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Estabrooke lends gays lounge

The Wilde-Stein Club has been given facilities for a private social gathering by the Estabrooke Hall Social Club (ESC). The local gay group will use the basement lounge for a "purely social event" Friday, April 19, the evening before the state-wide gay conference scheduled at the Hilltop Complex.

A request for permission to meet in the room was approved unanimously by an executive board meeting and the voting members of the dorm organization confirmed the action by a 16-4 tally.

"There are no political overtones in this," said George Roundy, an ESC member and former president of Estabrooke Hall. "We offered them a place to come and have a few drinks in a good social atmosphere."

A spokesman for the Wilde-Stein Club said they will probably bring several club members and some of the speakers signed for the conference in for a few drinks and discussion of conference plans. The spokesman said the group is obviously very happy with the affirmative action by the ESC.

All persons attending will bring their own liquor, he added, in accordance with ESC rules.