

How's Howe Here (hear, hear)

There have been many and varied social events in Howe Hall, in fact, too many to mention. Nevertheless, here are some of the more memorable moments as reported by our roving reporters.

To start things off last week, the Bronson banquet was held Thursday featuring good food (thanks to Beaver Foods), good punch, and some not so good toasts. Then on Friday night Cameron held the last house party of the year, with some fancy drinks and even a live performance by Alex Gigeroff. Many of our residents attended the Dal vs. Mt.A. hockey game at the Forum on Friday night. The final score was 9-3 with Ed Ryan scoring a hat trick.

Saturday was also a busy day at Howe Hall beginning with the Henderson House banquet and

both Dean Donahoe and Dean Ferguson in attendance. Activity then shifted to the Henderson alumni party in the Smith lounge with "The Master and Margarita" entertaining a very enthusiastic crowd. There were various games during the evening with top honours in cops going to the freshmen and Mark Dickie walking away with the 'crib' title.

Across the hall in the Bronson lounge things were really shaking as Paul MacIntyre once again entertained the masses. This party was also a success, due mainly to the decorating efforts by residents of Shirreff Hall.

An informed source inside the office of the President of Cameron House brings us word of a major scandal involving the 'wear'abouts of Alex Neve on

the evening of the Shirreff Hall Ball.

On Sunday, the Howe Hall Residence Council met, with Christmas plant care, painting of the squash courts and other important issues being discussed. At this meeting the council voted in favour of making a donation to Christmas Daddies to supplement those already made by Cameron and Smith Houses.

On a final note we hear that even with the recent cold spell Jeff Grovestine has been keeping warm lately with both old and new flames in his room.

Best of luck on exams and have a great holiday season. See you next year.

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Arcades become boot camps

(PNS/CUP) The Army is looking for a few good video-game players.

While electronic games have been gaining popularity among young people, they've picked up support in the Pentagon, as training devices for future tank gunners and pilots.

The Army has already modified the popular "battlezone" game to train tank personnel, and officials are working on military versions of "missile command," "ambush" and "red baron."

Steven Cox at the Army training support centre says the video games are cheaper than buying expensive supplies for field training, and they appeal to young recruits. "Everyone grew up watching TV," Cox says, "and the army is just responding to that."

Horror story contest to protest cutbacks

VANCOUVER(CUP) Simon Fraser University students have a new way to protest decreasing funding of post-secondary education — horror stories.

The English student union is sponsoring a horror story contest open to all people who have suffered from funding cuts at universities.

Prizes include a forty dollar book certificate, a bus pass and a semester's parking.

The contest is also open to non-students, to encourage submissions from people describing how the education cutbacks prevented them from attending school.

"Things like the faculty club have really got us irate," said Colleen Robinson, ESU spokesperson, "because it's really interesting that a twenty-two per cent tuition increase is coming so soon after something like that."

SFU recently began construction of a \$1.4 million "University Club," charging a \$150 initiation fee and monthly membership fees totalling \$120 per year.

Submissions for the horror story contest can come in almost any creative form.

"It's a lighter side of protest," said Robinson. "It could be fun, too."

A thousand Montreal students protest budget cuts

MONTREAL(CUP) About 1,000 Montreal students turned out for the largest demonstration at McGill University in recent history to protest the severe budget cuts Quebec universities will be facing in the next few years.

Nearly 700 McGill protesters were joined by students from Concordia University, Universite de Montreal, Universite de Quebec a Montreal, as well as various CEGEPs from the Montreal area, in what organizer Keith Hennessy described as "a momentous start to the fight against cutbacks."

"The quality of our education will decline every year that funding is cut and that comes on top of the present situation in which classes are already too large and the selection of courses continues to get narrower," said Hennessy.

