

Council deliberating action over ticket forgery

The Dalhousie student union is still considering what form of action it will take against the person who sold forged tickets to the Winter Carnival SUB Explosion event.

A discrepancy exists over the number of tickets forged. Kathy Hagan, chairperson of the Entertainment Committee, said 40 tickets were forged. The student union's lawyer, Barry Ward, said only six false tickets are accounted for.

Small thefts such as this are not usually reported to the police, Ward said. He said it may be taken care of internally, through the Billings Committee or the student union.

No money was lost, as the event was sold out. The last time a case of forgery occurred was three years ago, and the council took a lot of flak for not responding decisively, Hagan said.

The forger was identified through councillor Dave Rideout, whose friend had purchased a ticket. The tickets were sold for two dollars, said the accused individual. He said he did not defraud anyone as the purchasers knew the tickets were fake.

Hagan said there is no need for tighter security. The tickets were poorly drawn by hand and easily identified.

The forger is a ranking member of the Young Conservatives, Hagan said.

International student voice



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Randy Kelly seeks attention, not by wearing a suit, but by waving to the chair.

by Heather Roseveare

The international community at Dal has finally gained a seat on the student council.

After much debate, council unanimously agreed this Sunday to allow one seat to foreign students on campus.

Graduate student, Peter Rans, said it is "absolutely necessary" to have this seat as "foreign students clearly represent a diverse interest."

Andrea Harris, Vice-President of the International Students Association (ISA), said foreign students face "a lot of problems when they come into Canada." Not being used to Canadian society, they "miss out on a lot."

Harris said that orientation tends to be geared towards native people, to be involved rights "don't get to be involved right from the beginning." Finding housing for the school year is also a problem when the foreign students live in their homeland during the summer, she said.

Member-at-large, Robert Stanley, believes the seat will improve

communication between Dal's international students and council.

An attempt was made two years ago to set aside a Member-at-large set for international students. 1979/80 student union president, Dick Mathews, said the constitution was not reworded as such, so these students were not guaranteed a spot on council.

Shirreff Hall rep Liz Vibert was not concerned that a precedent may be set. "We can still turn down further requests from other interest groups."

Science rep Randy Kelly voiced concern that the seat would be representative of the ISA instead of the international community at large.

Council assured Kelly that the seat would be contested during Student Union general elections. However, next year's international student rep will be elected through the ISA as a general meeting of the Student Union cannot be called in time to ratify the decision.

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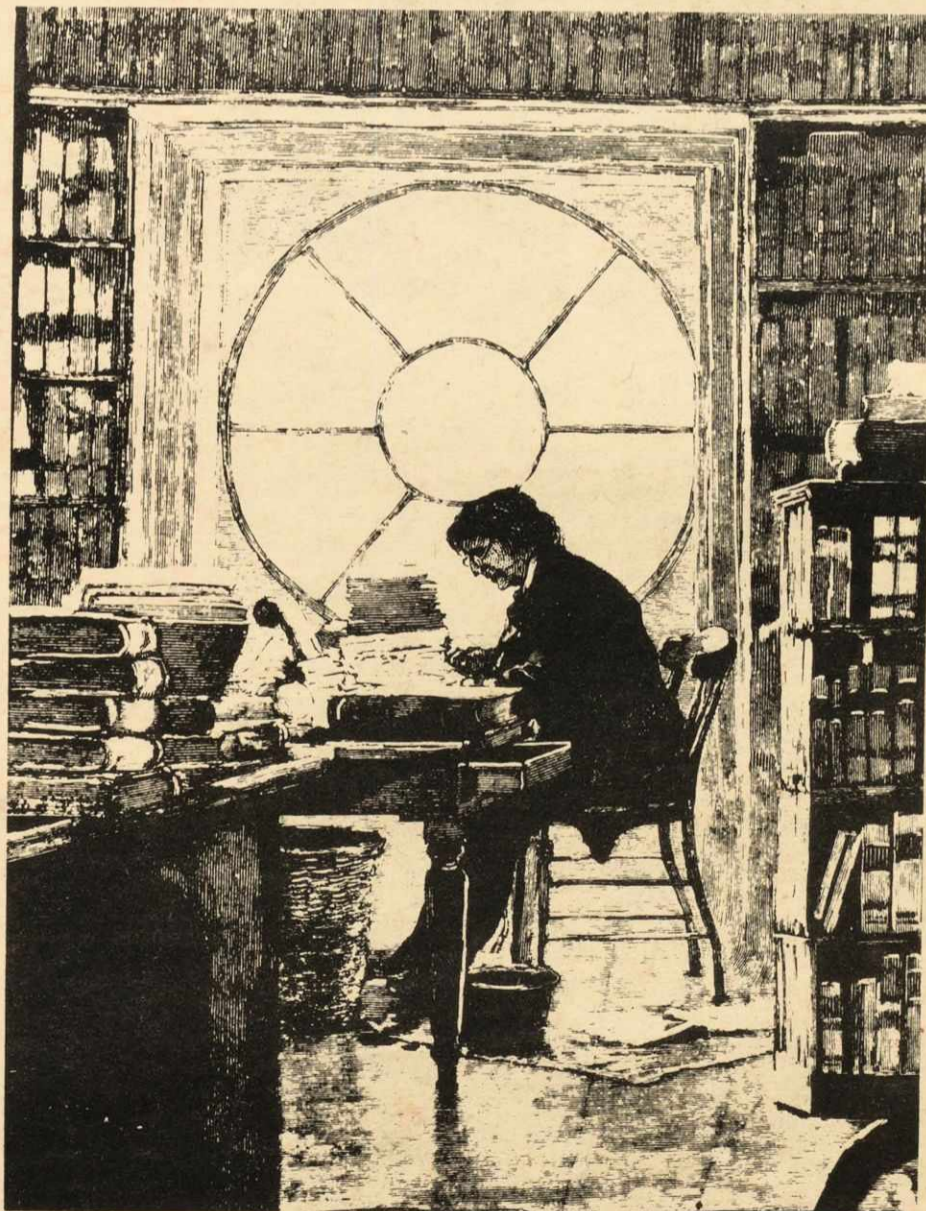
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