

NEWS BRIEFS

Student charged with drunkenness, brandishing firearm

Staff Reports

A Washington and Lee student was arrested on charges of brandishing a firearm and being drunk and disorderly in Domino's Pizza early Saturday morning, according to police reports.

Mark McDonough, 21, was arrested at 3 a.m. Saturday after he entered the store and threatened workers with a .45 automatic pistol.

The maximum sentence for brandishing a firearm is a \$1,000 fine and 12 months in jail.

— Jason Lisi

SABU changes name to MSA

The Student Association for Black Unity voted last night to change its name to the Minority Student Association.

"The acronym 'SABU' was looked at in kind of the wrong way around here," said President Derrick Freeman.

He said the group was perceived as isolating itself from the rest of the community, and that the words "black unity" often were seen as unity against the rest of the campus. Freeman said he would like the group to be seen as striving for "community unity."

"We're trying to become a more community-oriented organization," he said.

The name change reflects that, Freeman said, in that the term minority is meant to mean not just blacks, but

women and other minority groups on campus.

"We're trying to get rid of that image of a black hangout," he said.

The group is planning to sponsor events for blacks and the whole community this year.

Student convicted of theft

A Washington and Lee student was convicted this summer on a charge of credit card theft. He and three others were arrested in May on charges of illegal use of another student's telephone credit card.

The charges were brought last year after then-sophomore David Shugart reported the loss of an AT&T Calling Card to police.

Walter J. Hopkins Jr., of Kingwood, Texas, was found guilty of being an accessory after the fact to credit card theft and received a 30-day suspended sentence. A charge of credit card fraud against him was dropped.

Felton E. May of Hummelstown, Pa., who was charged with two counts of credit card fraud and one felony count of credit card theft, will go to court on Nov. 15 to defend his felony charge.

Senior Bryan K. Johnson, of Jersey City, N.J., had charges of accessory to credit card theft and credit card fraud dropped.

Junior Calvin Rankin was found not guilty of being an accessory after the fact to credit card theft, and the charge of credit card fraud was dropped.

In other recent police actions:

- A pair of black stereo speakers was taken Tuesday from the car of sophomore Roger Hildreth. Hildreth's

1966 Mustang was parked in front of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity house when the speakers reportedly were taken.

- An Alpine stereo amplifier valued at \$85 was reported taken Monday from the 1976 Datsun of Christopher Cilis, 19, while it was parked at 105 White Street.

- A Panasonic cassette player was removed from the car of third-year law student Gregory Duncan while it was parked in the Law School parking lot. The player was reported missing sometime on Friday night or Saturday morning and was valued at \$80.

- The Louisiana license plate was taken sometime yesterday from the 1981 Buick of Catherine Hardy, a Hollins College student.

— Jason Lisi

Delta Tau Delta awards money

The Delta Tau Delta fraternity recently awarded its second Chris Larson scholarship to freshman Anthony Waskiewicz.

The scholarship is awarded based on character, as judged by the members of Delta Tau Delta, and this year involves a \$100 gift certificate to purchase books at the Washington and Lee Bookstore.

Law elections held yesterday

First-year law students Chris O'Brien and Kemp Kasling will represent their class as president and vice president, respectively. The two were elected in first-

year law elections yesterday.

Both will serve on the Student Bar Association, and O'Brien will be a member of the Student Control Committee.

Elections for the first-year law representative to the Executive Committee will be held in a couple of weeks, according to Julie Gregory, chairman of the SBA.

Plante to delay graduation

Dormitory Counselor Kathleen Plante has decided not to graduate this year, eliminating the possibility that this year's graduation will be W&L's first coeducational commencement.

Plante said she is uncertain whether she'll graduate in December or June of the 1986-87 academic year.

STU pays Centel \$8,000

Students returning to school last week have paid more than \$1,200 in overdue telephone bills to the Student Telephone Union, but that hasn't offset the check for nearly \$5,000 that STU paid this week to Centel to cover students' delinquent bills.

Chairman Tom O'Brien said STU has paid Centel a total of \$8,851.24 in students' overdue bills since January.

STU had a table set up in the matriculation line to collect overdue bills from students. The students' excuses ranged from lackadaisical roommates to forgetfulness, according to O'Brien.

— Chris Munsey