Sorority rushees will get look at all 15 houses next fall

By ASHLEY BLACKWELDER Staff Writer

Next year all women participating in sorority rush will learn about all 15 sororities instead of the 12 all-white ones as they have in the past. This new procedure is only one of the many new regulations recently adopted by the UNC Panhellenic Council.

All women participating in any type of sorority rush next fall will be required to attend a new information round which will last three nights beginning August 30, said Mary Margaret Jones, Panhellenic rush chairman. During this information round, rushees will learn

about sororities' legacy policies, history and required grade point average, Jones said. However, rushees will not meet members of the individual sororities as they have in the past, she added.

"The purpose of the information round is to let the rushees learn more about the different sororities," said

Burnet Carlisle, president of the Panhellenic Council. "There are no pressures on the rushees because they aren't meeting girls from any particular sorority," Car-"The information round allows every woman at

Carolina to see what she is getting into before she pays the money to go through the process of formal rush or joins a sorority," Jones said. Because the information round is free more women

than usual are signing up, said Karen Thompson, assistant Panhellenic rush chairman.

"We've had a lot of seniors sign up this year, not necessarily because they are interested in pledging, but because they want to see what the Greek system is like,"

By AMY TANNER

Staff Writer

A new student insurance plan offered

through the Student Health Service will

cover the new SHS charges going into ef-

fect at the beginning of the fall semester,

said Sheila Sturdivant, SHS administrative

The new charges are \$100 per night in-

patient care and charges for the specialty

clinics' procedures and office visits,

Sturdivant said. The four specialty clinics

are orthopedics, dermatology,

ophthalmology and the ear, nose and

"The clinic charge is to get back our

Because these new charges are being im-

Only those students receiving the clinics'

By PETE AUSTIN

Deputy Chief of the Chapel Hill Fire Department

Robert B. Williams denied Monday that the number of

false alarms in residence halls at UNC has recently

prompted a reduction in the number of vehicles respon-

Williams' denial resulted from an article in the Raleigh

News and Observer Saturday that said "a high number of

false alarms at (UNC) during the past two years has

prompted the Chapel Hill Fire Department to cut back on

the number of vehicles sent to answer alarms."

plemented, the student health fee will not

have to be raised next year, Cowan said.

own expenses," said Dr. Judith Cowan,

throat clinic.

SHS director.

ding to those alarms.

Because of the new rush procedures, rushees will learn more about the entire Greek system instead of only the 12 white sororities or the three black ones, Carlisle said. "It is our role as the Panhellenic Council to be fair to the rushees and show them all the sororities. It is unfair to let rushees only see 12 or three of the sororities."

Jones, who devised the new system, said: "The reasoning behind the new process is not just that someone who is black can see what a white sorority is like or a white to see what a black sorority is like, but it allows every UNC woman to get a perspective of the total Greek system, to see what each Greek sorority is like and what it involves. It is encouraging a new unified rush Greek system."

Because Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta and Zeta Phi Beta, the three black sororities, as well as Delta Phi Epsilon hold their formal and informal rush later in the fall semester, girls who are interested in these sororities will have to wait to participate in their rush after completing the information round.

The only objection to the new procedures by minority sororities, according to Linda Colar, assistant Panhellenic rush chairman, is that "the majority of minority sororities have said that they did not want to go to all the sororities that weren't of any interest to them."

"I think that they are being receptive to the new sorority procedures though," Colar said. "This is an opportunity to expand our horizons."

Colar said she believed the integrated information round would not change what houses rushees choose to

said Dan Hill III, a Hill, Chesson and

The premium cost of the new insurance

policy for single students is \$208 per year.

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield premium

cost per year was \$315.60, said Bill Roach,

To receive coverage under the new in-

surance policy, students must first go to

the SHS for services and then, if necessary,

they will be referred to another facility.

Students obtaining the new student in-

surance policy, but who were not on the

Blue Cross and Blue Shield policy, will be

affected by a pre-existing condition exclu-

sion clause. A condition treated between

Feb. 15, 1983, and Aug. 15, 1983, which

later reappears, will not be covered under

Those students already having the Blue

Cross and Blue Shield insurance purchas-

the new student insurance, Roach said.

Roach insurance broker.

of Hill, Chesson and Roach.

Hill said.

New insurance plan covers additional SHS charges

Deputy fire chief denies 'N&O' article on service cuts

Responding to The News and Observer's article,

Williams also said that false fire alarms are caused by a

variety of factors, not necessarily pranks by students. He

cited tangled telephone lines that transmit the alarms to

of University Housing, also said that the student pranks

"Peer pressure pretty much keeps the number of

pranks down," she said. Nobody likes to stand outside at

Williams said, "First of all, we have not cut the number of

vehicles responding to any calls in the past two years."

services will be charged, Sturdivant said.

In the past, the money from the student

fee increases was paying for those services

used by a small number of students, she

No student is required to buy the new

student insurance plan, Sturdivant said.

Foreign students must have insurance, but

they are not required to purchase this par-

Students will not be required to sign an

insurance waiver card during the 1983-84

school year, Sturdivant said. Waiver cards

are still being considered for future use,

she said. By signing a waiver card, students

indicate that they have some form of in-

surance, or that they assume all respon-

The insurance plan is administered by

Hill, Chesson and Roach insurance

brokerage and will take effect Aug. 15, the

same day the former SHS Blue Cross and

Blue Shield student insurance terminates,

were not a problem.

sibility for possible costs themselves.

ticular plan, she said.

"The choice of pledging is personal perference, and people usually yield to like sororities," she said. "I do think it will be successful. We have had a lot of black women sign up."

Another change in the traditional rush procedures is a reduction in the number of rounds, but an increase in the time spent with each sorority, Jones said. This change was adopted because former rushees said that the rush procedures were time-consuming, Jones said.

"Last year almost one-third of the girls who began rush dropped out because it interfered with their scholastic achievement," she said.

The first round of rush will be Sept. 6-7, the second round on Sept. 9-11 and the third round on Sept. 12-13. The fourth round of rush is on Sept. 14, the same day as Preference Night, when women make their final choices. Bid Day, when sororities make their selections, is Sept.

Carlisle stressed that since the rushees would spend 25 minutes with each sorority, the rushees would spend more quality time with the sorority members.

The new procedures also require that the sororities cut half the number of girls rushing after the second round, Thompson said. "We don't want rushees to get strung along during rush and then get hurt."

Next year, rushees will visit the sorority houses with their rush group and rush counselor instead of going individually like this year.

"All the changes in regulations were made to make the rush process easier on the rushee," Thompson said. "They were made for not only the rushees' benefit but the entire Greek system."

clause, Roach said.

ing the new student insurance will not be

affected by this pre-existing condition

Cowan said students did not realize

what a large amount of money could be

spent on medical services, and students

who do not have insurance are taking a

Approximately 95 percent of University

"This is an outgrowth of two years of

The decision was reached with the help

of the Student Health Service Advisory

Board and Insurance Committee, both of

which have student members, Sturdivant

sustained planning on how to interphase

fees and insurance for the best package,"

students have some insurance coverage

with about 15 percent having the SHS stu-

dent insurance, Cowan said.

Cowan said.

Specialists defuse possible bomb

A team of explosive specialists from Fort Bragg deactivated what appeared to be a bomb found Monday morning in the Cultural Arts Building of Chapel Hill High School. There were no injuries reported in the incident, according to Maj. Arnold Gold of the Chapel Hill Police Department.

Shortly after 10 a.m., CHHS junior Eric Johnson discovered a cookie can in the music practice room of the Cultural Arts Building of the high school. Gold said that the tin can contained a well-packed combination of batteries, radio components, electrical wires and viles of an unknown liquid.

Johnson took the apparent explosive device to principal Thomas Marcy's office. Because the device appeared stable, Marcy removed the apparent bomb from the school building to a nearby wooded area, Gold said.

Chapel Hill police were summoned by school officials to the scene, where they set up a security perimeter. Unsure of the explosive potential of the apparent bomb, Gold said the department requested the assistance of the Fort Bragg Bomb Squad.

"It gave the appearance of a real type of explosive device," Gold said. "We didn't have the expertise to deactivate the device."

The team of explosive specialists from Fort Bragg arrived on the scene at about 1:15 p.m. However, the squad was unable to determine the potential of the device. The team safely deactivated the apparent bomb by implanting a small explosive cartridge in the device, Gold said.

The only explosion observed was from the deactivating cartridge itself,

Because the apparent bomb was removed from the school property, officials decided not to evacuate students, Gold said. School officials reported that no bomb threat was received Monday.

The State Bureau of Investigation has been called in to aid Chapel Hill police in the investigation of the bomb

The school received a bomb threat on April 20, but police were unable to discover any explosive device, Gold

BOT names new Ackland director

A new director will take on the supervision of UNC's Ackland Art Museum May

Innis H. Shoemaker, presently the assistant director of Ackland and an adjunct assistant professor of art history, was approved Friday as Ackland's new director by the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting.

Museum director Evan H. Turner is leaving Ackland to become director of the Cleveland Museum of Art in Ohio.

Shoemaker has been with the University since 1976. She received her bachelor's degree from Vassar College in 1964, where she later served as an assistant professor of art and curator of the Vassar College Art Gallery. Shoemaker received her master's and doctoral degrees in art history from Columbia University. She also has attended as a Rome Prize Fellow the American Academy in Rome to work on her disser-

Shoemaker will be the third director the museum has had since its founding 25 years ago. The first director was Joseph C. Sloane. Turner became the director in

Shoemaker's expertise lies primarily in the field of prints and drawings of the Italian Renaissance. Her interest in the field led her to organize in 1981 a major exhibition, called "The Engravings of Marcantonio Raimondo," featuring the works of an influential 16th century artist. The exhibition toured three museums in the United States.

Shoemaker will have a larger space to deal with than her predecessors did. With the opening of the Art Classroom Studio Building earlier this year, the museum can now utilize the entire building for presen-

The announcement was made by Chancellor Christopher C. Fordham III, after the Board of Trustees approved the selec-

Painting stolen from Gallery

An award-winning painting valued at \$800 was stolen Sunday from the Carolina Union Art Gallery at 5:10 p.m., said Nadine Bourgeois, Union Gallery committee chairperson. There was one witness to the incident, she said. Bourgeois said no charges will be filed if the painting is given to any UNC official or resident assistant. The painting, "Black Angus" by Marlene

Loznicka, was winner of the Ruth Green award in the semi-annual N.C. Watercolor Society show held at the Union. Pieces from the show have been hanging in the Union Gallery since April 17. University police would not comment on the case

- AMY TANNER

the fire department, poor maintenance by University Housing and the placement of smoke alarms too close to CHFD reduced the number of trucks responding to call the kitchens as major causes of false alarms. Both Williams and Mickey Sullivan, assistant director

box and smoke detector alarms a few years back because of the cost to the town, Williams said. He estimated the cost per truck per call at \$500.

The number of vehicles responding to alarms from call

boxes and smoke detectors was reduced about two years

from three fire trucks and three public service officers to

Three vehicles from each department are still sent out in

There have been 191 false alarms since July 1, 1982, in University residence halls, Lt. Walter Dunn of University police said Monday.

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2 o'clock in the morning, she said.

response to phoned-in calls, Williams said.

two of each, Williams said.

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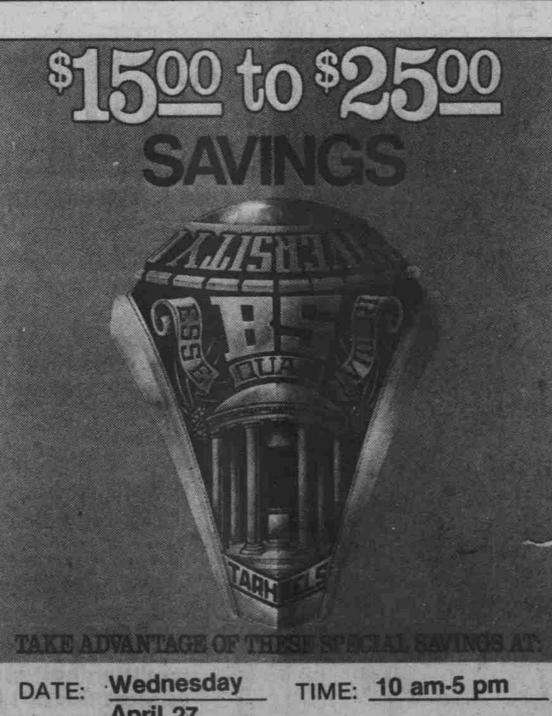


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