

Students don't appreciate student markers

By FORRESTER ORSER

"The general consensus I've got is that students don't appreciate other students marking them," says Student Representative Council Vice President Steve Mulholland.

Mulholland presented a report at the Feb. 5 meeting of the SRC expressing the feelings of a number of students who have talked to him about student markers.

According to Mulholland in some courses, as much as seventy-five percent of the final is determined by student markers. The students chosen by the professor to mark are either post-graduate students or students a year or two ahead of the students being marked who

have made high marks in the course.

Mulholland feels that student markers may be acceptable in lower level courses, especially with objective type exams. However, in upper level courses, particularly with more subjective work, students can not be as qualified as professors to mark.

He has asked student representatives to find out what the feeling is toward student markers in their faculties.

A student may have one idea of what is right, Mulholland explained whereas a professor should have a wider knowledge and be able to make a broader evaluation. The professor should determine the mark, Mulholland reasons,

since this is what the professor is paid for.

Also Mulholland is having a questionnaire circulated to professors and student markers to determine the purpose, qualifications, and effectiveness of student

markers, as well as the percentage of mark determined by student markers in each course, and what measures the professor takes to check the accuracy of the markers.

Once this information has been gathered and presented to the SRC,

Mulholland hopes to have a recommendation made that limits be set for the use of student markers.

Ideally, Mulholland says, student markers should not be able to determine whether any student passes or fails.

Student-Faculty Arts Committee formed

By GEORGE McALLISTER

An attempt is being made again to establish a means of communication between professors and students in the faculty of Arts. Unlike the Arts Council Liaison Committee which was formed

three weeks ago, the SRC Student-Faculty Arts Committee will include the SRC Arts Reps. This provision is designed to help the Arts Reps better represent Arts students at SRC meetings.

In attendance at the meeting were Dean Condon and representatives of the Arts Council, a number of Arts Reps, and representatives of the various student organizations within the faculty. Discussion at the meeting centered on what the objectives of the committee should be and how objectives could be achieved.

For the present it was decided that no formal constitution should be adopted rather, that the committee should continue to function in an informal manner. This, it was generally agreed, would facilitate an exchange of ideas while at the same time allowing the committee to evolve and define in more precise terms its goals and objectives.

Nevertheless, a number of subjects did arise for discussion.

Suggestions were made that a student lounge be set aside in Tilley Hall, that proposed curriculum changes be referred to the committee for its consideration, and that the committee initiate programs to foster a greater sense of identity among Arts students. Overall, the response to these suggestions was enthusiastic.

The next meeting of the committee will be held Feb. 20 at 7:30 in the Council Chambers. All student organizations within the Arts faculty are urged to send representatives. For additional information contact Fran Owen through the SRC Office.



Photo by Bob Boyes

Car owner not impressed by damages

EDITORS NOTE:

Barry Morrison is having trouble stopping people from running into his car. Five people have hit his vehicle in different parking lots this year, and he's getting a little pissed off. We'll let him tell it in his own words:

Well, Mr. X, congratulations. This is your fourth and, thus far, finest triumph over my new car since I got it. I am particularly impressed with the symmetrical lines created by your bumper as it sculptured my left door post into a pretzel. But, most exciting of all, you did it; you did it in the parking lot behind Vanier Hall at St.

Thomas! A work of genius. Especially since, you rascal you, I deliberately parked at the far end of the lot, hoping you wouldn't find me. But you did!

Your other smashes simply pale in the light of this. Not that the others were so poorly administered mind you. That right front fender you crushed last month was a pretty good effort. You did do it at the Sub Parking lot and it was probably hard to get a good run at my car there. You must have been proud the day last fall when you demolished my tail-light in the Law School parking lot. Of course we can't forget the rear bumper you crushed down town.

I wouldn't want to anticipate with undue abandon, but I have a suggestion nagging my mind that you will destroy this car in a shorter period of time than it took you to do my Volkswagen. (if you'll recall, that car lasted two years. I sold it for \$500.00 you know a \$1700.00 loss. Not bad!)

Time to go Mr. X. I'm afraid we'll meet again. Oh, by the way, when you decimate the driver's side, would you mind striking it just below the window-siding handle? It's awfully hard to crawl in and out through the window when you can't get that damn handle to work.

Third Leadership Conference to be held

By MILTON THOMAS

The Alumni Association is sponsoring a Leadership Conference to be held on February 18, in the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel.

The third of its kind to be held, the objective of the conference is to bring together the leaders of the various campus organizations. Through informal discussion sessions, it is hoped the group leaders will be enabled "to isolate and resolve problems", whether they bear on specific organizations or the campus generally.

Chairman for this year's conference will be SRC President Roy Neale. Art Doyle of the Alumni Office stresses the informality of the discussion and says the Alumni does not participate unless asked to.

Doyle pointed out that one of the tangible results of past conferences was the International Student's Lounge.

Doyle said the conferences seem to have been successful in the past. Last year's effort drew 30

participants and "quite a few beefs were aired"

The discussions will be held from 10 AM. to 3 PM. with a lunch being supplied by the Alumni.

It is hoped that representatives of all campus organizations will attend.

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