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UNC to Consider Deferred Rush

Postponing rush is not a new idea at UNC

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Following the lead of another system school, UNC-Chapel Hill officials say they will revisit the option of pushing freshman rush from fall to spring semester.

Jay Anhorn, director of UNC-CH Greek affairs, said he will urge the Chancellor's Committee on Greek Affairs to study the deferred rush option this year.

"We will definitely look at it," Anhorn said. "Other universities are turning to it, so it would be worthwhile."

The committee conducted a similar study in 1996, weighing the pros and cons of deferred rush. The committee decided not to implement deferred rush for UNC Greek organizations.

The committee decided against deferment because the policy would have singled out Greek organizations. In the name of equali-

ty, UNC would have had to prevent freshmen from joining any student groups during their first semester.

Ultimately, the committee concluded that each student knows best when to rush.

But at least one other UNC-system school has already moved to prevent first semester freshman from rushing. Appalachian State University announced last December that it would adopt a deferred rush policy.

Dino DiBernardi, director of the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership, said Appalachian's Greek organizations implemented deferred rush this fall.

DiBernardi said freshmen who rush during their first semester tend to have lower grade point averages and exhibit less cognitive development than those who rush later or not at all.

He added that rushing in the spring gives first-year students a chance to settle into college life and figure out which organizations best fit their needs. "They can look for organizations that promote the philosophies they are looking for," DiBernardi said, adding that "the organizations can find out more about the freshmen and be more informed about the

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Ashley Longmire works as an office assistant for the Mental Health Association of Orange County in Carrboro, where she has been employed for eight months. Throughout her time with MHAOC, Longmire's mental illness has not hindered her work as a clerical assistant.

Jobs Give the Chance to Grow, Give Back

Carrboro's Club Nova finds area jobs for mentally ill residents

BY JORDAN BARTEL
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Angela Stroud is an advocate for the mentally ill.

She spreads information and distributes pamphlets about mental illnesses, and she serves as a board member for the Mental Health Association of Orange County.

She also happens to have a mental illness.

Stroud, who did not specify which mental illness she has, is one of many members of Club Nova's transitional employment program, which aims to provide temporary employment for people with mental illnesses.

Stroud said she became involved with Club Nova, a nonprofit organization in Carrboro that serves as a resource for mentally ill people, in February 2001 and has enjoyed steady employment ever since.

"It really helped me get out of bed and gave me something to look forward to each day," Stroud said.

After a clerical position with the mental health association, Stroud said she became more interested in mental health issues.

"Being that I have a mental illness, I became concerned about spreading information," Stroud said.

"The job really inspired me."

She said her initial goal was to go to churches in the area and pass out information. She then started collecting information from seminars and began to speak at forums. Eventually, Stroud, 32, was asked to serve on the organization's board.

"I was really honored to be asked," Stroud said. "It is a great opportunity."

Joan Burnett, a Club Nova staff member for 12 years, said the program, strictly for the mentally ill, has been extremely successful.

She said the program staff find jobs for members and then train the interested members for the jobs, which usually last six to nine months.

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"It doesn't really do much in developing (the land) just yet. It's still very early."

BOB KNIGHT
Associate Vice Chancellor

More specifically, Knight said the reason behind the University's request is more contingent on the annexation of a smaller, 62-acre satellite tract of property just north of Homestead Road.

UNC recently asked that the smaller land be annexed into Carrboro as well. But before any action can be taken on that tract, slated for the proposed Winmore project, the

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Dole Revs Up College-Aged Voters

Republican candidate rides into Duke

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DURHAM - U.S. Senate hopeful Elizabeth Dole roared into Duke University's Page Auditorium on a motorcycle Thursday as more than 200 students showed their support at a rally for the Students for Dole campaign.

"Believe it or not, this is not the first time I've entered a room on a Harley,"

Dole said, standing behind a podium and slipping on a pair of black shades.

But Dole's joking manner quickly turned to campaign issues as she stressed her goals for North Carolina, as well as the importance of student involvement.

Students for Dole is a branch of Dole's campaign totally dedicated to and run by students, said David Chesley, youth coordinator for the Dole campaign.

There are chapters at 25 universities across North Carolina.

Chesley said events planned by individual chapters include precinct walks,

voter registration drives and rallies.

Dole pledged to support North Carolina's industries by fighting for tax incentives to make the state more appealing for businesses. The state economy took a downturn after Sept. 11, and hundreds of companies shut down, forcing people out of work.

"The key here is a paycheck, not an unemployment check," she said.

The state is also leading the nation in the war on terror, Dole said. She emphasized her desire to eliminate food stamps and substandard housing for military personnel stationed in North Carolina.

"I want every young person in North Carolina and in America to grow up in

a safe world," she said. "I'm so darn proud of the role North Carolina is playing in the war on terrorism."

Dole said she will focus on improving public schools by restoring discipline to the classroom and increasing respect for teachers.

But some criticized Dole for her reluctance to interact with other candidates for the Republican nomination, as well as her lack of concrete stances on important issues. Six protesters stood outside the auditorium and tried to distract people from entering the rally.

Inside the auditorium, Josh Hutton, a

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Elizabeth Dole, a Republican candidate for U.S. Senate, speaks to supporters in Duke University's Page Auditorium on Thursday.

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.

Eleanor Roosevelt