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## Students will march on Province House

By MARY ELLEN JONES

ON THURSDAY, FEB. 13, STUDENTS from across the city will march to province house in protest of the Royal Commission report on post-secondary education.

The report released on December 20, 1985 suggests students should be paying for 50 per cent of the cost of their education. Students are annoyed and hope for a high turnout for the march.

Faculty members and administration of universities have been asked to join the students in the march.

While the president of Dalhousie, Andrew Mackay, strongly supports the march, he says the students' voice will be overlooked if he goes to province house with them. "There are different ways

of influencing the government"; presidents and students have different ways of confronting the government, says Mackay.

Some members of the Dalhousie's faculty will march with the students. The president of the Nova Scotia Confederation of University Faculty Associations will make a presentation to the government during the march. Members of the opposition parties will also present statements outside province house.

"We are asking professors not to schedule major projects on the day of the march or at least not to penalize students who take up the option of marching," says Reza Rizvi, vice-president of the DSU.

The march will start in front of the Dalhousie Student Union building at 12:00 noon on Thursday February 13.



Starting September 1, 1986, Dr. Howard C. Clark will be the president of Dalhousie University.

## Clark is Dal's new president

By CHARLENE SADLER

AFTER A LONG AND involved process of selection, Howard C. Clark was the candidate chosen to succeed Dr. Andrew MacKay as the next president of Dalhousie University.

Currently vice-president (academic) at the University of Guelph and internationally renowned chemist and researcher, Clark was chosen from a list of over 80 names.

"I'm very excited about the appointment, and I'm looking forward to coming to Dalhousie," said Dr. Clark.

Dr. Clark said it is too early to say what goals he plans to accomplish while at Dalhousie but plans to spend time becoming familiar with the campus.

"The first six months will be spent outside the president's

office getting to know the campus, students, and research opportunities; to get a feel for the place," he said.

Although Dalhousie and the University of Guelph are similar in size, Dr. Clark said he "sensed that some differences existed in the way things were done."

"There are from 15 to 20 student senators at Guelph. They are very good but not particularly active in Senate debates," said Dr. Clark. "I would like to see considerable participation in Senate debates and university affairs in general. If it's happening already then that's just great, but if not then I'd like to encourage it."

"He has an outstanding track record so he'll gain automatic credibility with the academics," said Dalhousie Student Union president Catherine Blewett. "He is continuing to do research and academics like to identify with

someone who can appreciate that type of work. He is subtle in terms of personality and people will respect that."

"One of the things we talked about was accessibility and he seemed to be quite flexible and generally in favour of representing the students' point of view to the government," she said.

Besides admirable personality traits and academic accomplishments, Clark impressed the presidential search committee with his administrative abilities.

"His experience in a school of similar size stood him very well but we didn't choose him just because of that. Dal has more professional schools than Guelph so it will be a challenge to him. Dr. Clark is capable of meeting that challenge," said Dr. Bill Jones, chairman of the Senate. "We're quite enthusiastic about his appointment."

## Katimavik canned

By BRUCE FANJOY

A BARRAGE OF CRITICISM IS being levelled at the federal government following last week's withdrawal of all federal funding to Katimavik.

Katimavik, Canada's youth volunteer service program, brings Canadians between the ages of 17 and 21 together while they work for nine months in three different regions on community related projects. For their efforts, the youth are paid \$1 per day and receive a \$1000 honorarium at the end of the program.

Katimavik has become widely respected in Canada and has been used as a model for youth development programs in the United States, Great Britain, and Australia. Last year in New York, Katimavik was awarded a United Nations medal recognizing ten years of effort devoted to the protection and improvement of the environment.

Government spokesperson Marie-Josée Lapointe says, "We want to create long-lasting employment for Young Canadians and Katimavik is not an employment program."

The program's supporters say the government has missed the point.

Dalhousie's Tony Richards of the Youth Incentive Council says, "the mission is not to create jobs. Katimavik helps young people develop themselves, learning how to live and work with people."

Judge Raynell Andrewchuk, former chair of Katimavik's board of directors says, "we don't produce welders, for example, but we do teach life skills, giving young people a chance to cope with the very disorganized society they live in."

An independent study by the consulting firm Econosult concluded that, with volunteer labour and materials donated by private sponsors, each dollar contributed by the government to Katimavik is multiplied 2.5 times in direct production value. Yet, Richards says, "you can't measure Katimavik's value to Canada on straight dollars and cents."

Political columnist Hugh Winsor, criticizing the government's decision, says "the adherence to a bottom line mentality has overridden an assessment of net social good."

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