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BY WAYNE GROSZKO

Last year, an enormous pile of about 1000 surplus Dal yearbooks was going to be thrown out and sent to the landfill. The surplus books, some dating back as far as 1979, had accumulated in the SUB and could no longer be stored.

Instead of being thrown away. they were taken apart by a group of student volunteers who separated their hardbound covers from the paper inside. The paper was sent to a paper recycling company. and the covers were saved.

During the summer, a person was hired part-time by nspirg (nova scotia public interest research group), to make new products from the old covers.

Several different products have been made, including hardcover journal books and three-ring binders.

To make the hardcover journal books, surplus paper was rescued from the computer printout shop in the basement of the Killam Library, and other sources. The large line printer uses a continuous tractor feed paper, and spits out several blank pages in between printouts. This paper cannot be put back on the printer, so it used to go into the recycling bin, even though it has no printing on it. Now this paper is set aside to be used to make books.

To make a book, the paper is cut to the right size, and a set of holes is made down the side. The Dalhousie Student Union and

Campus Copy have allowed access to the cutting and punching machines which make this possible. Then the paper is sewn together using a piece of hemp string, and the block of sewn paper is glued into the cover. The book can be used as a diary, or to record lab or course notes.

The three ring binders are made by attaching the metal ring mechanism into the back of the book using two rivets. This has been done in Halifax by Source Binding.

The books and binders are being sold as a fund raiser for the nspirg green fund, which is a fund for environmental projects, administered through nspirg, a student group on the Dalhousie campus.

On the same project, other neat stuff is being made from rescued materials. "Pre-owned" envelopes are perfectly brand new envelopes which were thrown in the recycling bin without ever being used, because they had an obsolete letterhead or address on them. To repair them, the obsolete letterhead has been covered up with a blank sticky label, which was also found in the recycling bin.

Leftover trimmings from the print shop are also being used to make smaller notepads and books.

The books, binders, envelopes, and notepads are available on campus at nspirg, room 304 of the SUB. This office is open Monday to Wednesday 9 am to 5 pm. and Thursday 9 am to 3 pm. Free delivery within the Halifax peninsula can also be arranged. For more information, contact nspirg, phone (494-6662) or email (nspirg@is2.dal.ca).

intramural schedule -

The following is a list of important dates for anyone interested in playing intramural sports.

SEPT. 12

Organizational Meetings for: Co-ed Soccer Co-ed Beach Volleyball Men's Soccer

SEPT.13

Registration for: Co-ed Broomball A, B, & C Co-ed Singles/Doubles Tennis Tournament Women's Singles/Doubles Tennis Tournament

Organizational Meeting for Co-ed Flag Football and Co-ed Ultimate Frisbee

SEPT. 16

Registration for Men's Hockey A, B&C Registration for Men's Residence Hockey A & B

SEPT. 18

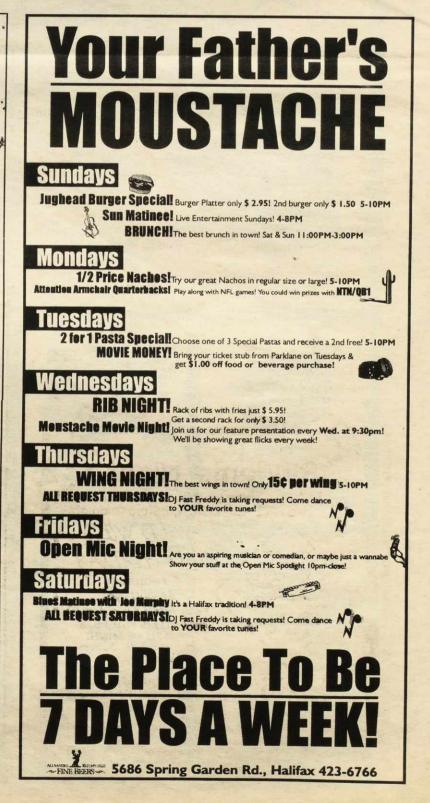
Registration for Co-ed Softball Tournament Organizational Meeting for Co-ed Broomball

SEPT 19

Organizational Meetings for **Co-ed Tennis Tournament** Men's Hockey Men's Tennis Tournament Women's Tennis Tournament



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