

# Traves appointed Dal president for second term

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The Board of Governors has recently announced that Dr. Tom Traves will serve a second term as Dalhousie President.

This decision was reached by a committee which evaluated Dr. Traves' performance since he began his duties in the position in 1995.

Amongst the topics discussed were Dr. Traves' handling of the faculty strike two years ago, and the

personal attributes he brings to his work. Allan Shaw, Chair of the Board of Governors and the evaluation committee, said the panel found Traves' history at Dal exemplary.

"Dr. Traves is very capable at his job...He understands Dalhousie and keeps in touch with the Dalhousie community, especially through the use of email," said Shaw.

Shaw also noted the success

of Dr. Traves' Capital Campaign, which has buoyed fundraising efforts of Dalhousie University.

The committee met with Dr. Traves on several occasions, and although formalized recommendations were not made, members expressed their concerns and opinions to Dr. Traves.

The evaluation committee included representation from the Dalhousie Senate, the Board of Governors and the DSU.

# Students feed people

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At 211 Maitland there is a small blue building called St. George's Anglican Church, and for the past fourteen years, every Saturday, there is a free meal served to anyone that can make it there.

The Soup Kitchen works like this, the church, including Kings' own little cathedral, and each group makes a meal at least twice a year and each organization has their own meal that they make so the same thing is never served two weeks in a row.

The idea of providing these free meals was initiated by Kings students.

On November 9, 1985 King's students served the very first meal and it has taken place every Saturday since.

The students say the service

has experienced some changes since it first began.

"When we first opened the doors...We were serving mainly 50 to 80 year olds...Now the age group seems to hover more in the 25 to 40 year old range," said Katie Wheeler, a volunteer. "Some families come and single mothers with their children."

Wheeler says the number of people has also changed.

"When we first opened we were serving 65 to 80 people, now we are serving 140 to 150 people every week."

Working in the Kitchen this particular Saturday was that small group of 10.

MacDonald was assisted by fellow Kings students Charles Ryan, Kelly Maning, Maggie Covert, Andrew Angus, Katherine Ross,

Debora Militzer, Kristie McCullum and Scott Pettigrew, with all the cheese grating and salad shaking. More students showed up later to help set up tables, hand out meals, serve coffee, and clean up after.

There was a Grade 11 student named Emily Keast there handing out free clothes to anyone who wishes to take them home. Sweaters, shirts, hats, pants, jackets, mitts socks; Emily has been handing out free clothes for the past year and a half.

Karen Wheeler who has been a member of the St. George's Anglican Church for 18 years, says the soup kitchen is strictly a volunteer organization and donations are more than welcome and can be made out to St. George's Kitchen.

Funding is still needed for basic kitchen supplies.

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port the DSU receives keeps other finances down for students. These affect student fees and society monies.

Hirtle, however, is convinced that the money the DSU receives from advertisers couldn't be enough to employ the students Kellow says it does and, if he could, he'd do a

number of things to decrease the corporate presence on the campus.

"I, as a student, would be willing to pay another \$1 on top of my fees if it meant changing the amount of advertising on campus," said Hirtle. "Being assaulted visually by the message of BUY BUY BUY — it's not conducive to our purpose for being here."

Kellow says that while Hirtle has some valid concerns, it's unacceptable to make a decision based on his or a minority's feelings about an issue that affects a large number of other students.

"I'm leery of taking an ideological stance on something that has financial implications for someone other than me."

Scotia students, were sent to NS Education Minister Terry Donahoe.

### Engineers display their overwhelming intelligence

Dal's engineering society taught Dal students a lesson when they cancelled the hotly protested Stag and Stein — an evening of stripteasing in the SUB.

Executives of the society said they had cancelled the event way back in January but didn't go public until March (oh you know 2 months after the decision). This decision was not made public, but the society said they didn't publicize or advertise for the event either.

The joke was apparently on the Neuman Society (didn't last 20 years) as they continued to advertise the event, despite having no commitments to go on.

# 20 years ago this week

### Grad Housing Down in Dumps but up in Price

Grad students were up in arms when they learned that the cost of their on-campus housing would be increasing. The 25 percent increase led students to wonder how they could afford to live — drink and smoke in Halifax.

### Postcards to Politicians

Dal students participated in a postcard campaign, which ran province wide. The postcards, signed by thousands of Nova

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