National teleconference probes greek social issues

By Erika Dills

More than 700 Cal Poly fraternity and sorority members took part in a national teleconference Sunday afternoon that focused on social issues such as hazing, date rape and alcohol abuse. The conference was designed to draw parameters concerning those and other issues pertinent to the greek community.

Approximately 80,000 Greeks from 85 campuses in 48 states participated in the first-ever "Greek Life Teleconference." The program was telecast live from Oregon State University.

"The purpose of the program is to look at ourselves as we go into the '90s, see how we are viewed by the community, and look at how we can better ourselves for the next 10 years," said Cal Poly IFD President James Fitzgerald. "It's kind of an evaluation of where we stand ... to create a plan of attack for the 1990s." Fitzgerald said that issues such as hazing, date rape and alcohol abuse were being discussed at the conference in an effort to promote both understanding and change among greek communities throughout the country.

"We are constantly trying to have educational programs," Fitzgerald said. "Last year we had Will Keim (the host of the telecast) come speak in person ... and we also had a speaker on date rape and a speaker on hazing."

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By Jason Foster

A Cal Poly history professor is stranded in Canada after being refused re-entry to the United States last Sunday because of an apparent lack of a stamp on his passport.

John Oriji, a native of Nigeria, is being held by the Canadian Consulate in Toronto because he did not have the proper documentation to enable him to re-enter the United States. At this time, Oriji is awaiting a decision from the consulate on Wednesday that will either send him back to California or deport him to Nigeria. Apparently, Oriji was told by the Canadian Consulate that the stamp in question was unnecessary, so (according to the history department) he was not anticipating such a problem.

Max Riedlperger, head of the history department, said Monday that he is outraged because of the way Oriji has been treated. "I am abashed of my government," Riedlperger said. "The students who are doing research in Canada don't have the proper government, they are unable to make decisions to have our students come here and be free."

"I am ashamed of my government," said Oriji. "I am ashamed of my government." Oriji is awaiting a decision from the consulate on Wednesday that will either send him back to California or deport him to Nigeria.

The apparent lack of a stamp on his passport is one reason the teleconference is more appealing. "To put on this conference, it cost us the same amount that it would have just to pay for Will Keim's travel," Lambert said. "It cost us well over $2,000 to have him come speak here last year, and the teleconference was only $400." Lambert said, however, that while the cost is substantially lower, the benefits for the Greeks are not as great. "In all honesty I have to say that when we had Will Keim come here in person it was much more effective because he was there for you to see," he said. "When you do something on television it isn't as clear, sharp and explosive. But it is a lot less expensive." Members of the greek community had mixed reactions to the teleconference.

Director of Student Personnel and Recreation administration junior Edie Maples said that she felt that last year's speakers had greater overall impact.

"I think it's a little distracting having the TV's set up everywhere. It's too much like watching TV and not enough like having a special," she said. "But I still think it is beneficial because there aren't very many chances for all the greeks to get to look at all these topics."

Home economics junior Anja Moos agreed with Maples but said that she thought the conference gave greeks a chance to hear many good speakers on a variety of subjects.

"Now it is more like a conference and there are different things for different people," she said. "We all have a schedule of events and you cannot go and see what you need to." Fitzgerald said that there will be discussions to follow-up the conference and to answer unanswered questions.

"We are going to set up follow-up programs on this and we are videotaping the teleconference also," he said. "We will probably try to set up an activity or something so that these subjects will still be discussed in the houses."
Letters to the Editor

Lacrosse is a Cal Poly team

I am writing in response to certain comments I overheard at the recent Club Fair.

I am an officer of the Cal Poly lacrosse club and I was very disappointed to find out that WOW counselors and others had been informing the student body that "Cal Poly does not have a lacrosse club, but it's not really an organized team." This is quite far from the truth.

We do have a team and this year we are in Division I north play last year.
The Cal Poly lacrosse club is U.S.I.A.L and W.C.L.L. approved. This league membership and recognition is not just handed out to anyone. It is earned by playing consistent, solid lacrosse.

I must admit that this club has struggled in the past, suffered poor attitudes of a few select individuals, but these problems have been solved.
The future looks good for us, with a returning veteran coach and an increased amount of stability and team unity forming within the ranks.

Lacrosse is the only other contact club sport, other than rugby, offered at this university that gives the students an opportunity to compete in an intense physical field competition without the extreme demands of the football team.

It is my hope that with writing this letter and having the club will be increased and that maybe next term someone inquires about lacrosse at Cal Poly, the person responding might have their facts straight before they answer.

Scott Bichette
Lacrosse club officer

Party goers must be responsible

I have been living in San Luis Obispo for the past six years, going to school, working and now getting my Master's degree.

As a student, I can understand why people want to "party" and that is quite a lot of the time that does not bother me. The thing that bothers me and probably many of the other students and members of the community, is the inconsiderate actions of some of the party-goers which reflects poorly on the entire community.

What I am specifically referring to are those students that dispose of their beer cans, bottles and plastic cups in the street or in people's front yards, Hathaway Street on any Sunday morning. It is a mess. It is then up to the residents to clean up after the party.

Another thing that is irritating and rude are those people that feel it necessary to "relieve themselves" in the front yards of the most convenient house.

Do they think no one notices?

And private driveways are just that...private. It is not over-filling parking when walking a few blocks just isn't convenient.

These are not isolated incidents but things that happen on a fairly regular basis.

If students act like responsible adults, then they will be treated as such. However, if some students continue to act irresponsibly and inconsiderately, there will continue to be laws and enforcements forcing everyone to pay for the "bad" behavior of a few.

M. Swanson
Business

WOW Board was not responsive

I am adding to some comments I made concerning this year's overlapping of WOW and Panhellenic rush dates in the Oct. 1 article "Poly Panhellenic rush figures drop by 13 percent ." I would like to make it clear that I am not speaking for Panhellenic, and I thus relinquish the burden of being diplomatic.

For the record, Panhellenic is an organization that continuously bends over backwards in the name of mutual respect and co-existence.

Comments made in this article by Panhellenic President Kelly McGibbon and Panhellenic Rush Director Kim Forrester are exemplary of this. Both commended the WOW Board's efforts to cooperate with Panhellenic in working out some of the problems presented by conflicting schedules.

I commend the WOW Board for this as well.

However, why is it still I have the feeling that when it was called to the attention of WOW Director Mr. Bob Walters that this year's WOW date alterations could cause problems, that the additional dates of Panhellenic rush, Mr. Walters calmly flipped his calendar over to September and said "Gee, so they do. What of it?"
World

Germany braces for trouble in unification

WEST BERLIN (AP) — Germans on Monday got ready for the nation's party of the century — a celebration of unity that could be disrupted by thousands of radical streetfighters in Berlin.

When the clock strikes midnight tonight, the two German states will become a single, sovereign nation, ending more than 45 years of postwar separation.

The mass-circulation Bild newspaper said that 10,000 leftists were expected to go on a rampage, breaking store windows and looting merchandise. Police fear they will clash with rightists who have also vowed to march through Berlin.

Kohl will lead the celebrations starting tonight in front of the Reichstag, the historic German parliament building that still bears the scars of fighting between Soviet and German soldiers at the end of World War II.

In Hamburg, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said the powerful new country will have to take on a greater international role.

"Everyone must know that there is no withdrawing into a comfortable niche of world politics," Kohl told a convention of his Christian Democratic Union.

Thousands celebrate China's National Day

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese across the country Monday marked China's 41st National Day. Tens of thousands took advantage of the day off to visit the Asian Games, while others went to Tiananmen Square to take advantage of the day off to visit the Asian Games, while others went to Tiananmen Square to see the elaborate floral arrangements there.

National Day marks the anniversary of the See WORLD, page 6

High court upholds death row decisions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court rejected the appeals of four California death row inmates, including a man who killed his father and stepmother with a shotgun in their Pacifica home nine years ago.

The court let stand on Monday previous lower court rulings that Michael Hunter, Kenneth Lang Jr., Robert Thompson and Michael Anthony Jackson received fair trials and proper sentences.

Hunter was convicted of the Dec. 29, 1981, murders of Joy and Ruth Hunter in Pacifica. Prosecutors said Hunter had been feuding with his stepmother.

His appeal argued that a key defense witness should have been allowed to testify under limited legal immunity.

Lang was sentenced to death for the Aug. 18, 1983, killing of Thurmond Anderson, a Camarillo man who had been hunting in Los Padres National Forest near Santa Barbara.

Thompson was found guilty of strangling a 12-year-old boy, Benjamin Brenneman, who failed to return home from his Anaheim paper route on Aug. 25, 1981.

Jackson was convicted of killing Los Angeles police officer Kenneth Wrede on Aug. 31, 1983.

Yosemite Park hits the one-century mark

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — Rangers and tourists celebrated Yosemite's unique status as the granite gem of the Sierra on the park's 100th birthday Monday.

A moment of silence recalling the peace and quiet before humans came to Yosemite Valley highlighted the ceremony held in See STATE, page 6

Medical groups lobby with tobacco industry

NEW YORK (AP) — Two of the nation's leading doctors' organizations have angered some of their members by joining with a tobacco conglomerate to encourage Americans to lower their cholesterol levels.

High cholesterol is a leading contributor to heart disease. So is smoking.

"Basically the American Medical Association and the American Heart Association decided that the tobacco industry could be a source of revenue," Dr. Stuart Seidman, executive director of the Medical Group of New York, said. "I think that's a conflict of interest."
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things (I can do best) is to represent the people I work with to the administration." Trying to understand a student's particular situation is foremost in Wheatley's philosophy toward teaching. He said that although sometimes he is bound by policy, he prefers to explore each case individually and with unique consideration.

"Having a good compassion for students and the stress they're often under is very important," he said. "I've got to be fair and equal and all that, but I also try to understand their problems and emotions and not just quote rules to them."

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Police use radar to monitor speed on streets near Poly

Officers: 'No crackdown, but doing our job'

By Sabrina L. Garcia

Cal Poly students should watch their speedometers in the "high speed areas" that surround campus or they'll probably have to pay a fine.

Contrary to popular belief, Traffic Sgt. Jim English of the San Luis Obisgo Police Department said Monday that there is not a crackdown on traffic violators in the Cal Poly area.

"There is not a crackdown, it's called 'doing our job,'" English said. "If it seems like more citations, it's because the streets around the Cal Poly campus are generally high speed areas and motor officers are assigned to that area. So with the students being back in town, there will obviously be more citations."

The radar trailers seen on the surrounding streets of campus when English added, are there "for the benefit of the drivers."

"The trailers don't take your picture or send you a ticket," said English. "Hopefully when you see the trailer and realize how fast you're going, you'll slow down voluntarily."

Radar trailers have been placed on every main street in San Luis Obisgo, English said. Lately the trailers have been on Slack Street, California Boulevard, Grand Avenue and Fredericks Street. But English said his office distributes motor officers only where they are needed. "I didn't have anything in mind when I made the assignments in the Cal Poly area," he said. "I put my officers where the citizens say they're needed. If I get a request that someone neighborhood has problems with fast traffic, then that's where I'll send my officers."

Graphic arts senior Bob Mar- coulier said Monday, "I've seen those things on wheels that tell you how fast you're going everywhere lately and it seems like there is always a cop near by. I think there is a crackdown. I see cops everywhere."

The traffic on California Boulevard has gotten more attention lately, according residents.

Mike Matheny, a business senior, lives in the Delta Sigma Phi house on California Boulevard. He said that in the time he has lived in the area, he has never seen as many police officers on California Boulevard.

"I see a lot more cops and a lot more people getting tickets," Matheny said. "I haven't seen any accidents though, so maybe this crackdown is good."
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Hypocrisy on Campus, a 1,000-member activist. "If one (religious) group, they all should go."

Cosentino said he is encouraging students to call the Arizona chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) — the petitioner of the successful suit filed against the university's board of regents — to protest other religious symbols on campus.

He said kachina figures on a water fountain near the school's Language and Literature Building, an Indian ritual in the Administration Building and symbols near the entrance to Hayden Library that have been linked to Shinbun all should be targeted.

He also said his group is considering legal action.

The ACLU filed a lawsuit last fall against the school's former Interim President Richard Peck and the Arizona Board of Regents, calling for the cross's removal on the grounds that its presence was a violation of the separation of church and state.

After the judge delivered his decision, he allowed two Christian campus group several months to file an appeal, but both groups said they could not afford the legal costs.

The symbol has been relegated to a storage space in the university archives building, but some members of the university community say they would like to see it put on public display. Others would like to see it used for its original purpose somewhere off campus.

"If they're going to keep it boxed up, they should give it to someone who needs it, said senior Dan Martin, one of the students who defended the 5-foot-by-3-foot, sheet-metal cross during the legal battle.

Sue Richardson, a member of the Campus Crusade for Christ, said she would like to see the symbol displayed. "But if it's not on top of a chapel, I don't think it makes much of a difference one way or another," she said.

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Food science receives new equipment, donations

Spice company grants $36,000 for student use

By Michele Morris

Cal Poly’s food science department is receiving donations valued at $36,000 from Spice Island Division of Specialty Brands Inc., based in San Francisco.

Department head Joseph Montecello said the gifts include a new, state-of-the-art water activity measuring instrument valued at more than $8,000. The device is used to determine if food products can support microbiological growth and can predict the rate and extent of enzyme reactions, which control fat oxidation and browning rates of food products.

This instrument will be used in a project involving spices and spice quality without food additives, said Harry Khalil, a food science and nutrition professor. Its main use right now is the project, but it will be used in all classes, he said. Graduate students and faculty are working on the project.

The department also received $28,000 for the development of a new, state-of-the-art water activity measuring instrument from the Frosh ThermoTec Montreal. This instrument is being used to determine if food products can support microbiological growth and can predict the rate and extent of enzyme reactions, which control fat oxidation and browning rates of food products.

As a result of Khalil’s call, representatives came to Cal Poly to see what the school needed. He proposed a deal with the company that he would use his knowledge of the equipment to show people how it is used and find interested buyers in California.

Cal Poly agreed and will give Cal Poly a unit worth $50,000.

The other campus in California has a similar piece of equipment in Fresno State, Khalil said. Its instrument is used more for dehydrating and drying, whereas Cal Poly’s will be mostly for pasteurization and sterilization, he said.

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson

A water-measuring device is one of the products food science majors will be receiving from San Francisco-based Specialty Brands. The device measures microbiological growth in foods.
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