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Officials investigate allegations against fraternities

BY SCOTT HICKS
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University officials are investigating charges leveled by orientation leaders that at least two fraternities made C-TOPS participants — women in particular — the target of parties where several women got drunk.

But one member from Alpha Tau Omega denied the allegations. Ted Shipley, a junior from Winston-Salem and an Alpha Tau Omega member, said

the fraternity held a cookout June 1, not a party, and they never advertised alcohol or targeted women participants, although he admitted they passed out fliers to C-TOPS attendees. Leaders of Phi Kappa Sigma, another fraternity orientation leaders said advertised a party, could not be reached for comment.

The orientation leaders claim the fraternities intended to intoxicate the C-TOPS students and have sex with them.

"One of the students told me everybody was drinking, and there were a lot

of drunk girls there," said Cori Ahrens, an orientation leader a senior from Charlotte.

Shipley reiterated that his fraternity only wanted to introduce C-TOPS participants to fraternity life. "ATO did not specifically target women," he said.

Orientation leaders said they saw fraternity members stop women to give them fliers, and they heard from students that the fraternities served Purple Jesus, an especially potent drink of juice, fruit and Everclear grain alcohol.

Shipley said Alpha Tau Omega did not serve alcohol, but several members were drinking. He said only two C-TOPS participants came to the house because of their fliers, but 20-25 students were drawn to the house later because loud music was being played. He said several C-TOPS participants came to the fraternity house carrying beer.

Fraternity members passed out fliers the day of the parties at the base of the main Student Union stairs as C-TOPS participants left an orientation program

during what was the first session of the summer, orientation leaders said. "I saw them passing out random fliers, and in the next program, two of my students asked me where this party was," said LaTosha Britt, a senior from Wilson. "When the two students showed me the fliers, I knew immediately they were frat guys trying to get them to come to their party."

Britt said she immediately tore up the students' fliers, telling them to come to C-TOPS's alcohol-free party instead.

But the Alpha Tau Omega flyer Shipley showed The Daily Tar Heel did not mention alcohol or give directions to the house from Cobb Residence Hall, which houses C-TOPS participants.

C-TOPS participants left empty containers of beer in Cobb's bathrooms, leaders said. "When I woke up the next morning there was a case of beer in the trash can," Ahrens said.

Though Shipley said his fraternity did

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Crews remove lights, call boxes for movie

BY KITRA SHEPPARD
STAFF WRITER

Bringing Hollywood to Chapel Hill might be lucrative, but it might have compromised safety for summer school students.

In addition to changing UNC to Virginia Medical University, crews from the movie "Patch Adams," which stars Oscar award-winning Robin Williams, have also been altering safety features on Polk Place.

Light posts and call boxes have been removed from the area, and some of the bricks in parts of the walkway have been dug up, all part of the movie crew's need to film at night.

But with crews no longer filming at night, the absence of light has become much more evident.

University Police Lt. Angela Carmon said there was no safety threat to students because of the lighting for the cameras and the added security on the set location.

But some students believe the

removal of lights and call boxes, even temporarily, reduces campus safety at night.

"With all the sexual assaults and muggings that have occurred (on campus), our students should be ensured safety," said Casey Mitchell, a senior from Belews Creek.

Other students agreed. "It's a little unsafe with the lights being down and no call boxes. It takes away from your sense of safety," said Tamika Denny, a senior from Brooklyn, N.Y.

"Although I have never had to use the boxes, I appreciate the fact that they're there if I need them."

Others say their concerns are geared more toward accidents that could occur as a result of carelessness, rather than from criminal attacks.

"I understand that they're trying to make a movie, but there's a lot of clutter and contraptions up there," said Tinika Lucas, a senior from Springhope.

Crews have also disturbed sidewalks on campus.

"It was enough to watch out for all those loose bricks without having to

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QUIET CUBANS



Olga Lidia Portela-Suarez and Jose Luis Morales-Rivero, members of the Cuban acting group Eben-ezer, performed various skits silently in the Pit last Thursday.

Nike, coaches shake hands on new deals

Coach Carl Torbush said the Nike contracts pointed to a new trend in athletics.

BY MIKE ISKANDAR
STAFF WRITER

Head basketball coach Bill Guthridge and head football coach Carl Torbush cashed in on Nike Corp.'s deal with UNC last Thursday when University officials approved their personal service contracts.

Nike will pay Guthridge, Torbush and three other head coaches for the next five years in exchange for conducting clinics, making public appearances and wearing Nike apparel.

Guthridge, who will receive \$2.25 million over the next five years, said he was humbled by the contract. "My initial reaction is that I'm not worth that much," he said.

"I know there are a lot of professors on our campus that do a better job than I do as a basketball coach."

Guthridge said he saw the contract as an opportunity to help the University.

"I, like Dean Smith, am sharing the money that I get with my staff, the assistant coaches and other people in our basketball program," he said. "My wife and I have been longtime supporters of the University library, which means we will be able to help the UNC library more than we have in the past."

Torbush, who will receive \$650,000

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Head basketball coach BILL GUTHRIDGE will receive \$2.25 million in exchange for wearing Nike apparel and appearing in public.

Changing face of downtown part of business trend

Chapel Hill has seen an influx of large, chain-owned stores over the years.

BY NORA DAUBE
STAFF WRITER

The possibility of the Intimate Bookshop on Franklin Street closing its doors this summer has brought a new focus to the plight of many local businesses.

Many small businesses on Franklin Street have been forced out over the years as a result of constantly increasing

rent prices. Some members of the community said they believed the declining number of privately owned businesses on Franklin Street was simply a sign of the times.

Chapel Hill Town Council member Kevin Foy said the increased commercialization was an economic issue.

"Locally owned small businesses haven't been able to compete with chains on Franklin Street," Foy said.

"As a result, some of the small businesses are unable to pay the rent."

Council member Lee Pavao agreed. "Rents increase and small businesses have a hard time making it," Pavao said.

"It's unfortunate, but that's what has happened."

But the situation on Franklin Street is just a reality of the business world, council member Pat Evans said.

"It's the marketplace," Evans said. "Oftentimes, it's more difficult for the small businesses to survive."

Despite the changes on Franklin Street over the years, the owners of the privately owned Sutton's Drug Store and The Rathskeller have positive outlooks on the number of chain stores now present.

"We do welcome the chain stores. Change brings business to the area," said Reed Raynor, 12-year manager of

The Rathskeller.

Raynor also said The Rathskeller encouraged small businesses to move in when there was a vacancy, but he said he understood that sometimes the rent on Franklin Street was a bit too high.

John Woodard has owned Sutton's for 21 years, and he remembers when small local businesses dominated Franklin Street.

"There were more townspeople that came downtown when it was more independently owned," he said.

Although the clientele may have changed over the years, Woodard is not unhappy with the atmosphere of Franklin Street.

"Naturally, with the newer businesses moving in, they have more glamour and glitz, but I'm glad they're here," Woodard said.

Chain stores like The Gap and Starbucks Coffee have moved to Franklin Street to fill the vacancies left by small businesses that have closed in the past.

Shannon Gibbs, the new manager of Starbucks, said she felt blessed that the community let her company come to Chapel Hill.

"We're really down to earth as a company. Starbucks is set up to fit into the community," she said.

An obvious difference between the chains and the small businesses is the lack of local attention to problems. The Gap refers all questions about its company to its public relations headquarters. Small businesses are able to deal with the community on a more personal level.

Despite the changes on Franklin Street, most community members and proprietors said they were lucky to have a thriving downtown.

"The world has become more commercialized," Evans said.

"Why should Chapel Hill be any different?"

Roberts says he was fired from position

The 21-year veteran coach later said he resigned for personal reasons.

BY JACK HARDISON
STAFF WRITER

Former UNC baseball coach Mike Roberts said in a May interview with The Daily Tar Heel that he was terminated from his post.

In the interview about new head baseball coach Mike Fox, Roberts addressed speculation surrounding his departure from the program.

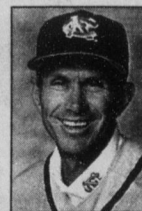
"Well, I was terminated," Roberts said in the interview. "I plan to work at UNC at this time, but I don't know that that's definite."

Athletics Director Dick Baddour denied firing Roberts, saying Tuesday that Roberts resigned for personal reasons.

"I said back in August that this would be his last season and that he had resigned for personal reasons," Baddour said.

"That is the extent of what I will say

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Former UNC Baseball Coach MIKE ROBERTS finished his career one game shy of the College World Series with a loss to Miami.



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The Intimate Bookshop and other local shops along Franklin Street are feeling the pressures of higher rent and chain stores. The Intimate's owner, Wallace Kuralt, is looking for support to keep his business open. See story page 2.

INSIDE Thursday

Popcorn, Cokes and movies
Relieve your summer boredom, escape from the heat and support a local filmmaker this weekend by taking in a comedy starring two UNC graduates at the Varsity Theater. Page 5

Riding on the justice bus
The UNC Housekeepers Association joined in welcoming the New Freedom Bus to Raleigh Saturday. The bus visited the area to highlight injustices in welfare reform and poverty. Page 2

Different strokes
Former UNC tennis standout Roland Thornqvist has been named coach of the UNC women's tennis team. He comes to UNC after a two-year stint at the University of Kansas. Page 7

In the midst of winter, I finally learned that there was in me an invincible summer.

Albert Camus