

Student input welcomed to HFS review board

by Kevin Law

Frustrated by the housing and food situation? Food forums aside, students will have another opportunity to provide input to the highest level of university administration.

The President's Advisory Committee on Campus Reviews (PACCR) is a committee that was formed in 1980 to review and suggest program improvements to all campus departments.

According to Shirley Moore, coordinator for PACCR, the committee is reviewing every department on campus in a ten to eleven year process, and is currently coming to the end of its first review.

The department of Housing and Food is the next department to be reviewed by the committee.

Moore explained PACCR is a steering committee only and has no direct powers. PACCR formulates a review in conjunction with the department being reviewed. The department itself does a self-study, including its history and future, and also provides a list of names of reviewers to be selected. The list is comprised of "people who know the department and who interact with it," Moore said.

There are four people on the review committee, the fourth person being selected from university administration. PACCR then meets with the department, in this case Housing and Food, as well as others involved, such as Pembina and Lister Hall students' associations.

"We look at how the system is working and where improvements can be made," Moore said,

adding, "no department is so good that it can't have improvements."

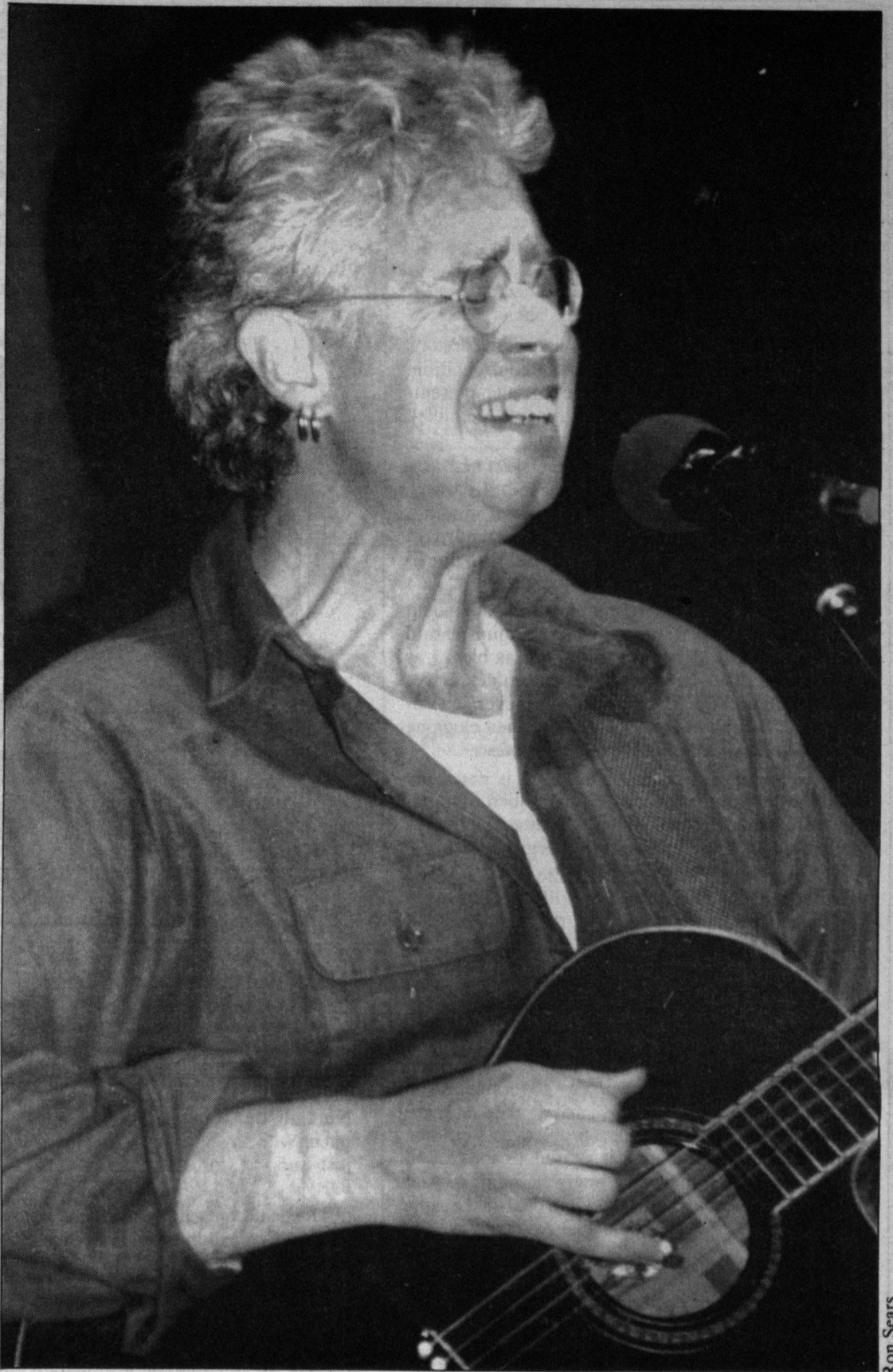
At the end of the three or four day meetings, the reviewers go home and complete their reports, after which the reports are handed over to the university president, and then to David Bruch, director of Housing and Food who will then go over the recommendations for improvements with Housing and Food staff and decide which recommendations should be implemented.

The best way for students to get involved is to send letters to Moore, who will pass them on to the four members of the committee. The committee members will then use the letters as part of the research embodied in their reports.

Moore made it clear that all letters will be confidential and will be seen by the reviewers only. Students can also send letters to the student groups involved.

"This is a chance for students to write down their own thoughts to a review committee member," Moore said. "We want ideas from students about the situation. Responsible and constructive ideas would be very beneficial to us," she said, adding, "It is an opportunity to be heard and have direct input into the operation of the university."

The deadline for all letters is November 25, and should be addressed to: Mrs. Shirley Moore, Coordinator; President's Advisory Committee on Campus Reviews; University of Alberta; W4-13 Chemistry building; Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2G2.



Ron Sears

Tutorial service upgraded

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their names to the files. Now, the Students' Union is "filtering out tutors who didn't get good reviews," said Charles Vethan, vp ceiling should be around \$10/hr.

The new tutor lists will eventually be divided into city zones. Tutors will be listed according to where they live. This division

should be complete by January, said Vethan.

The revision of the tutorial services will be beneficial to tutors they will now be able to fill out application forms directly at the info booths.

Despite the changes, the tutorial services will remain free and voluntary.


Canadian crusade for Africa

More than 700 people packed into SUB Theatre Wednesday to listen to singer Bruce Cockburn's commentary on Mozambique, Africa. Cockburn is on a Canadian tour trying to drum up support for the war torn country.

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