

POLICE LOG

FROM STAFF REPORTS

■ A Chapel Hill man was arrested Tuesday morning and charged with one misdemeanor count of assault on a female, police reports state.

According to reports, Joseph "Joe" Lamont Brown, 25, of 800 Pritchard Ave. Ext. A-16, was arrested at 1:49 a.m. after an assault was reported at 1:35 a.m.

Brown, an employee of Butler Garage, was processed and transported to Orange County Jail, where he was given no bond.

He was scheduled to have his first appearance Tuesday in Orange County District Criminal Court in Hillsborough.

■ Two separate incidents of breaking and entering and larceny from a vehicle were reported at the Eubanks Road park-and-ride lot, Chapel Hill police reports state.

According to reports, the window of a Durham woman's 1992 Honda Civic was smashed out about 1:08 p.m. Monday with a jimmy or pry tool.

More than \$600 in stereo equipment and recordings were stolen in the incident, reports state.

The second incident involved a 1998 Subaru Legacy, which at 3:13 p.m. had its window broken out by a jimmy or pry tool.

About \$300 in vehicle parts were stolen in the incident, reports state.

Police are continuing to investigate both incidents.

■ Kerr Drugs on Franklin Street reported that it was the victim of embezzlement of cash Monday, Chapel Hill police reports state.

According to reports, \$500 in cash was found missing from the store at 9 a.m. Feb. 22.

It was last known to be secure at 7 p.m. Feb. 19, reports state. The investigation continues.

■ A Pita Pit employee was arrested Monday and charged with one count of underage possession of a malt beverage, one count of being drunk and disruptive and one count of resisting arrest — all misdemeanors — Chapel Hill police reports state.

According to reports, Casey Keith Shandley, 20, of 510 Merritt Mill Road A, was arrested after officers saw him in plain view at 11:59 p.m. with an open container and disrupting traffic on West Cameron Avenue.

While he was being arrested, he attempted to pull away, reports state, resulting in the resisting arrest charge.

He was taken to Orange County Jail on a secured \$1,000 bond.

He is scheduled to appear April 25 in Orange County District Criminal Court in Hillsborough.

■ A man from Idaho was arrested Monday in the McCauley Street area and charged with one misdemeanor count of soliciting without a permit, Chapel Hill police reports state.

Christopher William Fowler, 21, of Buhl, Idaho, a seller with Palmetto Marketing Inc., was arrested at 5:24 p.m. on the charge.

He was transported to Orange County Jail on a secured \$150 bond.

He is scheduled to appear April 25 in Orange County District Criminal Court in Hillsborough.

Assault could prompt action

N.C. might re-examine hate crime law

BY KAVITA PILLAI
ASSISTANT STATE & NATIONAL EDITOR

An assault on a gay student on Franklin Street last weekend could spark new debate about hate crime legislation in the N.C. General Assembly.

Current hate crime statutes do not include sexual orientation as a protected category, and some legislators and gay rights advocates believe the law needs to be changed.

Rep. Paul Luebke, D-Durham, was a sponsor of a 1999 bill named the Matthew Shepard Memorial Act after a 21-year-old college student killed in Laramie, Wyo., in 1998. That bill, which would have made sexual orientation a protected category, failed by 10 votes in the House and was never brought to a vote in the Senate.

"I think given what has happened in Chapel Hill, it may be timely to reintroduce this legisla-

tion this session," Luebke said. "I think that there probably is growing awareness of discrimination in society, and I also think that the specific event in Chapel Hill sounds like a case that would draw public attention to the problem."

Luebke said he would be willing to sponsor a bill and definitely will support one.

Ian Palmquist, executive director of Equality NC, said his organization plans to continue lobbying for legislation and hopes it will be introduced in both chambers of the General Assembly.

"We think it's important that the state is on record against biased crimes on race, religion, and also categories like sexual orientation, age, gender and disability," Palmquist said. "(The current law) leaves out a number of important protected classes, particularly at a time when crime against the lesbian, gay, trans-

gendered community is on the rise."

U.S. Rep. Brad Miller, D-N.C., co-sponsored a bill to expand the hate crime law as a member of the N.C. Senate in 2001. He has also lent his support to federal legislation and said he will continue to co-sponsor legislation in the U.S. House if it comes up.

"It's one of those perennial bills that will continue to come out," he said. "When it does, I expect that I'll say yes again."

Still, Miller said such legislation easily could be defeated in the N.C. legislature and has limited support among U.S. Congress leadership.

Palmquist also said passing the legislation could be an uphill battle. "I think that it is not going to be an easy bill to pass," he said. "But I think incidents like the one in Chapel Hill call attention to the need for legislation."

John Rustin, director of government relations for the N.C. Family Policy Council, said the group will oppose any legislation to include

homosexuality in hate crime law.

"It could set a precedent," Rustin said. "It's the initial step in legal recognition of alternative sexual behaviors."

Rep. Cary Allred, R-Alamance, voted against the Matthew Shepard Memorial Act in 1999.

"It wasn't because of a lack of compassion," he said. "If someone is assaulted and treated badly and hurt and damaged, then it's just as bad for one person as it is for another."

"I can imagine the bill failed because it was creating a special class of victim," he added. "The law should treat everyone fairly. That's what justice is."

But Miller said crimes based on hate are different.

"I think that crimes that are motivated by who someone is, things about themselves that they can't control, make society a more brutal place," he said. "It's a worse crime."

Contact the State & National Editor at stntdesk@unc.edu.

Hate covered by current codes

BY LAURA YOUNGS
SENIOR WRITER

Despite legislative efforts to increase the penalty for offenses deemed hate crimes, UNC-system schools are not making plans to revise their discrimination policies.

System schools generally have policies in their student codes that pertain to acts of discrimination, which can range from verbal threats to actions that cause physical harm. System officials say that because of these rules, there is no need to create specific safeguards governing hate crimes.

Paul Cousins, director of the Office of Student Conduct at N.C. State University, said the school does not have a specific section in its code about hate crimes, instead dealing with those acts under its sexual and racial discrimination policies.

"The code of student conduct is very behaviorally based," he said. "A hate crime is a little less behaviorally based, has more to do with intent."

When campus police respond to an incident they suspect to be a hate crime, they call officers specially trained to deal with the matter, said Sgt. Jon Barnwell

of the NCSU police department. Barnwell is trained as a second-tier hate crime verification officer.

Those officers determine if a crime was motivated by hate. If so, they notify the community if an ongoing threat exists.

They also report the incident in accordance with the federal Clery Act, which requires campuses to disclose security policies and crime statistics.

At UNC-Greensboro, there is no specific category for hate crimes, but such offenses would be in violation of the code of conduct under the section dealing with respect, said Carol Disque, UNC-G vice chancellor for student affairs.

She said talks about the issue have not gone beyond informal discussions about adding a specific listing for hate crimes to campus rules.

"The incidents that we have had seemed to be dealt with OK under our violation of respect policy," she said.

At East Carolina University, if an offense is deemed a hate crime, officials take the nature of the offense into consideration when giving out sanctions, said Mary Louise Antieau, director of student conflict resolution.

Western Carolina University Chief of Police Gene McAbee said that the number of hate crimes at WCU has remained low but that every time one does occur, police consider it a serious matter.

"Any act of discrimination is a

serious problem."

He added that when dealing with a hate crime, officers probably put more time and energy into solving the matter.

And the campus has had some incidents of vandalism involving ethnic origin, he said.

UNC-Charlotte does not have an official hate crime policy, instead placing discriminatory acts under existing policies, said Turi Plisch, assistant dean of students.

"I think it is a topic that comes up, but we're looking more at behaviors, not at intent," she said.

Hate crimes do not seem to be a major problem at UNC-Pembroke, said UNC-P Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Diane Jones.

"Overall, our student body is very tolerant. They appreciate diversity."

No hate crimes were reported at any of North Carolina's 16 system schools as of 2003, according to the Web site for the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Postsecondary Education.

Contact the State & National Editor at stntdesk@unc.edu.

The Daily Tar Heel

P.O. Box 3257, Chapel Hill, NC 27515
Michelle Jarboe, Editor, 962-4086
Advertising & Business, 962-1163
News, Features, Sports, 962-0245

One copy per person; additional copies may be purchased at The Daily Tar Heel for \$25 each.

© 2005 DTH Publishing Corp.
All rights reserved

VOTED 2004

Chapel Hill Tire Car Care Center

Best Auto Repair!

GET YOUR CAR READY FOR SPRING BREAK!

Chapel Hill Tire Car Care Center promises to provide expert advice, honest answers and a friendly atmosphere with staff dedicated to taking care of **YOU**. Our professional service staff includes over 12 ASE certified technicians.

We service all makes and models and handle repairs of any size. We offer Free Shuttle service to UNC Campus and UNC Hospital.

Leave It To Us-Complete Car Care You Can Trust.

To Be Considerate Of Your Time We Take Appointments.
VISIT US AT ANY OF OUR 3 LOCATIONS

FRANKLIN STREET
502 West Franklin St.
Chapel Hill, NC 27516
919-967-7092
Hours:
M-F 7:30am - 5pm
Sat. Closed

CARRBORO
203 West Main St.
Carrboro, NC 27510
919-967-7058
Hours:
M-F 7:30am - 5pm
Sat. Closed

COLE PARK PLAZA
11470 US Highway 15-501,
Suite 236
Chapel Hill, NC 27517
919-960-6001
Hours:
M-F 7:30am - 5:30pm
Sat. Closed

Oil, Lube & Filter \$5 OFF

- Diesel oil and filter may be extra
- Does not include synthetic oil
- Available in semi-synthetic & full synthetic
- Fluids inspected and topped off

Expires 3/11/05

TODAY AT CAROLINA

Baseball vs. Gardner-Webb

3pm - Boshamer Stadium

Students & Faculty Admitted FREE w/ID!

SPORTS SHORTS

Inaugural Series on War and Health

PRESENTS

Children of War

March 2, 6:30

Stone Center, Cobb Theatre

A panel of UNC students who have lived through wars in Iraq, Kosovo, Liberia and Lebanon share their personal stories of survival and talk about the real effects of war.

Series sponsored by: Student Global Health Committee, Physicians for Human Rights, Campus Y, Health Focus, Dean of the School of Public Health, Associate Provost for International Affairs, Student Congress, Graduate & Professional Student Association, Injury Prevention Research Center.

TOP 250 SALON IN THE NATION!

- Gift Certificates Available
- Day Spa Atmosphere
- Brand New Ultra High Pressure Beds
- Medium Pressure Beds and Booths
- Sunless Express Airbrush Tanning
- Open 7 Days a Week
- UNC Students show your UNC ID for a discount
- Licensed Collegiate Handbags

DESIGNER SKIN

FREE TAN	MARCH SPECIAL	AIRBRUSH TANNING
New Clients 1 FREE TAN with this coupon	\$59.99 for 10 visits + 3 free upgrades 1 super, 1 ultra, 1 ultra plus with this coupon	\$19.99 airbrush tanning with this coupon

Eclipse Tanning Salon
105 A Rams Plaza • 968-3377

Step into a Rewarding Medical Career...

through the field of Podiatric Medicine, the branch of medicine concentrating on the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of problems and diseases of the foot, ankle and lower extremity.

If you would enjoy a health care career that provides the opportunity to:

- Practice with diverse patient populations ranging from pediatrics to geriatrics
- Practice in diverse environments such as private practice, multi-specialty groups, and hospitals.
- Practice in the areas of sports medicine, surgery, and dermatology
- Enjoy a potential six-figure income while working an average of 40-50 hours a week

AND

- Have an immediate impact on the quality of your patients' lives. Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine is the right step!

TUSPM excels not only in education but also in research of the lower extremities. The School is widely recognized as one of the country's leaders in Podiatric Medicine. As such we can offer our students:

- Biomedical sciences taught by the Medical School Faculty.
- Access to Temple University's very own health care system that includes 5 hospitals.
- A 4-year podiatric surgical residency program.
- Affiliated clinical education programs in Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Michigan, New York, Texas and Pittsburgh, PA.

TUSPM offers a free one-week Summer Internship Program. To learn more about this program please visit our Web site referenced below. Applications for the class of 2009 will be accepted through the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine at www.e-aacpmas.org, until July 31, 2005.

School of Podiatric Medicine
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

For more information visit our Web site, <http://podiatry.temple.edu> or call 1-800-220-FEET.