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Dialogue and Doughnuts

Dean Martin B. Hickman of the BYU College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences and Eric A. Jones of the BYU Political Science Department discussed the "Korean Airliner Crisis" (from the viewpoints of U.S. and Soviet actions respectively).

Dr. Rhett R. Ludwickowski, former chair of modern political movements at Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland, and currently a visiting scholar at Stanford University's Hoover Institution, spoke on "The Nature of Totalitarianism."

Fred W. Freindly, a noted journalist, professor emeritus of Columbia University, and former President of CBS, talked about the delicate relationship between the mass media and the political institutions of the U.S. Constitution. Additional comments were made by Utah Supreme Court Justice and former BYU President, Dallin H. Oakes.

UNESCO official, Robert H. Cluff, addressed the topic of the U.S. invasion of Grenada and conflict in the Caribbean.

Former director of the Rockefeller Foundation's Division of Social Sciences, Joseph Black, talked about his recent experiences working with development programs in Indonesia, focusing on their political, economic, and social ramifications.

Michael Skol, Director of Policy Planning for the Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, U.S. State Department, discussed the previous and current negotiations between Nicaragua, other Latin American countries, and the United States. He
also talked about the reasoning behind U.S. actions taken against Nicaragua.

Dean Mann of the University of California, Santa Barbara, spoke on the topic of "Environmental Policy."

University of Virginia scholar, former editor of The American Political Science Review, and National President-elect of Pi Sigma Alpha, Dr. Charles Jones, talked about Reagan's campaign strategy for 1984 as a continuation of the President's 1981 agenda setting. He also discussed the political implications of the recent democratic primary elections on further presidential campaigning.

**Welches and Cheese**

Dr. Donna Lee Bowen spoke at Dr. Vetterli's house on "The Lebanese Quagmire."

Pi Sigma Alpha members had their own "Oktoberfest" at Professor Paxman's cabin.

Rod Decker, political writer of KUTV (Channel 2) and Lavar Webb, political columnist of the Deseret News, met with PSA members at Dr. Vetterli's house. They spoke about the "1984 Elections and Utah politics."

PSA members met at Dr. Mel Mabey's home and heard him speak about his experiences covering the 1983 British elections.

The last Welches and Cheese was held at Dr. Stan Taylor's house. Hugh Nibley related the "adventures" of Wenamon, an ancient Egyptian diplomat, to demonstrate the importance of appealing to people's humaneness in diplomatic relations.
Colloquia

Papers presented by Political Science faculty this year to Pi Sigma Alpha included the following:

"Goodbye to Goodtime Charlie--Hello to Capable Cathy"
--Dr. Keith Melville

"Plebiscitary Democracy: The Initiative and Referendum in American Politics"
--Dr. David Magleby

"Drawing the Lines: Legislature versus Commissions in Reapportionment"
--Dr. Lee Farnsworth