

Mount Saint Vincent offers lecture series

As one of the special events during the joint celebrations of its 50th Anniversary and International Women's Year, Mount Saint Vincent University is offering an evening lecture series "Contemporary Woman's Heritage and Hope" on five successive Thursday

evenings beginning March 6. The lectures will all be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Seton Academic Centre.

The Mount's continuing education department is offering the complete series at a cost of \$8 or individual lectures at a charge of \$2 each. This cost covers the

lectures and coffee. A cash bar will also be available for those attending the lectures. Only the last of the five lectures will be offered at no charge.

The first lecture, "Women in Scripture" will be given on March 6, by Sister Elizabeth Bellefontaine, assistant professor and head of the religious studies department. Sister Elizabeth holds a B.A. from the Mount and received her M.A. and Ph. D. from University of Notre Dame in Indiana. She holds membership in both American and Canadian theological and biblical societies.

The March 10 lecture is "The Three Assumptions of Mary of Nazareth" and will be delivered by Dr. Philip McShane, associate professor of philosophy. Dr. McShane holds a Master of Science

degree from University College in Dublin, a Ph. D. from Oxford University in England and other certification from St. Stanislaus College in Iredland and Heythrop College in Oxon, England. He is the author of five books and many professional articles.

"Medieval Woman: From Battlefield to Pedestal" will be presented on March 20 by Dr. John Klassen, assistant professor of history. Dr. Klassen received his B.A. from Goshen College in Indiana, his M.A. from McGill University and his Ph. D. from the University of Washington in Seattle. He has conducted research in Prague, Czechoslovakia and at Charles University and has been the recipient of three Canada Council Doctoral Fellowships.

Assistant Professor Norma

Coleman will give the lecture on "Clothes Make the Woman: 1840-1960" on March 27. A member of the department of home economics, Miss Coleman holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Framingham State College in Massachusetts and a Master of Science degree from Purdue University in Indiana. She holds

The last lecture offered in this series is a free public lecture sponsored by the Mount's department of economics. On April 3, Dr. Sylvia Ostry, chief statistician of Canada, will discuss "Women and the Canadian Labor Force".

People interested in attending the lectures are encouraged to pre-register by February 28 by calling the Mount's continuing education department.

AFS caucus meet in Moncton

A provincial caucus meeting of the Atlantic Federation of Students (AFS) was held in Moncton over the weekend chaired by NB caucus chairman Lucien LeBlanc of Moncton.

Warren McKenzie, newly elected SRC president of UNB and present chairman of the AFS said that the meeting offered "a chance to let new executives of student unions across the province get together and exchange ideas."

He commented that the meetings dealt with strategy concerning the current student aid campaign that the AFS is embarked upon, and that he did not wish to reveal the details at this point.

The campaign is concerned with the direction and quality of student aid in the province and specifically desires to see the current loan ceiling lowered in favor of increasing the grant and bursary portions of the loan program. McKenzie also stressed the fact that this campaign is not lobbying for "handouts for students of New Brunswick," but that it represents "a just and equitable solution for awarding student loans to make

these loans accessible to all students that need them."

Response from students in AFS's recent letter campaign petitioning the government for lowering the existing loan ceilings has received good response from students here in Fredericton. Plans have been made to distribute the letters throughout the residences on campus to make them more available to all students.

The campaign has spread to other campuses across the province during the week. Copies of the letters will be available in both English and French translations.

McKenzie commented that "response is very positive to the campaign," and while not everyone is agreeing at this point on the level to be set for the loans ceiling, "something must be done with the current situation," and "this is the purpose of the campaign." Some university administration staffers from the Atlantic region that have spoken with McKenzie also support the moves.

AFS is a recently formed student federation consisting of NB, NS, PEI, and Nfld.

SRC budget report challenged

A report in the last issue of The Brunswickan concerning statements by former SRC Comptroller Chris Gilliss that the SRC budget was possibly being underspent by \$9,000 this year has been challenged by newly elected Comptroller Wes Batanyita.

Batanyita said that "the information is wrong." He explained that while Gilliss' report was only an estimation, money is still being spent by organizations and the exact total is not available at this time.

The Comptroller's yearly report was completed in mid-February

and many accounts are still open.

However, Batanyita did say that Gilliss' recommendation that "clubs which underspend this year be held to their budget next year" is entirely reasonable.

Money that has been projected in a budget has been committed, and as such is in use. When a club fails to spend their entitled sum, it is not really being put to its best use.

Money not taken up in the budget estimations is normally invested to generate income capital for the SRC, so it seems fair to freeze underspent clubs.

The wrong impression might

have been made last week by the story concerning this issue. Even if the budgets have been underspent \$9,000, the proposed fee increase of \$10 is still justified according to Gilliss. If the left over capital was broken down and credited to a fee increase it would mean little more than \$2 being reduced from the proposed hike.

Gilliss argues that instead of reducing fees next year from \$45 to \$43, it would be best to leave the figure at \$45, compensating for inflation and hopefully stabilizing the student fee for as long as possible.

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