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# Campus, city remain in the dark

Lighting project still in the works for Evanston, NU

By Jorene Ooi

THE DAILY NORTHWESTERN

A new lighting pilot project intended to address the lack of lighting around Evanston and the Northwestern campus remains in the works but with no set implementation date, according to Dean of Students Burgwell Howard.

University administration has been discussing the issue with city officials for more than a year and most recently met Thursday, just days after a student fell victim to an attempted armedrobbery on Orrington Avenue at Simpson Street on Sept. 25.

Howard said he hopes to see the lighting project, which is slated to start near Garnett Place, implemented this quarter but acknowledges he does not know the exact timeline. Currently there are no concrete plans to install additional street lights and "blue light" police emergency phones either on or off campus.

"Ît is an ongoing process," Howard said. "We would love for decisions to be made quickly, but we can't tell the city what to do."

University Police Deputy Chief Daniel McAleer said in an email there have been four reported robberies on or near the Evanston campus for which UP has issued crime alerts this year. While McAleer said he could not definitively claim insufficient lighting was a factor in all of the cases, he noted he had heard many students complain about lighting as a problem.



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Light it up: The University is considering plans to implement more lights on campus. The decision was in part prompted by student complaints about lighting conditions.

Last spring, the Associated Student Government collected information from students to identify dark areas where students felt unsafe. This information will be used to organize ASG's annual Light Walk, an event in which ASG brings university officials to the campus's dark areas, where they suggest ideas for more lighting. The walk is scheduled to be held during fall quarter.

'The school administration is helpful and the response has been good previously," said Katie Bradford, ASG student life vice president. "Things get more complicated off campus. I'm living off campus this quarter, so hopefully we will see some changes soon."

Weinberg senior Lisa Wang lives approximately 10 minutes away from campus and occasionally walks home alone late at night.

"It can get rather dark around Orrington," she said. "I feel a lot more uncomfortable walking at night. Having more street lights and emergency blue lights would be comforting."

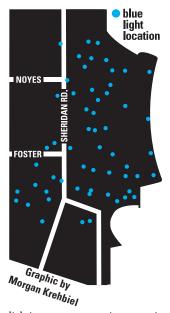
However, not all students feel the same way.

Weinberg sophomore Giyun Park said she generally feels safe on the 20-minute walk home from

"The lighting is good enough. It may get darker near homes, but that's understandable because homeowners want their privacy," Park said.

Howard said Facilities Management conducts assessments of street

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lighting on campus twice a year, in addition to replacing faulty lamps. He also urged students to promptly report broken lamps to FM's office or his own.

In order to address the safety issues the lighting creates, McAleer stated UP has added additional officers to patrol the off-campus area since the beginning of the school year. Three officers and one supervisor are assigned to a special 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. shift.

'They patrol in the neighborhood and downtown areas while working closely with Evanston police officers assigned to those areas," he said. "Their primary duties are to protect students who live and frequent those areas."

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## Distillery makes debut



Matt Hong/The Daily Northwestern

Distilling and filling: Mayor Elizabeth Tisdahl and Ald. Melissa Wynne attended FEW's grand opening celebration Thursday. It is the first distillery in the city's history.

#### By Matt Hong

THE DAILY NORTHWESTERN

Evanston, a dry community for more than a century and former home of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, welcomed its first micro-distillery Thursday.

Mayor Elizabeth Tisdahl and Ald. Melissa Wynne (3rd) were on hand as FEW Spirits, 918 Chicago Ave., officially opened shop.

The distillery's founder, Paul Hletko, was flanked by assistant distiller Tom Reedy and brand manager Brooke Saucier as city officials greeted what would have been a criminal operation in Evanston 40 years ago.

FEW Spirits' name is an homage to Evanston's dry history. In its brand logo the name is stylized as "F.E.W.," as it in part refers to the initials of Frances Elizabeth Willard, the noted women's suffragist and WCTU president, Hletko said.

Hletko moved to Evanston in 2003, when he had little motivation to begin an alcohol-based business,

Hletko said he chose Evanston for its proximity to his work – he was a lawyer until he found a new niche in his now full-time

operation — and its public schools and its being "generally a nice place to raise a family.

Hletko's idea to start FEW Spirits originated a year and a half after moving to Evanston when his grandfather, who was also a distiller, passed away.

"I started looking for ways to honor his memory and build something new that would play into the family legend," Hletko said.

And with that intention, Hletko decided to turn his 20-year hobby into a business.

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### City raises funds for education

By Alexandria Johnson

THE DAILY NORTHWESTERN

Evanston Community Foundation concluded its fundraising efforts Thursday for the "Every Child Ready for Kindergarten, Every Youth Ready for Work" program, exceeding its \$2 million matching grant challenge to earn a \$6 million permanent endowment.

The anticipated milestone was announced Thursday by the philanthropic organization.

The readiness program started with five public meetings from 2004 to 2006 that brought out hundreds of citizens to discuss early childhood education and workforce development in the

"We were able to achieve our goal by having a very broad outreach to people in the community who are passionate about education," ECF President Sara Schastok said.

More than 175 donors contributed to the fundraising effort, and Schastok attributed the success to the network of citizens that understood the story behind the organization and the impact of the community services.

"Working together with those partners and continuing to assess our work and understanding the impact of the work — that gave us a story about not just a vision of every child ready for kindergarten

and not just a plan, but a report on what we had done in implementing the plan and the impact it was having on the community," Schastok said.

The money will initially be applied to the 50 very high-risk families the foundation provides with home visits and counseling from highly qualified professionals, Schastok said. She called this stage the first ripple of the money's

One of the things that unites the whole community is passion for education and providing that for everyone," Schastok said.

The "Every Child Ready for Kindergarten, Every Youth Ready for Work" program involves the District 65 Family Center, which focuses on the critical stage of development in a child's first 36 months. The foundation also assists three- and four-year clients with attending local preschools like Cherry Preschool, 1418 Lake St., which provides a scholarship for underprivileged families.

"It's a system of many different pressure points we are trying to help support with an early childhood workforce," Schastok said. "It's really fascinating, and that's one of the reasons that all of those different nuances we do needed to have an endowment, a permanent fund, that would grow over time."

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