

Presidential candidate withdraws

by Paul Clark

One of the four candidates for the position of president of Dalhousie University has withdrawn from the race, apparently for reasons unconnected with the leakage of the candidates' names to the *Gazette* last Monday.

Dr. H. Cooke, co-chairman of the Presidential Selection Committee, said one of the four individuals on the presidential "short list" had with-

drawn his candidacy.

He refused to say which one it was.

Cooke said there is "no telling" what effect the publication of the names will have on the selection of a president.

"It will certainly cause delays", he said.

Before the names were leaked, he said the Selection Committee was planning on choosing a president by the

middle or latter half of December. Now it is not known when a decision will be made.

Meanwhile, even though the names of the presidential candidates have been published, the Dalhousie Faculty Association's (DFA) decision to withdraw from participation in the selection process continues to be in effect.

"Our position stands", said Susan Sherwin, president of the DFA.

She said, however, a gen-

eral meeting of the DFA is planned this Thursday, where it is possible members may recommend a new course of action.

The DFA executive decided on November 22 to stop consulting on an advisory basis with the Presidential Search Committee, the committee delegated to choose a new Dal president, over a disagreement regarding the confidentiality of discussion. Last issue the *Gazette* carried

the names of the four presidential candidates after receiving a call from an anonymous source.

Asked how she felt about the candidates' names being leaked, Sherwin had no comment.

She said, however, at one time the DFA executive discussed and voted against breaking confidentiality.

"It was not an action we (the DFA executive) authorized or endorsed", she said.

New Student logo

by Tom Regan

"A new logo for a new decade." This is how Graham Wells, vice-president of the Dalhousie Student Union, describes one of the reasons for the acquisition of a new logo for the Dalhousie Student Union.

The logo, which was designed by Merle Bessner, a student of the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, represents several themes, said Wells.

"It can form a mirror image 'D' from one perspective," said Wells. "Or you can look at it as an open book. It also represents a student."

Wells said the executive felt that the Union needed a symbol all its own.

"As it stands right now there is very little difference between our symbol and the one the University uses. We felt that we should have our own distinct symbol."

Dick Matthews, president of

the Student Union, said he got the idea for a new logo when he was out West at a National Union of Students conference.

"I noticed when the Union out there held an event and advertised it, using their own logo, it really stood out as a student union sponsored event," said Matthews. "With their own logo there was no way you could confuse it with a university sponsored event."

"The idea was kicked around by several people," said Matthews, "until Andras (Vamos-Goldman) said he had a friend at the College of Art and Design who might be able to work something up for us."

Matthews said the new logo cost the Student Union \$150. Matthews also said the decision was an executive one and would not be brought before council to be ratified.

The logo should be officially unveiled sometime in the new year.



A peaceful moment at last year's beer bash

Beer bash in trouble

by Sheila Mills

Plans for one of the traditional highlights of Winter Carnival, the Beer Bash, initially scheduled to take place on February 2nd, may unavoidably be cancelled this year. The event, enjoyed by at least 1,500 students annually, is one of the major money making projects of the scheduled Carnival week. Without the Beer Bash, the Winter Carnival budget could lose up to \$1500 which would probably cause cutbacks in the more expensive functions.

Setbacks in the Beer Bash plans were first encountered when the military informed the Carnival chairmen of their definite decision to enforce the Armories new renting policy. The new policy states that the Armories are no longer to be

rented to outside organizations, but are to be used for the militia only.

Thus far, a limited number of alternatives to the Armories have been investigated. A suggested Hollis Street warehouse is unsafe according to the city's fire prevention regulations. The Olympic Gardens is decidedly too small. The Halifax Forum is a possibility. It seems to be the only feasible location for the Beer Bash at the present time. However, it would be more expensive than the Armories, costing at least \$3000.

If the Carnival Committee determines that the Forum would be a practicable solution to their problem, and that students would be willing to pay more for their tickets, they will request permission for the

building if available. Until this happens, Co-chairman Chris Tilley said, the committee is still looking for other alternatives to the Armories, and any assistance would be appreciated.

After much effort, if it is still impossible to organize a Beer Bash this year, an Irish Night will likely be held in the SUB to compensate for it.

Besides these problems which have arisen in the planning execution of the Beer Bash, plans for the "Flake Out 1980" week are running smoothly. Though some of the events are still tentative and some of the sponsorships by the societies, faculties, residences and fraternities still have to be confirmed, prospects for the week remain bright.

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million dollars to the college for the purpose of upgrading its facilities. They said, however, that because of large investment of public money, the board of governors of the college would have to allow the government a majority on the board of governors of the college.

Under the bylaws governing the college, which abide by chapter 96 of the statutes of Nova Scotia, the new members of the board recommended by the government would have to be elected by the existing board in a general meeting. The provisions for the election of the government's representatives were made by special resolution at a meeting of the board of governors on the 14th of November, 1974. Subsequently, the representatives recommended by the government were adopted by the board in August of 1978.

After being elected in September of 1978 the new

government has chosen to replace these eight members of the board. The change is contrary to the bylaws of the college. The board members elected in August of 1978 still have almost three years to serve in their term of office.

MacEachern charged that the members were "arbitrarily and illegally fired by the minister" and that the minister has ignored the board of the college. He said the fact that one of the people appointed to the board by the present government was further proof that the government has acted "illegally and improperly."

MacEachern was not allowed to finish his statement on the Gaelic College which asked that the matter be referred to the standing committee on privileges and elections. MacEachern was ruled out of order by the speaker of the house because the business did not fall under a point of privilege in the proceedings.