

Charity Ball an all-round success

by Eugenia Bayada

The Fifth Dalhousie Student Union Annual Charity Ball took place last Saturday evening in the McInnes Room, with all proceeds going to the Metro Food Bank. It was the first time that it was held in conjunction with residence.

The event was sold out for the first time ever, with about 520 people attending, about half of which were from residence. By comparison, last year's ball attracted only 250 people, which was, at the time, the highest attendance in four years.

The organising committee, under the guidance of Lewis Jacobson (DSU Vice-President Community Affairs), managed to solicit door prizes and donations for the auction from about sixty donors from businesses and the campus community. Once again, this was another first for the ball, as they managed to surpass the number of donors of previous years.

The evening started with a casino, during which free wine and cheese were served. The casino was held both in the Green Room and the second floor of the Student Un-

ion Building. Live music was provided by jazz groups of students and Alumni from the Music Department. The casino alone raised \$1000 in about an hour at Black Jack, Roulette, and Crowns and Anchors tables.

A buffet dinner prepared by Beaver Foods was followed by a very energetic auction headed by auctioneer Kenny "The Human Banjo" Parker and assisted by ringman Paul McKenzie. Items being auctioned off ranged from cheesecake to weekends for two at various hotels. The Executive Director of the Metro Food Bank,

Diane Swinemar, also addressed the crowd, praising the DSU for the significant contribution they make year after year to the food bank. The evening concluded with live entertainment provided by a local band, Cameras in Paris, who played covers of both new and old music for participants to dance the night away to (well, until 1:00 a.m., anyway).

Over \$4200 was raised throughout the evening, more than doubling the amount that was raised last year (\$1800). It was the second year in a row that the Charity Ball has made money.

"We set an ambitious goal of \$4000 this year. Naturally, we were ecstatic to raise over \$4200 for the Metro Food Bank and raise awareness of such a worthy cause all over campus," said Jacobson.

During previous years, proceeds from the event had gone towards charities dealing with a variety of causes, amongst which were homeless youth, women's issues and literacy.

"I would really like to thank Beaver Foods and the Alumni Association for their significant contributions," added Jacobson.



Dal Profiles

Names: Ian Sherwood and Cecilia (Ciel) Unite

Ages:

Ian- 19 (as of Monday)

Ciel- 19 (in 160 days)

Jobs:

Ian- I work in a preschool

Ciel- None

First date: Reveen

Ian, describe Ciel: Can be pretty weird at times, generally crazy, paranoid, little things she does amuse me, extrovert

Ciel, describe Ian: Introvert, very talented, amazing artist, modest (like when he got his cartoon in the Gazette he didn't tell me), he's really "good"

Do you have any bad habits?

Ian- Procrastination

Ciel- Absent-mindedness

What presents have you given each other?

Ian- She gave me Lego

Ciel- He gave me an Orb, a Doctor Seuss book, and a little turtle he made from a walnut and Play-do

What section of the newspaper do you read first?

Ian- Comics

Ciel- International

What is your most unique attribute?

Ian- wild and crazy hair

Ciel- crooked, pinky fingers

If you could change anything about yourself, what would it be?

Ian- Feet size

Ciel- Height

If you could be any item of clothing, what would it be?

Ian- Nike Azoras ('cause they're the most amazing shoe)

Ciel- sweat pants

What's on your bedroom wall?

Ian- Art work

Ciel- Posters

What ticks you off?

Ian- That stupid Pididdle game (hmm?! - Section Ed)

Ciel- When you order a six-pack of chicken McNuggets at the drive-through and when you get home you have only five.

What were you like as a child?

Ian- Spacey

Ciel- Sweet, of course

When you had to play the inevitable family boardgame, which one did you most enjoy?

Ian- Goddamn! I hated them all!

You're bringing up bad memories! Please, damnit, don't ask that question!

Ciel- Scrabble

What cereal did you beg your mom to buy while you were growing up?

Ian- Count Chocula

Ciel- Anything with a toy and coloured marshmallows

What was the most pathetic gift you've ever received, and where is it now?

Ian- Fern, dead

When you are restless and cannot sleep, what TV show do you most hope will be on the tube?

Ian- The Smurfs (although I know it will never be there. I love them)

Ciel- David Letterman

Of all the pathetic talk-show hosts, are there any bright spots?

Ian- Phil Donahue

Ciel- Ricki Lake

Favourite movie:

Ciel- *Dead Poets Society*

Qualities you value in your friends:

Ciel- Their honesty and frankness

Any politicians you think have done a particularly good job?

Ian- What's a politician?

Ciel- Margaret Thatcher

Do you have any heroes?

Ian- Sonny Rollins

Authors that continually impress you:

Ian- Robert Munsch

What cartoon characters do you identify with?

Ian- Pogo Possum

Ciel- Hobbes

What would your ideal job be?

Ian- Rock star

Ciel- Aaron Spelling

What was the scariest event of your life?

Ian- Brushing my teeth for the first time

Ciel- High school

What is your greatest fear?

Ian- Being disembowled

Ciel- Dying

How would you like to die?

Ian- In a freak, hide-a-bed accident

Ciel- In my sleep

If you could come back as any person or thing, what would it be?

Ian- A big worm so that I could eat other worms!

Ciel- A shark

Words you like:

Ian- Goobledegoop,

Entschuldigung (it

means 'Excuse me' in

German)

Ciel- Inibriated

Smells you like:

Ian- chocolate chip

cookies

Ciel- newly-cut grass

What is your most

treasured possession?

Ian- Ciel

Ciel- My Cabbage Patch

Kid pony

Tell me something

no one knows

about you:

Ian- I like The

Smurfs

Ciel-

Do you have any

mottos that you live

your life by?

Ian- Don't spit in the

wind

Ciel- Eat well and

prosper

by Tim Richard

