

# Morning services scheduled

by Mitch Panciuk

The University of Alberta Chaplain's Association is offering a fifteen-minute morning worship services starting October 2.

The morning services are being offered so that there is an opportunity for students and staff to start the day off with a spiritual break, said David Lee-Thompson, the Lutheran minister from the Chaplains' Association. He de-

scribed the morning service as "an opportunity where people can just drop in to pause in reflective thought. There has been a general demand over the years for some type of opportunity for morning services, therefore we are offering it for people who may find it useful."

Every day a chaplain of a different denomination will hold the morning service. The format of the services will follow a struc-

tured pattern consisting of group prayer, basic reading or music, and then some silence for meditative thought. The sessions are to be run strictly on a drop-in basis, and there will be no expectations for regular attendance.

The services will be held in Room 158A (The Meditation Room) in the Students' Union Building each weekday morning at 8:15.

# Alberta leaders huddle

by Lisa Hall

In attempt to resolve some current problems common to universities and colleges, the U of A Students' Union is organizing a forum of all post-secondary institutions in Alberta. The forum will be held in Red Deer on November 24, and representatives from the Alberta Advanced Education department, including Minister John Gogo, will attend.

"The different student leaders

will set the agenda for the forum," said Students' Union V.P. external Wade Deisman, adding that so far there has been a consensus among the various leaders to discuss topics like tuition increases, accessibility to institutions, and long range plans for education in Alberta. "We'll discuss setting ceiling tuitions and getting government funding increases."

Another topic discussed will be inconsistencies when transferring

from institution to institution. "Some programs are transferable and some aren't" said Deisman, and they want to try and resolve the lack of co-ordination between programs.

Representatives from all private post-secondary institutions in Alberta were invited to the forum, and Deisman said that the response has been positive from both student leaders and the department of Advanced Education.

# Abortion issue heats up

by Carolyn Geekie

"Abortion is a medical procedure — not a criminal offence," said Debra McElrath, coordinator of Abortion By Choice (A.B.C.) of Edmonton.

A.B.C., with support from the National Action Committee (N.A.C.), and the Alberta Status of Women Action Committee (A.S.W.A.C.), organized the pro-choice rally and march from the Legislature to the Law Courts downtown.

The rally of approximately 200 pro-choice advocates took place Saturday, September 23 at 1:00 p.m.

The main objective was to send MP's in Ottawa, before reconvening on September 25, a clear message that a new abortion law was not needed.

Pro-choice groups feel that it is a "recriminalization" of abortion thereby making the woman a criminal.

Noreen Bell-Geekie of A.S.W.A.C. said that restricting a woman's

"fundamental right to choose" would leave younger and poorer women the hardest hit by a new law and limited access.

Heather Smith, a health care worker, supported the ideas of abortion involving "a woman's choice of health," and that accessibility to all women depends upon funding.

There were approximately 15 pro-life advocates present at the legislature.

Micheal Lambert, president of U of A Campus Pro-Life said "the rally did not surprise me," with Parliament reconvening two days later.

He pointed out that approximately 250 pro-lifers at a pro-life walk-a-thon that same day raised over one thousand dollars for their cause.

Canada has been without an abortion law since the Supreme Court of Canada struck down Section 251 of the Criminal Code as contrary to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

A National Action Day has been scheduled for Saturday, October 14 by Abortion By Choice. A public forum will be held at the Law Centre of the University of Alberta that day.

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