

State and Local

On-campus housing

Dorm room applications for spring semester available for all students

By JO STREIT
Reporter

On-campus housing for the spring semester is available for all students, including fifth-year seniors and graduate students, said Tom Murray, the on-campus housing supervisor.

Murray said the Housing Services policy that normally precludes fifth-year seniors and graduate students from getting on-campus housing is usually waived spring semester because there isn't a housing shortage.

"If there are any fifth-year seniors and graduate students who would like housing for the spring, they are welcome to apply," Murray said.

Murray added the reason for the policy is to allow more young students to live on campus rather than students who are 22 years old.

"Another of our policies is to give 80 percent of the available housing

spaces to freshmen," he said. "We have always made a commitment to try to get as many incoming freshmen on campus as possible, assuming it may make their transition to college life a little easier."

According to the projected number of spaces available due to cancellations and the projected number of students who will apply for housing, Murray said anyone who does apply for housing will be offered a space.

"We're not setting any limits yet," he said.

Spaces are available for both men and women in all of the residence halls, Murray said.

Students who apply for housing will be offered a space first and then, within two weeks, be given their specific dorm assignment, Murray said.

Students definitely will know before the end of the semester their

exact hall assignment, he said.

Hall assignments are not given immediately because the exact rooms available are unknown until the cancellations come through, he said.

However, it might get to a point later in December where students can be notified of the exact halls available when they apply and be allowed to make a hall choice then, Murray added.

A student's best chance for getting on-campus housing is for the spring semester because there are fewer incoming freshmen who normally have first priority, he said.

"If students can sublease their apartment or work around it without getting into any legal problems we encourage them to try and do so," Murray said.

Once a student has on-campus housing, he's on as long as he wants

to be, up to eight semesters, Murray said.

The quickest way to apply for on-campus housing is to stop by the housing office located in 101 YMCA Building, Murray said.

Students also may apply through the mail, but applying in person is faster because more of the necessary paperwork can be taken care of, he said.

A table also is located in the Pavilion where billing questions may be answered and room cancellations can be taken, he said.

All resident halls will open the week before classes start next semester, Murray said.

New residents may move in starting Jan. 13 at 10 a.m., he said.

Those students already living on campus who have requested approved room and hall changes may move before the end of the semester, Murray said.

Bus service to help in parking for bonfire

By BECKY BARRET
Reporter

The sun sinks below the horizon, and bonfire is about to be lit. From your car you can see the torches burning and hear the roar of the excited crowd. But there's one problem: Where to park the car.

Bonfire night, like football game days, is usually plagued by massive parking problems of people parking on medians, in no-parking zones, and even blocking driveways of nearby homes.

But the University Shuttle Bus Service, in cooperation with the University Police Department has a solution that will make access to bonfire easier.

The bus service will run a free shuttle from Parking Annex 63 — Olsen Field — to the bonfire site.

The service will begin running at 6 p.m. and continue to run on 10 minute intervals until 9:30 p.m.

Bonfire is tentatively scheduled to be lit at 8 p.m.

The shuttle will pick up riders at the Olsen Field bus stop and drop them off across from the bonfire site at the Joe Routh-Throckmorton bus stop.

In addition to the bonfire shuttle, the regular night shuttle service will be free Wednesday night.

The night shuttle service begins at 6 p.m. and runs on 30 minute intervals until 10 p.m.

Student Y working on new goals

By KELLYE MAYO
Reporter

The Student Y Association will be able to establish programs to obtain its own goals now that Fish Camp has broken away, says Donna Banfield, Student Y president.

"At a recent retreat, the National Association of Student Y opened our eyes and we had to look into our own programs," she says.

The purpose of Student Y is to expand globally and act locally with the emphasis on the community, she says.

"The initial thought of splitting with Fish Camp arose last year, but people were scared to look into it," she says. After the retreat, the issue had to be faced, she says.

The split from Fish Camp was not a requirement of the national organization, she says. The national organization just suggested that Student Y analyze the programs and

weed out those that no longer required its help, she adds.

"Fish Camp was between the growing and maturing stage," she says. "There was still a common thread between the two organizations, but that's all it was — a thread."

"The initial split came about because we felt that Fish Camp was no longer a part of Student Y. It was already an accomplishment."

Banfield says there was some opposition concerning the split, but that once everyone weighed the pros and cons, they knew it would work out.

"The decision hurt me and a lot of other people, but it was a positive move," she says.

She says the split didn't come about overnight, but most Student Y members feel it will benefit both organizations.

"It was hard on some people, because Student Y is so emotionally tied to Fish Camp," she says.

Banfield says the positive side of this decision will allow Student Y to channel its energy in other areas and not depend on Fish Camp. It will make it easier for the Fish Camp director, too, because he will no longer have to go through Student Y channels to make his decisions, she adds.

"The split will probably affect Student Y membership," she says, "because many people become interested in Student Y because of Fish Camp."

She says one of the major areas Student Y is now concerned with is building a program that will help people to learn leadership qualities. A nine-member group has been meeting to discuss goals the organization hopes to achieve by 1990.

"Our Student Y is different from any other Student Y, so we have had to look at our constitution and decide what goals can be established through its terms," she says.

Convictions of Texas union officers upheld

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The federal Brilab convictions of two Texas men found guilty of conspiring to make money by influencing a labor union insurance plan has been upheld by a federal appeals court.

A three-judge panel of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals refused to overturn the convictions of Sherman Fricks and Harold Grubbs, two officials associated with Local 211 of the Pipefitters Union in Houston.

Brilab was an FBI undercover operation designed to nab labor union officials and government figures who were willing to accept bribes for using their influence to deliver insurance contracts.

Fricks was the business manager of Local 211 and one of eight trustees of its health and welfare fund when the investigation took place. Grubbs was director of education for the Apprentices Committee associated with the local.

According to court records, federal officials used a tape-recorder hidden in informant Joseph Hauser's attache case to record his conversations with Grubbs and Fricks during July 1979.

Hauser, purporting to represent Prudential Insurance Co., first met Grubbs alone, according to the court record.

"Hauser offered Grubbs a retainer of \$2,000," according to the opinion written by Judge Jerre S. Williams. "Grubbs refused, stating

he did not want money until Prudential secured the contract. Grubbs, however, did agree to accept a 50 percent share of all commissions Hauser would earn as Prudential's broker if the local awarded the health and welfare insurance contract to Hauser."

Hauser again offered Grubbs \$2,000 and Grubbs took the money, the opinion said. He was told to give Fricks \$1,000 of the money, according to the court.

The rest of the opinion detailed more conversations and payoffs.

Both defendants claimed that they were entrapped. But the panel said the evidence must overwhelmingly indicate that the men were entrapped.

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