

NEWS

SKN's Plans Delayed

by Jill Bedford
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Plans for Sigma Kappa Nu's (SKN) fraternity are now in final stages. The contracts have not been signed, but SKN President John Fronko hopes the transaction will be completed sometimes after spring break.

The fraternity has been trying to purchase the house from owner Roger Bush since last October. Bush was reluctant to sign a contract with SKN because SKN is a local fraternity, not a national chapter.

A new agreement was worked out between the two parties stating that in addition to signing the fraternity's title, the six officers must also sign the contract.

"Mr. Bush is interested in having SKN as tenants," said Fronko. "He was just reluctant to sign the contract with our fraternity's title as the occupant. But we've come to an agreement on the signing of the contract and now just the specifics have to be worked out. Mr. Bush is renovating the house now."

In addition to the contract between Bush and the fraternity, a

contract will be signed between SKN's officers and the occupants of the house. This second contract will establish certain conditions regarding the payment of rent, food bills, and other liabilities and will be similar to a sub-lease. This agreement will also insure the officers, who have signed the first contract with Bush, the option of legal recourse if an occupant were to renege on the contract conditions.

There will be nine rooms in the house and twenty-five occupants will be living there next fall. "We have 20 members and nine pledges," said Fronko, "We'll be losing four or five members next year. Most of the members will be living at the house, but we have to have a total of 25 occupants. We'll probably end up with about four freshmen tenants."

Besides negotiations involving the purchasing of a house, SKN has remained involved with campus activities. SKN will be co-sponsoring a blood drive with the Association of Black Collegians (ABC). "We hope to make it a competition in the residence halls— floor by floor, to see who

can donate the most. Commuters will also be involved," Fronko said.

Other events for the fraternity include a trip to Ft. Lauderdale over spring break, dances, and on April 20, a trip to Canada for fraternity members, the "Annual Spring Migration Northward."

Kappa Delta Rho

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the first vice-presidential position; Scott Baker, second semester engineering, won the second vice presidential position; and Jim "Buzz" Stenger, second semester engineering will be the fraternity's treasurer.

The group discussed entering several teams into the mice capades, and a ten-kilometer charity run.

To join the fraternity requires not only good grades but an initiation fee of \$135. This fee includes a lifetime membership to Kappa Delta Rho, ceremonial robes, a subscription to their national magazine, and a solid oak membership plaque. The national people will also provide a rose dance and a formal dinner for the new members. This is an initial fee. No money goes to the national fraternity.

If you are interested in joining Kappa Delta Rho, or have any question call Carley at 898-6722.

Behrend Honor Code Delayed

by Kurt E. Freeman
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The issue of the proposed honor code is silent, but apparently it is not forgotten. "It is temporarily on the side burner," according to Student Government Association (SGA) vice-president, Chris Anderson. The delay is due, in part, to disagreement on both the implementation procedures and the text, Anderson said.

Doug Gerow, president of the SGA, added that careful consideration is necessary before an honor code can be adopted because University Park may not allow Behrend to establish one exclusive of the system.

Gerow explained that honor codes from Allegheny College and the R.O.T.C. have been examin-

ed. "There are basically two kinds," he continued. "The first is a categorical promise not to cheat; if caught, the student faces expulsion. The second type of code is less severe and is dependent upon the nature of the cheating."

A motivating factor behind the adoption of a code is the inadequacy behind the present system. "The Academic Integrity Policy is not uniform," Gerow said. "If a student is caught cheating, the penalty is left up to the instructor," he added.

"We need student awareness on this issue," Gerow continued, "and they're welcome to have input at SGA meetings." Student Government Association meetings are held Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. in the Reed Seminar Room.

Galletta Publishes Text

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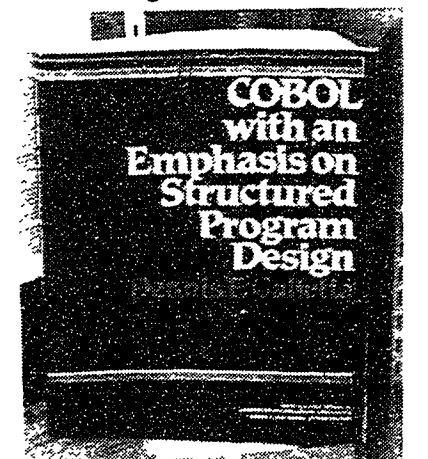
tion with James Wetherbe. Wetherbe is the computer language series editor for Prentice-Hall. Galletta also wrote a working paper for the University of Minnesota.

When asked how his textbook differed from those already available on the subject, Galletta said that other texts "teach lists of commands and syntax and then write programs. A more modern approach is how to get (programs) running... Commands are important, but the most important thing is the overall architecture."

Galletta had no help in writing the COBOL text, but was assisted by Behrend students when writing the instructor's manual. Ann Kruse aided Galletta by working out 23 sample programs. Marcella Poeschel, another student, also contributed a program.

What is in store for the future? Galletta comments, "I want to concentrate on doing articles now." Writing the book

"probably delayed my dissertation by six months." Galletta is not teaching a Cobol class at the



Galletta's published text. present time, but will be in the coming summer term.

The textbook is not in use at Behrend now because it has just been released. Galletta concluded, "I learned from doing it. I think anyone who writes a book learns from it."

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