

IFC board to convene to investigate charges

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The executive director of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity's national headquarters confirmed last night that its Penn State chapter is being investigated by the Penn State Interfraternity Council in response to a complaint by a University female student concerning four violations of IFC bylaws in an incident this semester.

While refusing to comment on the specifics of the complaint or the incident in question, Steven Siders of Champagne, Ill., said he was "aware that a standards hearing would take place at Penn State (Tuesday)."

Penn State IFC President Adam Levinson said the following charges are being investigated against "a fraternity" this evening:

- Violation of written University policy.
- Violation of local, state or federal law on University property or off campus when such violation of the law has an adverse effect on the University or upon individual

members of the University community.

- Non-compliance with state laws regarding possession or distribution of alcoholic beverages on University property.
- Physical abuse of a person on University-owned or -controlled property or at any University-sponsored or -supervised function, or conduct that threatens or endangers the health or safety of a person.

Peter Canellos, executive editor of The Daily Pennsylvanian, the student newspaper at the University of Pennsylvania, told The Daily Collegian yesterday that an incident may have occurred at Penn State's Alpha Tau Omega that could be similar to an alleged gang rape earlier this year at that university's chapter of the fraternity. Canellos said he could not identify his source at Penn, and he did not have any specific details about the alleged incident at Penn State.

Last Feb. 18, a female Penn student, drunk and tripping on LSD, was allegedly raped by 11 brothers of Penn's Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. The woman said she may have willingly had sex with one brother after a party, but the fraternity members at

Penn said the woman consented to having sex with all of them.

While The Daily Pennsylvanian had been told specifically that Penn State's chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity was being investigated, Levinson refused in an interview with the Collegian yesterday to identify which fraternity would go before the IFC Board of Control this evening.

Levinson also declined to give the details of the incident being investigated at Penn State, but said that the eight members of the Standards Board would be isolated from the news media until the hearing to avoid any "preconceived biases."

Levinson would not identify the complainant, saying only that she is a female University student who is younger than 21.

"As far as the rape is concerned, that has not been determined yet. We don't even know if anything transpired," Levinson said. "All we have is a possibility . . . All we have is one person's testimony and that cannot be revealed until (tonight)."

A student member and officer of Penn State's Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, 321 E.

Fairmount Ave., said last night that any plans for a hearing tonight involving his fraternity were "news to (him)." The officer, who refused to identify himself, also refused to comment whether Alpha Tau Omega would be involved with an IFC Standards Board hearing this evening.

Levinson said all news media and the public will be barred from the hearing to protect the identity of the complainant. He added that a news conference will be held tonight at 11.

William Stevick, adviser to the local chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, said last night he believes the first three charges are more commonly brought before the Standards Board than the fourth charge.

"(The fourth charge) could be anything from pledge hazing to somebody getting in a fight to something like what happened at Penn," Stevick said.

Stevick said he was not contacted by the fraternity concerning the alleged incident, saying only that Penn State's Alpha Tau Omega was appealing an earlier conviction by the IFC for selling alcohol at parties last summer.

However, Levinson said the only case to be heard by the Standards Board tonight concerned the complaint filed by the unidentified University female student.

Donald T. Suit, director of the Office of Conduct and Standards at Penn State, said he "heard that IFC is holding a hearing for Alpha Tau Omega." He said he was uncertain if the investigation involved individuals or a group of members.

Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Council adviser Gayle Beyers was contacted by The Daily Pennsylvanian and she confirmed only that a hearing would be held tonight. Attempts by the Collegian to contact Beyers were unsuccessful.

Melvyn S. Klein, director of student activities at Penn State, refused to confirm that the incident being investigated involved Alpha Tau Omega. He acknowledged, however, that an incident is under consideration by the IFC and "is a matter of importance and sensitivity to those involved."

A spokesman from University Police Services said no complaint was filed with that office concerning a rape at a fraternity.

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Space insufficient, codes show

By ALICE RUDDOLPH
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Two-bedroom apartments in Alexander Court, at the corner of Beaver Avenue and Locust Lane, are not large enough for five people — although five people are living in some of the units, the director of Centre Region Code Enforcement said yesterday.

James D. Quigley said according to measurements taken last Wednesday at the building, owned by A.W. & Sons Enterprises, the large two-bedroom apartments have sufficient kitchen and bedroom space for five individuals. However, the living room-dining room space is only large enough to accommodate two persons, he said.

According to the Building Officials and Code Administrators code book, living room-dining room space must be 200 square feet to properly accommodate three to five persons.

He added that none of the large two-bedroom apartments have enough overall space for five persons, but they are large enough to accommodate four.

In the small, two-bedroom apartments, he said enough overall space exists for only three individuals.

and bedroom size is sufficient for four individuals.

The code administrator, however, did not distinguish between the 21 large, two-bedroom apartments reduced to "medium" in a design change, and the remaining, unchanged large accommodations.

Quigley said that "as-built" drawings of the structure presented to him yesterday by architect Jack W. Rischeberger and Associates have been turned over to the building inspector.

Neither Dottie Williams, director of sales and personnel for A.W. & Sons nor Daniel Kienle, the firm's general manager, were available for comment yesterday.

If tenants at Alexander Court want to terminate their leases, A.W. & Sons will have to address the situation, Quigley said. Code enforcement officials do not want to displace people, he added, because this might compound other problems.

Peter Cutrone, president of the Organization for Town Independent Students, said he thinks the tenant should be given the first option. If tenants wish to stay, he said, rent should be worked out between A.W. & Sons and the tenants.

Flight 007

Colloquy panel discusses KAL incident

By ANITA YESHO
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In response to the Korean airliner incident, a University professor of economics last night suggested that a concrete measure would be to "throw out of our university here at Penn State or anywhere else" all Soviet scholars in high technology fields of study.

Jan Prybyla, suggested that Soviet scholars and scientists "are snooping around in our high technology area in high chemistry and physics and nuclear energy; while we send to the Soviet Union people who study medieval diphthongs of the old medieval Russian language."

Speaking in the HUB main lounge at a Colloquy-sponsored panel discussion of the Korean plane incident Prybyla said, "I think that if we deny the Soviets the access to high technology in our universities this is a good first step. It will hit them where it hurts."

Prybyla said that because he was personally involved in the issue, he was "not going to play the disenchanted, objective, pseudo-objective academic in this matter," and would express his opinions as "plainly, as crudely and as strongly" as he could.

Prybyla originally planned to take the ill-fated Korean Airlines flight 007, but instead took an earlier flight. He was to have co-chaired a session on the economic aspects of Korean security at the University of Korea.

Rep. Larry McDonald, D-Ga., who was killed on the flight, was on his way to the session when the plane was shot down.

Other members of the panel included Parris Chang, professor of political science, and Korean student Mi Ryung Kim, (graduate-



Jan Prybyla

political science). The discussion was moderated by R. Dean Mills, director of the School of Journalism.

Mills served as Moscow Bureau chief for the Baltimore Sun.

Kim, who was in Seoul at the time of the incident, said the Koreans wonder if the plane would have been shot down if it had belonged to a superpower such as the United States.

Koreans feel the helplessness of being a weak country and lament the fate of Korea that has been played off by superpowers for many years, Kim said.

Chang said: "The Soviet Union, we agree, is an s.o.b., but this is an s.o.b. armed with nuclear weapons," which is why the U.S. reaction has been rather restrained thus far.

Chang said the one good thing about the incident is that the United States might be able to persuade other nations to form a more united front against the Soviet Union.

The incident will not be easily forgotten, said Chang, but Prybyla disagreed. "The memory span of a democracy is short," he said, unfortunately, I think we will forget it very quickly."

USG takes some time out to reassess its priorities

By ANNE McDONOUGH
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Last night's Undergraduate Student Government Senate meeting was, in the words of USG Vice President Beth Saylor, an effort to prompt the senators into working on committees and setting new goals.

No bills were on the agenda Saylor said, because the senators must decide their priorities on student issues.

"They (the senators) can't just sit there giving out money," Saylor said after the meeting.

"To serve and represent — that's all you (senators) said. So how are we going to do it?" she asked them.

South Halls Senator Joe Lenzi said the Senate should become more involved with local politics, the noise ordinance issue and the Organization for Town Independent Students.

There are many problems on campus, including the pedestrian/bike rider conflict, the increased Campus Loop fares, the student tailgate areas as well as student parking on campus, that USG could help solve, said USG President Emil Parvensky.

Referring to the lack of response to Senate committee participation, Parvensky said, "I've never seen so many people working on so few things."

Concerning the USG budget,

Parvensky said the University Board of Trustees allocated \$150,000, of which \$50,000 will go to Commonwealth campuses and \$100,000 to the Associated Student Activities budget committee.

In other action, senators voiced opinions from some of their constituents concerning the semester switch.

East Halls Senator Lisa Guerriero said the biggest problems have been the shortened time between classes and the faculty adjustment.

Students are leaving earlier to get to classes but the professors are beginning on time and finishing five minutes later, said Danielle Mowery, East Halls senator.



Here's a sample of one of the many specimens observed on a "mushroom walk" through Sunset Park Sunday. Presented by John Haag and Bill Russell. The walk attracted about 25 enthusiasts. Another walk will take place on Sunday, Oct. 2.

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weather

Hazy sunshine and hot today with showers and thundershowers possible late this afternoon. High of 86 degrees. Cooler with showers tonight. Low of 56. Mostly cloudy with scattered showers tomorrow. High of 64.
—by Glennolph