MAIAYSIAN FOCUS

There has been some debate recently on the proposed abolishment of differential fees but ironically enough, discussions have as yet proceeded without so much as a squeak from the one body around which this whole issue revolves on - that of the foreign student body. Surely, we are not, the redoubtable creatures we appear to be, to stand idle and spectate this issue through. Should we not instead rally our resources, and in force, impress ourselves upon those whom such decisions must eventually rest on? It appears that we have been too complacent and reticent that our idleness have finally addled our brains.

Getting back to the original point in question; it is not incomprehensible that one of the purposes, if not the sole purpose, of differential fees is to alleviate the financial burden of foreign tuition subsidy by the Canadian Government. However, have we not overlooked some other intrinsic aspects of the matter which may warrant more attention? I am inclined to think that differential fees defeats, to a certain degree, its very own purpose by impeding a substantial influx of foreign currencies and investments. Moreover, if we were to ignore the purely economic sense of the matter, how then can differential fees be justified? Do we not impart to Canadians as much, if not more, than what we learn from them? Do not also the sharing of cultures propagate a sense of prevailing friendship, and enchances further our appreciation for the need for greater rapport and understanding? Do not these by themselves preponderate over the economics of the matter?

Let the MSS make its overtures now. It is not, I hope, in its precocity to follow always where it is led, never to assume its rightful onus, and forever shunning its laurel. Indeed, there is nothing more despondent than to see 'ambassadors' of an incomparable cultural heritage quiver with frail hearts at the mere prospects of a brazen challenge. The MSS can no longer stand muted, and must extricate itself from its impassive silence, for nothing can be resolved if determination in itself is lacking.

Now that I've had my fair share of pot-shots, let's proceed to something of a lighter note.

First of all, my commendations to all those involved in the International Students' Night. It was rather 'refreshing' to hear that the Malaysian spirit remained undaunted. . . even after those involved were informed that they, despite their inexhaustible efforts, still had to pay for their tickets. . . . must be the weather. . .

To those of you graduating, 'SYBAS'. I'm sure you will dearly miss the 'spills and thrills' of Fredericton life, and will undoubtedly carry home with you memorable thoughts of UNB. . . if not anything else.

And for those of you poor sloggers who have yet to get your funny hats, cheer-up, and think of those great times ahead. . . suggestions, . . . anyone?

Finally, your PRO (that's the Person Responsible for Obfuscation) tells me that there are still some tickets left for the upcoming MSS-OCSA Farewell Banquet. For further enquiries, you are asked to contact Clifford at 454-1636 or Desmond at 454-6478.

Courses offered in French

BY WENDY MONTGOMERY Brunswickan Staff

Students interested in taking introductory courses in French will be able to do so in the Fall of 1984. Freshmen Canadian History, Political Science 1000, Economics 1000, Psychology 1000, and Chemistry 1000 are among possible courses to be offered. External funding for the courses will be made available by the Secretary of State, and the library will be upgraded to include French resource information material for the courses.

The only eligibility requirement to the program is that the students have confidence in his or her ability to handle the course material in French. The discretion will be left entirely to the student.

Students with questions concerning the program should contact Prof. Vigod of the History Department at 453-4621.

I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE MY GOOD FRIEND AND FAITHFUL COMPANION, SLUSHBALL. SLUSHY HELPS ME SNIFF OUT ANIMALS, AND FORTUNATELY, THIS WEEK'S ANIMAL, THE CANADA GOOSE, HANGS BUT IN FLORIDA THIS TIME OF YEAR! IN THE FALL, THE CANADA GOOSES HEAD SOUTH FLYING IN THE FAMILIAR

V- SHAPE. THEY FLY IN THIS FORMATION

CAUSE ONLY ONE IN TWENNY GOOSES KNOWS THE WAY TO FLORIDA, AND THE OTHERS BETTER FOLLOW OR THEY MIGHT END UP IN FROBISHER BAY! EVEN FROM FAR AWAY,



Student wins award

Fredericton, won the 1982 generation. Hydrotechnical Division Student Award from the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering.

Mr. MacGougan, who is from Kensington, P.E.I., won the award for his report on the estimation of the date of ice break-up and formation on New Brunswick rivers, which he wrote as part of the requirements for his bachelor's degree in civil engineering at UNB.

Civil engineering professor Dale Bray, who was Mr. MacGougan's adviser for the study, says that the report is of interest to the federal department of the environment, to hydotechnical researchers in Ontario, and to any group planning construction over waterways in this province. He says that Mr. MacGougan's master's degree research is focusing

Ian M. MacGougan, a on river and stream flow graduate student in civil under ice, which is of conengineering at the University siderable importance in of New Brunswick in areas such as hydropower Mr. MacGougan is the son

of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney M. MacGougan, R. R. 1, Kensington.

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