

Student centre opens in Bethune

Office deals aid to foreign students at York

The York International Student Centre was officially opened at Bethune College Monday with the customary unveiling of the plaque by president Ian Macdonald. In his opening speech, Macdonald said it was time for York to expand its boundaries and to look forward to

much closer international relations. He said the centre would cater to foreign students, whether from other countries or from other parts of Canada, and provide an opportunity for Canadian students to travel abroad with the support of grants.

Ioan Davies, master of Bethune

College and director of the centre, stated that it will act as an information and guidance centre for students looking for services already provided by the existing clubs on campus, such as the Jewish Student Federation or Chinese Students Association.

The centre will also try to

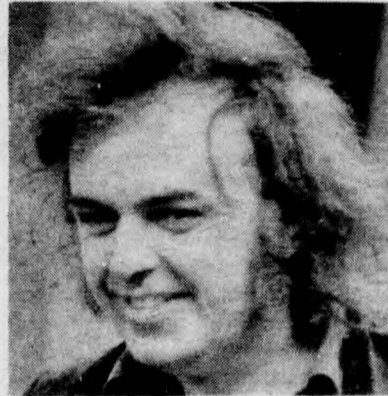
collaborate with the many ethnic groups in the Toronto area, and to create some contact between these groups and the university.

Davies mentioned that parents of students of ethnic origin come to the university only when their sons and daughters graduate, and that he would like to see a greater participation of the ethnic groups in the university community.

The centre's office, located in room 214 Bethune, will run on an experimental basis for the next eight months.

The estimated cost of maintaining the operation of the centre is \$4,500 during the trial period. The president's office has donated \$2,000 of this, and Davies hopes to get the rest of the money from the college councils early in the spring.

The centre is open during the week from noon to 6 p.m.



Ioan Davies

Soccer rocker proves matchless

BAHIA, Argentina (CUP/ENS) - The fastest goal in soccer history was scored here recently, and the upshot shook the world of sports.

About one second into a match between the Corinthians and the Rio Pretos, a Corinthian star drove the ball from the half line all the way past goaler Isador Irandir, who was caught saying his pre-game prayers.

Angered, Irandir's brother, Joachim, stormed onto the playing field brandishing a revolver — and emptied six shots into the helpless soccer ball.

Fans gave him a standing ovation as police escorted him off the field.

Pregnant flights now permitted

VANCOUVER (CUP) - Canadian stewardesses must now be allowed to continue working during advanced stages of pregnancy.

This decision was made October 30 by Bruce Dodd, regional manager of the federal labour standards branch, following complaints from three stewardesses laid off without pay because of their pregnancies.

Until now it has been standard practice for Canadian airlines to fire stewardesses who become pregnant.

Ringling out gold

By SHELLEY RABINOVITCH

Inflation has claimed another victim at York's campus this year, as the once-gold undergraduate rings have now taken on a decidedly silver tint.

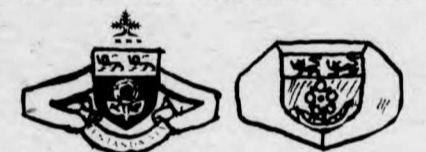
Due to the spiralling rate of inflation, the 10-carat setting of the original ring — the York shield mounted on a gold band — has now become silver.

"The gold became too expensive," states Diane Strom, buyer for the York bookstore, "and so we switched the setting to a silver one."

A ring featured for some years (and now being discontinued) bore the York crest, complete with Tenda Via motto and mantle. This

ring, crafted in silver, provided the student with the option to buy either the gold shield ring or the silver crest.

When asked why the crest ring was going the way of the dinosaur, Strom replied, "I feel that (the shield) is just a prettier ring, that's all. The



York's shield ring (right) and defunct crest ring (left).

simpler style sells better."

Purists might note that the shield ring is inaccurate in its interpretation of the coat-of-arms, as the rose (the flower of the House of York in England) is portrayed with five circles. The rose (as shown on York letterheads) is not a series of circles, but rather an intricate geometrical design.

The differences between the shield and crest rings are many: the shield ring, for instance, is one band of silver, with the shield inlaid; the crest ring was a split band of silver, with the crest resting over the gap. And not to be ignored is the fact that the shield ring costs a dollar more than the crest style.

So in future, an undergraduate can be dated by his undergrad ring as well as his graduation ring (which currently costs women somewhere from \$60 to \$100 for gold, and men from \$78 up).

Autistic session needs volunteers

Students interested in using their talents to help autistic children and in developing their own abilities as counsellors are urged to come to the orientation session being held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Curtis LH-F.

Infantile autism is a complicated disorder characterized by severe problems in communication and behaviour, and an inability to relate to people in a normal manner. Of every 10,000 children, about four or five are autistic; handicaps include loss of speech, repetitive movements, apathy, constant crying or an unusual absence of crying, and hyperactivity.

Twelve persons have so far volunteered for a Saturday morning educational programme, to start in the first week of January, which will be centred in the gym and pool and teaching areas of Stong and Bethune colleges.

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