

# Soap Box

CJSR's King Lo teamed up with *The Gateway's* Jeff Cowley and then took to the campus to collect students' opinions, observations and random comments on the Students' Union budget and the upcoming election. And here is what the campus had to say...



"Nobody shows up. Nobody cares. SU elections mean we get an afternoon off a class."

— Mike Smith  
Arts III

"I think their funds should be injected back into the University in a very direct way. I'm not saying they should balance the budget every year, but it shouldn't just sit, it should definitely be employed... a scholarship is one possibility..."

— Jim Freeman  
Engineering IV

"As long as they can run their businesses without an overall net loss they are doing a good job, like with SU Records... I understand Dewey's is losing money, maybe some changes need to be made..."

— anonymous Science students



Alot of time they (the SU) are between trying to make money and trying to provide a service. And sometimes they catch themselves saying 'we're not making any money here' but it's a needed service. So I think they have to get their priorities straight and decide what they want to provide students and at what cost they are willing to give it to us."

— Greg Mainman  
Arts III

"We are so apathetic... we don't care... really..."

— anonymous Agriculture students

"They should fight every step of the way against (things like) cutbacks, it's what they are there for. They have to keep pressing, they can't become complacent — like they did earlier — that's why we are getting cutbacks now."

— Mike McKillop  
Science III

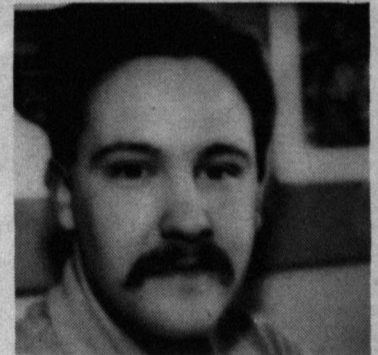


"The SU is there to benefit students... if they have a surplus at the end of the year they should be recycling it and doing something to make life better for students, that's why we elect them... I don't think it's the bottom line that's the issue... student welfare is the main issue."

— Elane Mah  
Business II

"I think that there should be more room for students to sit down instead of sitting on stairs, they should try and press for more facilities for us... They should (also) enforce the smoking laws — have patrols that wander around and bust butt."

— Rob Emmerson  
Business IV



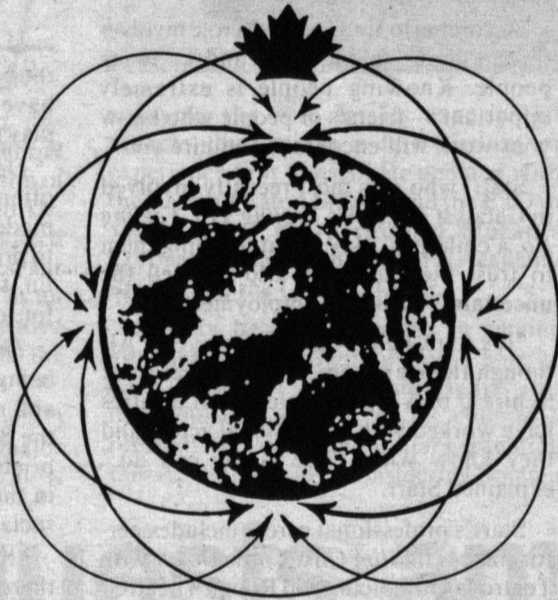
"Every year we hear about some idiot spending money on strippers or political campaigns — that's bogus? It's sure stupidity. If the candidates are going to concentrate on anything they should think about making things better around here for us — I think we are the important people..."

— Jeff Mcfindoe  
Arts IV

"I don't even know where it goes, really (student fees). They never really even tell you. It's just something you pay and forget about, I guess."

— Brad Smilanich  
Arts II

## 'DIALOGUE FOR DEVELOPMENT'



### The Role of Canadians In the Third World

FEBRUARY 11, 1989 8:15 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

S.U.B Theatre, U of A

#### THE ROLE OF CANADIANS IN THE THIRD WORLD

Every year, Canadians devote many hours towards various causes outside the borders of their home country. Whether it be actively participating in organizations concerned with international affairs or merely listening as news from around the world is broadcast into their living rooms each night, all Canadians have ties to events occurring outside of Canada. In addition to the billions of tax dollars allotted to official government funding agencies, Canadians also make generous individual contributions to Third World assistance.

Yet according to surveys, the majority of Canadians remain largely unaware of the issues, causes, and conditions which contribute to the sustained poverty and social injustices experienced in many parts of the world today. What we are just beginning to realize is that most of the major crisis facing the world are global problems that require common solutions. Are we as Canadians equipped to resolve and help shape the rapid changes occurring in an increasingly interdependent world? Many Canadians remain uninformed of the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of Canadian efforts to eliminate these problems. Should Canadians be involved in the Third World? Why and How? How effective or ineffective is Canadian Official assistance? This question will be asked of a panel of distinguished politicians and experts during an all day symposium to be held on **February 11, 1989 at SUB Theatre, University of Alberta.**

The emphasis of this symposium is on Dialogue and as such, those who attend are encouraged to come prepared with questions which they wish the panelists to address. These will be collected and presented to panelists as time permits. Individuals will also be allowed to forward questions directly from floor mikes if they so desire.

For further information contact the Change for Children office at 425-8625. As seating is limited, participants are advised to register as soon as possible.

#### SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1989

##### MORNING SESSION

- 8:15 Doors open
- 8:50 Opening Statements
- 9:00 Development - **A Global Issue**  
Moderator: **Mel Hurtig**, Co-founder and past chairman of The Council of Canadians
- 9:30 **Ray Verge**: Executive Director of the Alberta Agency for International Development
- 10:00 **Elaine Bernard**: Director of Labour Studies at Simon Fraser University
- 10:30 **Pat Mooney**: Researcher, International Genetic Resources Programme, Rural Advancement Funds International
- 11:00 **Mary Burlie**: President, Change for Children and case worker in Edmonton's inner city
- 11:30 Question Period
- 12:30 Lunch Break

##### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:15 Development - **A Political Issue**  
Moderator: **Mrs. Jean Forest Chancellor Emeritus of the University of Alberta**
- 1:30 **Sergio Lacayo**: Nicaraguan Ambassador to Canada
- 2:00 **Lloyd Axworthy**: External Affairs Critic for the Liberal Party
- 2:30 **Marion Dewar**: Former Mayor of Ottawa
- 3:00 **Douglas Roche**: Former PC for Edmonton Strathcona, Canadian Ambassador to UN on Disarmament
- 3:30 **Roy Neehall**: Former Chairman of the Caribbean World Council of Churches
- 4:00 Question Period
- 5:00 Closing Statements

The symposium is organized by Change for Children. Co-sponsored by U of A Students' Union. Advance tickets are available at SUB Information Desk. Adults: \$15.00 Students and Low Income: \$12.00

## Grapevine

When is a can of Libby's beans good for a can of John Labatt's best?

On Tuesday in RATT. Starting this week, RATT will fill students' glasses for the price of a few preserved food stuffs. For a couple of mom's cans of strained artichokes or boiled liver bits, students can barter for a glass of draft or a highball.

RATT management is making the currency switch to replenish the shelves of the Edmonton Food Bank. "RATT has certainly taken a lot of good business from the university, and it's a good idea to try and give something back," said SU vp David Tupper.