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# Campus to roll Wed.

by Cam McCulloch

In anticipation of Rick Hansen's arrival in Edmonton in early March, the Disabled Students' Association (DSA) is holding a rally in CAB on Wednesday.

The purpose of the rally is to raise both awareness and money at the same time.

Starting on second floor CAB, the rally will include a fund-raising scavenger hunt. Seventy able-bodied staff and students will tour the campus in wheelchairs. Each volunteer has collected sponsors and will donate the money to the "Man In Motion" tour.

Some of the students will also attempt to go to all their classes during the day while confined to a wheelchair.

As well, 10 engineering students will follow a disabled student around campus for a day.

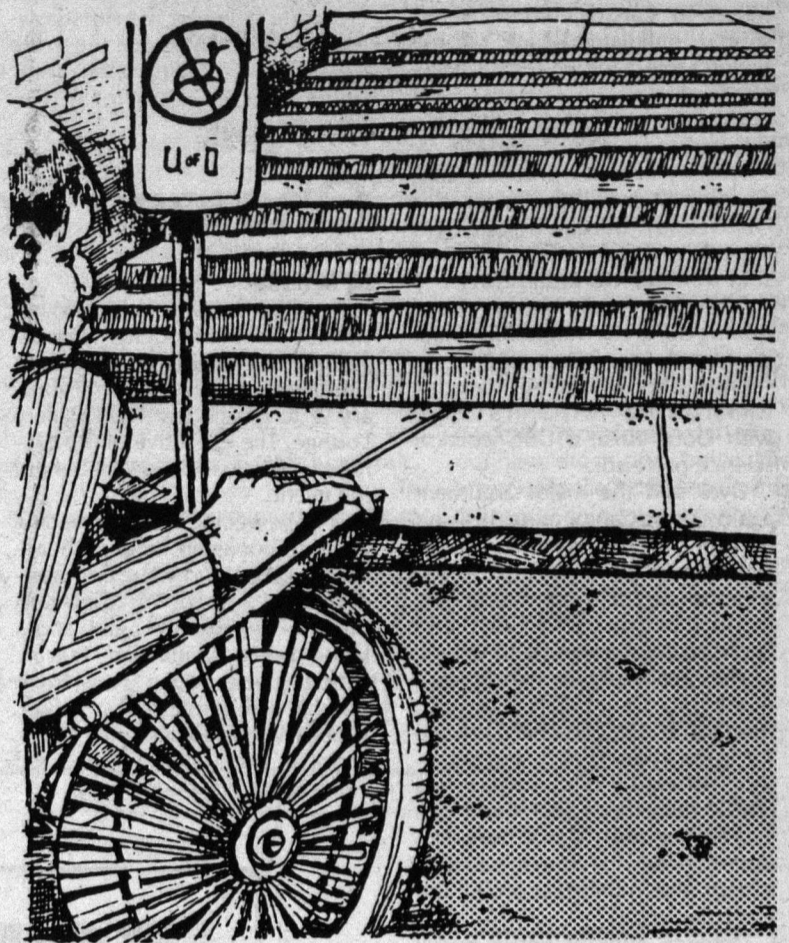
Disabled Students' Coordinator Marion Nicely says the purpose of this exercise will be to "make potential engineers aware of environmental obstacles and barriers."

Nicely says the barriers presented to wheelchairs are innumerable.

She cites the example of the bookstore, with its textbooks on the ground floor while other material is on the upper level. To get from one floor to the next, disabled students must leave the store and go through a set of doors to get to the SUB elevators.

After the rally, a dinner will be held in the evening for the participants of the rally.

The Disabled Students' Association is doing even more for spinal cord research. They will be selling chocolate bars at booths in CAB



and SUB all this week.

Nicely says that the DSA is out not only to raise awareness among the general public. She says this week's activities are an opportunity to reach out to the disabled students and staff themselves.

There are over 120 students registered with the DSA but Nicely invites newcomers or volunteers to get in touch with her office at 432-3381. The hearing impaired can call a TDD (Telephone Device for the Deaf) number at 432-7269.

# Manitoban editors rehired

WINNIPEG (CUP) — The publishing board of the University of Manitoba student newspaper, the *Manitoban*, has re-instated the two news editors it fired in January over a controversial caption under a photo of wheelchair athlete Rick Hansen.

The *Manitoban* Operations Committee voted 5-0-1 Feb. 12 to re-hire Michael Malegus and John Ehinger effective Feb. 13.

The Operations Committee, with representation from student council,

the newspaper's staff and students-at-large, voted Jan. 23 to fire Ehinger and Malegus, in response to public outcry over a Jan. 22 caption which read, "Hansen, fuck, again on the cover."

Operations Committee chair John Kendle said the committee will not comment on the decision until it reports to student council this week.

A group of 100 students stormed the *Manitoban's* offices shortly after the edition was released. Staff say

the caption was critical of media coverage, and that they did not wish to hurt Hansen, now on the final leg of his world tour to raise money for spinal cord research.

Malegus said he was pleased by the decision. "I'm happy because I felt the firing was for extremely vague reasons," he said.

Malegus said the paper's staff must examine the Operation Committee's by-laws. "Even the newspaper's constitution is more explicit regarding ethics," he said.

# Multiple locker break-ins

by John Watson

The week before reading week saw another rash of break-ins in the men's locker room in the physical education centre.

John Barry, from the department of recreation, said there were about 20 to 25 break-ins that week alone.

"It's not your basic amateur thieves," said Barry. They are apparently working in pairs, one per-

son acting as look-out while the other rifles the locker.

Most of the break-ins occur in the evening, in the day-use lockers, said Barry. And because a number of lockers are hit at the same time that means the thieves are walking around the locker rooms with the loot, probably in a gym bag said Barry.

Campus security is working with

phys. ed. to solve the problem. They have gone so far as to put plain-clothes campus security officers in the locker room.

Ralph Oliver, campus security assistant director, admits security is still far from being able to nab the thieves. "We haven't got a good handle on who it is here," he said.

In the meantime, Oliver suggests the best way to keep your possessions in your possession is to lock your valuables in the dime lockers by the main desk.

Dick Maertens-Poole, manager of security at NAIT, had also experienced a rash of locker break-ins in the last few weeks.

The problem at NAIT appears to be much less significant though, as in the month of January only 12 lockers were broken into. By mid-February, though, there had already been 10 such incidences.


Maertens-Poole described the two-person team as being the likely method employed by the NAIT thieves as well. "It is very, very possible, and quite likely."

Barry encourages users of the locker room to report any suspicious people to the desk personnel.

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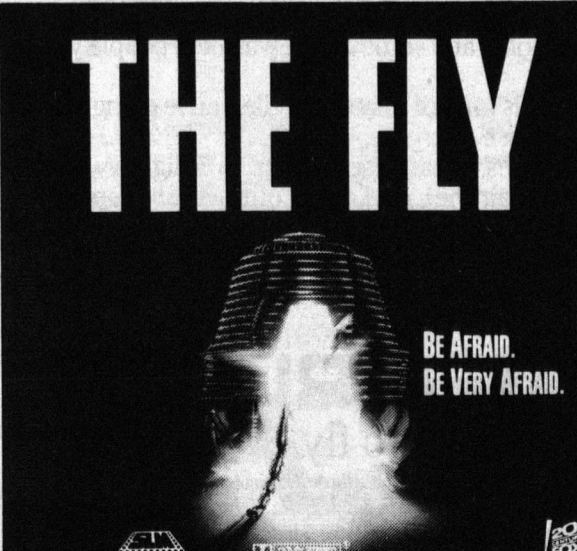
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