



BABAK AMIRFEZ

Marriott hopes to serve about 700 students at food carts they introduced two weeks ago. The carts are located in Central Square and in the Curtis Lecture Halls area.

## Food line-ups eased

By MARK PASQUINI

Marriott Food Services may have found a way to ease the long line-ups inside the Central Square Cafeteria.

Marriott introduced mobile coffee carts October 17 in the Curtis Lecture Halls area and Central Square.

Jim Fougere, Marriott's Food Services director, believes the carts fulfil a service which the cafeterias cannot meet. He said that the carts have reached 50 per cent of their sales expectations, serving about 350 customers per day. Fougere is optimistic that the carts will reach their goal of 700 students daily by the end of this week.

Manager of Food Services Angelina Catricala said the carts are an

extension of Marriott's current contract. This agreement stipulates that coffee and muffins are the only items sold by the carts.

Student reaction to the carts is positive. Fourth-year history major Erminia Ferrigni said, "these carts are a tremendous idea and have been long overdue. Now I can get a coffee between classes without the usual cafeteria line-ups which have always made me late."

Business hours for the carts are Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., until Marriott identifies traffic patterns. Fougere hinted that if demand is great enough, hours may be extended to serve Atkinson night school students as well.

## Retirement awareness

By IVANNA VIPAVEC

The York Retirement Consultation Centre (YRCC) held an open house last week in an attempt to increase the community's awareness about the services the Centre provides.

The three-year-old Centre was the result of co-operative planning between employee groups and the Program Committee, which was founded in 1983. The advisory board that oversees the Centre is comprised of representatives of the York University Faculty Association (YUFA), the York University Staff Association, the Canadian Union of Educational Workers, the Canadian Union of Public Employees, and the Professional and Management Group.

The YRCC provides retirement education not only for faculty, but

for all York staff. For the student, the Centre contains a library of materials related to retirement and aging. The Centre provides counselling to students who have questions about aging relatives or friends.

"We're open for all types of questions about aging and retirement," says co-ordinator Melissa Spore.

YRCC funding comes from York, YUFA, and other employee groups. Spore says that at \$66,000 the Centre is "generously funded given the restraints of the university."

Most of the people who take advantage of the Centre come from Professional and Management support staff, since most people employed in this area are over 50.

The YRCC is located at D131 West Office Building and can be reached at 736-6228.

## A solution for hunger

By NANCY PHILLIPS

The CYSF is sponsoring Food Bank Awareness Week from October 31 to November 3. A "huge depot for food donations to the North York Harvest Food Bank will be set up in the East Bear Pit," says Joe Zammit, the CYSF's Vice-President of External Affairs.

Hunger is a large problem in North York, says Zammit, and the university has committed itself to help alleviate it. Zammit wants the

university to "raise as much food as it can. The CYSF would like everyone to make an effort to bring a canned or non-perishable donation, or even money. It's very important that we make the contribution to those who need help in our country."

The Avia Express Team will present two aerobic demonstrations in the East Bear Pit on November 3 to create awareness of the issue. There will be contests with prizes such as running shoes and posters. The shows will be at 11:30 and 12:15.



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