

"I don't like politics..."
— Aruna D'Souza

"...more beer gardens
...anything you want
...I'll do it..."
— Melinda Bang

The Gateway

"None of them are competent. None of them deserve to win."
— Chief Returning Officer Michael Hunter

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Election forum follies

by Alan Small

The SU election forum was all downhill after CJSR representative Phil Preville came up with the afternoon's best quip.

"Down at CJSR, we like to think of ourselves as Tiffany-free radio," Preville said, opening up his speech and the SU election forum.

After Preville's stand however, the forum participants and the boisterous SUB Theatre crowd's behavior degenerated into condom-tossing, target water pistol shooting, and name-calling.

Little of substance was discussed in the initial two minute speeches, which many candidates cut down to twenty second sound bites. The ones who did were vilified by the rowdy crowd.

While independent presidential candidate Karen Hudson vainly attempted to proclaim her platform and her protest over people tearing down her campaign posters.

"Please don't tear them down until tonight at six. Then I will autograph them for you."

Presidential opponent Dave Tupper also played up to the crowd. "At noon in L'Express, if we're elected, you'll be able to see The Flintstones," said the Direction '89 candidate. "That's right, Fred and Wilma."

Mike Evans, the Representative slate presidential candidate, not to be outdone, approached the



Can you say trichlorobenzene?

A late afternoon chemical spill on a loading dock behind chemical engineering prompted a hasty clean up operation by CEDA at the request of Occupational Health and Safety. Apparently the chemical froze on the dock, splitting the container. Twelve men in chemical protective gear and breathing apparatus were required for the job. Health and Safety said the chemical was dangerous but refused to say why.

podium with a cardboard shield to protect himself from the barrage of paperballs and the jets of water.

When the candidates finally came back to earth, some important points were made instead of the endless campaign rhetoric. During the question period, some disagreement showed on a fundamental subject: cutbacks.

"I think cutbacks are a fact of life," said Hudson, who was soundly booed by the crowd.

Tupper was terse. "I hate cutbacks." Evans offered a similar cutbacks analysis: "This university cannot remain a world class institution without proper funding."

About bookstore prices, another contentious issue, Representa-

ive vp academic candidate Robin Cole said, "(The U of A bookstore's) books should be made public because it is a monopoly."

"Book prices are high because students are willing to line up for hours and pay them," said Hudson. "There are lots of places around where students can get books for less."

Parkade to end nightmare?

by Teresa Pires

The parking nightmare at the U of A may be less frightening next year due to the opening of a three story 800 space underground car park at the Cross Cancer Institute. The car park presently under construction, is a joint project between the U of A and the Cross Cancer Institute.

Parking space at the U of A is a precious commodity for students since they are considered last in the allotment of parking space, after handicapped persons and staff.

The University Administration guidelines, originally set at 500 stalls per 1,000 students, have been lowered to 300 stalls per 1,000 students, but in reality there are approximately 200 stalls per 1,000 students. Out of about 6,000 stalls that Parking Services allocates, 2,100 - 2,400 are for students.

Yet, the housing and transport commission has had very few complaints this year, said Aruna D'Souza, the housing and transport commissioner. Out of 1,576 people who applied for parking space as of September 2, 1988, 1,281 students were offered space, in addition to 1,000 other parking permits issued before that date.

The most frequent complaint that students made was that they did not receive parking in the areas that they requested it. Parking on the East Side of campus
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Clive Oshry

Tuition charge changes

by Mario Trono

The University Board of Governors decided to change the tuition fee structure to institute a fairer and more equitable system.

"The part-time student has, in effect, been subsidizing the full-time student," said Brian Silzer, associate vice president and registrar. "If you compare the course load fees of the two student classifications you find that the part-time student is paying more for a degree program."

Under the old system a ceiling was placed on tuition limiting the cost to the equivalent of four courses. The new fee structure will operate on a straight per course levy for both full and part-time students.

"It makes sense," said Steve

Twible, student representative on the Board of Governors. "If some students are taking three or four courses, why should they pay as much as those taking five or six?"

U of A president Myer Horowitz also praised the initiative saying, "I'm pleased the board made the decision, I think it's a fair one."

He added that the change would not increase student fees or university revenue.

The proposal brought before the Board of Governors stated that the present system was awkward to administer and was often misunderstood by students. SU-
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Kimberly Rogers, Board of Governors candidate for Direction slate, gets "shot" by a water gun at yesterday's election forum.

Colin Northcott

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