Annnnnd they'rrrre off!!!!

by Don Truckey

_{ne 1977-78} Students' Union on campaign opened at 9 Wednesday night with five dential candidates — three gutious platforms, one with ical approach, and one with noaign which, by his own sion, is right out of this

separate interviews sday, Mike Ekeland, Jay and Ken Reynolds each ed that tight management Students' Union is high on lists of priorities. All three new programs and direccan only be attempted after ent SU projects are

oung Socialists presidenandidate Katy Le Rougetel her slate will attempt to use esources to fight for the of students and other ssed groups. The "cor-g" activities of the SU must minished, she said.

and Rene Le Larke, ential candidate for the eptual Reality Alternative (CRAP) said "CRAP's ent is irreversible. Since people don't know what vant, we're willing to tell

of the candidates ex-



Rene Le Larke, CRAP's presidential candidate, is ready to begin the race against Jay Spark, Mike Ekeland, Ken Reynolds and Katy Le Rougetel in the SU elections. The clock began ticking Wed. at 9 p.m. and time runs out Fri. Feb. 11, election day.

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pressed opposition to proposed tuition increases for foreign students, except Le Larke, who called for a hike of "500 per cent, if not more.'

Independent candidate Ekeland said his opposition to two-tier fees is a recent development. "I was theoretically in favor of two-tier tuition," Ekeland said, "but after talking to Hong Kong students about the difficulties of getting into university there I changed my mind. Once you know the facts, you have to go against it."

view himself as a "political candidate." "I'm not out to cure the give the SU more good management of the sort being done now." Le Rougetel left no doubt she is a political candidate.

The two-tier fee proposal is only the first step in a wider effort Ekeland added he does not to cut back funding to postsecondary education, she said. "The Young Socialists support ills of the world, he said, "just to the struggle for liberation in

South Africa, and the democratic rights of women and gays. And we want a students' union that doesn't bust other unions."

Ekeland, Spark and Reynolds each stressed the need to develop the faculty associations on campus. If elected, each of them said (again independently) they would attempt to increase student involvement in SU affairs by encouraging strong faculty associations.

Reynolds said this would help reverse the present direction of SU policy making — from the executive to the council — and encourage grass-roots input into policy. More consultation from council committees and student GFC reps would also help determine the direction council should take, he said.

Ekeland said the best possibility for genuine student involvement lies in the faculty associations.

The first step for his slate if elected, Reynolds said, would be to begin "a rational approach to decision-making," which would

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...They simply outgrow it. -Bob Edwards

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LISTER FOOD STILL QUESTIONED

by Allen Young

se over last year, many Hall students are still tisfied with the food serprovided at the residence. recent Gateway investigaindicated that there is a ence of opinion whether or he quantity — and quality ood served to residence ents is acceptable.

During the 1975-76 session, ents became so dissatisfied the food that a motion to nize a formal food protest introduced at the Lister Hall lents' Association (LHSA) ming body.

Though the motion was Despite a 15 per cent price defeated, a LHSA survey of student opinion on the food was carried out.

Rising food costs were the major reason cited for a Board of Governor's decision to raise residence prices last year. The board also examined a list of student demands to increase the quality of food at Lister Hall.

Members of the residence Housing and Food Services office said that it was their understanding that food service has improved somewhat. The executive of LHSA tended to sup-

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\$300 fee hike now definite

by Kevin Gillese
Despite a decision by the U of A to reject differential fees, first-entrant foreign students at all Alberta universities will pay \$300 more in tuition next year, the Gateway has learned.

In December the U of A Board of Governors rejected the idea of a differential fee structure suggested by Dr. Bert Hohol, Alberta's minister of advanced education, last spring. The Board said they would not reconsider their decision until they received further information from Hohol containing "a clear statement of reasons and a clear mechanism of implementation" of such

not the wild and loud exganzas found at the national They are under the scrutiny eturning elections officer del Amerongen, who enthat candidates follow ent rules governing caming described in the ents' Union election camby-law.

oting will be by preferential and students will be voting ^{ne individual} candidates or any slate to which he or may belong.

ampaigning began 9 p.m. esday and continues to 9 lection eve when all posters campaign material must be

printing, and campaign ses and advertising is subapproval by Amerongen. ampaign materials must ist only of posters, hlets, newspapers, ribbons, and a maximum of three

ludents' Union elections banners not more than 200 square feet each.

No stickers or painted walls

ELECTION SKED

The schedule of the student union election is as follows:

Feb. 7 deadline for candidates' written submissions to Gateway, 12 noon.

Feb. 8 Gateway campaign

Feb. 8-9 Residence campaign

Feb. 9 11:30 a.m. election rally and speaker forum in Tory TL 11

Feb. 10 advance poll Feb. 10 9 p.m. election campaigning ends

Feb. 11 election day.

Posters are limited to one to a bulletin board and can't cover other candidates' material.

Samples of campaign material and an account of their cost must be approved by the returning officer before they can be used and, of course, campaigning must be conducted in a reasonable and responsible manner.'

Concerning the accounts, one candidate cannot spend more than \$150 on his campaign. Slates of two have a limit of \$220, three have a limit of \$280, four no more than \$340 and five or more candidates cannot spend more than \$400.

If a candidate gets 10 per cent of the vote of the winning candidate, the \$25 nomination deposit will be returned to the

One sour note in the election: SU pubs in RATT and Friday's will not open on election day until the polls close.

But the provincial govern- vanced education is only allowed \$300 nike would take place next year, regardless of the Board's decision, sources say.

Sources indicate that Dr. Hohol was prepared to announce the increase — along with a \$150 tuition increase for foreign students at technical schools and colleges - until it was pointed out to him that the U of A had rejected his proposal.

Under the existing Universities Act, the minister of ad-

ment was prepared to announce to approve fee schedules Wednesday morning that the recommended to him by the Boards of Governors at Alberta universities and cannot set such fees himself. Sources say that Dr. Hohol will now approach the U of A Board Friday morning to ask for their recommendation that the \$300 increase be introduced.

> If the Board does not make the recommendations, sources say Hohol will change the Univer-

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Application forms for next year's editor have been leaving the Gateway offices but none have yet been returned. Nominations close Friday, Feb. 4, at 4 p.m., so, if you're one of those who've walked away with a form, or if you're interested in applying for the position of Gateway editor 1977-78, hoof it up to room 282 SUB before tomorrow at 4 p.m. All life is a deadline - don't miss your chance to control the headlines and deadlines of an obscure biweekly tabloid. Apply now.