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Mangled Dream Machine

The film industry and what it tells us about female sexuality will be the topic of the lecture presented by the Women's Centre and the Women's Program, Faculty of Extension, to be held on Friday, November 13 at 12 noon in Lecture Theatre 2 of the Humanities Centre. Varda Burstyn will discuss the myths perpetuated by the Hollywood Dream Machine.

Country Fair

The U of A Aggies are inviting all clubs, frats, associations, etcetera, to join the "Bar None Parade". For all the details contact John Van Roussel in 224 of the Agricultural-Forestry Centre.

Notley to speak

The U of A New Democrats are sponsoring the Edmonton-Area provincial candidate reception on Wednesday, November 18 in 142 SUB. Grant Notley will make a short address as well as introduce all the candidates. The speeches will be followed by a Beer, Wine and Cheese social. Admission is \$3.00 and everything begins at 7p.m.

What's Up, Josh?

Why don't you take 45 minutes out of your day on Thursday November 12 at 12 noon or at 12:50 on Friday the 13th and come on down to TB 56 and see the film. Sponsored by the Gampus Crusade for Christ, What's up, Josh the admission is free.

Mysogyny running rampant

TORONTO (CUP) Mysogyny as a standard theme in our culture is "all pervasive," asserted Debra Lewis, co-author of Rape; The Price of Coercive Sexuality, speaking at the University of T sity of Toronto recently.

Violence against women is born of a resentment resulting from the fact that men must "purchase" women to gain sexual favors, said Lewis.

Under the existing social system, women trade themselves "for financial social, emotional and sexual security." Yet it has been found that homes are often not the safest place for women to be. The belief that all family affairs should be private con-tributes to the view of women as

property.
"Owning property," continued Lewis, "is the easiest form of control.'

At present, women do not own themselves: they are prohibited from using their own sexuality as they wish to use it, and from taking risks which may lead to rape or other violence against themselves, said Lewis.

Men act as "the police of the patriarchal system", extracting benefits from "systematic violence." Pornography is the "ideological component" of this violence, said Lewis. In recent years, she added, there has been an increase in violent pornography. increase in violent pornography; pornography suggests that violence and coercion are normal.

Lewis was careful to dissociate her ideas from any political ideology, saying that while groups such as the Moral Majority and the New Right wish to maintain woman's status as "private property", civil liber-tarians wish to degrade woman by making her 'public property'. The sexual revolution of the late 1960's and 1970's, said Lewis did not alter the element of coercion in the male-female relationships. While being liberated from the pressure to say "no" to men, women began to feel too much pressure to say "yes".

A major obstacle to be

overcome in the struggle for women's equality is women's own "internalization" of the attitudes of the patriarchal society. During the discussion following Lewis' address, some women in the audience expressed their recognition of the fact that some women, as well as some men, have been taught to become aroused by pornography.

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"Anything that makes education more accessible is good. We're all affected by tuition fees,"

he said. Delegates will return to their campuses to conduct an information blitz that stresses how several inter-related factors reduce

accessibility.

FAS members met late yesterday with the so-called 3H club of Horsman, Hyndman and Hiebert. Hyndman is the provincial treasurer and Hiebert is a government advanced education

Results of their discussion will be covered in the next issue of the Gateway.

