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Boyfriend charged in York student's stabbing

STAFF STORY

The life of Julie Slater, a 19-year-old York student, came to a tragic end early Monday morning when she was stabbed to death in her boyfriend's apartment.

Slater, who had just started her first year in York's education programme, was dead when police arrived at the apartment on Dervock Crescent in the Bayview-Sheppard area.

Anthony Crawford, 26, has been charged with first-degree murder. According to a Tuesday Toronto Star article, Slater met Crawford three months ago while both were working with the Toronto Parks and Recreation Department.

Slater, an English and Psychology

major, was to turn 20 this Friday and planned to teach at the primary-junior level. She had achieved very high marks scholastically and was involved in many extra extracurricular activities such as Big Sisters.

Even though Slater was in the education programme for only a brief time, she had made an impression on her course directors. Elizabeth Thomas, course director of Education 2008, told *Excalibur* that in an Education I session held last week, instructors identified Slater immediately as "vibrant, enthusiastic and cheerful."

"The instructors all knew who she was after it (the murder) had happened," Thomas said. "That says something."

Provincial strength key to unity: Lougheed

By MINTO ROY

"We must first build upon the strengths of individual provinces," maintains former Alberta premier Peter Lougheed, "and only with strong provinces will we have a strong and unified county." Lougheed defended his stance throughout his lecture/discussion with York political science students last Monday.

Lougheed who is now into his second year of retirement from politics, spends much of his time lecturing at the Universities of Alberta and Calgary. He appeared at York on September 15th to lecture on governmental and business issues to a provincial politics class. "I feel it to be of utmost importance that students, especially those pursuing a career in business or politics, be made aware of the complex relationship between businesses and the government."

The message of Lougheed's speech quickly surfaced: "The strength of a country relies greatly on the strength of it's provinces." He stated for example, that during Alberta's economical high, Albertans purchased many more cars and trucks from automobile manufacturers in Ontario, which in turn strengthened Ontario's economy.

Lougheed's sentiments were evident even in his years with Pierre Trudeau, at which time he and the former Prime Minister had conflicting views of how a country should be strengthened. Trudeau was a firm believer that Canada should have a strong central government, to further strengthen its provinces. Lougheed maintained the opposite to be true. "This difference of opinion between Mr. Trudeau and I led to many uneasy confrontations," stated Lougheed, seemingly glad that those days are nowover.

After his lecture, the former premier fielded an array of questions by the unihibited political science students. Most questions pertained to the subject of free-trade, and the controversy surrounding Alberta's Heritage Fund.

Lougheed, who stands strongly for free-trade, made it quite apparent that if free-trade were to occur between the US and Canada, Alberta would want mostly to protect their oil and natural gas exports. Lougheed explained that Alberta's greatest gain would be its ability to sell beef

lower tarrifs on petroleum exports. "Alberta would be in the middle position in terms of benefits," Lougheed said, while agreeing with the general concensus that the Atlantic region would be the greatest to benefit from free-trade. He also stated that if free-trade was to work, there must be the elimination of the interprovincial trade barriers in Canada. "Why would BC trade with Newfoundland, when they could trade with Washington, which is so much closer?" he asked.

The secondary issue of Mr. Lougheed's lecture was the controversy surrounding Alberta's Heritage Fund. Alberta has requested a loan from the federal government, yet it may be refused due to it's 16 billion dollar Heritage Fund. The 1.2 billion dollars in revenue that Alberta receives each year from the fund goes health and educational programs. The Alberta provincial government argues that the fund is strictly used for those purposes, and that it should remain intact. The federal government is deciding whether Alberta should have to use the money in the fund, rather than be granted a loan.



YORK SPECIAL TUSK FORCE: York's new mascot, Yeoy (pronounced Yo-ee) the Beefeater, meets Rex the Elephant. This rotund rendezvous occurred during half-time at Saturday's York-McMaster football game to mark the unveiling of the mascot. Yeoy rode into the stadium perched atop Rex, who lumbered all the way from The African Lion Safari to get a taste of the big city.

Halls and washrooms in East Office Building off limits to smokers

Partial smoking ban introduced

By KEVIN BRAY and DAVID BORENSTEIN

A no-smoking policy in the public areas of the East Office Building (EOB) was instituted last week following an unsuccessful attempt to

ban smoking in the entire building.

Damage to the recently renovated building prompted the ban of smoking in the halls and washrooms, according to David Kurosky, Assistant Director of Safety and Security Services. "We have new floors in these areas and students were destroying the premises by butting their cigarettes on the floor," Kursoky explained.

This ban follows an attempt in August to prohibit smoking completely by the beginning of October. This move, however, ran into obstacles when the staff in the EOB complained about the method of implementing the policy.

The August memorandum, signed by Kurosky, announced that: "Effective immediately there will be no smoking in all common areas in the East Office Building," and "Effective October 1, 1986, the East Office Building will be designated as a smoke free building."

The memorandum created some protest by staff and eventually resulted in a meeting to discuss the "policy" now termed a "proposal". All staff were invited to attend the open meeting but an *Excalibur* reporter was refused entry by Celia Hart, the president of the York University Staff Association.

The purpose of the meeting, according to Kurosky, was to find the best way to implement the nosmoking policy. Kurosky indicated that "most employees favoured the proposal, but not the method used to implement it; they wanted more consultation."

Four major points were brought out at the meeting according to Kurosky. Workers wanted advance notification if there was to be any such policy; there should be a designated area or room provided for smokers; a support clinic to help workers quit smoking, such as Smoke Enders; and finally, that workers should be consulted with regards to methods of instituting the policy

Signs indicating the ban on smoking in the public areas are visible within the building and signs will soon be posted outside. "Students will not be allowed to smoke in this building," Kurosky said, "but workers will not be affected." The EOB will become (completely) smoke free when the occupants want a smoke free building." (At present, smoking is prohibited in the Behavioural Sciences Building and the Stedman Lecture Halls.)

What the no-smoking policy means about the future for smokers on York campus can only be conjectured, but the "university will eventually be implementing a no-smoking policy. Kurosky said, "It's inevitable."

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