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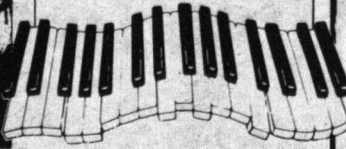
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Connie Kaldor and Bim joined forces last year to write and record a Christmas album of "new songs for an old celebration". These two versatile performers, combine two very distinctive styles. Bim and Connie will be joined by Norm MacPherson on guitar, Connie Lebeaux on bass, and a surprise drummer.

Tuesday, December 2, 1986

### New medicine division coordinates research

# Neuroscience division

by Scott McKinnon

A new division of neuroscience has been created within the Medicine Faculty. It includes professors campus wide with an interest in neuroscience.

Neuroscience research has in the past been scattered throughout the campus among many faculties and departments (anatomy, zoology, chemistry, etc.), and this new division intends to coordinate these different groups.

Besides coordinating research and researchers the division wishes to create an inter-disciplinary graduate program in neuroscience.

As of yet the graduate program has not yet received approval, but Dr. Stein, director of the division of

neuroscience, hopes it will become a reality within a year or two.

Stein says, "the graduate program will provide training in a number of aspects of neuroscience in the first year". After the student has been "rotated through a number of labs", and "introduced to various techniques" they may then choose a supervisor to finish their Ph.D.

The current staff is twenty-one members, and it is expected to grow to over thirty.

Some of the research presently being done on campus includes rehabilitation and immunological, but the most exciting vein seems to be neural development.

Cohen and Levi-Montalini having won the Nobel for their work in

Nerve Growth Factor (NGF). They have brought a lot of attention to this area of neuroscience.

NGF is an enzyme found in sensory nerve cells that aids in reconnecting those cells if severed.

Dr. Murphy, Head of the Anatomy Department, is currently doing research on NGF. Murphy hopes by understanding NGF that scientists will be able to grasp how the body repairs damage in other parts of the nervous system.

Few other Canadian universities have neuroscience divisions or departments, but the practice in the States is not uncommon. According to both Dr. Stein and Dr. Murphy this American practice has been very successful.

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# Services for disabled

by Jeff McDonald

Disabled students on campus have two places where they can go to for help with problems that they encounter, including everything from learning and studying techniques to accessibility problems; they are the Disabled Students Service and the Disabled Students Club.

Marion Nicely, director of the Disabled Students Service, says "a lot of work involves assuring that every disabled person who wants to do something different can get around obstacles, either in terms of learning techniques, or in terms of mobility."

This involves providing a wide range of services; for example, the purchase of adaptive learning devices for physically handicapped students.

As for accessibility, Nicely says "if any students want to let us know where there are problems, they should. There are a few wheelchair ramps with problems."

One example, says Nicely, is the ramp at the east entrance of the education building is too steep, and if anybody notices a disabled person having a problem there or anywhere else, he or she should ask if the person needs help. "People should feel comfortable with that," adds Nicely.

The president of the Disabled Students Club, Maurita Salmon, agrees. "We are trying to find out from students where the accessibil-

ity problems are," says Salmon, who adds that "the U of A is one of the most accessible campuses in Canada."

The University of Alberta is one of only two universities in Canada where disabled students have formed a club.

"It's basically a support group, but we do all kinds of things," says Salmon.

For example, the club is cur-

rently raising money to be donated to Rick Hansen, the man who is wheeling himself around the world, and whom the club hopes to meet with when he arrives in Edmonton sometime in March or April. The club is trying to get a local car dealership to donate a vehicle, which they would raffle off and then donate the proceeds to Hansen's "Man in Motion" trek.

Palestine Awareness Week booth receives threat

## Arab SA receives death threats

by John Watson

Members of the Arab Student Association (ASA) had threats made against their lives while manning a Palestine Awareness Week booth in HUB Mall last week.

Hossam Sharkawi, president of the ASA, said the threat was made by a man who had been hovering around the booth for about half an hour.

"Do you know what happened to Mr. Odeh in Los Angeles?" the man asked. "The same thing might happen to you."

Odeh was head of the Arab Anti-discrimination League; he was killed in his office by a bomb.

The man was apprehended by Campus Security personnel who were monitoring the table at the time.

Doug Langevin, head of Campus Security, said the man "thought these students were misguided."

"We don't really have a complaint," said Langevin. "As far as we are concerned, the file is complete."

The man was warned by Campus Security that campus is private property and he could be charged with trespassing.

Sharkawi may be considering legal action.

# Medicine

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