

Avoid rushing to put on a condom

BY MONICA GILLIS

University students are considered to be in a high risk category when it comes to sexually transmitted diseases. Three years ago Dalhousie Health Services had 9,000 reported cases of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) over a nine month period.

Dalhousie residence assistants held meetings during the first two weeks of classes this year to enhance awareness of sexually transmitted diseases and birth control methods among residents.

The residence assistants (RAs) received basic training during their summer orientation by two doctors from Dalhousie Health Services.

The goal of the residences was to create a relaxed atmosphere where students could openly ask questions and raise concerns. Andy Melvin, an RA for Smith House, and Matt Thorne, an RA from Bronson House, both expressed their hopes that students would feel comfortable coming to them with their concerns in the future.

Students attending were shown how to put on a condom and how to properly place a diaphragm. Lists of diseases, their symptoms, methods of treatment, and prevention costs were passed around.

Melvin and Thorne were surprised by the differences between what students should know com-

pared to what they actually did know.

Students were informed that Dalhousie Health Services offers students fully confidential STD testing. Dr. Glen Andrea of Health Services said, "Most women and all men with chlamydia or gonorrhea will have no symptoms. So just because you're symptom free doesn't mean you're disease free."

The blood work and swabs taken by Health Services for testing are sent to a lab with a number code so that only the individual being tested, the doctor and the nurse will know the results. For most STD tests, the results will be returned within one week. HIV and AIDS test results have a turn around time of up to two weeks. The Health Services Clinic prefers that individuals make an appointment.

Those who would prefer to go to a place off-campus are advised that there is a sexually transmitted disease clinic on the 5th floor of the Dickson Building at the Victoria General Hospital. It operates on Monday and Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The clinic is completely anonymous. Results are available within one week by phone, two weeks for an AIDS test and you must come in for the results.

At both the Dickson Clinic and the Health Services Clinic, counselling is available for all issues pertaining to personal health.

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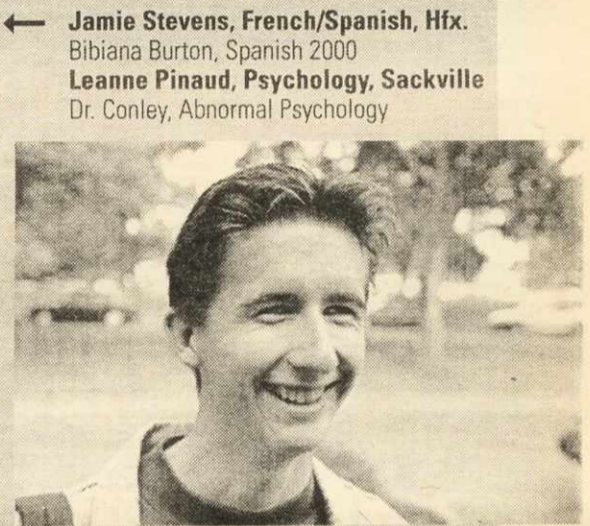
← Sharon Parmar, Law, Ottawa (left)
Allicia Wendel, Law, Edmonton
Vaughan Black, Law - Torts



→ Tito Sealy, B.Sc., Barbados
"I don't think there are any"



→ Philip Lewis, B.A. Psych., Cole Hbr.
Dr. Patrick McGrath, Psychology



← Jamie Stevens, French/Spanish, Hfx.
Bibiana Burton, Spanish 2000
Leanne Pinaud, Psychology, Sackville
Dr. Conley, Abnormal Psychology



← Nicole Farmer, B.A. IDS., Halifax
Prof. Green, English 1000



→ Tim Hoare, IDS. Poli. Sci.
"Can't imagine there are any!"

Homecoming Hooplah

BY D.J. ROBICHAUD

Long after the grad hats have all been tossed and the last victory beer has been downed, what is there left to remember about the fun you leave behind, your university years? The answer is Homecoming, a celebration for Dal students and alumni alike, all joining together to promote Dal pride. This year the goal of the DSU is to get everyone together for the party.

A student glancing over the homecoming schedule will be amazed at how much thought and effort has been put into the planning of these activities. For example,

the Homecoming Gala, a new activity added to the list for this year, offers up an interesting evening blend of a full three course meal and a dance for both students and alumni. For only \$25 people can spend an interesting evening celebrating Dal past and present.

There is a big push from all angles to make this event a tradition here at Dal, and it is one that many believe will be welcomed with open arms. The DSU, Dal Alumni association, and the Athletics departments have been working hard to promote this event and draw Dal together as a community. The October 18th weekend will be a chance for students to experience the richness of the University's culture and heritage.



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