

... "out in their field" — (so far!)

Susan McIntyre — — — — — big on communications

by Ralph English

Yes, that was Susan McIntyre you saw last week lunching with students in the residence cafeteria - or was it in the Garden? Whichever, there's no mistaking

McIntyre's concern with the grass roots of the Student Union.

For her the high road to successful administration is a two way street: communication. In McIntyre's view the Vice President

(Internal) should serve not only to inform students and bring the issues to their attention, but also to be responsive to their views. Good programs don't arise out of a vacuum; they require student input.

McIntyre is pleased with Student Union progress this year and gratified the "whole executive is working very well together." And so they must to work their way through gruelling thirty-item agendas. In addition to her commitments with the executive McIntyre oversees the management of the SUB, chairs three Student Union committees (SUB

northeast corner of the SUB's 2nd floor.

- A successful Orientation '83. A wider variety of events were presented and drew the largest off-campus crowds yet.

Upcoming at the SUB this year will be alternative entertainment such as Graham Chapman of Monty Python fame. The academic enrichment program will present Dr. Jonathan Miller, author of *The Body in Question*, who will speak on the humanities in a technological age. And of course Supersubs, Double-deckers, movies, the coffee house and Nooners will all return this year. Nooners will offer monthly themes, September being Physical Awareness Month. An attempt is also being made to offer novel events and events not involving the consumption of alcohol, e.g., the highly improvisational "theatre sports" and last week's Blue Grass Jamboree.

Student response this term has been better than it was last year. People are interested and involved. With that kind of input this year's programs have every promise of success.

per cent.

Student awareness of issues has always been an important issue in itself, and Hill feels the level of student awareness has increased

Hill proclaimed he wanted to go down in history as the President who resolved the issue and it looks as if he just might.

An ad hoc committee consisting of three members of the student union and three members of CKDU was formed, on which Hill himself sits. A study station manager Keith Tufts compiled last year was revised by this committee and will soon be submitted to the student council. Hill feels if a "workable proposal" can be formulated, the Council will allow the referendum and then it will be up to the student body to decide.

Hill greatly commended Student Union treasurer, Shawn Houlihan, for the preliminary work he has done on the computerization of Student Union business, saying it appears as if it will become a reality this year.

In a few weeks' time Dalhousie University will become one of the first universities in Canada to obtain its own cable television show, largely through the efforts of the Student Union.

good time slot", and "Contrary to popular opinion, I will not be the star," said Hill.

Hill was pleased that pressure the Student Union put on the administration has retained use of the International House as housing for 22 female foreign students. The House was sold to Sigma Chi over the summer but arrangements have been made to provide for the original tenants. Hill added that university housing has increased by seven units rather than declining as was predicted last year.

When asked about how he functions in his role as President, Hill said "I am more of a bureaucrat than most." He feels that organization both for himself and Council is a prerequisite for an effective, streamlined Student Union. According to Hill this year's Council is effective for this reason alone; "You'd have to go back a long way to find a council that has worked faster."

Operations, Entertainment, and Recruitment) and is a standing member of three more (Building Operations, Attrition, and Grants).

This summer's accomplishments include the following:

- The appointment of Pat Hartling to the post of Assistant General Manager of the SUB.
- The development of a questionnaire, by the Committee on Student Attrition, which will allow a cross-sectional study of academic withdrawals in a sample of the student population.
- Completion of a new, and already heavily used, multi-purpose room. This replaced the Alumni Office in the

Mackay wanted 25 per cent but . . .

even during the summer. "We were in the news about every two weeks and I myself have been on television five or six times," he said.

Hill also feels Student Union vice-president Susan McIntyre did much to increase student awareness through her organization of Orientation Week.

Although Hill is still busy with other projects, "when things settle down" he plans to hold many council meetings at various locations across campus.

Relations between the Student Council and the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) have been very good this year. "We support each other on many issues - although there are times we do disagree," Hill said. He jokingly added, "So far we are still talking to each other."

Since it has been CKDU's objective to go FM since 1974, when the issue came up last year

"The show will be channelled towards both the Dalhousie community and the general public - we want to build up public opinion of the university so what we are doing will be given credibility," said Hill.

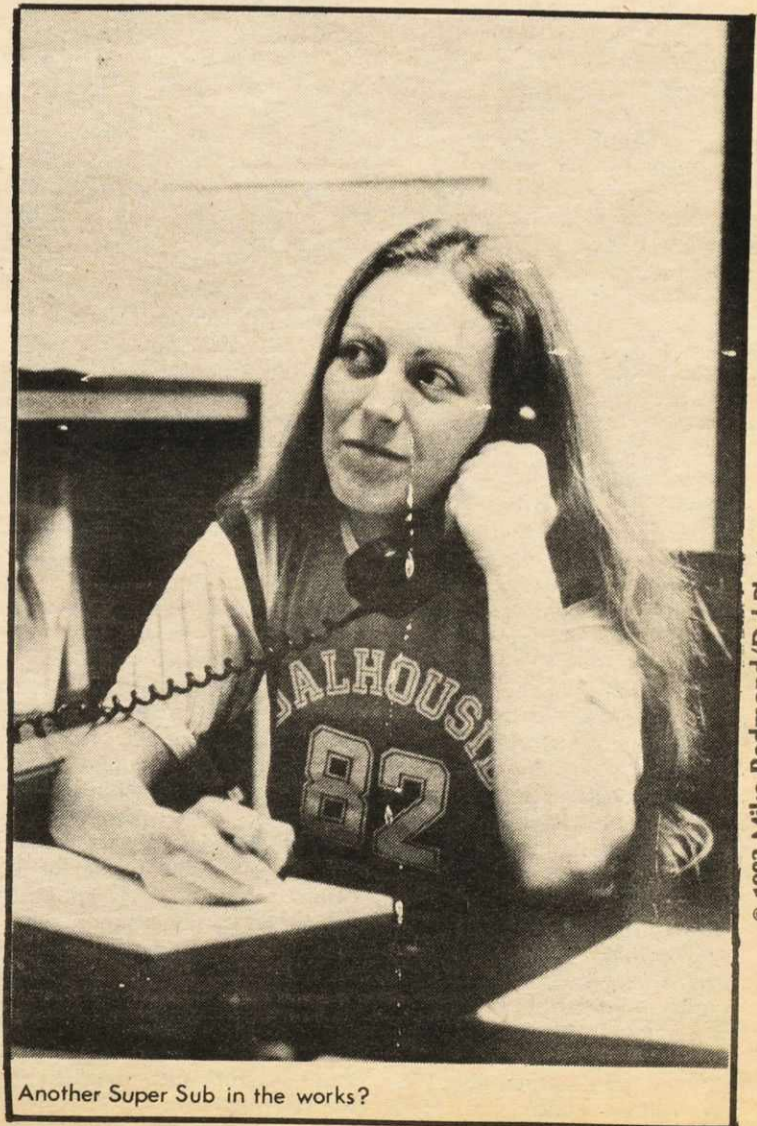
The show, which was tentatively approved by Council, will first air in mid-October "in a

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When asked about the "dictator image" some people would label him with, Hill said it is nothing more than a creation of the media. He explained that the image was created when, as St. Mary's Student Union President, he threatened to close down *The Journal* due to "a lack of coverage of campus news".

Well, if you're not a dictator, some would say you're a little to the right politically, Tim? According to Hill he is not. "I would describe myself as a social libertarian," he said, adding that he is very supportive of social reform and is a strong advocate of universal access to education.

"I do not present conservative policies to the Board because I am presenting the same policies which Mr. Rans did - the manner in which I go about doing this could be called conservative and that might be advantageous," he said.



Another Super Sub in the works?

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