

TKE drafts alcohol policy

by robert danner

staff writer

The Pi Lambda Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon at UNLV drafted a "Resolution for the Responsible Use of Alcohol" on Oct. 25 in an effort to bring about a more temperate attitude toward drinking.

John Novak, UNLV TKE President, said the 10 article resolution was the culmination of a national conclave of TKE chapters which he attended last summer in Washington, D.C.

"The conclave," he said, "also wanted to clamp down on us because of the insurance liability coverage which we must carry. Their point was that if our chapter funds were not used to buy alcohol, that would, in effect, relieve some of the liability if something were to happen at one of our parties."

Novak said that when TKE decides to serve alcoholic beverages, the social chairman must notify members at the chapter meeting the week

before the party. The chairman must decide who is going to serve, and whether the alcohol is going to be served in shot glasses or in a punch.

Outlining the resolution, Novak said: "One of the articles stressed that we have to follow city, county, and state laws and we must have a valid liquor license."

Novak noted that the fraternity's sergeant-at-arms is responsible for guests at the party at all times.

"It is his responsibility to delegate authority to someone to collect car keys from those who have driven to the party. When a person leaves the party, it is up to the discretion of the person at the door to determine if the party-goer is fit to drive home. The person at the door does not drink the entire evening," he added.

Novak said that if an intoxicated person wants to leave, the officer at the door will arrange safe transportation home. The intoxicated person may not pick up his keys until

the next day.

Novak felt that fraternities at UNLV will eventually go dry.

"There is a big push from National for Rush Week and the entire chapter to be dry," he said. "I would rather start this now and get it going gradually than to come back to school next year and be told that from here on out we are dry."

Novak explained that another goal of the resolution is to reduce the liability insurance his fraternity must carry.

"Each of our chapters has to be insured," he said. "Many national chapters have found that when they went to the insurance companies, the minute the companies heard the word 'fraternity', they were turned down."

Novak said that the resolution should help his fraternity plead its case before the insurance companies.

"Unfortunately, we are still battling the image of 'Animal House'," he said.

CSUN Student Services provides roommate service

by rob hill

news editor

Students needing roommates may now file a request with the CSUN Student Service Secretary to help them find someone compatible.

According to Marsha Gallo, Student Service Secretary, the roommate service has been available since September. So far 84 applicants have taken advantage of the service.

"It's really an easy process," Gallo said. "We have a form that the students fill out that tells what type of a roommate they want. There is a list of different characteristics that students might be looking for. All they have to do is check one of the boxes."

Students looking for

roommates are not the only ones who may utilize the free service. Students needing an apartment or house to rent may also take advantage of the service, Gallo said.

"When we post the requests on the board outside the CSUN offices, one side is for students needing roommates and one side is for students needing a place to rent," Gallo said.

Students who enter Gallo's office are informally screened for compatibility and are given a list of names of students they may contact.

Gallo said that the service has been successful so far. "I update the information constantly to keep everything current," she said. "I would guess that

we have about a fifty percent placement rate."

Although this is the first year that the service has been offered, Gallo said that the idea has been in effect for several years.

"The problem in the past was that the CSUN officers were supposed to take care of the paperwork but they are so busy that they could never devote enough time to the project," she said.

Gallo was optimistic about the future of the service.

"We have received several students who said they were told about our service from friends who have come in," she said. "Students who participate are generally confident and satisfied with our program."



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