

Those wacky, wonderful words

When I was about three feet shorter, my grandmother used to sit me on a dictionary so I could see over the dinner table like real people. This was doubtless a turning point in my intellectual life. The dictionary was one of those big things, the kind they keep on pedestals in libraries, the ones they won't let you take home for fear of personal injury. This dictionary is a lasting thing and I think the inside cover says something about its efficiency as fallout shelter insulation. (But wouldn't it have looked silly strapped to the back of a

reindeer?) Granted it lacks the flexibility of my battered Webster's paperback, which has been a two volume edition ever since the binding split between Hollywood and holocaust, but it remains nevertheless a functional part of my life. Now I use it as a footstool.

EKDEMOMANIA — Ekdemomania is compulsive wandering such as what people do in HUB between classes and coffees.

EGERSIS — Egersis is an abnormal state of alertness, similar to what happens when all the caffeine you ingested studying during

exam week hits you at three in the morning the following Tuesday.

EISEGESIS — Eisegesis is when you interpret a literary work by presenting your ideas as those of the author. If your English prof accuses you of it you obviously didn't do it well enough.

EMUSCATION — The removing of moss. Emuscation is what you have to do to the stuff in the bottom corner of the fridge before attempting identification.

ENGASTRATION — It sounds like a common form of torture during the Middle Ages, but engastration refers to a culinary technique whereby one bird is stuffed inside another prior to roasting. Ask your mom to do this next Thanksgiving so you can have the choice of an outside outside or an inside outside piece.

EPHEMEROMORPH — An ephemeromorph is a life form which cannot be classified as animal

or vegetable even after emuscation. Throw these ones out or make a casserole.

ERINACEOUS — Erinaceous is pertaining to a hedgehog. Did you know that in England they sell erinaceous flavoured potato chips? Really. The flavouring is artificial though so environmentalists don't get upset.

EROTREME — The question mark, ? .

EROTOGRAPHOMANIAC — A compulsive writer of love letters and probably of those desperate pleas in the personals.

EVAGATION — Mental wandering. What people do in HUB during coffees.

EXCEREBROSE — What the Scarecrow was in *The Wizard of Oz*, devoid of brains, that is.

EXUNGULATE — To cut one's nails. "Really John, I'd just love to go out with you on Saturday, but I've got to exungulate." At least it's not as obvious a brush off as the ol' cat'n hairball excuse.



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—To receive reports from the Committees of Bio-Safety and Radiation Control, administrative units, and committees involved in and concerned with occupational health and safety issues and programmes.

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1987 - 30 April 1988

RECREATIONAL USE OF "PHYSICAL EDUCATION and RECREATION CENTRE" COMMITTEE

—requires 3 undergraduate representatives

Purpose:

—to review recreational needs of the students and staff as they affect the scheduling of free time in the Physical Education and Recreation Centre

—To establish policy as to the Centre's use during the periods not scheduled for regular classes.

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SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

—requires 1 undergraduate representative

Purpose:

—To provide a forum for the review and formulation of security policy

—To ensure that security policy is in conformity with the law and to ensure consistent application on campus.

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Term: 1 May 1987 - 30 April 1988

UNIVERSITY COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

—requires 1 undergraduate representative

Purpose:

—To recommend policy for security, conservation, cataloguing, exhibition and storage of the University Collections, and for the acquisition and disposition of major collections.

—To aid in the acquisition of outside funding for the support of the University Collections

—To assist in the preparation of central service budgets for, and the establishments of priorities for budget allocations to the University Collections

—To facilitate liaison between the University and other bodies concerned with the exhibition, care, and preservation of similar collections.

Meets: At the call of the Chair, but no less than 4 per year

Term Expires: 30 June 1988

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—requires 1 undergraduate representative

Purpose:

—To make recommendations and give advice to the Vice-President (Administration) on the purchase or commissioning of works of art purchases from capital funds.

Meets: At the call of the Chair

Term: 1 May 1987 - 30 April 1988

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—3 undergraduate students required to sit on the University Senate.

Duties of the Senate:

—The Senate's responsibility is to inquire into any matter that

might tend to enhance the usefulness of the University. It acts as a two-way link between the University and the public. The Senate may also authorize the conferring of Honorary

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—The Senate meets five times yearly.

Term: 1 May 1987 to 30 April 1988.



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For Applications and Information, contact the Students' Union Executive Offices, Room 259 Students' Union Building (SUB), 432-4236.

