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Freshmen Barbra Byington (center) and Susan Lewis talk at Sigma Chi's Rush date last night

Women say Rush is 'great'

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Rush has been a "great experience," according to several Washington and Lee women interviewed this week in an informal survey.

"It has been a really fun way to get to meet the upperclassmen guys," said Alexa Salzman. "Actually going out and getting involved let us get rid of some of our premonitions, because everyone was so nice."

Elizabeth Smith agreed. "I feel like the girls that either didn't go or canceled out at the last minute really missed out on a lot of fun," she said.

"It made it seem like we were part of the freshman class. It made us feel included," she added. "Compared to the weekend Rush, it was a great way to meet and talk

to people."

Alston Parker also noticed how nice the fraternity members have been.

"It has been a great experience to meet the upperclassmen and for them to meet us because it had been 'no contact.' The guys were very nice. They went above and beyond to make sure you felt comfortable and had met the guys in the house," Parker said.

"The Rush dates do not have a party atmosphere, and it's not a classroom atmosphere. It's really like 'tea time,'" she joked. "They've been a lot of fun."

Copeland Kapp also noticed how friendly the fraternity guys had been at the Rush dates.

"Particularly at the first one, but also at all of them, the guys have been really nice. It works really well to include us in the Rush dates because we get to know the upperclassmen in a different way from a class or a party," she said.