

Neil Young on singing out of key...

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"It's my idiom."

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Food eats books

by Shelby Cook

At the library, dozens of books and pamphlets are either rotted with mold from food, or warped from exposure to a liquid.

The serious problem arising from food and drink in the U of A libraries sparked three library personnel to form the "Food for thought" campaign. The campaign urges library users to stop bringing food and drink into the libraries on campus, and to be a partner in the preservation of library materials.

"September 26 to October 7, 1988 are the dates of this major campaign," said Marlene Dorgan from the Walter MacEnzie Health Sciences library. Grant Kaylor of the Education library, and Randy Reichardt, of the Science and Technology library, agree that "this campaign is partially initiated by the students... because they do complain fairly frequently in the library suggestion boxes."

Students complain about the noises that are made by munchers in the carrels and about the garbage left by those who consume food and drink in the libraries.

The Student Code of Behavior is the determining factor regarding enforcement and punishment of library abusers. But, it is clearly not the responsibility of librarians to catch students in the act.

Dorgan said "the materials are damaged by water, mold, food, and grease, and we want to bring awareness to this. We are asking people to cooperate with us in this campaign."

Section 19.3(3) of the Student Code of Behavior explains student liability to library property.

Jars of insects and examples of ruined library items will be on display in all the major campus libraries. Food for thought posters and pamphlets will also be distributed, outlining the basic thrust of the campaign.

Often, librarians late at night do not see students bring food — sometimes even large pizza boxes — into the library while studying late at night. In addition to damaging library material and feeding bugs and other organisms, there is also a garbage problem.

"Some of this stuff (library materials) is not replacable," says Reichardt, who displayed a ruined pamphlet that some German cockroaches had eaten.

The library staff do bring food into the library, says Dorgan. However, they are provided with staff rooms in which they can eat. Kaylor insisted that librarians are also being asked to cooperate with the campaign; no one is being excluded.

"This campaign is an international effort designed to raise awareness about destruction of library materials," said Dorgan.

Motorcycle parking moved

by Jo Ann Hill

Motorcycle parking is being removed from a central campus area.

According to Allan Mah, parking manager for Parking Services, motorcycle parking at the South Lab Building will be removed.

"This campus is a walking campus," said Mah. "We have received many complaints about pedestrian safety. The most important element is pedestrian safety."

Even though the South Lab Building parking is being removed, there are still many spots

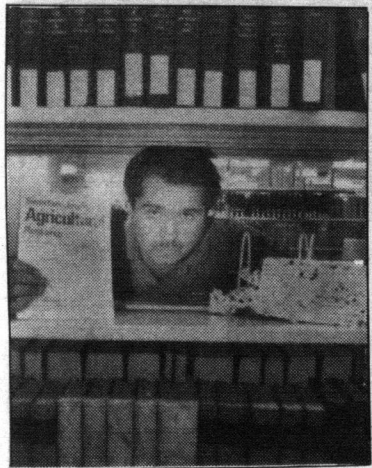
available. "There are over 100 various spaces still on campus," said Mah, "but I rarely note anyone parking there because they are not close to the buildings."

Some of these areas include 12 spots surrounding the Rutherford South Library, 15 spaces west of the North Power Plant, and also 40 spots east of HUB Mall. According to Aruna D'Souza, S.U. Housing and Transport Commissioner, "Motorcycles are also able to park in the corners of the parkades for free."

Mah continued by noting, "We will be introducing something new next year and also adding more convenient parking."

This campaign was instigated three weeks ago, and "No Parking" signs have been put up already.

If motorcyclists refuse to obey these signs they may find their motorcycles being towed away.



Reichardt with damaged items.



Rob Galbraith

Pigskin Physics 377

"...stretching up... way up for the long bomb..." Bob Langehahn, 19, and Dan Wiebe, 19, both 2nd year Phys. Ed. students, do some CFL dreaming Wednesday afternoon in Quad.

Environmental fat cats

by Van Le

"There is a need for change in the environmental movement," said Dr. Milton Freeman at a lecture titled "Exporting our morality in terms of Global Conservation", last Thursday.

At this tense forum, Freeman questioned the alleged objectivity of science, whale rights issues and the direction of the environment as a whole. The last issue was especially controversial and one member in the audience demanded to know whether Freeman was lumping all environmentalists into one group. "Are they all fat cats?" he asked.

Dr. Freeman was the 1982 H.M. Tory professor of Anthropology. His work in the area of Environmental Resources Management draws from his considerable background in zoology and ecology, and other natural sciences. He is presently the Senior

Researcher at the Institute for Boreal Studies, and works mainly on issues dealing with Canada's North. "Doctor Freeman is certainly knowledgeable enough to speak on conservation issues," said Dr. Asquith in her introduction.

One of the "myths" Freeman spoke on was that "science is neither value-free nor objective." He said that this is often not recognized by the public, government and some scientists.

He was particularly concerned with "scientists who lower their standards of proof" when speaking to uninformed people, and "tout opinions, speculations and hypotheses as facts."

One of his examples was the myth of speech and intelligence in whales and dolphins. Many of the experiments have never been successfully duplicated and these ideas are not accepted by the

academic community. Still, the myth of whale intelligence "has acquired a cult following not unlike that of UFO's," said Freeman.

The problem is not only the continuance of myths — such as those in popular publications — but also their change into "inept policies by governments who use issues such as these to win public votes," said Freeman. Freeman was speaking specifically about the ban on all commercial whaling favored by the International Whaling Commission.

Continuing on this theme of myths and fallacies, Freeman pointed out that "environmentalism is a big industry." Using the Audubon Society and the Sierra Club as examples, Freeman said that many environmental groups have become self-sustaining

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