

"I escaped  
the black ink..."

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"...but now  
I'm bored"



## LHSA out \$2,000 on Grind loan, wants SU to pay

by Bill Daskoch

The Lister Hall Students' Association (LHSA) is considering legal action against the Students' Union (SU) to recover \$2,000 it loaned the *Grind* said its president, Jeff Millang.

"Since the SU forced them out of business, I expect them to pick up the tab," he said.

The *Grind* was unanimously de-constituted as an SU club by the SU executive after numerous financial irregularities were discovered.

The \$2,000 was loaned to the *Grind* under the following terms: the money would be paid back in ten weekly installments of \$200 and the LHSA would get five free ads worth an additional \$2,000, Millang said.

The loan was a question mark in SU finance manager Ryan Beebe's audit of the *Grind's* books on Dec. 19 as it was listed as a "donation" and no source of the money was provided. It was listed as revenue which reduced the *Grind's* deficit from four to two thousand dollars.

Millang said they had received one payment from the *Grind* and that he was working with ex-editor-in-chief Floyd Hodgins to resolve the issue.

## KAOS in Brandon

**BRANDON (CUP)**— Brandon University students will have an opportunity to vent their frustrations and win cash prizes - by pretending to assassinate their fellow students.

But many students are outraged that the game, Killing As An Organized Sport (which is popular at many American universities), will be played at Brandon.

"This is a stupid man's game. It just proves men's aggressive behaviour," said Brandon student Sharon Powers, a member of the Manitoba Action Committee on the Status of Women.

Brandon Students' Union vice president external Clark Marcino said some posters advertising the game are quite offensive.

"I spotted one sign in Darrach Hall (the Brandon men's residence) that said, 'Does the thought of assaulting women turn you on?'" Marcino said. "It was gone within the hour. I was glad someone had

"If the SU isn't willing to cover it, by all means there will be legal action."

Surprisingly, SU president Mike Nickel was unperturbed by the prospect of a lawsuit.

"When he came into my office, I said, 'Well Jeff, I guess you want your money,'" said Nickel, "but I told him 'you're not going to get your money out of us'."

"There's nothing hostile about this," continued Nickel, "but we'd like to see it in court." Nickel wanted it tested in court to determine the extent of the SU's responsibility for the financial affairs of its registered clubs.

In August, the SU faced a similar dilemma when it was named in a motion of intent to file suit for libel against the *Grind* and its then-editor Hodgins. The threat of legal action was brought about by educational psychology professor Paul Koziey, who was mistakenly implicated in that department's sexual harassment scandal reported in a *Grind* article of July 8.

Repeated attempts were made to reach Hodgins for comment last night, but he could not be contacted before deadline.

## Floyd Hodgins to DIE? ...SU style

by Gilbert Bouchard

The former editor of the now defunct student newspaper, the *Grind*, Floyd Hodgins failed in his bid yesterday to have the Students' Union pay his legal fees.

Hodgins appealed to DIE board (Disciplinary Interpretation and Enforcement board, the SU's judicial arm) asking for their ruling on the financial liability of the SU towards the legal fees of students who hire lawyers to appear before internal SU disciplinary bodies. Hodgins appears before the DIE board next week on a series of

charges that could lead to his expulsion from the SU.

DIE board ruled that while students do have the right to counsel when they appear before internal bodies like the DIE board, the SU is not financially responsible for that counsel.

SU president Mike Nickel wasn't surprised by the ruling. "I could have predicted that," he says. "It was such a black and white issue. There is no need to bring in lawyers for inhouse investigations."

Hodgins could not be reached for comment.



Lori Smith consoles a generous blood donor's boo-boo.

Photo Leif Stout

## Fac. St. Jean res student can't appeal eviction

by Ann Grever

Marcel Desjarlais was evicted with 24 hours notice from the Faculte Saint-Jean Residences on October 22, a day before his mid-term exams.

"Here I am, this is right before midterms, and I'm thrown out of res. I had nowhere to go and no money because my money for rent and stuff like that is paid to Lister Hall and they wouldn't give it back to me because they are charging me \$275.00 for keys I lost."

So Desjarlais went to the Ombudsman's office. Shah Pemberton of the Ombudservice said Desjarlais had three "objectives" in coming to the office. He was concerned about the money charged him for the loss of the keys, he wanted to know exactly why he was evicted and also Desjarlais wanted to install an appeal process to protect stu-

dents from being victimized as he felt he was.

Desjarlais feels he was evicted for personal reasons. He said he received no warnings that term. Last year Desjarlais defeated the present president of the resident committee for the vice-president position on the Faculte Student Council. Now, Desjarlais is the president of the Faculte Council.

"Last year we were sort of a rowdy group around res. We could see ourselves getting into a lot of arguments with a lot of people because we would go out a lot and stuff like this and I never got along very well with last year's president of the Faculty Council who is a monitor this year. What happens over there is that the same group of people are always on Council that were involved in it before."

In last year's election only the

position of president and vice-president were elected into the positions, said Desjarlais.

The Ombudservice did not find out any other reason Desjarlais was evicted except for the noise problem that was mentioned when he was evicted. "Basically it was the battle of the forms," said Pemberton. "We got the information he wanted but not to any more depth than he first received."

Penny Hiebert of the Student Housing Office said Desjarlais was evicted for "basically noise considerations", although "things that happened in the past are taken into consideration."

"We didn't contemplate what day to evict him. That's when the noise happened — over the weekend."

"We made our decision after talking to the Dean (of the Faculte

Saint-Jean), the Student Association, and the Student Tenant Association."

The issue of the keys is connected with Desjarlais' damage deposit. "We can't help him," Pemberton said, "as that problem is more contractual than administrative."

Meanwhile Desjarlais finds the arrangement difficult.

"It said on the eviction notice that if I went back I would be charged with trespassing. Some of my stuff was there, like my refrigerator. Everybody I know in school and everything I do in school is all there. When I went back once, I was hauled off by campus security."

But in spite of how unfair Desjarlais thinks the process is, he cannot appeal.

Pemberton says that an appeal

process is "in the works" right now with Peter Miller, Dean of Student Services, but admits the process is "slow and tedious."

"He's gotten a bum rap and there's nothing he can do about it." Hiebert believes the idea has "some merit" although her feelings are mixed.

But Desjarlais sees this as the only way to prevent this problem from happening to someone else.

"So I started out in this semester and I found out there is no appeal process. I screwed up my semester, I'm not allowed back on the grounds and there's nothing I can do about it. There's nowhere to even start an appeal process. Lister Hall keeps all my money and the only place I can do anything in is a court of law in Alberta. I'm saying that's not right."