly remembers the beer trucks that came onto the campus. "It was always a joyous occasion when the trucks arrived. We'd all cheer and holler when we saw them coming." He added, "It was a wild time! People came from all over the state to party with St. Andrews. The party didn't end until everyone had passed out for the night. The next morning we'd just wake up and grab a beer. That's when I learned that the best cure for a hang-over was a nice cold brewski," Wilson recalled

with a laugh.

Many students had been looking forward to the kegs reviving the old tradition. Student Activities Union President Shawn Hunter just learned of the decision over the past weekend and expressed shock. "I had 40 kegs lined up for the weekend. The lack of kegs is really going to put a damper on the spirits of the students, and could hurt the attendance of alums and friends visiting."

Junior Travis Loseke was furious upon hearing the decision, "I finally turned 21 two weeks ago and was looking forward to getting hammered at GANZA."

Senior Jon Holloway added, "It's a real bummer and unfair to those of us who are graduating. This could very well be our last GANZA ever."

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Where's the beer??? - The spirit of Ganza 1991 will surely be lacking this year due to the decision not allowing kegs. Administrators warn that there will a strict enforcement of the alcohol policy, much harsher than previous years. (File photo)



Open House - Lane Jeffries and John Wheeler speak with the parents of a perspective student about St. Andrews record-breaking debate held last year. (Photo by Heather Jenkins)

## High Hopes for Admissions Staff

By Joy Berry  
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Many things are in the works for the St. Andrews Admissions Office. The staff is working hard to combat the prospect of low enrollment for the upcoming year.

So far the office has held three "Open Houses." Students from all around the country were invited to come see the campus, get a sample of the classes, and talk to professors and students. Also, many may have noticed the added congestion in SAGA as well as the residence halls during the two "Scholarship Weekends" that were held at the beginning of March. Currently, the Admissions staff has been spending many hours each evening in the office making phone calls to "top prospects," students that have shown an interest in the school but may not have applied.

This past week, the office was buzzing with excitement over the rewards that these events have fostered. The amount of deposits, (a \$200 fee required for an incoming student in order to reserve a space in the next freshman class), that have come from students who attended

these special weekends has been very encouraging. The office is deliberately placing emphasis on the concept of turning the applied students into deposited students - students willing to commit to St. Andrews.

The next play in the game of Admissions is "Admitted Students Weekend," April 27-28. It is an opportunity for any and all students that have been admitted to come to St. Andrews, see the campus, stay overnight with a student host, eat in the acclaimed dining hall, and basically get to know what the school may have to offer. "As an office, our main focus right now is 'Admitted Students Weekend.' We're trying to get the students to commit for next year's class," said Director of Admissions Joe Rigell.

There have been many rumors about enrollment being just above 500. Using figures from the enrollment of past years, the current off-the-record projected enrollment for next year's freshman class is between 180 and 190 students, a number that is basically, and reassuringly, consistent with the classes here at present.

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