Carleton house to close down

by Valerie Mansour

Carleton House, the lower campus lounge, is to be closed down in December due to lack of response. Cheryl Rowe of the Carleton House Committee said that "people simply are not using the lounge, and we're over \$1200 in debt already"

Carleton House, was the result of a four-year battle by health profession students who wanted a lounge area of their own. Finally, over the summer a house was

renovated for their use although at the same time the University Administration and the Provincial Government were bargaining for a land trade which would turn the Carleton Property over to the government to build the new archives. The Carleton building was to be torn down by January 1.

Due to work done by the Carleton House Committee and Student Council President Robert Sampson, there were hopes for the house to remain open until April.

Local 968, International Union of Operating Engineers, has asked for student support on the picket lines. Students interested in picketing can pick up placards from the Gazette office and should report to the Central Heating Plant, Henry Street.

Councils and faculty support strikers

The student councils at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design (NSCAD), King's College and Mount Saint Vincent University are supporting the demands of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

The motion passed at King's calls for moral support, a donation of \$20, and use of an office machine.

At NSCAD and Mount Saint Vincent, the councils connected student problems with those of the workers. NSCAD demanded that the Provincial Government fund post-secondary education for 1977-78 at the level called for by the MPHEC along with additional funding for offsetting any and all tuition increases.

The Mount council demanded that the provincial government stop cutbacks because post-secondary education is becoming less and less accessible for low income people.

The Dalhousie Faculty Association has also expressed their support for the strikers. They have asked faculty members to show solidarity by not supplying any of the services normally provided by the workers.

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