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HIGH NOON BLAZES AT THE OASIS

There are many places on campus a student can go if they need to relax, but no place will give you as many options in one room as the Oasis Lounge. In the span of one hour students came in and did not come out. Some chose the table tennis area while others just decided to sit on the bar-style round tables laid out throughout the room.

"On my off days I come here to chill out, it is much more relaxed than the cafete-

ria. It's also a good meeting place for friends," fire science major Stephen Graeber said.

The Oasis Lounge has not carried the name for long. "It used to be called the Billiards Lounge until the fall semester of 2007," Student Activities Coordinator Chuck Steele said. The lounge has been going through constant renovation. Last semester it received new couches. "We're not done with the redesign yet. We've been working with Jane Kielb from Interior Design on really putting the

oasis theme into the Oasis Lounge," Steele said.

The space holds two table tennis tables, a big screen TV, three pool tables, 14 computer stations and a couple of puzzle tables. The lounge is also used for Student Activities Program Board performances each semester.

"If this place was not here I would just go home and probably not go to class," shouted one student from across the room.

The space is truly for the students.

Above: Patrick Clemens, Michelle Dino and Joseph Chambers use the chess table to figure out Internet puzzles.

Lower left: Michael Kilinski and Megan Nelsen duel it out with their makeshift lightsaber as friends look on.

Lower Right: Dan Pienkowski and Rob Burke return a ball during an exhausting match of table tennis.

