

A multicultural happening

Canadians will have the opportunity to gain insights into other cultures when the International Students' Committee at the University of Alberta presents International Week next month.

Beginning February 9 and lasting until February 14, International Week will feature entertainment, films, displays and a forum. Activities are being prepared by groups from on campus and off, representing a variety of ethnic groups encompassing most of the globe.

International Week will begin with an International Folk Festival on Sunday afternoon in the Students' Union Building Theatre on campus. The festival will feature Chinese Lion Dance and Kung Fu demonstration, Scottish country dancing and Canadian square dancing. Other numbers have their origin in the cultures of the Philippines, England, the Ukraine, Arabia, Nigeria, India and China.

More live entertainment will follow on Monday evening with Cantonese drama and Chinese folk dances, again in SUB Theatre.

A variety of feature films and documentaries will be shown throughout the week. The features come from Chile, India, South Africa, Uruguay and the Philippines and the documentaries are from Arabia, China and India.

All week long, international displays from Africa, Armenia, China, the Philippines and Canada will appear in the Students' Union Art Gallery and campus library showcase will feature a collection of dolls from many countries. And on Tuesday and Thursday, displays on campus will portray third world countries through photographs, slides, and music, while agencies such as Canadian University Services Overseas and OXFAM suggest avenues for involvement for Canadians.

On Wednesday evening, Chinese students will present a forum and slide show on "Education in China Since the Cultural Revolution". Featured speaker will be Dr. Brian Evans of the university's history

department who recently spent time in China.

Celebrations of Chinese New Year and St. Valentine's Day round out the week's events. The Year of the Rabbit will be ushered in with a Chinese banquet and dance on Tuesday evening, and International Week will close with a St. Valentine's Party Friday evening, February 14.

For most activities, admission is free or minimal.

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son hit for 21 while teammate Ralph Turner had 18 points and 8 rebounds.

Len Davidiuk showed well, scoring 10 points and hauling in 13 rebounds in a game that occasionally saw him paired with UBC's 6'11" center, Mike McKay. Colin Fennell was steady for the Bears with 14 points. Bears hit 49% from the floor.

Saturday's game seemed headed for an Alberta win. In the early going Bears built up a substantial lead thanks to Colin Fennell's accurate eye. They perhaps got a little confident and went flat to allow UBC to tie

Tenure debate at UBC

Vancouver (CUP) The denial of tenure for a University of British Columbia Commerce faculty member has raised the issues of teaching versus research in tenure evaluations, the value of applied versus theoretical research, and student opinion versus faculty decision.

Commerce professor John Evans, has been told that he will not receive tenure because he

has not done enough research, but he argues that this is not true. Evans says that he has done "a great deal of research" but that most of it was directed towards practical ends and was not suitable for inclusion into a scholarly journal.

He cited work he has done on compiling a data base for Canadian securities and a report he undertook last summer for the Economic Council of Canada.

Although he said that the tenure and promotions committee which denied him tenure acted in a manner that was "infinitely fair given the standards they set," he is less than satisfied with those standards.

He charged that the standards place an "above average" emphasis on research and not enough on teaching, though he feels that research is essential to teaching. The crux of the issue, however, is what constitutes good research.

Evans says that the commerce department spends too much time on theoretical research of little practical use. "It's pure theory now. They're making models of mathematical methods for the fun of doing it," he said. "We should do more work that has direct benefits to the Canadian scene, policy-making papers for government and work that has applications to business techniques."

Students reacted against the decision to deny Evans tenure and Evans was surprised at the support he received. "I hadn't expected it, and it came right out of the woodwork," he said. "It shows there's some things to teaching after all," he added.

the score with 10 minutes left in the half.

Bears played sloppy ball for the rest of the first half and found themselves down 30-26 at half time.

In the second half they had to play catch-up ball. The harder they tried, the more fouls they drew. UBC proved themselves the superior team in this game, and swung themselves back into the race for a playoff spot in the CWUAA finals.

Mitchelson said he saw "a lot of standing around" on the part of the Bears. He explained the loss this way - "We got killed on our defensive boards and you can't let that happen. They (UBC) have a couple of aggressive rebounders that

could get the ball for second and third shots. When we went for a rebound we would arrive late and take a foul."

Looking at the stats, its obvious T-Birds dominated play. U of A had 20 fouls to BC's 8, 30 rebounds to BC's 42 and most important, 54 points to UBC's 67.

Bears are once again in the thick of things as they journey to Saskatchewan next weekend. Calgary, UBC, and U of A are all tied for second spot with Victoria in front, on the basis of two extra wins from two extra games. Bears can only, at most, afford one loss in their next 6 games, and their last series is in Calgary. It should come down to that.

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