Fraternity house under deadline to remedy violations

By Aaron Nix

Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity recently joined the growing ranks of off-campus student organizations who have conflicted with San Luis Obispo's city fire and building code specifications.

A 60-day notice and order was served to the fraternity late last summer, said Mike Gomes, president of the Cal Poly chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho.

"Basically it was a public notice, telling us our structure had certain code violations that had to be corrected in a certain amount of time or the building would be condemned," Gomes said.

He said that based on their progress, the city has granted them an extension on a 24-hour basis. This means that the building is given an on-site inspection once a day to make sure the remaining life-safety issues are being addressed in a timely fashion.

"The city ordered us to return the house to blueprint specifications from back in 1980, when our alumni association originally bought the building," Gomes said. "Since calling an emergency meeting on Sept. 14 in response to the public notice, many fraternity members have done nothing but go to class and work on the house in an attempt to make the 60-day deadline, he said.

"A lot of the work done in the last two months has been to remove many of the improvements that have been made to the house over the years," he said, noting specifically additions such as doorways and closets that violated safety codes.

"When the building was originally purchased a decade ago, it had previously been a juvenile halfway house and was in poor decline. It has taken several years and a lot of work to take this place from a structure with graffiti on the walls and open fires in the hallways to what it is today," Gomes said.

"Currently it looks like, very preliminarily, we will be under the budget for the Children's Center," Conway said.

"There's a little inconvenience with the lack of parking and dust, but it's all in the name of progress," Scott said.

The problems Alpha Gamma Rho is encountering are not unique to its situation or even to the city as a whole, Gomes said. "The city ordered it, so we are having it done according to state specifications."

TheASI's positive outlook for '91-'92

By Tracy Condron

However shaky the start of this year may have been after last weekend's street party, Associated Students Inc. is confident it has begun the new academic year on solid ground.

"Despite what you read in the paper, we did have a successful opening," President's Representative Hazel Scott said Wednesday at the ASI Board of Director's first meeting of the 1991-92 school year.

ASI President David Kapic introduced his executive staff, and the board approved their positions.

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Japan's head of finance resigns due to scandal

TOKYO (AP) — Finance Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto, basbily criticized for lax regulation in the face of a series of financial scandals, tendered his resignation today. In yet another scandal, the chairman of Fuji Bank quit.

Fuji Chairman Taizo Hashida, whose bank is the world's biggest, resigned over a scandal involving the bank's issuing of forged deposit certificates that clients were able to use as bogus collateral.
The resignations were just the latest in a series to hit Japan's close-knit financial community. Stepping down is a common act of contrition among top officials in Japan whose companies or ministries are sullied by scandal.

Although his impending exit had been widely reported, Hashimoto waited to tender his resignation until parliament passed legislation today prohibiting brokerage firms from issuing forgeable certificates.

President Harry Truman, whose administration was marred by the Korean War and the Cold War, also resigned.

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Chinese claim they discovered America

BELING (AP) — The ancient Chinese discovered America more than 600 years before Christopher Columbus landed in New World, according to an official report that cited research by two Chinese professors.

The researchers from Northeast Normal University said they had discovered ancient documents indicating that Alaskan aborigines were among the first to set foot on the Tung dynasty emperors, Taichung, in 640 A.D., the Xinhua News Agency reported Wednesday.

Xinhua asserted that this proves the Chinese discovered North America before Christopher Columbus set foot on the continent. The report was released as the 60th anniversary of the Chinese revolution approaches.

Chinese researchers and the media frequently try to show that Chinese deserve credit for famous discoveries or inventions. At one time, some Chinese even believed China's revolutionary leader, Mao Tse-tung, invented the factory assembly line.

Korean grain ship runs aground in North Pacific

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — A South Korean grain ship carrying 27,000 tons of grain has run aground off the Shumagin Islands, 210 miles southwest of Kodiak in the North Pacific, the Coast Guard said Thursday.

Six ballast compartments and one fuel tank were damaged in the accident Wednesday night, but no fuel spillage was seen, Coast Guard spokesman Mike Milikani said. As a precaution, the Coast Guard's Pacific spill response team was called to prepare for the threat of major spill should further damage occur.

Week three of the quarter — classes intensify, you barely have enough time to squeeze in mealtimes and you suddenly get a dreaded case of sniffles.

"We're a minority," said senior Chris Caballos, 17. "Most outreach and college recruiting on campus is geared toward the Hispanic students."

Students said they felt the club was needed to provide a better idea of postgraduation opportunities. They also pointed to other ethnically based clubs on campus, such as the Asian Club and Black Student Union.

Wilson plans to lay off 171 ABC employees

SACRAMENTO (AP) — The Wilson administration plans to lay off 171 workers and not fill 62 vacancies in the state Department of Alcohol Beverage Control, which enforces the state's liquor license laws.

The staff reduction is mandated by a $5 million cut in a $23 million budget. The agency previously had a staff of 426.

"We feel we have been able to at least keep a lid on sales to minors to some degree," said Blonien. "Once word gets out that we're not around anymore, God only knows what's going to happen."

"It's the responsibility of the parent to control the kid's meals," said Yvonne Breaux, a registered dietitian with the School Nutrition Association. "Parents need to be more involved in their kids' eating habits."
Focus' project to target student substance abuse

Education, wellness lead goals of new Poly program

By Amy Alonso
Staff Writer

Cal Poly has received $18,000 in federal funds to start a new program focusing on the needs and problems facing stu­dents.

During the project, Focus, will be aimed at alcohol and drug abuse prevention and also on wellness and self-esteem issues, said Polly Harrigan, project manager.

"We want to spend a lot of time on drugs and alcohol education," she said.

"People who feel good about themselves make good decisions," Polly Harrigan, project manager

Madden said AGR members should not feel singled out by the city.

"The way we look at it, it makes no sense to lose lives over something easily fixed. So like most other college towns around the country, we have a policy not to compromise on fire-safety issues," he said.

"They have made an attempt to meet all 23 of the points listed in the original public notice, and they have made a great deal of progress in the time they were given," he said. "They certainly have quite a way to go yet, but if they keep up their efforts there should be no problems in the foreseeable future."

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"We are definitely going to be inspecting more fraternities and sororities--so Alpha Gamma Rho probably won’t be the only one needing to make improvements to their structures in the coming school year," he said.

Audit reports and the proposed bylaws will eventually be available in the reserve room in the library for students.

The board will hold its next meeting on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the University Union, room 220.

The current grant should be enough to fund the program for the next two years. After that, the project will have to find other financing.

"We have two years to find money. Maybe the university will pick it up, or maybe we will have corporate donations," Harrigan said. "Hopefully the students will want it so much that they will work with ASI and other student groups to find the funds."
Police encourage drunk driving by breaking up parties

By Cindy Lee

I just can't understand how the police overlook this horrifying situation every weekend. How many drunk driving accidents do we have everyday in the United States? I just don't understand the hypocrisy, the law enforcement officers who can't seem to find anything better to do?!

Olympic support should be in U.S.

Do I understand Peter Hartlaub correctly (Oct 1 column) when he says that he is supporting the Lithuanian Olympic basketball team just on the basis of their names? He should consider the color of their uniform before he makes such a snappy decision. That red and yellow on the Soviet team looks so cute - don't you think?

Anti-frat flyers are justifiable

Why are frat and sorority members incapable of defending themselves from the growing public realization that the Greek system is backward, sexist and repulsive?

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Pulling their weight

Two California Department of Forestry firefighters try to douse a brush fire near the Cold Canyon Landfill. The blaze burned 25 acres, while destroying a mobile home and damaging a house Wednesday afternoon. The cause is still under investigation.

Extension courses offer variety of educational, entertainment options

By Carolyn E. Nielsen
Staff Writer

Getting a diploma and getting out of college as soon as possible may be the driving forces behind Cal Poly students.

But, for the graduate or employee who wants personal enrichment or job training after they have left campus, Poly offers a catalog full of extension courses.

Classes are available for registration through the Extended Education office on campus anytime before the first class meeting. The classes start at different times, with many beginning later this month.

Cal Poly students can take these courses but not for credit said Patricia-Ann Stoneman, associate director of Extended Education. Cuesta College students can receive credit if they apply for concurrent enrollment.

Stoneman said that all CSU campuses offer extension classes.

Classes range from one-time lectures to field trips to eight-week sessions. The cost varies from $10 for a two-hour lecture to $170 for an eight-week course, textbook included.

Cal Poly alumnus Shawn Ouelles said she has taken extension classes before. Unfortunately, she said, "They're just really expensive to take."

Stoneman said, "We don't receive any state funds. Everything we make is paid out for services, instructor's salaries, office staff and the equipment the instructor needs for the course."

Marriage, family and child counselor Barry Martin teaches a one-day, seven-hour class titled "Carving Away the Elephant."

"It's a personal development course that teaches people to carve away the garbage that precludes enjoying yourself," Martin said.

Stoneman said the most popular courses are job-related ones.

"The paralegal certification classes and the hospitality management classes are always full," she said.

Stoneman works with Director Howard Vollmer to select the courses.

"We are about 75 percent successful with picking classes people will sign up for, but you never know what's going to work," she said.

Stoneman also said that classes change every quarter, but "there's always one group that wants to keep on teaching." Ingrid Rith, a published poet and creative writing teacher, has been teaching extension classes.

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Recycle

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For Info
A new Bicycle Advisory Group is trying to improve bicycle conditions around San Luis Obispo.

Coordinator Craig Anderson said the purpose of the group is to promote alternate sources of transportation other than the automobile. About $400,000 has been allocated by the city to the temporary committee for the next two fiscal years to construct and improve new bicycle paths, increase bicycle parking and widen roads to help cyclists.

But before that money is spent, the committee must decide how and where the money goes, said Public Works Project Coordinator Dave Pierce.

The committee also plans to apply for a state grant that would give it an additional $90,000.

Anderson was hired on a two-year contract and has the only paid position from this budget. The other nine committee members are volunteers.

Over the next two years, the Bicycle Advisory Group will work to improve biking conditions in SLO.

"(The purpose) is to promote bicycle use and make bicycles safe in SLO."

—Craig Anderson
Coordinator, Bicycle Advisory Group

The problem, Pierce said, is that most projects are either expensive or not immediately capable of implementation. The city, for example, cannot construct bicycle paths in a new area until that area develops.

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Mustangs runnin' wild, remain undefeated

By Neil Pascale
Editorial Staff

Ten games into its season, the Cal Poly women's soccer club is all but perfect. Except for one measly tie (a 1-1 deadlock versus BYU), the Mustangs have dominated a slew of competitors.

In fact, Poly has allowed just two goals in its 10 contests and in return has scored 34 goals. Included in those nine victories were seven shutouts by junior goalkeeper Eden Van Ballegooijen.

"All this success has come despite Poly's lack of experience," said Head Coach Keith Coleman. "The offense is really starting to click and with the play making abilities of four returning players ... things can only get better."

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Members of Phi Beta Sigma take a few steps in the U.U.

Photos by Jon Rogers

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RDA’s, as they are called, give basic guidelines to follow in distinctly achieving our minimum required intake of nutrients. Does this sound interesting and maybe a little confusing? Come see us. We are the Cal Poly Peer Health Nutrition Education Team and we are here to help you achieve optimum health through selecting healthy foods.

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Consultations begin Oct. 21, 1991. Please sign up at the front desk at the Health Center.

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at Poly for eight years. This quarter she is teaching a class in how to write personal journals and use them for creative writing.

"I enjoy helping people and sharing my own experience," she said. "This class can really help people learn to cope with their problems."

Some Cal Poly professors get involved with the Extended Education Program as well.

Landscape architecture professor Gary Dwyer offers a two-hour lecture called “Recent Adventures in Public and Non-Public Art.”

“I do this lecture because I want to increase the general public awareness of the fact that artists do work that doesn’t just hang on walls,” Dwyer said.

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