

Health clinic cut, Terrace loses booze as big changes hit Glendon over the summer months

by Ed Drass

Health clinic closes

Before the summer, the students of York's original campus had a health service clinic. They don't anymore.

The York administration announced in late May that Health Services would close at the end of the month. Unlike the Keele campus, Glendon does not have a replacement private clinic. With few students or staff around to complain during the summer months, little protest was made over the issue.

Glendon still paying for Health Plan

Glendon students may be surprised to see a surcharge on their tuition fee for a health plan they didn't ask for.

In a spring referendum Glendon students voted to discontinue their version of the plan, which covers the cost of prescription drugs and other medical expenses.

However, the referendum was too late to halt the plan for 1991-92, and Glendon students are still paying the plan's \$60 fee.

U of T moving on out

In the southern part of the campus the University of Toronto is slowly relinquishing its hold on its last building at Glendon.

The University of Toronto sold the Glendon campus to York University for one dollar in 1959. Since then, U of T's Forestry Department has inhabited the combined greenhouse-classroom space known as The Greenhouse.

Glendon's security and parking departments and business offices moved into the space earlier this year, turning the 1960s-style labs into offices.

Now U of T's forestry department occupies only the greenhouse — without classrooms.

Trees axed

Perhaps the forestry department should stay as Glendon's trees are having problems and need help.

During the spring, the Chedington corpo-

ration, which owns a condominium development next to Glendon's entrance, moved several large mature trees onto their property. This was done to make room for a large condominium project that would overlook Glendon. Protesting students and faculty argued that the trees couldn't possibly survive, and that in a few years they would be dead.

As of late August there was no word on the condition of the Chedington trees.

Glendon did lose several trees in an unrelated incident. A large stand of willows near the Glendon cafeteria had to be removed in August after the unexpected toppling of one of the trees onto the cafeteria.

Transit service changes

While the Keele campus awaits word on a subway link to downtown, Glendon has had its bus service completely changed.

In late July, the Toronto Transit Commission created new routes to replace the Davisville 28B and Bayview 11 lines from Lawrence station. Now students must take the Sunnybrook 124 bus from Yonge subway to Sunnybrook Hospital.

During rush hour, the new Lawrence-Donway 162 bus may not be enough to alleviate

the late afternoon congestion formerly covered by the 28B and 11 routes.

The new Bayview 11 runs from Davisville station all the way to Bayview and Steeles, stopping at Glendon.

York students can still take advantage of the intercampus shuttle, but only if they pay a 75 cent fee.

No booze at pub

Cafe de la Terrasse, Glendon's only pub, is in trouble.

Run independently by a board composed mostly of students, it is currently operating without a permanent manager. According to its liquor license — which is held by the administration — this prevents the pub from selling alcohol.

The board is presently haggling with the college over legal liability and the composition of the board.

Cafe de la Terrasse is unique among York's student-run pubs in that it accepts scrip for food and therefore competes with the privately-run cafeteria and le Bistro.

According to Yvette Szmids, Glendon's dean of student affairs, the administration wants to have more involvement on the Pub's board.

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Muscles have morals in Terminator II

Dear editor,

Andrew Brouse, like so many other critics, does not seem to accept the fact that muscles can go with morals. In his review of Terminator 2, Brouse denies director Jim Cameron's claim that the film is about the value of human life. Brouse says that it "really reinforces the notion that violence is an acceptable means of resolving dilemmas." I am incredulous that someone could be so blind to make such a statement.

If the movie supports violence for conflict, why was there a ten-minute scene where the protagonists, including the mighty Arnie, tried to persuade the destroyer of humankind to mend his ways, rather than kill him. Why was the hero terminator, Arnold, expressly told not to kill people, despite the

I think I know where Andrew Brouse's point of view comes from. He probably knows that Arnold Schwarzenegger is an acquaintance of George Bush. Brouse sees the muscles and Bush connection, and like all politically correct reviewers, fails to see the movie itself for what it is — a James Cameron film promoting the value of human life while using Arnold's status as a promotional vehicle. Unfortunately, as with the first Terminator, many cannot see past the star status and look into the moral, even when the moral is spelled out.

Greg Maio

Reform party's latest retort

Dear Editor, I'm a bit disappointed that David Camfield's response (Excalibur, July 24) to my June 6th challenge of his allegations does not provide better sport. When required to support his charges with examples of Reform Party policy, Mr. Camfield has a lot less wind in his sails.

Most Reformers, and in fact most Canadians, will continue to disagree with many of Mr. Camfield's views. Most, for example, would reject his implication that "labour militants" should be directing Canadian labour policy, or that our country can survive as a group of three or more entirely self-determining "nations" under some new concept of "nation" which he does not define.

However, I write again to counter a second attempt by Mr. Camfield to misrepresent the Reform Party. In his letter, he quoted the following Party policy, but he deleted the words I have underlined:

"The Reform Party of Canada opposes the current concept of multiculturalism and hyphenated Canadianism pursued by the Government of Canada."

The deletion of these words significantly alters the meaning of this policy in a way that few Reformers would accept. Reformers are not opposed to multiculturalism, they are opposed to the federal government's current selective and highly-political means of promoting it. The act of deleting the words above reveals for the second time that Mr. Camfield is an activist who is far more interested in promoting his own views than he is in any kind of balanced criticism of the Reform Party of Canada.

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TA strike possible as York union talks deadlocked

by Sam Putinja

York university teaching assistants may be forced to strike this fall, according to representatives from their union.

Contract talks between the Canadian Union of Educational Workers — which represents 2,000 TAs and part-time professors at York — and the administration are making little progress, said Margaret Watson, CUEW's chief negotiator.

Watson said the talks will likely have to continue into the fall, and a strike may be necessary if the administration fails to make a more reasonable offer.

An agreement between the York University Faculty Association (YUFA) — which represents full-time faculty and librarians — and the administration was reached relatively quickly early in the summer. The agreement included a 9 percent increase in salaries and benefits.

In previous years, CUEW's benefits have been on par with YUFA's. This year, the university is offering 3.2 percent less to the part-timers and TAs.

"We expected to do just as well. [The university] made a political decision to give YUFA more," Watson said.

The administration has offered a 5.8 percent increase in pay to CUEW. CUEW says this offer does not keep pace with the inflation rate.

Paula O'Riley, who is negotiating on the administration's behalf, said she does not know what CUEW means when it refers to

inflation. O'Riley claimed inflation in the Toronto area is running between 4.6 and 4.8 percent.

Regarding CUEW's expectation that its settlement should mimic YUFA's, O'Riley responded: "obviously they are entitled to their view. It is difficult for us to meet all the demands. The university is in serious financial constraints."

O'Riley also argued that CUEW members receive among the highest salary benefits in Canada for their work while York profs are actually paid below the average of other professors in Ontario.

Watson rejected such comparisons. "Teaching assistants and part-time faculty teach the same classes that full-time faculty do," she said, arguing that York should offer equal pay for equal work.

Other contentious issues include class sizes and the conversion program CUEW won last year. Under this program a certain number of part-timers would be converted to full-time faculty positions every year. The administration has asked that this program be suspended for a while. CUEW fears that suspension ultimately will mean termination of the program, Watson said.

Watson said she believes the university may try to save teaching costs by creating larger lectures and by shifting more work into the TA's union.

"Things are not going well," Watson said of the negotiations. "It's starting to look clear that on major issues we are far apart and will continue to be far apart."

Talks are set to resume on September 5.

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fact that the future of the human race was at stake? I could go on.

Andrew might retort that all the explosions, chases, and gun blasts were inherently violent. Wake up! The whole point of the movie was that you can't reason with the T-1000 — an inhuman, anti-human, totally anti-pathetic machine. All that "violence" was directed at the machine in order to save mankind. Surely violence in that situation isn't really violence — it's self-protection, human protection.

I don't see how he could compare this movie with American foreign policy. The U.S. doesn't have a policy to deal with our future mechanical creatures. No one does. Like all good science-fiction, Terminator 2 proposes that we consider a policy to protect us from a threat not fully formed yet. The threat is our inhumanity to each other, which culminates in the creation of total inhumanity (terminators, Andrew), and in turn destroys what little humanity we have left: i.e., it destroys us, period. If you want to see a film advocating violent conflict resolution, see Thelma and Louise (a point that Ira Nayman's review does not acknowledge either).