## The Dalhousie Newman Society

The Newman Society on the Dalhousie Campus is active under the chaplaincy of Father Joe Hattie OMI. Here Catholics can find a Christian community within an academic world. The Society at Dal has its own executive which coordinates and gives direction to the activities which take place during the year.

Like any other community, be it a family or a village, the Newman Society at Dal has many different activities. The Society holds one meeting per week of both an educa-

## Dalhousie Science Society

If you are a Science Student, then you are a member of the DAL-HOUSIE SCIENCE SOCIETY, a university group surpassed only by the Student Union and the Dal Gazette in student numbers.

The governing body of the DSS is the SCIENCE COUNCIL, made up of the president, vice-president, 3 student council representatives and 2 representatives from each of the science departments (Math, Chemistry, Geology, Biology, Psychology). The Council is responsible for issuing grants to each department. If you have noticed how your tuition fees are made up, then you are probably aware of a five dollar society fee levied on all BSc students at registration. This is how we obtain our funds and since your money is involved, we hope that you will show an interest in our activities.

We are trying to contribute to the academic, social and cultural environment of all science students. Although the Council is made up of 19 students, we can certainly use the

The Dalhousie Badminton Club meets for pleasure and competitive purposes. The club is open to all students, faculty, staff and Dalplex members regardless of ability. Informal instruction is available. Shuttlecocks are provided, but members are required to bring their own racquet (racquets are available tional (films, guest lecturers) and social (moveis, parties, sports, bowling and skating) nature. It also has two spiritual retreats during the year: one in autumn, called the apple retreat, in the Annapolis Valley and the other, in the Feb. break, to the Trappist monestary in Rogersville, N.B. The Newman Society helps to support a number of needy families in India. This year we are hosting the Atlantic Newman Conference on campus. Suggestions and ideas on activities from members are always welcome.

help of many more and in particular, we welcome any ideas and opinions you may have. If you have been involved in high school student councils and still have an interest in such organizations, or if you have never had the chance to become involved and would like to, or if you just have some thoughts to express, then you have something to offer us and we'll try to offer you some fun and friendship if nothing else.

You will probably find out who the representatives from the club are in your major departmet, but if not. or if you have not declared a major yet, all is not lost. You can get information from the student council representatives on Council. They are Phil Barnstead, Reza Rizvi and Steven Hurst and they can be reached at the Student Council Office (2nd Floor, SUB). OR, you can contact Donna Hammill, President DSS, c/o Rm 324, Dal SUB OR you can check our bulletin board in the 2nd floor foyer of the Life Science Building.

for rent at the Dalplex). The club practices three times a week on Mondays, Fridays and Sunday evenings from 8:30-10:30 p.m. The club provides information on local tournaments and arranges meets with other clubs in the area. For information, call **Kim Melanson** at **423-3204**.



African night is a colourful extravaganza depicting the many facets of African culture.

## African Students' Association

The African Students' Association-" is the framework, or the engine, by which African students at all of the universities in Halifax meet many of their social and academic needs. The ASA has its head office in the Centre of African Studies on Seymour Street at Dalhousie. Students from almost all African countries are now coming into Halifax. They should drop into the Centre and sign up, giving their addresses so that they can be notified of up-coming functions. If they don't, they will miss out on many interesting happenings. On September 8, for example, we hosted a wine and cheese party at the Centre for the ambassador from Somalia. On September 16 we will hold our annual welcoming barbeque. All are welcome.

Some social occasions are planned long in advance, such as the Christmas party and Africa Night (which is booked for January 28). Many others are quickly organized to welcome a visitor form Africa. Often we only have one or two days notice of such visits. The executive asks you to sign up with addresses and telephone numbers so that you can always be kept in touch.

The Centre of African Studies is best known for its many seminars and workshops. There is almost always some academic activity being planned or in progress. Maybe you are not interested in these events, but the Centre is also a social centre, the African "home away from home". The lounge is open to all, and has African magazines and coffee. It is rare that an African debate is not in progress or an African joke being shared.

The Centre also caters to Canadians and other people not of African descent. Those who join us are usually taking an African course, have visited Africa or intend to in the future. If you have any interest in our continent please do sign up and join in the African fun in 1983-84. Ask the secretary at the Centre for the ASA book. If you're terribly busy, phone 424-3814 and get on our list. The ASA hopes to make this the biggest and best Africa Year yet.



