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**York Ukrainian Student Association**

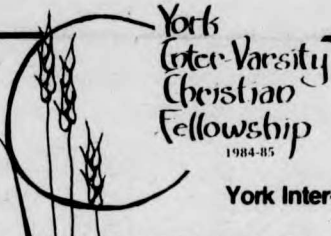
One of the main objectives of the York Ukrainian Student Association (YUSA) is to provide a forum where people of Ukrainian descent can preserve their heritage and language.

Various social events such as dances, pub-nights, and informal get-togethers are planned to take place throughout the year. YUSA also participated in 'Multicultural Week' and exhibited various cultural displays in Central Square.

The association is funded by CYSF, Ukrainian businessmen and the membership fee which is \$6.00.

As of yet, the association has 35 registered members—all Ukrainian. Helen Osijczuk felt it would "be interesting to have students from other cultures as members." Needless to say, all York students are welcomed.

Contact Helen Osijczuk in Portable 2, 667-3545, for more information.



**York Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship**

The Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship was formed well over 10 years ago by a group of Christians who felt the need to explore the world of university from a Christian perspective. Marilyn Richmond, president of the fellowship, said that "York is unique in that it, unlike other universities, has no funding in religious thoughts, and therefore the institution needs a balance between religious perspectives and strong humanism."

Jonathan Fullers, also a representative of the fellowship, added, "... not all those who attend will share the same religious thoughts or beliefs, nonetheless, anyone is welcomed to attend and listen to our group discussions."

At present, the fellowship had a total of 40 registered members. However many non-members attend seminars, weekly meetings, daily prayers and other social events. Although anyone is welcomed, the fellowship seeks only those who are "like-minded."

More information can be obtained from Marilyn Richmond or Jonathan Fuller, Room 210, Scott Religious Centre, or at their booth in Central Square.



**Muslim Students Association**

The Muslim Students' Association is a religious group which was organized last February. One of the goals of this new organization is to attempt to bring the areas of religion and science together.

"Science and religions should work together," club president Peter Fraser said, "in order to offer an individual a better understanding. If this is not done then there is some incompatibility." He added that "... a feeling of sharing and brotherhood" is very much a part of the association. "We try to help one another out in any way we can. As well, we try to keep in touch with the Muslim community in Toronto."

Primarily, activities that are scheduled to take place during the year are in the form of lecture-presentations and will deal with the Islamic religion in general. An 'Islamic Day' is planned and Muslims throughout Ontario have been invited to attend. Prayers and discussion groups are held regularly and anyone is welcomed to participate.

If anyone is interested in finding out more, contact Social Organizer Ismail Babiuzzaman at 663-0082 or drop by their office in the Scott Religious Centre, Room 212.



**Navigators of Canada**

The Navigators of Canada is an interdenominational Christian organization which provides a setting for those "who are committed to Biblical values and principles," and seeks opportunities for their thoughtful investigation.

The organization is "primarily a student mission, operating in approximately 50 countries." It first appeared on the York campus in 1972, and although its initial appearance was "spotty," the organization has worked hard to establish a strong core group of members.

The Navigators is an "informal fellowship whereby student members share leadership roles in the activities prepared." The groups welcomes all students, regardless of religious affiliation.

Don Matsune, staff advisor, stresses, however, that the Navigators "does not function as a church. This particular fellowship is beneficial to those who don't have a determined faith, or have not committed themselves to a particular faith."

Matsune explained that the fellowship prefers to act in a more practical and direct manner, as opposed to remaining theoretical, when dealing with student issues. The fellowship also attempts to investigate "how Biblical words are applicable to today's environment," Matsune said.

The Navigators has a total membership of 60 students. Funding is provided by the members and churches of various denominations. Anyone interested in obtaining more information should contact Don Matsune at 491-8503.

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**RELIGIOUS**



**York Catholic Community**

The York Catholic Community was formed approximately 15 years ago, when Catholics within the York community felt the need to organize a group which could offer religious services including counselling and to "make a positive contribution to the life of the university as a whole."

The members participate in various activities such as mass, discussion groups, prayer study groups and other social events. Father Michael Brosnan stressed that the aim of the group "is to teach the delegation of responsibility within a community, such as York."

Funding is received from the Cardinal of Toronto, donations from members and fund-raising events held throughout the year. If interested in obtaining more information contact Father Brosnan at 667- or 661-5668.

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