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One of the things I respect most in life is people who make music. My stereo is my most prized possession, and it serves me well in times of stress and times of contentment. Music is the universal language because musicians are people gifted with a mode of expression that people can relate to. Research done on the popularity of Country and Western music indicates that the simple song telling her that he loves her, says it like the people want to be able to say it.

Musicians are a dedicated lot by and large. The people you heard in Red and Black practiced very hard. Those of us less gifted spent a lot of time [much to everyone's annoyance] making sure that they were backed up with the best equipment and techniques available. Digital analyzers were not used, but real care was.

The real essence of music, for me is not the melody but the expression. Ideas that seem to convey how I feel at a time. I guess that it is comforting to know that another and therefore many people have had a feeling like yours.

At the recent Murray McLaughlan concert, an excellent singer/composer Dan Hill was the intro act. In the intervals between songs, he would describe the genesis of the song he was to sing next. For this particular song, he said that he was having a bad time with a woman that he loved. After one night he came, home went down to the basement and wrote these lines.

"You say you're trying to find yourself  
well I know how hard this is  
and I wish that I could help you  
to share while life keeps teaching  
to share while you keep reaching  
but you prefer to reach out privately

and still we both hang on  
we risk a night and greet the dawn  
an affair for you - for me a song  
then suddenly it's over  
two cynics passing through  
I blew it - I fell in love with you  
the thing I swore I'd never do  
and now my love just turns you cold"

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And I heard him. I do hope you went and saw Red and Black,  
because if you didn't, you really missed it.

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Someone asked the other day why I don't comment on the SRC. Quite frankly, and as Andy Steeves so elegantly pointed out last week, the SRC is one of the most useless organizations on the face of the earth.

It is a chicken and egg question whether this state exists because of apathy or whether it is a lack of leadership. [but my God, G. Ford and J. Carter competed for the office of president of the USA.] I would like to say to the regimes of J. Anderson and J. Smith this week that it seems that UNB students just want to drink, smoke a little dope, and go to the occasional class.

Consider first J. Anderson. Believing that the students and the university could benefit from a magnificent building like the Aitken Centre, he went ahead and had it built. Senate, wanting its cake and wishing to eat it too, said it cannot cost us anything.

As it stands over \$40,000 was written off as a bad debt for last years operating costs, and it is very reasonable to assume that they will be short at least that in the next fiscal year. The reason this will be so, is that the lack of support of students and the public has totally defeated the best laid plans. Killer apathy.

Consider J. Smith and CSL. Believing the highly reasonable assumptions that the public and students would wish to see big-name entertainment, and believing that students would like the services of a travel office, CSL was initiated by council. It is now quite apparent that after losses on virtually every entertainment package brought in to Aitken Centre, that people would rather sit home and drink [or whatever]. Who'd a thunk it?

As Sarah Ingersoll correctly pointed out last week, if students don't support the entertainment brought in, it just will not appear. It seems that students will not even support fifty-cent hockey games. So CSL is broke. If it had broken even on Blood, Sweat & Tears, things would have been first rate. If it had made a little money, even better. It didn't. Killer apathy.

## Chevron dispute unresolved

WATERLOO (CUP) - A general meeting of students at the University of Waterloo failed to resolve a dispute between the students' union and the student newspaper which has caused the paper to publish without union funds for more than a month.

Federation of Students president, Shane Roberts, said the Oct. 29 meeting, called to decide on new bylaws for the Chevron, was a "failure" after the only motion presented was defeated.

The Chevron staff countered that Roberts and his supporters "filibustered" the meeting to prevent presentation of motions calling for the paper to start publishing immediately.

The staff has demanded the federation resume financing the paper and reinstate two fired editors before any by-law proposals or similar changes in the Chevron's internal operations are discussed.

Motions to this effect were on the general meetings agenda but never came to a vote because the meeting held in the university's gym, was abruptly adjourned to make way for a scheduled basketball practice.

Chevron news editor, Henry Hess, one of the two whose accused Roberts of "killing" the position was suspended Sept. 24, meeting after his proposals for

by-law changes were defeated by a large majority of the several hundred students present.

Hess said the chairperson refused to entertain a motion to move the meeting to the students centre although rooms were available.

The chairperson also ruled out of order several attempts to place motions on the floor supporting the Chevron before considering the proposals for by-law changes.

Roberts denied the charges of filibustering, and said he called the general meeting a failure because it was a "procedural nightmare".

## Engineering Week a success

By ANDY STEEVES

Well it's all over, and now the recuperation begins! Engineering Week 1976 was a great time and everyone who remembers anything about it agrees that they really enjoyed themselves.

The week officially ended at 1:00 a.m. Sunday morning as The Thomists closed out the Engineer's Ball with their usual super effort climaxing a great week of rest and relaxation. At the ball Vanessa Demmings was crowned this year's Engineering Queen, closely edging out the three other fine candidates. The queen contestants were all found to be very personable and attractive additions to the week's festivities, gracing even the rowdiest pub with their presence. The Engineers would like to publicly express their thanks to Vanessa Demmings, Heather Killen, Mary McCann, Anju Vajwa, and Darlene Conley (last year's princess) for participating in this year's Engineering Week. You are all winners, girls and welcome back anytime.

The Coaster Derby certainly provided its fair share of thrills and spills this year. A bit of slack auto control almost resulted in a serious mishap but otherwise the derby was very well run and a real feather in the cap's of ME 4 who organized the affair. There were several very fast cars this year and as a result there were many photo finishes, especially in the final four races. Electrical 2 won all the marbles with a fine car - The Silver Ghost - and excellent driving by their driver. There were other fine cars especially the entries from the Physics Department and Mechanical 3. Mechanical 3 won the award for best design with their sharp looking lowslung yellow trike. Unofficial awards for humour would have to go to the coffinmobile and Prof. Torfason's friction auto.

The Electricals really outdid themselves this year with their fine set of displays for Engineering Week. Their fine effort won them the award for best faculty displays. From their Bio Engineering exhibits to the history of Electrical Engineering display the Electricals set a high standard for

years to come. The best class display was engineered by the boys of Civil 5 with their concrete model of a dam. This model actually produced enough to run a small light bulb in addition to being a finely constructed and detailed exhibit.

Civil 5 turned out to be the jocks of Head Hall winning four sporting events out of five. The Surveyors ruined the sports shutout with a well-dressed victory in volleyball, somehow defeating the faculty Allstars. Civil 5 started their victories with a championship in basketball during Sports Night. They quickly followed that win with back to back victories in floor hockey and ice hockey. Neither of these wins came easy: Civil 4 gave the boys a hard run in ice hockey while a well-tuned Electrical team almost upset the Civils in floor hockey. Finally, Civil 5 won back the chugging championship they lost during the Smoker.

If Civil 5 were the week's athletes then Civil 4 were the week's comedians. The Bears put several of their softball manoeuvres on the C13 stage winning themselves the laughter and standing ovations often missing at the Aitken Diamond. Their kickline did not rival the Rockettes but it was quite intricate all the same, and their prof impersonations were good enough to fail them all come Christmas.

One event which did not have its results posted at press time was the woodlot rally. Perhaps they're still looking for them.

Chairperson Jeff Smith and his crew should get a tip of Hatlo's hat for their fine work in organizing the week. It's a real tribute to them especially the achievement of the high level of participation by students this year.

To all the winners: Vanessa Demmings, Electrical 2, Surveying, Civil 5, and the rest: Congratulations for winning. To all the rest we recommend 3 aspirins, 2 bromoseltzer, and 3 days of rest.

Upcoming events scheduled for November include an EUS council meeting on November 16. This meeting will be the first chaired by the new president Jeff Harding, so how about having a good turnout to welcome Jeff into office. There is also a pub tentatively scheduled

for November 26, save your pennies and cookies for that one.

Do you have any news, events, opinions, or vicious innuendo that relates to Engineering? If so, see me in Room 306 or flag me down in the Hall. Remember this is the Engineer's Column.

## Tuition fees to rise

TORONTO (CUP) - Tuition fees for Ontario post-secondary institutions are expected to rise 15 to 20 per cent next year, but students won't know for sure until Oct. 28.

That is what Minister of Colleges and Universities Harry Parrott told an audience at Toronto's Seneca College recently. Increases of 15 per cent have been expected by ministry sources, according to officials of the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS).

But OFS believes the increase may be as high as 20 per cent, bringing the average tuition fee for Ontario's universities to well over \$700, and over \$300 for community colleges.

A ministry official refused to comment on the possible hike, saying, "It's up to the minister to make the government's position clear."

The impending hike comes at the heels of a tripling of fees for international students in Ontario, starting January 1977.

OFS chairperson Murray Miskin said he did not find the anticipated hike surprising, and noted, "This increase cannot help but serve as yet another barrier to those wishing to obtain an education."

Expectations of a tuition hike for universities were increased after the heads of Ontario's universities and three other post-secondary institutions met last June with the Ontario Council on University Affairs, a government advisory body on university funding.

The Presidents agreed a tuition hike was inevitable due to decreased government funding and saw it as the only way to maintain Ontario's universities for the '77-78 academic year.