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"On the whole..."

...I'd rather be in Philadelphia."

JFK
Nov. 22, 1963

Cafeteria shuts down

by Brent Jang

Housing and Food Services will shut down SUB Cafeteria next Friday for what Director Gail Brown calls "long overdue and much-needed" renovations.

The cafeteria, on the second floor of the Students' Union Building, "looks the same as it did in the late 1960's, when it first opened."

"In the five years I've been here, I haven't seen a table or even a chair replaced," said Brown.

So when SUB Cafeteria reopens in January, students will be in for a pleasant shock, said Brown.

The renovation, which will cost Housing and Food Services over \$200,000, focuses on the popular theme concept that has been successful at other universities.

"There'll be three distinct operations in Subway (SUB cafeteria's new name): One is for pasta, called Saucy Noodle; then there's health food, that'll be known as Green Fields; the third part is fast-food, called Jumbos," explains Food Service Officer Jim Fougere.

Fougere says the decision to renovate was made in the summer. He says a survey, given in March 1983, was helpful in planning the "Subway."

"There were 2500 responses to that survey. The biggest concern seemed to be quick service. By appealing to certain tastes (in the new cafeteria), we'll try to accommodate that particular need," said Fougere.

Brown says SUB Cafeteria "certainly couldn't have stayed the way it was going."

The \$200,000 expenditure includes new carpets, lighting, floors, ceiling, seating, tables, and an idea borrowed from RATT: plants.

"We hope to de-institutionalize the operation," said Brown.

She added that although Housing and Food Services will lose revenues during the December shutdown, some of the slack will be made up in CAB.

The rest of the SUB Cafeteria patrons will have to consider the Graduate Students' Association's Power Plant, the Students' Union's L'Express, or the food kiosks in SUB.



Fall Convocation was held Saturday in the Butterdome. Degrees were given to all students who graduated this past summer. In the past the event was held in the Jubilee Auditorium, but this year it was felt that a few laps around the Butterdome track in full robes would do the graduates a world of good. The Convocation Address was given by Bruce Rankin

Horowitz blasts freeze

by Mark Roppel

Inadequate funding has already resulted in a hiring freeze and could damage the quality of education at the U of A according to University President Myer Horowitz.

"We desperately need additional funding to enable us to provide high quality learning experiences for all our students," said Horowitz, speaking at Convocation Saturday.

Ten permanent academic positions and several non-academic staff positions have already been eliminated and Horowitz has introduced a six week hiring freeze.

"During this time, we shall not be filling any vacancies of permanent academic and non-academic staff positions in our regular programs," said Horowitz.

Horowitz says the 23,250 full time and 4200 part time students at the University constitute, "the most severe enrollment pressures that we have ever experienced and that any other Canadian university is experiencing."

The University is expected to lose more than \$1.9 million this year.

Plas for more funding from the provincial government have been unsuccessful. But, says Horowitz, "I must remain optimistic that we shall soon hear of a special supplementary grant."

The announcement of a hiring freeze and possible lay-offs came as a complete surprise to George Walker, manager of the Non-Academic Staff Association.

"We wish they had called us up and at least told us," says Walker.

Walker says staff has been reduced while new buildings have been added. "Yet our cleaning staff are paid about 10 per cent less than comparable government employees."

Walker has requested a meeting with Horowitz.

Horowitz also announced Saturday the formation of four tactical groups to study specific problems at the University.

One group is to deal with the size of the University and the mix of students. Another will be concerned with computer literacy and the place of the computer in teaching. A third group will investigate the establishment of new programs. A fourth is looking into the University's capability for graduate studies and research.

Photo: Angela Wheelock

High priority for reviewing Code

by Georgeann McInerney

The Campus Law Committee is reviewing The Code of Student Behavior.

According to Ed Blackburn, who chairs the Committee "the present code is out of touch with current realities."

A review in 1981 updated wording, but did not delete or add any offenses. The Code fails to cover offenses such as computer abuse and fraud.

The review "is a priority on the Students' Union agenda," said

Academic Commissioner Ann Befus.

A review of the code will determine what the University will tolerate, to what degree it will involve itself in criminal acts, and how offences will be dealt with.

Existing penalties range from a \$25 fine to expulsion from the University to the revoking of degree privileges.

Severe penalties protect the integrity of the University and degrees. However, the code should provide guidelines so that students are not excessively penalized.

Penalties have been criticized for being too restrictive. They do not allow for innovation or alternate forms of discipline. Tutoring and activity work are examples of more constructive and educational disciplinary measures more suitable to an educational setting.

A major problem with the code is that the party laying charges is responsible for com-

piling and bringing forth witnesses.

Possibly, this is unfair. Fran Trehearne, who is the University Discipline Officer, said, "because of inexperience, the plaintiff is often unaware of the time and extensive evidence necessary to make a case and often appears before the panel unprepared."

It may be necessary to centralize prosecution. This would mean defining whether the prosecution should be a guardian of the University representing a set of standards or of the plaintiff and his grievances.

The present code does not tolerate any "forms of academic dishonesty." Though not intended to replace Common Law it deals with acts that are potentially criminal like "damaging" and "destroying" property of the University. This shelters the University community from full legal consequences.

The code also includes offences which are unique to the University. Charges can be laid for "interfering with studies...or other lawful activities of fellow students or staff."

These offences would go unpunished in the courts.

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Professor blooper

Antigonish (CUP) - Immediately after delivering a report on non-sexist language to the St. Francis Xavier University senate, professor Anne Sullivan stood to nominate another professor as "chairman of the senate."

Sullivan later altered the motion to read "chair of the senate."

Her report, which established guidelines for non-sexist language for university documents and the university's by-laws, was accepted as a directive to the registrar. Sullivan urged the senate to wipe out sexist language during the proceedings.

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