#### CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### GRAWOOD COFFEE HOUSE

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT. Snacks Sunday 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. - Come on over.

#### MONDAY MINDPOWER

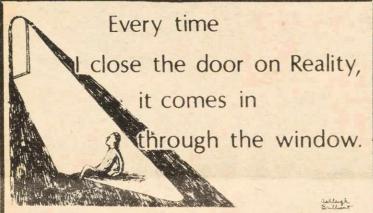
Fencing Demonstration Noon. Green Room. Free.

#### **GRAWOOD MOVIES**

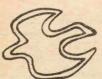
"Excalibur" Tuesday. 8 p.m.

#### TGIF CINEMA

"People of the Book" & "20 Years Later". Rm. 100. 3 p.m. Free.



... Maybe its time to come in and meet the campus chaplains



The Campus Ministry in Dalhousie University

Student Union Bldg - Dalhousie University Halifax-Nova Scotia - 424-1287/2288/2200

Rev. Joe Hattie (RC): 422-5665 • Rev. Rick Bridge (Anglican): 425-3852 ev. Avery Kempton (United): 423-5198 • Bob Gmeindl (Lutheran): 423-8926

# Godfrey reveals Liberals' future

by Barbara McKegney

What's wrong with the Liberal party today? Just ask John Godfrey, the president of King's College. He'll tell you, but don't try to agree with him - he's a "genetic Liberal" who says he'd vote for Lassie if she were the Liberal candidate in an election.

Godfrey expressed these sentiments last Thursday in the Green Room, during the latest lecture in the Thursday at Noon series.

This Thursday at Noon lecture had a difference to it. It involved a panel that responded to Dr. Godfrey's speech. They were Dr. J. Smith of Dal's Political Science Department, Dr. W. Hankey of King's Classics Department, and Peter Rans, Dal's Student Union

Dr. Godfrey stressed the "remarkable stability" of the Canadian Liberal party. He feels that the Liberal party's history has been one of pragmatism, contradiction, compromise and the odd horseshoe", which he says is only natural for a party that has been in power as much as the Liberals. He doesn't think that the NDP would look "so pure" if they were in power for a while.

Godfrey sees the Liberal party's concerns for the future including such things as civil liberties, social security and improvement of economy, and he envisions an "increased sense of environmental problems and international situations". However, he didn't seem too certain of its chances for survival in the near future. He recognizes the danger of any party being in power for too long, although when Dr. Hankey capitalized on this comment Godfrey was quick to reply that the Liberals have a great capacity for "self-renewal"

Other weaknesses Godfrey cited were the failure of the Liberal party to promote a communitarian feel-

ing in the country, and an "over extended faith in the technocratic system" and governmental intervention, creating an "overly socially engineered" country. He was also in total agreement with Peter Rans that the Prime Minister is "an autocrat and a snob".

Godfrey also listed some themes of Liberalism which were an attempt to explain the psychological and ideological makeup of the Liberal party. These "legacies of the past" included the ideal of individual freedom and that of social responsibility coexisting; a centralizing tendency, cultural dualism and the "ability to adjust", which Peter Rans called "opportunism". The last theme mentioned was that of the priorities of the leader being reflected in the party. All three panelists seemed to find this characteristic rather unfavourable. Dr. Hankey saw it more in terms of the present leader's "obsessions" being "inflicted" upon the people. Dr. Smith called into question Trudeau's idea of national unity, and Peter Rans called it nepotism.



## Wine, cheese and environmental subversives

Last Thursday the Ecology Action Centre hosted a Wine and Archives building to herald the EAC's new location.

"Modelling the future is where the environmental movement is at right now" said Susan Holtz, Energy Analyst for the Centre. She added environmentalists have to know the technology to get the basis of the arguments for each

The Centre provides material for esearch and has done media work" said Holtz. Information is collected from "specialized and obscure journals," abstracts, documents and books among other sources. Much of the material is donated.

Data bases are being considered to store information but material still ends up being sorted by human resources, said Holtz. "Data bases are handy but absorption (of information) doesn't go up while the information out there always is"

Research is conducted by some professional staff and action committees drawn from the membercheese reception in the Old ship. Some outside projects are undertaken at cost.

> The Centre was formed with the help of a Federal government grant in 1971. Three years later the government withdrew funding for core activities of advocacy, education and action said Holtz. She feels this is due to criticism of government policies by the Centre and other groups. Funding now comes from diverse sources mostly membership and local businesses - although some corporations have contributed.

Formal national and international affiliation with other environmental and non-governmental organizations includes contact with "Friends of the Earth". A conference sponsored in 1976 by the Canadian Environmental Advisory Council for Canadian groups initiated structured correspondence and nearly annual meetings which have continued since that time.



Susan Holtz, Energy Analyst of the Ecology Action Centre

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