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LEARNING DISABILITIES CONFERENCE

The Dalhousie Department of Education is sponsoring a two-day meeting December 4-5 to discuss the problems of children with learning disabilities and emotional problems.

Two of the prominent speakers will be Dr. H. Kearney of the

University of Maine (Dec. 4 at 8:30 p.m.), and Dr. Edgar Friedenberg of Dalhousie (Dec. 5 at 9:30 p.m.). The meetings and panel discussions will take place in the McInnes Room. Registration fee is \$2.

UNDERDEVELOPMENT

Paul Rosenstein-Rhodan, an economist specializing in underdevelopment, will speak about "Latin America: Diagnosis and Prognosis" Friday, November 27, in the Killam Library Auditorium.

LAST OF BEETHOVEN

As part of the Beethoven Festival, there will be a choral concert at 8:30 p.m. in All Saints Cathedral Sunday, November 29.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Students' Council holds meetings every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Students' Council

chambers, 2nd floor of the SUB. Everyone welcome to look on.

VARIETY SHOW

"Roundabout after Dark", a CBC variety show hosted by Frank Cameron, will be videotaping a show in the Green Room Thursday, Nov. 26, at 9:00 p.m. Admission free.

LIBRARY HOURS

The Killam Memorial Library is extending its present hours on weekdays and Sundays. On Mondays to Fridays, the building will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday hours remain at 9:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday's new hours are 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. Staircases A & B are also now open for use between the second and fifth floors.

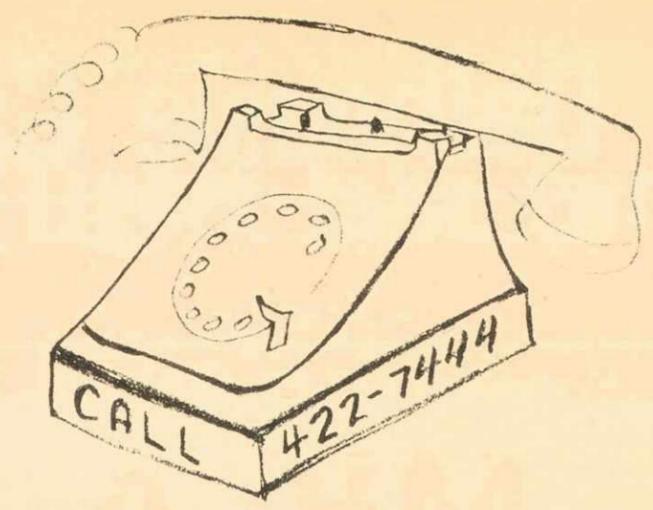
BLOOD BATH

Dalhousie's Blood Donor Clinic, held in the SUB October 20 and 21 fell short of its stated goal. The clinic was only able to raise 550 of the 800 pints which they had pledged to the Red Cross.

The Red Cross uses 1000 pints of blood a week in the Halifax area.

Dalhousie has an enrollment of 6000 students.

In an attempt to fulfill, or surpass, the previous goal, another blood drive will be held January 26 and 27. Previous cowards will not be discriminated against. Thanks are due to those who participated in the first drive.



HelpLine

Call any hour

by Martin Dalley

Do you have a problem? Need information, referral or counselling? If so, call the Help Line at 422-7444, operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Help Line can help you find appropriate service for meeting any needs that can be a problem. Whether it be a social, emotional, or personal problem, Help Line can help you. Whether it be an educational, employment, addiction, or any other sort of problem, just call 422-7444.

The role of Help Line is to perform an integrative function within the social service complex in Halifax and Dartmouth, and to provide information, referral and immediate counselling.

In conversation with Barrie MacFarlane, one of the coordinators of Help Line, he informed me that a fair number of emergency calls have been

received. These calls involving serious crisis, dealt with suicide, bad trips, and over doses of drugs. With crisis calls, said MacFarlane, sometimes counselling is enough — but if not, there is a person on call who can go into the situation to provide transportation or any other assistance required.

The majority of calls deal with social, emotional and personality functioning and an increasing number of calls fall into this category.

The Help Line organization is modelled after a demonstration project sponsored last year by the Welfare Council in Halifax. The project demonstrated the need for this kind of service in both Halifax and Dartmouth area.

"The volume of response to Help Line," said MacFarlane, "indicates a need for this kind of service." Approximately 580 calls have been received within the last month, which demonstrates both Help Line's value and a need for a permanent help line service, he added.

Help Line service was organized by four students in a detached unit of the Maritime School of Social Work. Actual operation now includes about 100 volunteers who are either graduate students in social work or professionals in the Halifax-Dartmouth area.

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