

York orchestra alters status

By LAURA LUSH

The Community Chamber Orchestra of York University has changed its name and status. Following an encouraging response to its downtown concerts, the group has been renamed the Toronto Community Orchestra (TCO).



Jim McKay

In the last six years, performances have been shared between the downtown location and on campus, said Jim McKay, TCO music director and chairman of York's Music Department.

"An increase in audience response to our concerts downtown—due to the preference of its location—marked a decline in campus audiences," said McKay.

This prompted McKay to approach the City of Toronto to become its first recognized community orchestra. Most community orchestras are borough or suburban organizations, he said. With the TCO's new status, the orchestra will receive financial support from the Toronto Arts Council.

McKay said the move does not change anything at York. The TCO will still act as orchestra-in-residence. Close to half of the 65-piece symphonic group is made up of York faculty, students, and alumni. The remaining musicians are professionals and advanced amateurs from the community.

The TCO performed as Toronto's first and only community orchestra two weeks ago in two performances at the Church of the Holy Trinity. Their second concert of the season takes place February 5 and 6 at 8 p.m., also in Holy Trinity Church. An all-Schumann program, the *Genoveva Overture*, the *Concerto for Cello* featuring soloist Coentraad Bloemendal, and the *Symphony #4 in D minor* are scheduled for the evening.

Students need articling to prosper in law field

By GISELE WINTON

There was a difference of interest in last night's seminar focusing on "Careers Related to Law."

While the speakers talked, in large part, about their personal histories and day-to-day cases, the small crowd (about 20) was interested in their own future job possibilities, options, and any information on how to go about starting their career. Students, however, found solace in the question and answer period.

The seminar, organized by the Career Centre, was held in the Senate Chamber. The three panelists were Leath Hunter, a counsel member from the Attorney General's office, Gary Givran, a lawyer with the law firm of McCarthy and McCarthy, and Stephen Ginsberg, the director of legal services for the Police Complaints Commission.

According to Ginsberg, the three routes when entering the field of law are: to article for a firm and get asked to join them; to article and join a corporation with lawyers on staff; or to go out on your own.

Yet McCarthy and McCarthy representative Givran said article entrance standards in his firm, which employs 130 lawyers, is tough. He said they have 500 applicants in which 150 are chosen for interviews. Only 16 are hired.

They regard students' academics, schooling, past work experience, and any other activities such as volunteer work. Givran said that the personal interview is the deciding factor for prospective articling students. He said his firm asks 50 to 60 percent of students that articulated with them to join the firm once they've been accepted to the bar.

Articling was stressed because "while in law school, you don't learn about the practice of

law," said Ginsberg, "unless you get involved with the student legal aid office," which takes small cases that don't necessarily need a professional lawyer.

"The law is becoming more complicated all the time," said Givran, "This means the day of the sole practitioner is going by the wayside." Givran said because of the complexity of law, a sole practitioner is not "doing a service to clients because one can't know all the details to all the areas of law." He said this is the reason small firms are becoming specialized.

Ginsberg suggested that an inexperienced lawyer, interested in an individual practise, should "try to specialize and share office space with older and more experienced lawyers in the same specialization."

Hunter said "monetarily" lawyers make little money working on their own. Government lawyers, such as Hunter receive a higher salary, she said. "Where one makes the most money" is working for a firm said Givran.

Ginsberg suggested students "take as many broad-based, black letter law subjects" as possible.

People with law degrees "don't necessarily have to be lawyers," said Hunter. Corporations have legal departments because they prefer to negotiate contracts themselves, rather than hire outside legal firms. Also, careers in management and in any area of investigation are available.

Careers related to law that don't require law degrees include parole and probation officers, law clerks, research reporters, insurance investigators, and embassy positions through the external affairs department.

Prospectively, computer, immigration, and administrative law were suggested by the panelists as future developmental areas in law that are growing and in need of lawyers.



Photo: MARIO SCATTOLONI

Fourth-year student Fabio Pozzobon seems a bit short of breath after participating in a Fitness Awareness Seminar last week. Checking his heart is Henriette Neumeyer.

Whipping York into shape

By MARIO SCATTOLONI

Let's face it. Everyone would like to be fit but most of us can't keep up the pace of a 20-minute workout. Help is on the way, though.

Some concerned York physical education students decided it was time to educate the public so a Fitness Awareness seminar was held in Central Square last Friday. The seminar was organized and conducted by David and Jeff Carmichael, also directors of a local fitness centre, and Henriette Neumeyer, an instructor at the centre who's also enrolled in the Fitness Assessment and Exercise Counseling Certification program at York.

Following a presentation of the problems

associated with many aerobic-dance programs, David and Neumeyer discussed the importance of fitness testing as a prerequisite to any structured exercise program. According to David, "York University, under the guidance of Norm Gledhill, has an excellent fitness testing centre."

David said some individuals in many aerobic-dance programs are being "ripped off" physically and financially. He said his company is one that attempts to educate people in health and fitness "without destroying their bank accounts."

Students interested in a personalized fitness test can contact Veronica Jamnik in York's physical education department.

Attitudes "shift" on nuclear issues

By FAY ZALCBERG

"Substantial radical revolutionary shifts" have taken place in the Canadian public's attitude toward nuclear issues, said Don Munton, research director for the Canadian Institute of International Affairs.

Munton was one of two lecturers scheduled to speak on "Public Opinion and Nuclear Weapons: The Canadian Debate" at York on Monday. The other speaker, Rod Byers, from the Research Program in Strategic Studies at York, didn't show up.

Munton attributed this shift primarily on "an awareness of reality" and an increasing amount of media attention on the issue.

He said Canadian Gallop Poll surveys have shown that people have become increasingly aware of the "new strategic reality."

According to Munton, a single media event such as the recent TV broadcast of *The Day After* can incite a reaction from only a minority, but a "steady barrage [of media events] over 20 years" Munton said would be of great significance.

and *The Globe and Mail* in the years 1962, 1972, and 1982 have indicated that both newspapers have been almost "identically increasing a more negative attitude towards Canadian acquisition and holding of nuclear arms—and giving nuclear issues more attention. They have also become more critical of both U.S. and Russian policies."

The Canadian public, in accordance with American public sentiment, is no longer willing to accept the idea that an increase in nuclear arms is the guarantee for Western security, said Munton. "On the contrary, research has indicated that although Canadians see Russia as a threat due to her expansionist policies, and support the build up of conventional weapons, we will no longer view the capacity to threaten others with nuclear war a ticket to Western security."

Even "peaceniks" like Jimmy Carter, Munton said, were already pumping money into nuclear arms in the 1970s, "so the present is not the instigator of such actions." He said U.S. policy on the issue is receiving more criticism among the public.

Briefs from other campuses

Riding on the cheap at last

A reduced fare four-month transit pass will finally be available to college and university students in Kitchener-Waterloo for the 1984 term. The four-month pass will be available to students for \$94—a savings of \$19. The pass will entitle bearers to ride the system as often as they wish.

—*The Cord*, Wilfred Laurier University

Lady Godiva sold here

Complaints of indecent exposure have been filed with the Fredericton Police concerning the Engineering Society's tradition of Lady Godiva, in which a girl is paid to ride around campus nude in the back of a pickup truck. According to Tim Lethbride, outgoing VP of the Student Union, last year a girl was bailed out of jail for the position of Lady Godiva, and this year the lucky lady was a well-known drug addict from the town. Scott Thomas, president of the Engineering Undergraduate Society, said "the Society does not support Lady Godiva." He views the

complaints as an attempt by opponents to discredit him.

The Brunswickan, University of New Brunswick

Possible fall reading week

The Queen's faculty board has discussed the possibility of implementing a fall term reading week. The board discussed why a fall reading week would be beneficial. They

took into account that the pressures of examinations in December are as intense as in April, that the first term courses are just as important as second term half courses, and that the first term marks are especially crucial for students applying to graduate school. The board also noted that professors teaching half term courses in the fall feel a sense of rushing and increased demands on their time. The board will meet again December 16 to discuss any further progress.

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Gary Girvan, Leath Hunter, and a representative from York's Career Centre.