Letters Cont'd

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sad example. Women welcome any safe environment, such as that provided by the Women's Centre.

However, what Bricker really fails to understand is the positive aspect of such women-only associations. Like ethnic, political, or agebased groups, women's groups serve to develop and promote the special interests and qualities that define their members' particular shared culture. Most feminists (myself included) both value their ties with other women and actively promote improved understanding between the sexes. There is no contradiction in these aims. Surely Bricker would agree that an ideal society allows its individuals to realize their potential fully. This can only be achieved in an environment free from violence, and from belittling implications that their associations are worse than

-Lorraine O'Donnell

Bricker's back with vengeance

Editor:

Don Sinclair claims that my letter reacting to an article about the York Women's Centre "indicated a clear incomprehension of the issues the article was dealing with and the purpose of the Women's Centre." Well, after reading Don Sinclair's response I am no clearer on the issues or the purpose of the Women's Centre. What I am clear on, however, is that Don Sinclair is at least as confused as I am. Briefly, let me plomb the depth of his difficulties by reiterating the more interesting of his arguments.

First, he claims that the Women's Centre is "not a place for debate style discussions." I have two questions in response. First, how does he know? If I recall correctly, the Women's Centre has a restriction on the activities that can be undertaken by males. How was it that he was able to determine what "style of dis-

cussion" is de rigeur at the Women's Centre? Second, if those who participate in discussions at the Women's Centre do not engage in "debate style" discussions, what kind of discussions do they engage in? Aside from emoting about the angst born of the "female experience" Mr. Sinclair does not elaborate.

Second, Mr. Sinclair claims that the road "away from a society whose fundamental classification is by sex" is to encourage "the sex whose lives, and hence problems, have been systematically put down and devalued, and to discover that many women have similar problems " I couldn't agree with him more-that is why I find it curious that this passage appears in Mr. Sinclair's letter. Please point out to me where I suggested anything different in my letter. My letter to Excalibur dealt with one issue specifically-that the "no males" policy of the Women's Centre is sexist and therefore intolerable.

Finally, I would like to ask Mr. Sinclair how he has been able to acquire such an admirable sensitivity to the plight of women. In the second paragraph of his letter he claims that 'women need a place to talk about the problems that we men, can't understand." How is it that he has been able to overcome his "maleness" to the extent that he not only "understands" but also feels qualified to the extent that he can lecture me on the "subjectivity" of my views? It must be tough to be so sensitive and enlightened.

-Cal Bricker

Don't they drive on the left?

Editor:

Re John Wen's article "The Quintessential Oxford." I found it hard to situate the photograph titled "A bird's eye view on High Street." Then I realized that the cars were driving on the right. As far as I know in Great Britain they still drive on the left. Don't they?

-Eric S. Armour



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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Community and Legal Aid Services Programme

We have examined the balance sheet of Community and Legal Aid Services Programme as at April 30, 1986 and the statements of members' equity and revenue and expenses for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of Community and Legal Aid Services Programme as at April 30, 1986 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

COMMUNITY AND LEGAL AID SERVICES PROGRAMME BALANCE SHEET

> AS AT APRIL 30, 1986 ASSETS

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Accounts receivable

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accruals
Loan payable (Note 3) \$ 5,704

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1986

SURFLUS - BEGINNING OF YEAR

SURPLUS - END OF YEAR COMMUNITY AND LEGAL AID SERVICES PROGRAMME

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1986

Ontario Legal Aid Programme Grant Student fees - York University Legal and Literary Society Other Sale of manuals \$ 171,779 EXPENSES Manuals
Processing costs
Counsel fees
Duplicating
Transportation
Books Books
Professional fees
Trial practice skills
ASIASO meetings
Translation
Computer supplies
Conferences and seminars.
Bank charges 175,758 EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUES BEFORE REIMBURSEMENT \$ (3,979) REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES BY CLIENTS 4,622 EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXCENSES FOR THE YEAR \$ 643

> COMMUNITY AND LEGAL AID SERVICES PROGRAMME NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICY

As the organization is not incorporated, the accompanying financial statements do not include any other assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of its members or other Osgoode Hall Law School activities.

Since this is the first year that financial statements have been prepared for this organization, no figures were available for comparative purposes.

3. LOAN PAYABLE

\$ 845

\$ 6,549