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Students march against Gulf war



Photo by Ethan Hyman

Over 700 students marched last Friday from Macalester to Hamline University to protest U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

by Jennifer Abel

As President Bush sent additional troops to the conflict in the Persian Gulf, over 700 students and community members mobilized for the Twin Cities' largest anti-war protest.

The group marched down Snelling Avenue, shouting slogans like "Hey, hey, ho, ho, your oil war has got to go," and carrying signs reading "Money for tuition, not for ammunition."

The march was organized by Hamline University Peace Advocates, Twin City Students Against War, and the Macalester Peace and Justice Committee.

Organizers of the march said 700 people turned out for the march, while police estimated the crowd size at 2000.

"The march was empowering for me because so many students from so many different schools were all coming together on this one issue of lives," said Junior Kristen Hayden.

"We don't want to see the mistakes of history repeated."

Most of the students in the crowd came from Macalester and Hamline, but many also turned out from the University of Minnesota, St. Olaf, and area high schools.

Neighbors and organizers from peace organizations like Women Against Military Madness (WAMM), Socialists for Peace Action, and the Committee In Solidarity with People in El Salvador (CISPES) also marched along with the students.

"The U.S. is saying we are protecting small countries' rights to sovereignty," said Steve Argue from Socialists for Peace Action. "The U.S. is the biggest violator of self-determination in the world. They have no interest in keeping a country out of Kuwait. They want us to fight and die while they're raising prices here at home."

The marchers drew attention from many as they walked down Snelling. Passing cars honked their support and employees from O'Gara's and other merchants came to the windows of their shops to applauding the crowd.

"I think the march was very effective, partly because of the number of people who came and also because it reinforced the message," said March page 2

Men charged with felonies

by David Cline

The three men who were originally arrested for the desecration of the Hebrew House kitchen were charged with felonies on Monday.

This case is the first time in Ramsey County that bias crime charges have been brought against adults.

The three suspects, Scott H. Hoyt, 22; Darryl J. Somora, 21, and Michael E. Terry, 20,

have been charged with one count each of second degree criminal damage to property, with bias, and one count each of third-degree burglary.

Terry appeared before Judge Salvador Rosas on Wednesday. He has the option of posting a \$2,000 bond or agreeing to a psychiatric evaluation and having no contact with the two other suspects.

Somora and Hoyt were scheduled to appear in court on Thursday.

The three were first arrested last Wednesday and then released on Friday until more evidence was found to support the bias crime claim.

The three allegedly entered the vacant Hebrew House on November 23 and ground out cigarettes in the see Case page 5