

Secretaries' Day poses new job dilemmas

(AP)—It is the eve of Secretaries' Day and Barry Blystone is worried. Lowering his voice, he confesses that he still can not figure out what to do for his office assistant.

"What do you do? Is it insulting or is it courtesy to get something?" asked Blystone, the training director at Siemens Power Transmission and Distribution plant in Wendell, N.C. "It's a dilemma."

Armed with computers and needed more than ever in downsized workplaces, secretaries do not pour much coffee anymore.

"Many of our members are trying to be thought of as valuable team members, and it's awkward to be singled out this way," said Rick Stroud, spokesman for the 40,000-member Professional Secretaries International.

Now, the association wrestles with whether Wednesday's event is an outdated idea. It will even vote this summer on whether to change its name to the International Association of Administrative Professionals.

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points based on their achievements at the events. An overall winner will be decided by the highest point total and trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

Kristi Jones, a junior accounting and finance major and a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority, said her favorite part of Derby Days is the involvement among the sisters.

"It's good sisterhood, good for Sigma Chi and also Children's Miracle Network," she said.

Robin Foster, a sophomore community health major and Delta Delta Delta sorority member, said she enjoys the game day event.

"It's so much fun to participate with my sisters and it's good public relations for the Greek system," she said.

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minors to purchase alcohol, 35 were successful and resulted in criminal offenses.

Selling alcohol to a minor is punishable by a \$100 to \$500 fine and jail confinement of up to a year.

Sgt. Lobano Tascono of the Bryan division of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission said program efforts have been successful.

"We have noticed that when we do these minor sting operations, then we have been able to see the percentage of alcohol sales drop," Tascono said. "It helps keep alcohol sales people and bartenders alert. When we first started the program, the percentage ratings of selling to minors were higher than they are now. We need to make people aware of the program."

From Sept. of 1997 to April 1998, the department channeled efforts toward improving responses to loud party calls.

Newton said increasing the staff available to respond to loud party calls increased efficiency.

"Increasing the size of the staff helped officers to respond to calls," Newton said. "The Bryan-College Station community is growing. The bigger you get, typically the more problems you could get."

In his experience with loud party response calls, Newton said most loud party calls are responses to local college students.

The department responded to 717 loud party calls and other related incidents that resulted in 167 citations and 253 warnings. An additional 40 charges included violations of "disorderly conduct" and "possession of controlled substance."

Disorderly conduct is punishable by \$157 for the first offense. Additional charges of disorderly conduct can add up to \$500 and an arrest can be made.

Newton said students can have a good time but need to be respectful of their neighbors.

"Everybody likes to have a good time," Newton said. "You need to consider your neighbors. Ask your friends to respect your neighbors. Next door, you may have a family or students that have to get up and go to work or to school the next morning."

The College Station Police Department plans to submit a request for a fiscal year 1999 budget increase to continue increased efforts to respond to loud party calls.

"We are going to try to deal with the calls more effectively," Newton said.

Newton said residents who have ongoing problems with disruptive neighbors should contact the police department and talk to the landlords or owners.

"If we can deal with the landowner or the prop-

erty owner, then there is the possibility of making both parties accountable." Newton said the best efforts are to keep in contact with property owners and inform them of the law.

The U. S. Department of Justice passed the 1997-98 Local Law Enforcement Education Act to the College Station Police Department.

The grant period began Oct. 1, 1997, and ended in April 1998 as a result of expanded funding.

Tascono said many under the age of 21 realize the zero tolerance policies and new laws passed in 1997.

"There are a lot of people under the age of 21 who do not know the new laws," Tascono said. "The purchase, attempt to purchase, possession, consumption, misrepresentation and public intoxication are included in the recent laws."

The first and second offenses for minors are Class C misdemeanors and fines range from \$50. Individuals may receive eight hours of community service, an alcohol education course and 30 days driver's license suspension. The second offense increases to 20 to 40 hours and 90 days license suspension or denial.

The third offense for minors is a Class B misdemeanor, which can earn jail time up to 180 days and 180 days driver's license suspension or denial.

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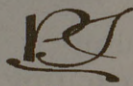
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