EXCALIBUR



Mel Lubek

"I'm running for President of the York Student Council because my main concern is what we can and must do for the individual student in the classroom. The most important responsibility and task of the YSC should be to create a viable and vitalacademic atmosphere at York.

When I speak of education I speak of a learning process that challenges you to think, that arouses your curiosity, that calls upon you to critically evaluate your own personal beliefs and goals in life, that makes you aware of the world in which you play such an important part, that broadens your horizons, that allows you to come into contact with ideas totally new to you, that involves you in the creation of a viable academic atmosphere, that allows you to honestly and proudly wear the title student. I believe that YSC should have a much closer association and interaction with the faculty and the faculty council:

• by being able to point out course deficiencies directly to faculty and working with them to correct these faults, we can make the courses more meaningful to the students.

• courses produced by student-faculty interaction and involvement have a better chance of being accepted not only by faculty and students but also by the general education committee.

• together, faculty and students can work for the gradual abolition of examinations in order to let students learn because they want to and not because they have to.

• both students and faculty have a vested interest in seeing that administration bureaucracy does not supercede and render impossible the achievement of the necessities of a better education.

Election

The five students on this page have decided that there's no business like the political one.

They wish to serve you the students as president of the York Student Council, and to this end they are presenting their campaign platforms to you through Excalibur.

We hope the presentation of their views is clear, but these students are running for an extremely serious position, that neither they nor you should consider lightly. If you have the chance, push them with questions in the various open forums that are to be held. Question them about issues such as membership in Canadian Union of Students, about the role of the student in the university, about the quality of education you think you are receiving here, and about the questions of civil rights and liberties in general.

YSC has failed, for various reasons, mostly centering around personality conflicts or fear of direct action, even to the point of not knowing what to say for themselves in a policy statement.

What next year's YSC does will depend much on its president. And the election of a good president depends on a responsible electorate. That's you, like it or not.

Read what they have to say, think about it, question them and most important, VOTE. Election day is Tuesday, February 4.



Sheldon Rose

I want York to take a step in the right direction, and I want the YSC to show us that first step.

Recently, York's President, Murray Ross went to the North York Council, and asked them to levy a 52 per head tax on all residents of North York, in order to get more funds coming into the university. One of his arguments was that other communities supported their local universities, so why couldn't North York?

His request was turned down. Well tell me, does York take an active role

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in the North York community? And why shouldn't we? I think it's about time we did.

I stand for a more responsible YSC. I feel their actions over the parking regulations were irresponsible, although their motives were good.

They told the students to park in restricted areas. The students listened to YSC and look at what they got for their support. Parking tickets! And what did YSC do about them?

YSC should also work closer through student-faculty unions in order to have all students represented in their courses. This was recently accomplished with the co-operation of the YSC and the Psychology Department.

I, like most of the faculty, am in favor of action, but not radical action. We can achieve action through constructive, democratic policy, rather than destructive policies.

I really can't present any platform since I'm running by myself. I will have to count on support from other councillors in the YSC. Only the York Sunday Movement and any other slate of candidates are in the position to present any real platforms.

I can only offer a vision of what YSC can do, and what York can become.



.....candidate of the Happy Fizzies Party ... platform of Structured Anarchy ... makes no promises ... says that if elected he'll do nothing, and will; would therefore be the first president in YSC history that actually fulfills his proposed goals (aside: All previous presidents leapt into office full of glorious aspirations, but, nothing is ever really accomplished, leav-

ing the student body feeling let down

and dissatisfied. That's bad for mo-

rale. A happy student body is a happy student body. Elect Phud; get what you expect)

Phud Understands The Old Nectarine

"I'd rather be in school than in jail," Would like to see the narcs run off campus Would like to see the rent-a-cops run off campus...Would like to see the porters and janitors run off campus...Would like to see the students, faculty and staff run off campus so he'd have the whole place to himself.

Phud Understands The Old Nectarine

Phud is a 19th year student of life (L-XIX). The Happy Fizzies Party is an amalgamous union of one (Phud). The Old Nectarine is this old nectarine that he has downstairs. It has become a hallowed institution of the Happy Fizzies Party ... A vote for Phud is a vote for the Old Nectarine ... A vote for the Old Nectarine is a vote for the Happy Fizzies Party ... A vote for the Happy Fizzies Party makes a total of two. Keep the Happy Fizzies Party happy ... Vote Phud

-Phil Holzberg



Paul Koster

I care about York and its future, not only as it is, but as it can be. I believe we can do something with the basic structures that are already here. I believe that change is a necessity in alleviating the growing pains of a young university, but change must be rational, and representative of the majority.

In the past, communications on all

levels has been unsatisfactory. College Councils and the York Student Council, students and faculty have not been acting as a cohesive unit. In the future, we can improve communications by instituting several measures;

• Each college council will have one voting delegate on YSC.

• One student from the Senate and Faculty Council will vote on YSC.

The problem of off-campus housing needs immediate attention. I propose to set up a Housing Commission to investigate off-campus housing and to draw up a comprehensive brochure dealing with the problem. Locations, rates and quality of dwelling units will be outlined and supplied to all students in the forthcoming year.

The program of Faculty Advisers is often confusing and can cause undesirable choice of courses. I propose a committee of students to study this problem, and hopefully, some concrete answers to the lack of the overall knowledge of the Faculty Advisers can be achieved. An information centre would be set up, offering students ratings on course content and professors.



Mike Cohl

Mike Cohl is a member of the York Student Movement. As such, he stands for election solely on the platform of that movement.

He has stated that he would like to see the YSC under him and his group talk to the students and consult with them before taking action on issues that affect them, but doesn't feel that constant consultation through a continuous stream of referendums is necessary.

Most of the premises of the YSM, as his group are becoming known, are drawn from the ideas and observations that the group members have drawn from the past experiences at York.

Should the YSM become elected, Cohl has stated that they will remain a separate group, as well as a university-wide council.

They are strongly opposed to the concept of the College System, feeling that a student can become equally as alienated in a crowd of 1,000 as in a crowd of 12,000. Thus they advocate a university set up on a faculty-student series of relationships that differ from the present status. They would like to see a strong course union in each department, with students having a prominent say in what will be taught and discussed in each course.

Thus they feel that if a student plays a role in the formation of his education, he will become less dehumanized.

The York Sunday Movement state that they will take stands on moral issues, feeling that these sort of things should be brought to an aware mass of students, and they would thus, upon election, take a mandate to educate the student body to some level of awareness.

But should they be voted in, they will be in operation as a block comprised of individuals. Consensus will replace majority, and no one member of council will be stronger or wield more power than any other.