SEXUAL ASSAULT PROFILE
YEAR-END REPORT
July 1, 1991 to June 30, 1992

There were four sexual assaults reported to the Women's Center from April 1, 1992 to June 30, 1992. This raises the year-end total to thirty-three reported sexual assaults for 1991/1992. This compares with two reports in 89/90, and 38 in 90/91. These numbers are in part, a reflection of increased awareness of sexual violence on campus.

The recent four reports were all acquaintance assaults, the victims were all female students, the perpetrators were all male, three were students and the affiliation was unknown in one case. For the 91/92 academic year, twenty-five (76%) were acquaintance assaults, six were stranger assaults, one was an attempted assault and in one case the information was not available.

Victims and Perpetrators: All but three of the victims were female students at SCSU. The remaining three were females but their affiliation with the university was listed as non-student or was unknown. All of the reported perpetrators were male. Seventeen of the perpetrators were known to be SCSU students, one was an employee, and the remaining fifteen are not affiliated with the university or the affiliation is unknown. The average age of the twenty-seven victims whose ages were known was 19.8, compared with 19.3 in the previous reporting year.

Location: Of the four reports received in the fourth quarter, two took place on the southside-campus area, one occurred on campus, and the location is unknown in the remaining case.

For the 91/92 year, ten were on campus, 12 were on the southside-campus area, four were in the victim's hometown and four were in other areas of St. Cloud. In three of the cases, the location is unknown. Twenty (76%) occurred in a private residence. Reported assaults occurring on campus has increased from 16% in 90/91 to 30% in 91/92.

When Cases Were Reported: Out of the four reported in the fourth quarter, three were reported, within three days of the assault and one occurred over a year ago.

For the 91/92 academic year, 18 were reported within one week, three within two weeks, five within one month, one within two months and six occurred before July 1, 1991.

Reported By: Reports were made directly by victims in twelve cases, five by the St. Cloud Police Department, three from housing, one from health services, three from faculty/staff, five by security, three by other students, one by the Central Minnesota Sexual Assault Center. Reports made directly by victims have increased from 23% last academic year to 36% this year.

Status of Cases: Police reports have been filed in nine of the thirty-three cases, one has been investigated by the Affirmative Action Office, and four have been investigated by campus security. Two have been referred to the student judicial committee. There have been no resolutions to any of the cases reported to the police at the time of this printing.

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