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Kenan Stadium, with new press box, chancellor's box and lights, stands nearly ready for Saturday's football game

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Fraternities OK day parties

By BRIAN McCOLLUM
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Court parties will be held on Little Fraternity Court this year after daytime football games only, the presidents of the fraternities on the court announced Thursday.

In a statement issued by Cutter Davis of Kappa Alpha, Scott Hinkle of Kappa Sigma, and Ashton Poole of Zeta Psi, the presidents said that the compromise will help eliminate past problems of damage and liability.

"Daylight hours are more suitable to alleviating the concerns of those associated with the party," the statement read. "Therefore, there will

be no court parties after the Oklahoma, Louisville and Virginia games."

Band parties sponsored by Kappa Alpha will be held following the games against N.C. State on Oct. 15, Georgia Tech on Oct. 22, and Maryland on Oct. 29.

The presidents met formally for the first time on Wednesday to discuss the problem and attempt to find a solution. "We discussed each other's position," Poole said. "Based on those interests, we reached a common agreement."

Controversy has surrounded the issue of Little Frat Court parties since April, when members of Zeta Psi

announced they were prohibiting all-campus parties because of damages to their house and to the court. Kappa Sigma members agreed with the decision.

Members of Kappa Alpha dissented, using 1987 land surveys in an attempt to refute claims that the court area belongs to Zeta Psi. The surveys showed that the land is owned in undivided, communal thirds.

Poole said Zeta Psi has been paying taxes on the entire block of land for years, which makes the fraternity liable for any injuries or damages incurred at court parties.

In the statement, the presidents expressed concern that press coverage

of the disagreement has helped develop an image of a "turf war" between their fraternities.

"The confusion and bad publicity that the media coverage of the issue has caused all three houses is unfortunate," the statement read. "However, a cooperative tone has been adopted and efforts will be made to similarly address court party issues in the future."

During an interview Thursday, the presidents said they are still concerned by the land ownership issue and will make efforts to resolve it in the near future.

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Renovation of stadium nears end

By BETH RHEA
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The Oklahoma football game is only a day away, and by the time the crowds settle into their seats, Kenan Stadium's makeover will be essentially complete.

But just barely. "Everybody knew it was going to come down to the wire," said Roy Jackson, project manager with Metric Constructors.

Jackson said the project was 99 and one half percent complete.

"To the viewing public, it's going to look finished," he said. "There's going to be very little evidence that the contractor's here. There's not going to be stacks of plywood or building debris."

Work yet to be completed includes a final coat of paint in some locations. "Public areas, such as the bathrooms, we're concentrating on today and tomorrow," Jackson said.

Coach Mack Brown said the scoreboards are not completed yet, but they are expected to be ready Saturday.

Brown said the uncompleted facility was no cause for alarm.

"It will not affect the ball game," he said. "The thing you want is for the fans to be comfortable."

Those requirements have been taken care of, he said.

Unfinished areas, such as the storage rooms and stairwells, should be completed in the two weeks before the next home game, Jackson said. Repairs on concrete work might be the only segment of the project still incomplete after that time.

"There are going to be some

cosmetic things that are going to be finished after this game," he said. "Everything else but the concrete work we feel will be taken care of (before the next game)."

Jackson said the construction was a 15 to 16 month project that originally was bid in two phases, one to be done this year and one next year. The schedule was then compressed to fit the construction into nine months, and some of the work had to be done during an off season.

"A lot of people said we'd never finish," he said.

The crew has been working 16 to 20 hours a day to finish the work in time, Jackson said, and it was particularly difficult because space was cramped on the work site.

"It was a very tight, complicated job," Jackson said. "Building up against the existing structure, there was very limited space."

The stadium is constructed so trucks can only get into the site one at a time, and there is no way to maneuver a crane onto the site.

The facility is scheduled for inspection Thursday and Friday, Jackson said, and he does not expect any problems in getting the stadium accepted for use.

In spite of all the hoopla surrounding the game and the renovated stadium, University police said they would not intensify security around the facility.

Fifteen University police officers will be on hand at the stadium, Major S.L. Edmonds said.

"We're going to go as if it (the stadium) was ready," he said. "For us it's just a normal football game."

BSM to have voice in search for new counseling director

By JENNY CLONINGER
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The Black Student Movement (BSM) will be allowed to meet with the members of the search committee for a new director of the Office of Student Counseling (OSC), Colin Palmer, search committee chairman, said Thursday.

The BSM mailed a letter to Palmer Thursday asking that the search committee meet with the organization's general body within the next few weeks to answer members' questions and hear student concerns.

"We're concerned about what position the BSM will take with the Office of Student Counseling this year," Kenneth Perry, BSM president, said at the group's meeting Wednesday.

Palmer said the search committee welcomes student opinion in its

search for someone to supervise the development of programs and services in the OSC, which offers academic and personal counseling to minority students.

"The search committee will consult with anyone on this campus and will get their advice and assistance in finding the best applicant for the job," Palmer said.

The BSM's other concerns were that the committee is too far removed from the black community and that three student representatives on the committee is insufficient.

Palmer said these concerns are unfounded. "It's a very student-oriented committee," he said. "I don't believe that I am removed from students' interests. This is the only committee I've served on with so many students — and quite properly.

"I think that the students on the committee will play as active a role as anyone else," Palmer said. "It's not a matter of numbers. It's a matter of how seriously all the committee members take their task."

The search committee was appointed in August by Gillian Cell, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The committee has not yet met as a whole, and a recruitment advertisement is still being drafted, Palmer said.

The application deadline is Oct. 1, and the office should have a new director by Jan. 1. But the committee won't be idle during the interim, Palmer said.

"We will spend our time being educated by students, faculty and staff as to the kind of person we're looking for," he said.

Officials postpone decision on sophomore parking issue

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE
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The Traffic and Parking Advisory Committee voted Thursday to delay action on seven parking proposals, including one that would suggest the elimination of resident sophomore on-campus parking.

The decision to delay the action until Sept. 29 was a result of a letter from Student Government that called for a postponement of a vote on the proposals. The letter stated that the government opposed the package of proposals and hoped to "study it further in the hope of generating a realistic alternative," and was read and signed by Neal Keene, a student representative on the committee.

One of the proposals called for the elimination of parking for sophomores who live on campus. If that measure were to prove insufficient, the proposal suggests the restriction of parking for juniors.

Several students, including campus leaders, were present at the meeting.

Keene said Student Government wanted the vote on all seven proposals postponed for further review, but specifically the one regarding sophomore parking.

"Students themselves have not had sufficient time to voice their opinions and concerns," Keene said.

The letter stated that government is "not satisfied with the

method used to research and develop the proposals.

"In the absence of a long-term parking and transportation plan, with clearly stated objectives, such solutions are likely to foster resentment and discord among the various parking constituencies, without providing a lasting solution to the problem," the letter said.

The letter further stated that students are being asked to take on too much of a burden in solving the parking problem.

"This proposal is so ludicrously subjective and biased (against students) that it cannot possibly be taken seriously without a much closer look at the needs of students

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Local hospitals' treatment of drunk students stirs controversy

By JO LEE CREDLE
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Students call it the "drunk tank," doctors call it an inconvenience and substance abuse counselors call it a serious problem. The treatment of drunk students at local hospitals is a controversial topic among health officials around Chapel Hill.

A student may be brought into the N.C. Memorial Hospital emergency room for public drunkenness or if he has passed out because of an alcohol-related sickness, according to hospital nurse Larry Stevens. The doctor will then physically examine the person to make sure he has caused no self-injury. If there is no injury, the person is told to sit on the bed until he is sober enough to go home, he said.

Activated charcoal is given to students who are too drunk to speak clearly or have passed out due to overdose, said nurse clinician Claire Heck. "The range of treatment is

diverse," she said. "Some students sleep it off and some go as far as having blood tests done."

But students are not referred to a psychiatrist for further help unless they are a dangerous threat to themselves or others, Heck said.

Hospitals should provide more mental health counseling for students who enter the hospital after abusing alcohol, said substance abuse counselor Wayne Daye of Alcohol Information and Referral Services. "Students who get drunk and have to be brought into the Emergency Room have some kind of social dysfunctions that must be treated," he said.

After a person's first visit to the emergency room for alcohol abuse, a doctor should refer him to an alcohol abuse counselor or a detoxification center, Daye said.

A psychiatrist on call is sometimes asked to come in and talk to students in the emergency room, Stevens said.

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substance abuse counselor

But standard procedure for a psychiatrist is to make sure the students is medically cleared to leave, according to Dr. Jeff Snow, psychiatrist, who has talked with students in the emergency room. The psychiatrist must also ascertain that this sort of alcohol abuse is not a recurring problem for the student.

"All students get drunk every now

and then," Snow said. "That's no big deal."

Snow said that he did not recommend additional counseling for a student unless the student had been brought into the emergency room from 10 to 20 times.

"If they are brought in once a month, they don't necessarily have a drinking problem," Snow said. "But

if they are brought in two to three times a month, then we will admit them against their will."

"If they say that they are thinking of killing themselves or someone else, then I would admit them (into a detoxification center)," Snow said.

But a student could have been drunk 10 to 20 times before each time he enters the hospital, according to Daye. So the student should be counseled immediately, he said.

If entering the emergency room for alcohol abuse becomes a habit, the student can be forced to enter a detoxification house or a rehabilitation center involuntarily, Daye said.

There should be no punishment for drunk students who must enter the emergency room because drunkenness is a "dysfunction" and a "disease," Daye said. But students should be referred to a counselor and a local mental health authority, he said.

If a student is sent to detoxification after entering the emergency room, the next step is to enter a rehabilitation center where they learn to live without alcohol, Daye said. The follow-up would be an Alcoholics Anonymous kind of fellowship.

"Students rarely go that far because they don't recognize that they have a problem that early in life, or at least they refuse to admit it," Daye said.

The problem of the hospital's policy for drunk students has been brought up at one of the hospital's bioethics committee meetings, said one committee member. The problem will probably be debated at the hospital sometime in the future, he said.

But for now, the "drunk tank" at the hospital remains the same. And the students who are brought in once have nothing to do but pay the \$75 rate to sit on a bed until they sober up enough to go home.

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