

news bits

Faculty aids famine relief

By KEN MOORE

The York University Faculty Association (YUFA) has entered the fight against famine in Africa. Spurred on by the tragedy in Ethiopia, with the help of York administrators, YUFA has set up a donation scheme for its members as well as other interested York employees.

YUFA members, as well as other

York employees, will be able to arrange with the administration to have their donations automatically removed from their pay cheques. OXFAM will be in charge of administering these funds and will distribute them to troubled areas all over Africa.

The plan was developed after YUFA was approached by members of the student community to participate in an African relief effort. The members of YUFA are hopeful that their efforts will spur others into action.

YUFA is confident that the efforts of the York community will continue to have a positive impact on the famine in Africa long after the publicity has subsided.

As stated in a recent YUFA newsletter, those wishing to contribute "have the choice of deciding whether they wish to assist with emergency funds, which the government will match on a dollar to dollar basis, or with funds for development, which will be matched by the Government on a three to one basis."

Immigration film festival

By STEVE STRIBBELL

Members of the York community were recently given the chance to learn more about immigration in Canada through the CYSF-sponsored series of films and speakers that began January 28 and ends tomorrow.



Newgren says the proposal to sell some of York's art was not rejected by the Board of Governors but instead was merely tabled, meaning that no vote was taken but disapproval was voiced. Newgren agrees that selling York's art would be a short-sighted policy.

Newgren is interested in the possible rationales for the sale of the art and supports the sale under the "appropriate circumstances." This includes art which cannot be exhibited, where there is duplication, and where it is within the rights of the university to sell it.

Headphone heroics

By GALI LAPID

"Good morning, York University." These are the first words echoed by the York University switchboard operators each day.

It seems that many York affiliates perceive the location of the switchboard area to be perched on an elegantly structured and non-existent tenth floor of the Ross Building. Actually, it is in Room 30 of the East Office Building.



Reya Ali, Director of Social and Cultural Affairs, planned the program as a follow-up to the Multicultural Festival of this past November. It is Ali's hope that this program will prove to be an educational experience for many York students, one that would both introduce students to many of the cultures that have immigrated to Canada and illustrate to students the different ways that immigration has been experienced and perceived.

Ali said that this series has been a success because, "Although I couldn't get the academic aspect in the Multicultural Festival because of the strike, this was accomplished in the film festival."

Attendance for the films has been good but, reminiscent of the Multicultural Festival, the speakers have drawn few spectators.

York art sale still possible

By JOSE A RAMIREZ

Acting Dean Newgren of Fine Arts gave notice at the last Faculty of Fine Arts Council meeting that he intended, at the next meeting, to put forward the motion that "in principle the Faculty of Fine Arts supports the sale of art work from the University collection under the appropriate circumstances to benefit Fine Arts initiatives."



Director of Communications Alan Smith says the switchboard is a "24-hour, seven-days-a-week operation and serves as the heart of communications at York."

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