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#### Red Cross Still a charitable organization

For over 50 years, March has been officially declared Red Cross Month and this coming March is no exception. Throughout New Brunswick and across the country and continent the Society will be celebrating Red Cross Month through an extensive public relations program and campaign. Franklin O. Leger, Q.C., President of the New Brunswick Division of the Canadian Red Cross, explains the purpose of Red Cross Month as being threefold.

"First, it is to develop a sense of public awareness in the services offered by Red Cross. Most people are familiar with the Blood Transfusion Service and Water Safety aspects of Red Cross but are not so familiar with other services offered such as Emergency Services, Tracing and Reunion, Sickroom Equipment Loan Service, First Aid, Family Health, Homemaker Service, Assistance International and Domestic (A.I.D.), Services for Seniors, Red Cross Youth, Volunteer Services and Arts and Crafts. A public awareness of these programs is essential in ensuring that they continue to exist.

Secondly, although over 1000 Greater Saint John, Moncton, volunteers are registered with Red Cross in New Brunswick, there is a continued need for more. The recruitment of volunteers is an ongoing function in Red Cross but during the month of March,

through extensive public relations, recruitment and orientation of volunteers reaches a highpoint. Volunteers are needed to expand services where Red Cross programs exist and develop services where the programs do not exist.

'Thirdly, in order to carry out the services provided, the Red Cross must seek funds. March is set aside as the month for the Red Cross door-to-door canvas in those areas not covered by United Way. Recent publicity indicated that

the Red Cross had lost its charitible organization status. This is not the case. All contributions made to Red Cross will receive receipts that can be used for tax deductions.

'This year's campaign objective is \$300,350. of which \$129,750. will be raised from the door-todoor canvas and the remainder coming from the United Ways' of

Fredericton and Oromocto.

Red Cross does not have large financial reserves. Certain programs receive support from fees, and from government and municipal agencies, but the Society believes that its services should be available to everyone who needs them.

'The time donated by volunteers enables services to be provided with minimal overheads. But there is no such thing as "Free" when it comes to such necessities as a telephone or paper which the Society needs to communicate vith its clients. Administration costs are needed in larger branches; books for teaching must pe printed . . . these are inescapable costs if programs are to be operated efficiently.

'Organizations such as Red Cross must rely on the people they serve to support them financially. If each gives according to his or her ability the future of the organization is secured. If not it is the community which stands to lose. You are asked to consider this when the Red Cross canvasser calls.

# Mary Lou's Column

HOW CAN I FIND MEANING AND PURPOSE IN MY LIFE?

There is a school of thought called Existentialism. The Existentialist says that the only thing meaningful about life is it has no real meaning. People delude themselves by creating their own individual worlds of "reality". If you follow this philosophy you will develop an "anything is okay" approach to life. Infortunately few such people manage to be very happy for very ong. Witness the self-professed "darkness, bleakness and despair" of Bertrand Russell. Yet once you are entrenched in this philosophy, it is difficult to leave because it makes so much worldly sense. Christianity, by comparison, can seem ridiculous. It doesn't exalt our egos. Instead Jesus tells us, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." (Matthew 16: 24 and 25)

Christianity demands the belief that Jesus is the second person of the Holy Trinity, (Father, Son and Holy Spirit). Most of us have to get to the point of desperation before we are prepared to take this leap of faith. If you are desperate listen carefully to these words of Jesus, "If any man thirst, let him come into me and drink. He who pelieves in me . . . . 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water'. " (John 7: 37, 38)

I CAN'T IMAGINE GOD EVER LOVING AND FORGIVING ME FOR THE THINGS I'VE DONE.

If your church experience has given you more humanism than Christianity, your feelings are understandable. Humanism makes no allowance for sin. It is assumed that if we really, really try we can be like God. Think about it. (Examine your thoughts and actions for even one hour of your life!) We just can't do it. The burden of our guilt and frustration will make us dislike ourselves and God whom we imagine to be imposing this impossible code upon us.

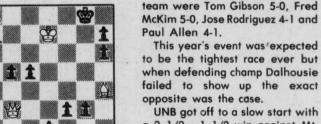
Christianity, unlike humanism, is about our failure. We are united in our human failings not in our perfection. God foresaw our inability to cope. That's what the Cross is all about. Jeremiah 23:6 tells us that "the Lord is our righteousness". Then in (1John 1: 9) we read, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness". Then when we look back at the things we have done wrong, we are entitled to picture ourselves as doing the right thing in each of those situations. Mind-bending isn't it? "A new heart will I give you, and a new spirit I will put within you . . . . and I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances." (Ezekiel 36: 26, 27).

RELIGION DOESN'T RELATE TO MY LIFE NOW. I'M GOING TO WAIT UNTIL I'M OLD OR SICK.

There are four important things wrong with this approach. In the first place, we all die and very few know when. Secondly, the Bible makes a distinction between those who have heard these words of Jesus, "I am the way, the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father but by me." (John 14:6), and those who have not heard the good news. Jesus was "the word made flesh". When we reject his e reject him. That doesn't leave us in an enviable position.



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Paul Allen 4-1. This year's event was'expected to be the tightest race ever but when defending champ Dalhousie

opposite was the case. UNB got off to a slow start with a 2 1/2 - 1 1/2 win against Mt. Allison and then scored 3 1/2 - 1/2 vs. the UNB 'B' team. This was followed by 3 4-0 whitewashings Moncton, Saint John Hig

Playing on the championship FINAL STANDINGS team were Tom Gibson 5-0, Fred 1. UNB (F'ton) A - 18 McKim 5-0, Jose Rodriguez 4-1 and 2. U de M - 12 3. Mt. Allison - 10 1/2 4. UNB (F'ton) B - 9 1/2

5. UNBSJ - 5 1/2 6. S.J.H.S. - 4 1/2 Organized on short notice there will be a chess tournament this weekend in Room 26 - SUB. Entry

ee is \$3.00 C.F.C. membership is required with discounts on entry tee to new players. Registration is at 6:30 p.m. Friday night.

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By F. MCKIM and UNBSJ.

Playing for UNB 'B' team were The 1979 Atlantic Intercolle- Thomas Wray, J.F. Pelletier, Jeff giate was won by UNB for the Fryer, and M.J. Shiao. Also playing second time in three years. This from UNB was Chris Corey who year UNB walked away with the played for UNBSJ who were a event having a final score of 18-2. player short.

to last chess problem. 1. B-K1 K-B4 2. N-N5 K-N5 3. P-Q4 mate (Composed by A. Tanielyan) Chess problem. White to play and mate in 4 Solution next week.

the group, its constituents and contents. The much awaited INDIA

NITE '79 is soon going to go on

stage with this debut performance

Thirdly, Christianity is a very practical religion. Jesus fed people, healed the sick, loved everyone and told us "Come unto me all who labor and are heavy - laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11: 28-30). Finally, this is the time of your life when you are choosing a career, a mate and a lot of other things! Jesus wants to give you deep down, lasting happiness. Think about it.

For comment or further information, contact Mary Lou McGibbon 454-7992.

# Swara sangham to play

Fredericton. The group has been

#### By ARASAM NASESH

"SWARA SANGHAM" — Swara in Sanskrit (one of the earliest known languages of India) means a musical note and Sangham means a group or collection; a group of musical notes symbolizes this talented orchestral group from Toronto. The group renders Indian light music through vocals and an instrumental chorus with a rich variety of tunes and melodies blended with delightful rhythms. Usually, light Indian music comprises songs of love and emotion, songs of merriment and gaiety, songs depicting a person's dreams or aspirations . . . etc. Light Indian music is a prime substance of nearly every Indian film and characterizes, in a very special way the Indian culture of modern times.

SWARA SANGHAM will soon be offering a sample of this Indian light music for the first time in

acclaimed as one of the leading musical troupes of Canada and has to its credit frequent TV shows on CTV networks in Ontario and Manitoba. The group has also given several live performances in both Canada and U.S.

Watch this paper for more about

by SWARA SANGHAM in Fredericton. For any other details please contact either Prof. U.G. Gujar at 454-1355 or A.R. Nagesh at 455-8672 during the evenings.

Satan's choice?

What a way to go. When Toronto biker Robert Harvluk -- better wn as "Ego" -- choked to death on a piece of meat last week, members of the Para-Dice bike club decided to give him a royal send-off.

Ego was dressed up in full riding regalia and accompanied to the cemetery by outlaws from the Vagabonds, Satan's Choice, the a safe distance. (Newscript)

Iron Hawgs, and even a few Hessians who came all the way from the West Coast. As an organist played selections from "South Pacific" and "The Sound of Music", a mourner fired three shots in the air and Ego -- and his tarley-Davidson -- were lowered

Iway. Incredulous police used binocuars to watch the whole thing from

### Employment

The STUDENT UNION BUILDING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY is now accepting applications for The Student Union Building is

employment for the following positions: A. Summer 1979

senior supervisors general staff

B. Fall and Winter 1979-1980 senior supervisors

position of Summer Co-ordinator. The position will commence on the first of May and extend until the end of August. Duties will include; supervision

now accepting applications for the

general staff of the building, bar service All present staff are reminded co-ordination, event supervision, they must apply for the summer room arrangement and other and/or next year if they wish to assigned tasks.

work in the STUDENT UNION All questions pertaining to this BUILDING. position should be addressed to

If there are any questions the Director of the SUB. concerning duties or qualifications Deadline for applications is please inquire at the Director's March 26, 1979. Please apply in office writing to the: Application forms are available

at the Director's office of the SUB, Director Room 105

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS Student Union Building UNB Campus IS MARCH 23, 1979.

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