

TTC to analyze traffic

Bus re-routing called band-aid treatment

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The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) is planning a special York University route from The Spadina-Wilson subway station; to begin, tentatively, next fall this reducing hopes to have the Steeles or Jane buses re-routed on campus this year.

In a public meeting on Tuesday, Robert M. Topp, of the TTC planning commission had his plans for the new route approved in principle for discussion.

Topp stated "I'm enthusiastic about the new route (called York University) from the Spadina and Wilson station.

An earlier suggestion to re-route

either the Steeles or Jane buses on campus is not likely to occur said Topp.

A ridership survey was taken of the Steeles bus Monday, in order to find the number of travellers who would be inconvenienced by the detour compared to the number of students and York employees who would benefit from the service.

Topp said the material had yet to be analyzed and added that change "causes indigestion ... you're re-routing major cross-town routes." He said York had not been designed with easy access for transit in mind. However, the new Spadina-Wilson route would cater specifically to York University transit needs.

Evan Leibovitch, vice-president

of communications and student services for CYSF, circulated a petition in answer to a February editorial in Excalibur. The petition in favour of re-routing Steeles and Jane buses onto campus was well received.

The Toronto Star ran a story this summer stating, "York University was one of six borough areas listed by North York's transit committee last week as being in the greatest need of better transit service."

Leibovitch said the "Steeles west route change was a 'band-aid measure', with the assumption that it would be removed after the Spadina thing was finished. I was not aware that just because the Spadina route is closer to reality that the short-term Steeles route-

change would not be implemented."

Leibovitch indicated he felt strongly that the ridership survey

would show a real need for the detour into campus, "After all there is still one more long cold winter to go through."

Coming Events

This year's first meeting of the Philosophy Students' Association will be held today at 4:30 in S869 Ross. A coffee hour will follow — all philosophy students are invited to attend.

There will be a conference of the United Left Coalition tomorrow at 2 pm in S170, Ross. This year's executive will be elected and the ULC's political program for the year discussed. Everyone is welcome.

Amateur actors, and production and make-up people will be welcomed with open arms in room 237 Vanier for the college production of Bertolt Brecht's "The Resistible Rise of Arturo VI". Auditions will be next Tuesday, and Vanier students are preferred — but there's no experience necessary.

The organizing meeting of a committee to build support for the National Day of Protest will be held on Tuesday, October 5 at noon in S129 Ross. All members of York's community are welcome.

The Preventative Medicine Society will present two lunch hour films on food additives: "A Chemical Feast" and "Eat, Drink and Be Wary" at both noon and 1 pm in Curtis H on Wednesday, October 6. There's a suggested donation of 25 cents. Bring your lunch... and don't forget the club's general meeting that night at 7 in 106 Vanier.



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