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Scott Hall's outdoor courtyard area at 601 University Pl. The National Pan-Hellenic Council and Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life are working to develop commemorative plots for each council chapter in the space.

NPHC secures Scott Hall plots

Courtyard initiative comes in council's push for increased visibility

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In its push for greater campus recognition, the National Pan-Hellenic Council is working with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life to develop commemorative plots for each chapter in Scott Hall's courtyard space, OFSL director Travis Martin said.

Each plot will take the form

of a monument with plaques displaying both the national organization's information as well as specific chapter information, said Martin, who also serves as the NPHC adviser. While five chapters are currently active on campus, Martin said plots will be developed for all nine national historically black fraternities and sororities, and if they later gain a campus presence, chapter-specific plaques will be added

as well.

As NPHC chapters and those in the Multicultural Greek Council often get spoken of in conjunction, Martin said he hopes the initiative can help students begin to recognize their individual distinctions as two separate councils.

"We tend to lump MGC and NPHC together, but I want to make sure people understand they are two distinct councils, with two

distinct cultures," Martin said. "We want to recognize the history of why these groups were founded."

Nationally, many other colleges and universities including Indiana University, Duke University and Virginia Tech have undertaken similar initiatives to provide a physical representation of NPHC chapters on their campuses.

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University bolsters emergency plans

Evacuation plan review committee to be established

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Northwestern will form a campus-wide evacuation committee in an effort to standardize its emergency evacuation plan, said Gwen Butler, environmental health and safety director in the Office of Risk Management.

While emergency response practices have long been in place, the Office of Risk Management and the Department of Safety & Security have joined forces in the past few months, Butler said. The team plans to recruit representatives from different University departments and residential facilities to establish the evacuation committee, she added.

Greg Klaiber, director of emergency management, said the committee will review proposals by representatives of residential buildings, draft a "standardized" evacuation plan and post emergency route signage in common areas. The committee members — after receiving emergency preparedness trainings themselves — will be expected to educate community members about the logistics of emergency evacuation, he said.

"Standardization essentially will say, 'You will have a plan and every employee in your facility must be made aware of the plan and know the plan,'" Klaiber said. "Students, faculties and staff, no matter

what facilities they are in, need to have an understanding of how to evacuate and get out as quickly as possible."

Klaiber added that because not all residential facilities adhere to the current evacuation policy — which require the practice of annual emergency drills — the newly standardized evacuation plan will more effectively enforce the regulation.

Butler said administrators began working on standardizing the evacuation plan before the gun hoax earlier this year, in which Northwestern's Evanston campus went on lockdown following reports of a man with a gun.

In response to the hoax, however, the Office of Risk Management has taken steps to upgrade its emergency response system, Klaiber said. For example, the office is looking at ways to expand its emergency notification service to people unaffiliated with the University.

Norris University Center has also taken action following the gun hoax. Jeremy Schenk, the center's executive director, said Norris has formed an "internal" coalition, consisting of staff members from the Office of Risk Management and the emergency management staff as well as representatives from Norris partners, to "debrief" past experiences of evacuation and review the emergency response procedure.

The coalition was established in response to the swatting incident and a fire accident that occurred during the annual MegaShabbat

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City may expunge juvenile records

Aldermen will consider ordinance to amend city code

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Aldermen will consider an ordinance that would amend city code to allow for automatic expungement of juvenile criminal records at Monday's City Council meeting.

If passed, the ordinance will require the city to automatically expunge law enforcement records regarding events occurring before an individual's 18th birthday if one year has passed since the date of arrest, no petition for delinquency or criminal charges were filed and six months have passed without an additional arrest.

The Illinois Juvenile Court Act was amended in August 2017 to prohibit law

enforcement agencies from disclosing records involving minors who commit ordinance violations. The amendment also prohibits public and private employers from asking about expunged records, and imposes liability on employers who do not put disclaimers in their application materials.

According to city documents, Evanston complies with the act and has administrative procedures in place to execute its requirements. A second, companion city ordinance would codify and incorporate requirements from the state law into Evanston Municipal Code.

The discussion of the ordinance comes after a request from the city's Alternatives to Arrest committee to consider an ordinance that clears "juvenile administrative hearing records stemming from administrative adjudication in

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Cats move to NCAA quarterfinals

NU lacrosse upsets Towson in second round of regionals

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With under 25 minutes to play in Northwestern's second-round NCAA Tournament matchup against No. 7 Towson, senior attacker Shelby Fredericks held her stick out and signaled a message to her team: Settle down.

The Wildcats (15-5, 5-1 Big Ten) had just gone up 11-10 on the Tigers (16-5, 5-1 CAA), their first lead since the opening minutes. The two teams were trading goals back and forth, but neither was gaining anything more than a one- or two-goal advantage. Coach Kelly Amonte Hiller said at that point, they felt it would be the calmer team that came out on top. Their patience prevailed.

Junior attacker Selena Lasota found the ball on the left side of



the goal and fired her fourth goal of the game to put NU up 12-10. Towson called a timeout, but it didn't stop the momentum that came from Lasota's score.

The Cats rattled off two more unanswered goals, part of a five-goal run, and they rode that momentum all the way, for the first time since 2015, into the NCAA quarterfinals.

Lasota and senior midfielder Sheila Nesselbush scored eight goals each to power NU to a 21-17 win over the Tigers on Sunday afternoon in Towson, Maryland. In Friday's 24-18 first round win against Richmond (16-4, 8-1 A10), the pair combined for 15 goals — 9 from Lasota, 6 from Nesselbush — totalling a whopping 34 points on the weekend.

"They're the heart and soul," Amonte Hiller said of the duo.



Daily file photo by David Lee

Sheila Nesselbush looks to evade a defender. The senior midfielder scored 14 goals in two games this weekend to help Northwestern advance through the NCAA Regionals.

"Everyone really stepped up, but I think they ran their key plays, (and) when you have people finishing like that, it's huge."

Nesselbush's eight-goal performance on Sunday was also her

career-best, beating the previous high she set Friday. Lasota's career-high 9 goals against the Spiders set the NCAA

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Construction of the Scott Hall plots has already begun and is projected to be finished this summer, Martin said.

Weinberg junior Rick Wallace, current vice president and incoming president of the Alpha Mu chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha — an NPHC organization — said the plots at Scott Hall can help recognize the “long history” of council chapters on campus.

“Given the fact that we don’t have houses and our membership isn’t ever going to be rivaling that of IFC and PHA, it’s important for a university like Northwestern to recognize the fact that we are on this campus, and that we’ve had a huge impact on not only the black community, but Northwestern in general,” he said.

In the 2016 Black Student Experience Task Force Report, many black students questioned why NPHC chapters don’t have on-campus houses or space like Panhellenic Association and Interfraternity Council organizations.

For now, the Scott Hall courtyard space will be available to NPHC chapters as plots are being developed, and Martin said he hopes groups will use it, particularly for new member presentations or other ceremonial events — similarly to other universities.

Still, Wallace said his chapter — among others in NPHC — is put at a disadvantage from the lack of space to hold community events and recruit new members. Providing the council with tangible recognition, he said, can help “level the playing field.”

“The composition of the student body puts us immediately at a disadvantage,” he said. “Having black organizations, multicultural organizations at a PWI, we’re just never going to have those huge numbers that you’ll see at an HBCU and schools like that.”

According to OFSL data, NPHC’s total

membership in winter 2018 was just 20 students — compared to about 100 in MGC, and more than 1,000 each in both IFC and PHA.

Just as many MGC members have expressed concern with the current lack of on-campus space for chapters, students in NPHC organizations said establishing a greater presence at NU is vital.

Brittany Owens, president of NPHC sorority Zeta Phi Beta, said while the Black House and Multicultural Center exist as spaces for students of color, they shouldn’t be the only designated places on campus where chapters can organize.

“If the University actually gave NPHC — and MGC as well — space that’s more central to students on campus, it would definitely help with visibility,” the Weinberg junior said. “Technically people do have a space to go to, but just because we have the Black House doesn’t mean we don’t need additional space.”

For chapters, she said it can be challenging to build connections and establish roots in the black community because a lot of students don’t know NPHC exists. Owens said while the University extends support to predominantly white Greek councils, it often feels like that isn’t the case for those primarily composed of students of color.

Despite that, Wallace said OFSL has recently been “really supportive” in advocating for greater visibility of NPHC chapters.

Moving forward, he said “more intentional” efforts from Northwestern are essential in promoting NPHC’s presence on campus and providing the council with greater University-based infrastructure.

“It’s just a larger commentary on the University’s support of black people, of people of color,” Wallace said. “While the school has made great strides in the amount of people of color on campus, the amount of resources that they give to those people of color, to NPHC and MGC, is not keeping the same pace.”

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Daily file photo by Colin Boyle

Evanston police respond on March 14 to a gun threat that was later ruled a swatting incident. Northwestern has established a committee to standardize its emergency evacuation plan.

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event in February, Schenk said.

He said one of the key issues the coalition focuses on is how to handle emergency situations at times when full-time staffers are not present in the building — like late at night or during the weekend. Accordingly, the team is fleshing out a plan to ensure vendor partners and food service staff receive emergency notifications and are better equipped to evacuate the building.

“We are very early on: There’s only been one meeting and there’s a lot of work to be done,” Schenk said. “But it’s important to look at the things that went well and make sure we are somewhere we need to be.”

As administrators work to standardize the evacuation process at NU, Butler said the committee will seek feedback from community members because evacuations require the cooperative action of the whole university.

Butler added that the group will review the evacuation procedure to accommodate the needs of a wider range of people, including those with physical disabilities.

“What we’ve done in the past is that people have requested, ‘Hey, can you help us update our emergency planning?’” Butler said. “But now we want to go beyond waiting for someone to invite us. We want to make sure we are providing that information and forming process to do that.”

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Tournament single-game record, while the team’s 24 goals were its most this season and the program’s most in a game since 2011.

Lasota and Nesselbush went a combined 8-for-8 from the free position on Sunday. The team as a whole went 9-for-10 on the chances, the Cats’ best percentage this season.

“There’s a lot of times where we’ve lost games and we’ve focused just on free position shots,” Lasota said. “Those shots ... they can predict the game, so I’m glad and proud of us for that number.”

Towson entered the game with the country’s fifth-best scoring defense, allowing an average of 8.8 goals per game, while also owning the fourth-best free position percentage in the nation at 52 percent. The Cats held the Tigers on both ends; Towson allowed a season-high 21 goals, and went just 5-for-11 from the free position.

Facing a zone defense, NU found cutters in front of the goal through the eight-meter arc and drew shooting space calls to earn the free position shots. That strategy showed its success at the end of the

first half, when the Cats scored two goals in under a minute to tie the game heading into the break.

“We were forcing it a bit,” Lasota said. “And then the coaches brought us in and said, ‘Look, we’re getting good looks, but they’re the first looks, so just settle it down and keep the ball moving,’ and that’s when we got a lot of our opportunities.”

NU also employed a zone defense, a switch from its usual man-to-man front, for much of the game to hinder Towson’s attack. The Cats held the Tigers without a goal for more than 10 minutes near the end of the second half, causing three turnovers and three unsuccessful shots while building a four-goal lead.

The Cats were one of only two unseeded teams to advance out of the second round, and will now face No. 2 North Carolina (16-3, 6-1 ACC) on May 19.

While Nesselbush hasn’t advanced this far into the tournament since her sophomore year, she didn’t let the occasion or her historic performance this weekend overshadow the team’s mission.

“It feels really good,” she said. “But we’re not done yet.”

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RECORDS

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addition to law enforcement records,” according to city documents.

The Alternatives to Arrest committee, chaired by Ald. Peter Braithwaite (2nd), was formed in April 2017 to “reduce the number of young adults that have a difficult time finding a job later in life” by finding alternatives to arrest for misdemeanors, according to city documents.

According to city documents, the committee created a subcommittee to review current record keeping policies and procedures.

Aldermen will also discuss a resolution to terminate Smylie Brothers Brewing Co.’s lease of a city-owned property. The city approved a 10-year lease in December 2016 for the brewing company to open a second location in south

Evanston in the city’s former recycling center near James Park at 2222 Oakton St.

According to city documents, Smylie Brothers owner Mike Smylie said he “was unable to raise sufficient funding to complete the project as planned.”

The city is looking to identify another “productive” use for the property, and staff is seeking direction from City Council. Possible options include denying the request to terminate the lease and leaving Smylie responsible for the terms of the lease, listing the property for sale or demolishing it, among others.

Three parties have already expressed an interest in acquiring the property, including Peckish Pig, a restaurant and brewery in Evanston’s 8th Ward.

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