

# Campus gays seek privacy

by Gilbert Bouchard and CUP News Services

Gay organizations across the country are having problems finding private office space to ensure confidentiality.

The growth of the political movement of lesbians and gay men in Canada has seen campus organizations springing up around the country.

Fledgling groups, like the University of Calgary's Friends of Gays and Lesbians Club or the new group at the U of A, Gays and Lesbians on Campus, may find the difficulties faced by older organizations like the Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo (GLOW) instructive.

GLOW president Kate Krug said her group feels it needs exclusive occupancy of its office to ensure accessibility of its services to people who need confidentiality.

But student council president Tom Allison recently said GLOW may have to let the Waterloo Jewish Students' Association occupy its office when GLOW members are not using it.

The proposal was made to meet the desperate need for office space for campus clubs.

Krug pointed out the office is used for counselling for most of the day and evening.

Organizers in Calgary and the U of A say there are many prospective members on campus for their organizations. The U of A club attracted 45 participants to its inaugural meeting.

Brian Wolfman, the U of A's clubs commissioner said, "The U of A club missed the deadline to apply



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for office space, but if they had not they would have shared the office."

Wolfman said all clubs on campus share offices due to a lack of space in the Students' Union Building.

In cases where the club does want an extra degree of privacy, Wolfman said he would do his best to see that the club would share their office with another club that would make less use of the space.

## Prof gives timely talk

by Suzette C. Chan

One of the world's leading physicists will be speaking at a colloquium tomorrow sponsored by the U of A Department of Physics.

Dr. Donald Page of the University of Pennsylvania is "one of the world's leading young physicists in the area of black hole physics, quantum gravity and the theory of measurement in quantum physics," says the department's Dr. Werner Israel, himself a leading theorist.

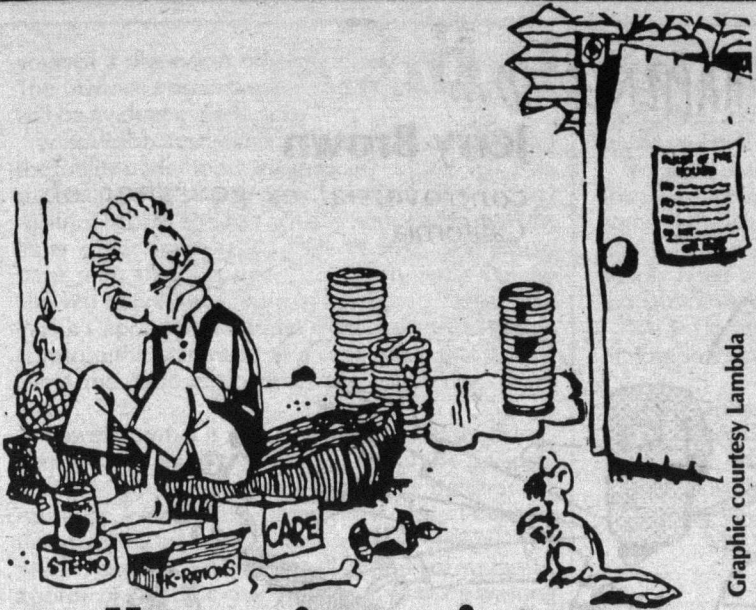
"He's also worked in close co-

operation with Stephen Hawking," another foremost world physicist.

Israel says Page's talk, entitled "The Arrow of Time", will concentrate on "whether fundamental laws of physics single out a privileged concept of time."

Page will speak Nov. 23 at 2 pm in V-wing 121. There is a chance the talk will be moved to a larger room.

All students are welcome and first year graduate physics students are required to attend.



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## Dalhousie evicts

HALIFAX (CUP) — Some Dalhousie University students will be kicked out of their residence rooms in mid-April, just as they are gearing up for end-of-year finals.

"It takes a couple of days to move out, and this robs you of the time you need to spend studying for exams," says Robert Jeffery, a former resident of Fenwick Towers, the residence which will force students to leave.

The residence's lease says students must move out April 15 and university services manager John Graham claims the policy is designed to fit the schedules of most of the residents, who are senior students.

"We've taken the least block of time when the significant proportion of students are living in the (residence), therefore only the people that use the facilities will

rent them," Graham said.

Students not able to leave will be charged \$10 for every additional day they stay in the residence after April 15.

But Jeffery says students cannot afford to pay rent at this time because their student loans will run out in April. The university should follow the guidelines of a university residence and allow students to stay until their exams are finished, he says.

"What is the extra cost for Dalhousie to allow the students to stay there till they have completed exams?" Jeffery asks. "The cost to Dalhousie to simplify the lives of students living at [the residence] is slight in comparison to the value it would provide, time and money during the April crunch."

Graham said the move should not come as a surprise and students should brace themselves for it.

## Texts redundant?

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are considered when he assigned the new one.

Asked about his view on supplemental lectures, Wilson responds: "I require my students to read the textbook since I could not lecture on the whole material (time factor). I lecture only on what's important. Students may find that some of the exam questions come from their textbooks."

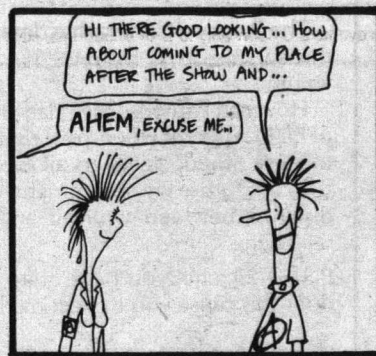
Kamra expects to complete her research by December. "I have received verbal support from many

students; however, grievances are coming slowly," she says.

Student grievances will be a very important part of the report Kamra wishes to present in a Students' Council meeting in the near future.

Kamra urges all students who feel their profs should not have assigned the new textbooks, for whatever reasons, to drop by room 272 SUB and file a grievance. Students may remain anonymous since Kamra is more interested in the reasons.

Yard Apes



by Hans Beckers



## GSA says TAs treated unfairly

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He noted that some TAs have problems with antagonistic professors and department chairmen, caused in some cases by TAs knowing more about certain subjects than their supervisors do.

"One chairman even has grad students do typing for him," said Clark. "That is illegal."

The Dean of the Faculty of Grad Studies is unable to deal with any problems facing TAs since the offending departments are under the authority of their own faculties.

Another problem for Grad Studies is that the faculty is burdened with keeping academic records of grad students, something Genosko said should really be done by the Registrar's Office.

Genosko sees some hope in U of A VP Academic Peter Meekison's statement that the Grad Studies budget should be restored to its former level of three per cent of the university operating budget.

The current level is 1.8 per cent. The GSA has been trying to raise its profile lately, said Genosko.

Recently the GSA donated \$1915 to the university library, a sum matched by the provincial government.

The GSA also plans to donate \$25,000 to the Students Awards Office to set up a scholarship trust fund.

The interest collected by the fund will be given as bursaries to grad

students in financial need nearing the end of their studies.

"I'd like to see the university

match this," said Genosko. "It would show their good will toward grad students."

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