

# Chi Psis: Car bash brothers for Piccolo

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The university's chapter of Chi Psi fraternity says it hopes to alleviate students' stress from midterm exams and encourage spirit this homecoming weekend by sponsoring a unique "Car Bash" fundraiser for the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund.

For a \$2 donation, participants will be able to hit a car parked on the Magnolia Quad with a sledgehammer.

The car will be parked between Carswell and Tribble halls. The event will take place from 4-7 p.m. on Oct. 26 and again from 9-12 p.m. Oct. 27.

The fraternity also plans to have the car painted orange and purple, the colors of Clemson University, to encourage support for the football team as it battles Clemson on Saturday night.

"We want to encourage our fellow students to take pride in being Wake Forest students and have a little fun at the same time, taking a sledgehammer to the car," Junior Tim Williams, a Chi Psi brother, said.

Chi Psi has regularly participated in fundraising for the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund, though this year's event is a first for the university's chapter.

The brothers have high hopes for the success of the "Car Bash," emphasizing that the lighthearted nature of the event hopefully will generate a good turnout.

"The Chi Psis up at the University of Minnesota did a car bash and it was a huge success," Williams said. "It could allow the students to enjoy themselves and give money to the Piccolo Fund at the same time."

The fraternity is active in community outreach and fundraising events. It has also sponsored a dunk ball tournament for the Piccolo Cancer Fund and is currently coaching a little league soccer team. Chi Psi hopes to claim the "Car Bash" as a new Chi Psi tradition.

"Other groups hadn't been as unique. It's something we wanted to claim first here," Senior Stefan Palys, a Chi Psi brother, said. "This is something that we thought everyone could participate in. ... It's not often that you can hit a car with a sledgehammer legally."

# Minor

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other universities who have this minor, including the University of Richmond, and the academic topics this minor would encompass.

"Due to the large number of required divisionals here, students studying leadership are wary of taking classes that don't pertain to their majors," freshman Katherine Davis, a member of the Academic Committee, said.

"A solution: enter the leadership minor," she said. "Beneficial to almost every degree one can earn, the leadership minor would include classes on diversity, ethics, leadership history, critical thinking, management skills and community service."

# File

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Lee Norris, the director of academic operations and systems support at IS, oversees the process of cleaning offending files off students' computers.

"We don't go through the computer finding files, we take action on reported instances," he said. "We're not in the business of policing. If someone reports that there has been this type of violation, we investigate this type of report."

However, senior Kevin Solis, who was called in

"It gives students a great competitive edge when applying to graduate schools or entering the work force."

The Academic Committee, according to Davis, has taken new initiatives this year in order to see the leadership minor instated.

"We are compiling information that pertains to these leadership studies," Davis said. "We're contacting faculty that has an interest in developing this program with us. We're also speaking with former LEAD participants, who proposed this as their final project last year."

"We're investigating other leadership programs at other schools, especially the University of Richmond," Davis said. "We don't have the funds they do, but with some time, dedication and assistance, we can initiate something."

University of Richmond's Jepson Leadership Program's philosophy is

to develop moral character, leadership knowledge, analytical skills, leadership and interpersonal skills. They teach leadership by means of classes, lectures, classroom exercises and simulations, research, internships and seminars.

According to a recent leadership study done by SG, the University of Richmond has found that students have had advantages in attaining managerial or leadership positions in the work force, as well as experienced an overall satisfaction with their leadership study experiences.

Other efforts at furthering leadership opportunities on campus have been a goal of the Academic Committee as well.

"We're also looking at a leadership certification program, an interdisciplinary study concerning leadership, or even just leadership seminars to be held on campus," Davis said.

Although the committee has been dedicated to establishing this minor, the idea still remains in its beginning stages.

"We knew that students have shown interest in leadership programs in the past, and that the university offered a few courses in leadership," freshman Jeri Shelly, a member of the Academic Committee, said. "Student Government was looking for a way to entice students to take these courses and make them count for something. We are just at the very beginning of this project and are evaluating courses that the university offers and seeing if they can be incorporated into a leadership minor. We are also researching other schools that have similar programs to see what benefit they have received. Once we gather all this information we will present it to the administration and go from there, but we still have a lot of work to do."

last year for sharing files on a personal FTP site, bemoaned the personal files he lost when IS went through his hard drive.

"They made me transfer everything over to a new computer and overwrote my old hard drive," he said. "One thing they wouldn't let me keep was MP3s. My friend gave me rights to distribute whatever I wanted to distribute from his band and they scratched all of that, too."

Once the charges are forwarded to the school's judiciary arm, hearings are held and a punishment is determined. Ricardo Hall, an assistant dean and judicial officer, is scheduled to be the hearing officer for the Michael Jackson cases.

"Standard sanctions that might apply are community service and fines," he said.

Suspension of certain network functions, such as e-mail and logons, are also presumptive sanctions for a computing violation. In light of copyright infringements last year, a new copyright policy was adopted in the 2001-2002 Student Handbook.

As to why the offending files are all the same Michael Jackson song, Hall said "I think it's because of the span of control Michael Jackson has over his music. I think he puts a closer scrutiny over the Internet for who can copy his music."

Dominick added that he doesn't like to prosecute students. "I can't tell you how much we hate doing this stuff," he said. "It's traumatic for the student involved, and it's a trauma for the person on my staff that has to do this. I groan when I get these things."

# Hicks

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landscaping with the city county school system.

"I grew up around here. I worked in landscaping before here, and a friend told me about the job," Hicks said.

When Hicks applied for the job, he said, "I kind of had an idea I'd get it, but I didn't know for sure."

Hicks said that his current job at the university is a "definite"

improvement over his last one.

Outside of work, he spends time with his wife of five and a half years and helps take care of his two children, who are four and two years old.

Sports are also of interest to him. "I like all sports, especially hunting and fishing," Hicks said.

"One of the biggest benefits of working here is the university will help pay for my children's education," he said.

"He is a really nice guy to work with and is always willing to help you out," Rodney Holmes, a fellow landscaper, said.

"He is easy to get along with and he is a team player."

# Asbestos

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mineral that was commonly used in insulation until it was discovered to be a dangerous air pollutant, was banned from commercial use in the 1970s.

According to Blackburn, the amount of asbestos found in Tribble was below legal limits.

"Results of air tests indicated values well below the 'Clean Air Standard' for the State of North Carolina, which is 0.01 fibers per cubic centimeter. Visual observations by our personnel showed

no signs of visible dust or fibers in the air," Blackburn said.

Win-Chiat Lee, an associate professor of philosophy, was concerned with the health aspects of the asbestos removal.

He decided to cancel classes because he didn't have any concrete information about the removal process and didn't want to endanger his or his student's health.

"I asked students if any of them objected to holding class under the circumstances. I thought it was only appropriate to disclose all the information I had," Lee said.

"I'm taking this very seriously," he said. "I haven't canceled a class ever, excluding professional reasons, but today I did."

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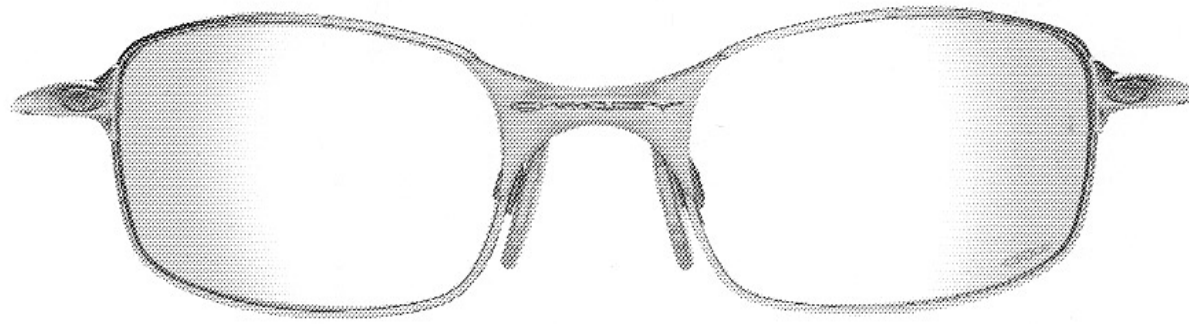
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