



Making the move

Due to Campus Center construction, Mental Health and Health Centers will temporarily move to Forum basement next summer, while the SRC will relocate to the Loose Pit lounge

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Future demolition of the Yunker Memorial Resource Center (YMCA) will necessitate the relocation of both the Mental Health and Health Centers and the Stonewall Resource Center (SRC). Before next fall, the Mental Health and Health Centers will move to the Forum basement and the SRC to the Loose Pit lounge.

The current location of the YMCA will be needed as a "staging area" to accommodate equipment required to remove Darby Gym and build the new Campus Center. A date has not yet been set to demolish the YMCA.

Mental Health and Health Centers

Next summer, the Mental Health and Health Centers will move to the Forum basement. The health centers will occupy the space in the Forum basement currently occupied by the Private Dining Rooms (PDRs). The PDRs will be renovated this summer to accommodate the health centers.

The planning committee chose the Forum to house the health centers because it is handicap accessible and offers a large enough area to house both services.

"We think it's important to have health and counseling together," said Tom Crady, Vice President for Student Services. "That's working really well." Counseling was added to the services offered by the on-campus health center last fall.

The health centers' moves will in turn displace other groups and services. The Forum basement currently holds the SGA offices, Student Affairs, the PDRs and the Forum Terrace Gallery.

Next year, the Forum will continue to house SGA and Student Affairs as well as the health centers. It is not yet known what will happen to the Terrace Gallery. "We're going to be crunched up for a couple of years while this is happening," Crady said.

Once the Campus Center is complete, the Mental Health and Health centers will be moved to the space currently occupied by Cowles Dining Hall. "We have to have good Health Center space and good counseling," said Crady.

Stonewall Resource Center

The SRC will move to Loose Pit during Campus Center construction.

The administration of the SRC was given a choice for their new location at the beginning of the semester between a room in the Forum basement and the Loose Pit lounge. Alfredo Rivera '06, the assistant director of the SRC, said that the group chose Loose Pit because it offered slightly more space than the Forum. However, he is very concerned that the lounge may not be large enough to contain all of the resources in the current SRC.

The SRC is a multi-room complex with a computer room, kitchen, meeting room, library, bathroom and social space. Rivera is worried that the SRC might have to get rid of some of its materials, perhaps by giving away or throwing out books in the SRC library that are outdated and materials they have multiple copies of.

In addition to the problem of space, Rivera thinks that the change of location could damage the atmosphere of the SRC. The current SRC was designed with the intention of creating a space where students would feel comfortable and secure. "The big issue is how to find a safe, comfortable location," Rivera said. He considers the future home of the SRC an inconvenient location because it's in a dorm and right next to a laundry room, which may compromise the privacy of the area.

Associate Dean for Student Life Michael Sims was the administrator assigned to find a new location for the SRC. "We're trying to make it still a convenient place ... and [affect] the least amount of people," he said. While he is not entirely satisfied with the arrangement, he said that the SRC's placement in Loose Pit will be temporary and a better location will be found after the Campus Center is completed.

Sims believes there will be enough space in Cowles to move both the SRC and the Health Center in once the dining hall facilities move to the Campus Center. If the SRC does move into Cowles, he said the area would be renovated to accommodate its needs, possibly making it an even better space than the current SRC building. "In the long run, it's going to be better," he said. "Most people will adapt and realize that this is what we need to do."

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This Week in the SACC

There are a number of free and cheap programs available to rip, mix and burn music, but how do you share your music with others or listen to a fellow Grinnellian's music collection? SACC believes Apple's iTunes is the best option for Grinnell. It's free, works on Macs and Windows, has an elegant interface and allows you to share music easily with others on Resnet. Additionally, iTunes allows you to import music from CDs, organize it in many ways and burn it to CDs. If you are feeling sufficiently wealthy, you can even buy music through the iTunes music store.

You can download the iTunes installer from <http://www.itunes.com/download/>.

Once you're running iTunes, the left pane contains a list of music sources and play lists. The first item, Library, contains all of the songs located on your computer. You can setup a number of playlists to group music for different occasions or to make mix CDs by clicking the + button in the lower-left corner of the iTunes window or press command+N. Just drag songs from the library onto your new playlist to arrange them. You can also create smart playlists, which update themselves whenever you add songs to your music library. To create a new smart playlist press command+option+N.

If you click the arrow next to 'Shared Music,' you can toggle the display of other iTunes users who are sharing music. If you click on a user's name, you can view their library and playlists. When you double-click on another individual's songs that computer streams the music to your computer, but is not saved on your computer. Unfortunately, only five users can listen to another's music simultaneously.

Since it's better to give than receive, it's important to make sure that your computer is setup to share music. Go to the 'Preferences' window from the 'iTunes' menu and then click on the 'Sharing' tab. Make sure the tab labeled 'Share my music' is checked. Change the shared name to something distinctive. Now that you're setup, you can start to import your CD library into iTunes, and give others access.

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