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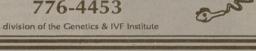
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THE BATTALION

Sorority house directors. . .

Moms away from home

By Traci Travis and Dena Dizdar

THE BATTALION

It takes a certain kind of personality to manage fifty sorority girls, plan three meals a day, keep the financial books and deal with the daily problems of college life.

But sorority house directors, Barbara Hobson and Beulah Stewart think that their job suits them

"I think it's the best job for a single woman," said Hobson, the current director of the Alpha Delta Pi house. "There are no strict duties and you're never tied to a desk.

Each director has her own small apartment inside the sorority house complete with a living room, bedroom and bath. This makes her available to the girls on a twenty-four hour basis.

A house director's duties vary from day to day and house to house. Each director is expected to choose the meals, purchase supplies and manage a house staff including cooks and a housekeep-

For most of the house directors, it is a year-round job.

During the summer, I supervise big house improvements," said Stewart, house director for Kappa Kappa Gamma. "I'm here twelve months of the year, except for when I go on vacation.

According to Hobson, house directors were much stricter when she was in college. Each girl had to sign in and out, she said, and the lights were always out at 10:30

"The housemothers would actually walk up and down the halls making sure you were in bed," Hobson said. "They were not nearly as involved with the girls

Haven Holtan, a resident of the Alpha Delta Pi house, said that when she studies downstairs,



Sorority house directors Beulah Stewart (left) and Barbara Hobson (right) act as both friend and mom for members of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Alpha Delta Pi respectively.

Hobson will often come talk to their job is the girls they meet. her about her day.

"She's like a normal person," Holtan said. "We treat her like a friend and a mom.

Being a member of a sorority is not a prerequisite for being a house director, Hobson said. As a matter of fact, Hobson was about to accept a bid from Alpha Delta Pi when she decided to get married instead.

'One of the things that I thought was very interesting was that my job turned out to be with the ADPi house, which would have been my sorority," Hobson

This gives Hobson a special link to Alpha Delta Pi, but both Stewart and Hobson agree that the most rewarding thing about

I'm always so glad to see

them when they come back and bring their husbands and babies," Stewart said. "I've gotten close to a lot of the girls. Hobson and Stewart have not

only managed to grow close to their girls, but they also have a special friendship of their own. Since her arrival to the Alpha Delta Pi house 2 1/2 years ago,

Hobson has received a great deal of help and advice from Stewart, her next-door neighbor.
"When I first became a house-

mother, I had little or no experience," Hobson said. "I would go over to her house whenever I had a question because she had been the housemom for 8 years

The housemothers get together

a cup of coffee, but their interests and qualities a times make for a littlef competition.

"My license plates MOM," Stewart said, Zeta housemother's sa MOM.' I always tease he her I got mine first." But of all the functi

directors perform, Ster her role as more of a frien than a mother, is most im

"They all have mother own," she said. Carla Stroot, presider pha Delta Pi said, "She

is like a second mom. She for you if you have proble she is also there to keep

Trenches

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Searching for the cure As the number of HIV infections increases

daily, and with no known cure for the disease, Santos said the only way to slow the spread is

It would be wonderful if you could have teens abstaining to protect themselves," she said. "But that is not happening. The sex drive is pretty strong and you have to educate kids about what their body is telling them. The 'Just Say No' campaign didn't work with drugs, and it is not working with abstinence.

You have got to know that the individual you are having sex with is not HIV positive. You have got to be comfortable to talk about this. It is much more than a piece of latex.

But education has its problems to

"There are so many different groups that need education that it is difficult to reach them, but it is not impossible," Davis said. "The only cure is education, if they know the facts, they can protect themselves." Santos said a specific group that is difficult

to reach is children.

"Starting at a very young age, you can talk about human sexuality on a general level but we are so afraid," she said. "There is pressure from a small group not to talk about these

Garner said that those who do teach have to

justify what they say. We teach abstinence and protection," she said. "People say you can't preach both sides. But I think you can. It is all based on the

individual, not the whole. Outside of education, Rabe said that people need to communicate and work together.

"I think that everyone needs to be more open and compassionate," she said. "More open with discussion of AIDS and more compassionate with AIDS victims. If we could drop the discrimination, that would be a big lessing. Because right now they are treated

Davis said that people need to conquer their fears and help educate those who are not

getting the message
"I think the biggest thing to overcome is the fear that AIDS is a dirty word," Davis said. "It is a world-wide problem, it affects everybody.

Even if you're not HIV positive, it affects "If we had more people that would

willing to come volunteer (at centers) especially minorities, it would make our lot easier because there are cultural bout that we must overcome as well."

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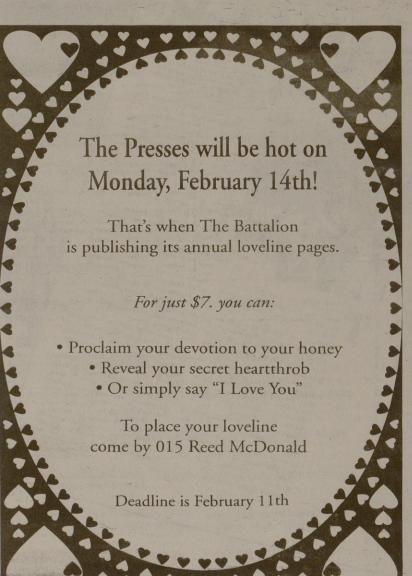
Fighting a seemingly endless war w wear on anyone. But Davis said winni few battles justifies the sacrifice.

"Some days I (get frustrated)," Davi but usually I don't. I look at where years ago and where we are now, and made a lot of progress. You have tos somewhere.

Garner also justifies her efforts by not the small victories.

safe sex," Garner said. "It frustrated she knows this is what I do, she hears me and she still doesn't do anything.

You feel like you are banging you against a wall but you get a few peop are moved by this and it makes this a



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