

PLO facing new challenges to its survival

By FRANK PROCTOR
Staff Writer

Since the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in summer 1982, the Palestine Liberation Organization has faced challenges to its survival as an independent organization. Professor Yaakov Goldberg said before 45 people in Hamilton Hall Monday.

Goldberg teaches at the Institute of Middle East Studies at the University of Tel Aviv in Israel.

Goldberg said the PLO was on the verge of complete domination by Syria. He added that it was the effort of PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to preserve freedom of action by negotiating with Jordan that turned many PLO leaders against him. Many PLO members view Jordan as a potential competitor for the allegiance of the Palestinian people.

There is now a struggle going on for the

leadership of the PLO between Arafat and the more pro-Syrian leaders. Goldberg said latest reports indicate that Arafat is losing.

Goldberg said these challenges consisted of how to continue armed struggle in the present Middle East situation, how to reconcile itself to the desire of most Arab states for a political rather than military solution to problems in the area, and how to maintain unity within its own ranks.

Goldberg said it would be difficult for the PLO to continue its military struggle in the Middle East because for the first time since 1964 it no longer occupies any territory bordering Israel. He added that Arab states were not likely to allow the PLO to operate from their territory. They fear the PLO would drag them into a war with Israel.

Goldberg said the PLO is now out of step with the Arab states, which have

decided to temporarily avoid military confrontation with Israel in the wake of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon. However, the charter of the PLO commits it to "armed struggle" against Israel.

This situation exacerbates a split within the PLO between those who wish to negotiate for a state of their own and those who want to continue the fight to destroy Israel, Goldberg said.

He said the PLO is not a unified body, but includes groups of all political orientations, from Marxist to pro-Western. With the elimination of Beirut as a Palestinian headquarters, PLO leaders have been dispersed to Libya, Tunisia, Iraq and Syria.

Such circumstances make communication and consultation very difficult, he said. Also, Goldberg added that this situation subjected PLO leaders to the political pressures of their host nations.

Drama department to hold auditions

The department of dramatic art will hold auditions for *Pickwick! A Dickens Celebration of Christmas* and *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* Thursday beginning at 4 p.m. and Friday beginning at 3 p.m. in 103 Graham Memorial Hall.

Any UNC student may audition. Interested students must sign up for a specific audition time. This may be done in the PlayMakers Repertory Company administrative offices in 203 Graham Memorial Hall or at 962-1122.

Scripts for *Pickwick!* are available in the office for check-out. Auditionees should prepare a speech of two minutes or less from any play.

A violinist is also needed. Prospective players should call the PlayMakers office to arrange appointments. Rehearsals will begin Oct. 18 and performances run Dec. 1 through 11.

Town Council denies special use permit

By DEBORAH SIMPKINS
Staff Writer

A 180-unit apartment complex was denied a special use permit by the Chapel Hill Town Council Monday night.

Before a standing-room-only audience and a television news crew, the council voted 7-1 to deny a permit to the proposed Oxford Hills apartment complex.

The proposal by Goforth Properties of Chapel Hill had been on the council agenda since June. The developer originally requested 233 apartments and 14 residential building lots off Old Oxford Road. When area residents expressed concern, Goforth reduced its proposed development to 180 apartments and 18 residential lots.

As the issue stands now, developers must wait a year before resubmitting the proposal to the council. However, an earlier proposal might be acceptable if the area is re-zoned, Chapel Hill Town Attorney Grainger Barrett said.

The land is now zoned R-4, which council member Winston Broadfoot said was inappropriate. Broadfoot said there was no assurance that the land would not be developed further as R-4.

In search for a compromise, council member Bev Kawalec said there should be no stipulations on the number of units to

be constructed. Kawalec said the square footage approved for Kennedy Apartments should be accepted for Oxford Hills.

To remind the council of its intention, Mayor Joe Nassif said, "We're not just sitting here to collect the numbers. There is such a thing as design. Those buildings aren't designed to fit the site."

Later in the meeting, the council unanimously approved a special use permit for Coventry Townhouses. Nassif said the townhouse site plan was a "tremendous job."

"It's liveable there," he said, comparing it to the Oxford Hills proposal.

A proposal was also passed by the council to increase the acreage requirement for development and to impose related land-use restrictions.

Broadfoot, who submitted the proposal, said he wanted to see the proposed changes go through the regular public hearing process.

"The timing could not be worse," said Gary Buck of the Homebuilder's Association. He said the regulation could not have so many flaws to require immediate review. He suggested the council wait until the water situation could be predicted.

Open forum on dorm integration to be held

An open forum on residence hall integration and other race-related problems at UNC will be held at 7:30 p.m. today in the Morrison Recreation Room.

Speakers at the forum include University

housing Director Wayne Kuncel, University housing Associate Director Collin Rustin, Black Student Movement President Sherrod Banks and Residence Hall Association President Mark Dalton.

When You're Pregnant, Don't Smoke!

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

The Campus Pagan Fellowship will have a picnic in Forest Theatre at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome. Bring food, drink and drug.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes will meet at 8:30 p.m. in the Union. Huddle groups come smile with us.

Newman Center hosts Student Night at 7:30 p.m. This week's Student Night will include Mass and small group discussions. Our theme will be "Hanging Tough: The Rough Times." All students are invited.

We need people to help with the Finance Committee of the Carolina Symposium. If interested, come to our pollack supper at 6 p.m. Call John Pietri at 942-9532 for details.

Young Voters for Tom Gilmore, Democratic candidate for Governor meets at 8:30 in Room 210 of the Union. Join the grassroots road to victory. Everyone is welcome.

The Carolina Comic Book Club is meeting at 7 p.m. in the Union. Check desk for room number. A dealer is scheduled to appear, so bring some cash for wares.

The Association of International Students meets at 5 p.m. in the Union. This is a great opportunity to meet students from around the world; membership is open at all times to interested students.

Career Planning and Placement Services will conduct Careers In Sales/Marketing at 3 p.m. in 210 Hanes Hall.

Interviewing Workshop at 1 p.m. in 210 Hanes Hall. Techniques for developing effective interviewing skills will be discussed.

Sovnoo meeting at 7 p.m. in the School of Social Work. All social work students invited.

Alpha Chi Sigma will meet at 7 p.m. in 224 Venable.

The Anglican Student Fellowship will hold Holy Communion at 10 p.m. at the Chapel of the Cross. Fellowship will follow.

COMING EVENTS

Chimera, the Fantasy and Science Fiction Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday in the Union. There will be a discussion on props and costumes for Halloween.

Receive information at the Alan Cranston for President Student Committee meeting at 5 p.m. on Thursday in the Union. Everyone is invited.

Learn to skydive. If you have jumped before or are interested in making a first jump, come by the Union at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday for the UNC Parachute Club meeting.

The staff of Lambda, will meet Thursday at 6 p.m. in the CGA office to plan for the next issue.

AIIEEC mandatory officers meeting on Thursday at 4 p.m. The Carolina Photography Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday in the Union. Brief darkroom printing demo to follow.

The CGA will have a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. on Thursday. See CGA office door for more details.

There will be a reception for Phi Theta Kappa Alumni Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Union. Refreshments will be served. "Survival on the Highway," an auto mechanics workshop by the Special Interest Class Committee will be offered on Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the lower Hinton James lot. Registration will be at the Union desk. \$2 registration fee.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

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