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Administration withholds 50 percent of Calumet College's funding grant

By LAURA LUSH

The Administration is withholding 50 percent of the Calumet College General Meeting's (CCGM) \$47,000 funding grant until they comply with the University's recommendations for proper financial accountability and management.

"The financial statements of the CCGM were evaluated by the University's internal auditor as unacceptable," Provost Tom Meinenger said. Financial reports of the CCGM and the Ainger Coffee Shop both revealed unsatisfactory financial records. The CCGM failed to meet one of the University's basic accountability procedures when they did not submit an audit for the Ainger Coffee Shop last April at the end of the 1984-85 fiscal year.

Ken McCrimmon, External Affairs Officer of the CCGM said an audited report was not prepared for the Ainger in April because of an understanding that audit procedures were not feasible in the requested short time span.

In a letter to Brenda Hanning, Director of Student Affairs, on October 10, CCGM's chairman Lesley Garant said the reason that they did not prepare an audit was because "the answer given by the accountants present was that such statements would take 2 to 3 years to produce." The internal auditor found inadequate financial records such as a discrepancy of grant figures allocated to Ainger and a noninterest loan with no set terms between the CCGM and the Ainger Coffee shop of \$5,905.

Although the Ainger's net loss was down from 13 to 7 percent this year, records show a debt of \$17,000,

equalling 34 percent of the toal CCGM grant still remained. Meinenger said he was concerned about the CCGM being liable for the Ain-ger's debts. "Should student run activities be allowed to run at a high loss?" he questioned.

To ensure that the CCGM is financially accountable, Meinenger said he is requesting that they meet the following criteria before receiving the remainder of their funding:

- · Written confirmation from the CCGM's auditor that the system weaknesses will be corrected through improved record maintenance;
- Written confirmation that the CCGM set up terms of repayment of the loan between the General Meeting and the Ainger Coffee Shop:

the Ainger Coffee Shop is a financially viable operation despite its heavy subsidization and debt;

- · Monthly cumulative financial statements of the Ainger Coffee Shop:
- An unqualified audit for the Ainger Coffee Shop.

McCrimmon said that the CCGM is preparing a response package to hand over to the Administration within the next two weeks. "At the present time, the Administration has concerns about our financial accountability and responsibility," McCrimmon said. "Until we answer their operational questions, we won't get the rest of our funding."

McCrimmon said that efforts have been made to improve the operational procedures of the Ainger Coffee Shop. "We set up an Ainger Management Board last spring to overlook the procedures of the Ainger." He also said the CCGM was considering hiring a bookkeeper. The Provost has established workshops to instruct student run organizations on the proper methods of financial management.

McCrimmon said the withholding of funds has affected all programs



By MICHELLE LANG

The first annual Steven Fonyo Award will be presented at the Toronto Civic Awards ceremony this March.

The award (a medal) has been inspired by Fonyo, who ran across Canada after he lost a leg to cancer. It is also a special project of the International Year of the Youth. Correspondingly, candidates must be young persons with a disability.

According to Margaret Lawson, a member of the Steven Fonyo Awards Committee, the recipient of this award will be a person between the ages of 15 and 24 with a mental or

physical disability who has "set an example for other youth exemplifying the spirit of Steven Fonyo and has made a substantial contribution to the Toronto community."

The potential recipient must be either a resident of Toronto, or a resident of the metropolitan area who has been active in Toronto.

Anyone can submit a candidate. The Committee is hoping that some of the students at York will be nominated. Patrick Cluskey, coordinator of the Centre for Handicapped Stu-

dents, which is handling local nominations, is enthusiastic about the award. However, he is clear about

what disabled young people's priorities are. He stressed, "The handicapped want jobs and a good education and if an award contributes to this then I'll certainly embrace it." Ilanna Yudîtski, assist to the coordinator, added, "I think it's terrific what Steven Fonyo accomplished, but I hope this doesn't become just a token award for the disabled."



Yeomen impress Penn coach

against U of T Tuesday," Humana added.

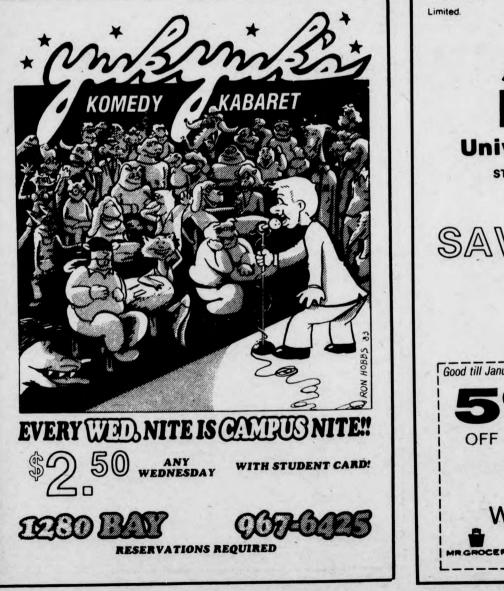
The Yeomen had played Regina in the round robin part of the tournament, beating them in four games, and this familiarity benefited York on Sunday. "Playing each other before helped both teams," Humana remarked, "but it seemed to have helped us more as we studied them more than they did us."

Penn State coach Tait was im-

pressed with what he saw of the Yeomen. "They have a good team, good personnel," Tait said. "They run some interesting offenses and I like their flexibility in moving from offense to defense (and visa versa). They'll do well in the provincial championships," Tait concluded.

NOTE: Joining Chase and Russell of Penn State on the All-Star team were Tony Martino of York, Ken Lowe of Regina, and Jim Cooke and Tom Oxland of Waterloo.

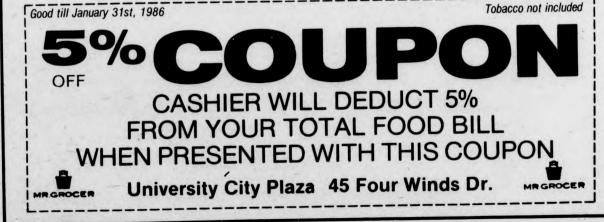




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