

"Hail the savage and hardy chief," says Ferguson. "Is that camera on?" (Note: Hidden puns) New execs gather for their mug shots. From left to right (but not necessarily in that political order) are: Barney Savage, Gregory Hardy, Nancy Cameron, Neil Ferguson and Chris Hale. Photo: Daryl MacDonald.

Council fills slate

By **ROBERT JEFFERY**

DALHOUSIE STUDENT union executive positions for the 1985-86 academic year have been announced by council.

The nominees for the executive positions put forth their names on March 25. The 26 candidates were then screened by a recruitment committee of the council, and the recommendations were put forth for council approval on March 31.

Greg Hardy will replace Gillian Allen as VP Academic, which entails keeping abreast of academic affairs which affect students.

Hardy has extensive experience in student government affairs, having previously been a council member and a student Board of Governors representative. In addition, Hardy has held positions on the Board of Finance committee, the Presidential Advisory committee on Sexual Harassment, and the Budget Committee.

"Setting up an infrastructure for my position to ensure future VP's would receive a package outlining past policies and programs and their implementation is one of my main concerns," says Hardy.

Barney Savage will replace Caroline Zayid as VP External. Savage says he understands his role as VP External to be a liaison between the DSU and other student unions and organizations.

"I believe that only through the efforts of a united group of student governments can we hope to influence government policy concerning education," said Savage. "The student lobby must be loud."

Savage emphasized the importance of Zayid's previous involvement with SUNS. He says it tied in nicely with the office of external and plans to continue with the same approach.

Nancy Cameron will hold the position of Community Affairs Coordinator, which entails looking after relations between the DSU and the outside community.

Cameron says she hopes to expand the role of the CAC by sponsoring a major charity, and hosting an open house for community groups for recruiting volunteers.

Neil Ferguson has chosen to come back for his second year as

Treasurer, resuming the responsibility of managing the Student Union's finances.

"I have learned a lot in the last 11 months, but in some ways I'm only now coming to the point where I know enough to make some important changes," said Ferguson. "The budget process this year really taught me a lot about the Union that I didn't know before."

Ferguson says he hopes his contribution will improve the position for his own benefit and for future treasurers.

Chris Hale will take the position of Chair, which entails maintaining Robert's Rules of Order during council meetings.

Hale says his previous experience in the DSU and in law society meetings, as well as his position as Vice President of the debating group, Sodales, has enabled him to take on the role as Chair.

Margaret Fraser will take the position of Second Hand Book Store Manager. "I am going to try to put a little bit more organization into the Bookstore so to improve accessibility to the student," said Fraser.

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The metro area has a housing vacancy rate of less than one per cent.

Both the NDP and the Liberals were quick to agree Laffin's offer was inadequate.

Alexa McDonough, leader of the New Democratic Party, says Laffin hasn't taken into account that low-income-earners and social assistance recipients are easily discriminated against because of the competition for housing.

Although the government recently amended the Human Rights act making it illegal for landlords to discriminate on the basis of income, McDonough says landlords are getting around the legislation.

"Many landlords can still discriminate against social assistance recipients by stating they won't accept any tenants earning less than \$10,000," says McDonough.

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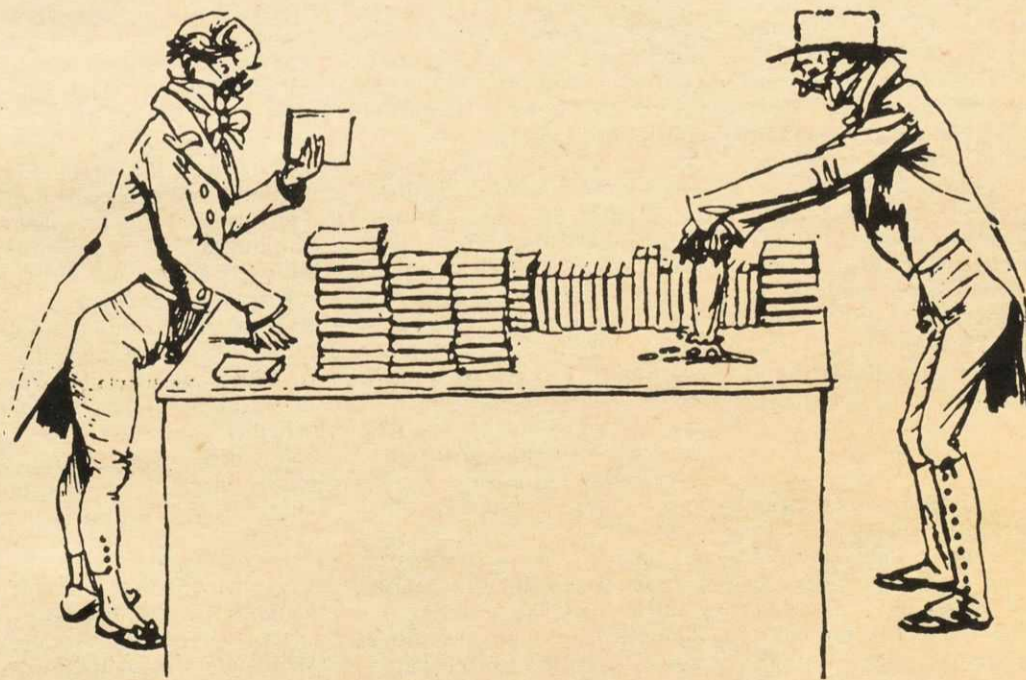
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