

Guardian Angels patrolling U of BC's campus

Vancouver (CUP) - The Guardian Angels are patrolling the University of British Columbia's campus--and reaction on campus is mixed.

A five-person team patrols the campus two nights a week,

Wallet/ski boots stolen



On November 12, 1990 sometime between 4 and 5:30 p.m. someone stole a blue "Asics" gym bag from a locker at the L.B. Gym. The bag was later discovered in another area of the gym. A leather jacket containing the victim's car keys was stolen from the bag.

When the victim left the gym, he found that his vehicle was unlocked and his wallet, which was under the front seat, had been stolen from his car as were two brand new pairs of ski boots just purchased from a local sporting goods store valued at \$400.00.

The ski boots were a man's size 10 1/2 "Raiche" boots. The other pair were a female size 8 1/2 "Raiche" boots. His wallet contained credit cards, etc.

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in an effort to discourage crime and sexual assault.

"We came to UBC at the request of some students who approached us in the street last April," said Sean Williamson, head of the Guardian Angels' Vancouver chapter.

"When we contacted the administration, the women's groups, and the RCMP we realized that there was a problem."

Linda Shout of the women's centre said the presence of the Angels is proof the university has not been able to deal with the issue of sexual assault on

campus.

Shout said she's not sure the Angels are the best way to deal with campus security.

"I'm concerned that the use of a patrol first of all takes power away from women, and encourages them to rely on outside sources and other people for their safety," she said.

"It also denies the reality of violence against women in this society in that the majority of sexual assaults are committed by someone the woman knows."

She said the university should be doing more to help

women become "empowered."

"What could be done is that the administration could completely fund WenLiDo (women's self-defence and awareness) classes, for all women in residences - or all women across campus," Shout said.

Nancy Horseman, of the UBC office of women's studies, said she is pleased the Angels are on campus.

"I feel reassured that they are here on weekends," she said. "Students have reported that they have seen them and felt

reassured."

University official Carol Gibson admits there is a security problem on campus, but she doesn't "know if this is the preferred way."

"We need to be concerned with the environments that we create for women, and empowering women to feel themselves that they have the ability to deal with this."

"We haven't put out a welcome mat, but we haven't discouraged (the Angels) from operating either," she said.

Coalition supports sexual orientation amendment

Press Release

A provincial gay/lesbian/bisexual rights coalition supports the sexual orientation amendment proposed in a major report on the provincial Human Rights Act that was released by the government on November 9 in Fredericton.

In his report, Towards a World Family, Charles Ferris, the Solicitor for the Ombudsman, recommends that "sexual orientation" be added to

the list of grounds of prohibited discrimination contained in the provincial Human Rights Act. This would protect homosexual and bisexual persons against discrimination in a number of specified areas, including employment, housing and public services. Heterosexual persons would also be protected.

Claude Olivier, the president of the New Brunswick Coalition for Human Rights Reform, made this statement recently.

"Discrimination against gay, lesbian and bisexual New Brunswickers is a very serious problem. A survey that the Coalition conducted this summer shows that half of those surveyed reported some type of employment discrimination, over 80% reported some violence and abuse, and 40% reported some harassment of discrimination in high school or university.

Over two thirds of Canada's population is already protected against this type of discrimina-

tion by their human rights laws, but New Brunswick has been lagging behind. It's time that New Brunswickers got the same protection."

The provincial government had asked Charles Ferris to undertake a comprehensive review of the Human Rights Act in 1989. He invited submissions from the public in the spring of that year and consulted with over 150 recommendations dealing with a wide variety of human rights issues.

The Provincial Human Rights Act currently protects against discrimination based on race, colour, religion, sex, marital status, age physical and mental disability, national origin, place of origin and ancestry. Sexual orientation is currently included in the human rights laws of Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and the Yukon.

The NB Coalition for Human Rights Reform is a coalition of men, women and organizations, both gay and not-gay, who are dedicated to reducing anti-gay discrimination an violence through education and advocacy.

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