

Correspondence

JSF Perspective

I feel compelled to respond to Lydia Pawlenko's article in the September 4 issue "Campus clubs play musical chairs". Several facts are unclear that I would like to put in perspective. Ms. Pawlenko states improperly that the Jewish Student Federation as a single group is displacing seventeen clubs. The fact of the matter is that the JSF originally received its present room allocation S101 Ross as a means of providing space for what was then 12 Jewish Student Groups. As our name implies we are therefore A Federation of Jewish Clubs at York University.

In the past five years, this federated group of clubs has flourished, creating an all-encompassing environment for Jewish Students on campus.

The clubs affiliated under our

umbrella are: (1) Images—the Jewish Student Newspaper of Toronto, (2) York Israel Connection—promotes social and cultural aspects of Israel on campus, (3) Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry—actively petitions for the plight of Soviet Jewry, (4) Sephardic Youth Organization—promotes Sephardic culture, (5) CAN—Committee against Nazis works to eradicate Nazis from Canada, (6) Itgar-Religious students organizations, (7) Telem—movement for Zionist Fullfillment—promoted moving to Israel, (8) Network—our branch of the Canadian Bureau of Jewish Students, (9) Limbo—Poetry Collective—collects and publishes a poetry anthology, (10) Israel Students Organization—helps Israeli Students adjust to life in Canada, (11) United Jewish Appeal—fund raising campaign for Jewish

Social Services, (12) Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jewry—disseminate information about the plight of Ethiopian Jews.

In addition to these groups there is a general JSF membership; our total is over 2,000. We also have 350 Faculty Staff supporters.

It is clear that the Jewish Student Federation requires facilities that can accommodate the numerous clubs under its auspices, and the hundreds of active students it involves directly, and the thousands it serves indirectly. The insinuation made by Ms. Pawlenko that JSF has received preferential treatment is unfounded.

It was never on the initiative of JSF to change office locations, but as Mike Kachala, president of York Ukrainian Club has stated, "It's really a Chain Reaction" and

JSF is another victim of circumstance.

Randy Robinson
Executive Director/JSF

Excalibur Perspective

I feel I must respond to what I feel are the unfair accusations hurled upon me concerning the story, "Campus clubs play musical chairs". The fact that the JSF was a victim of a "chain reaction" of re-location was, in my opinion, made clear in the article, in fact, in the first two paragraphs. Nowhere did I state that the JSF chose to relocate their premises.

Furthermore, the JSF was not referred to as a "club", but as a federation. Ms. Robinson, you yourself are quoted in the story as saying, "We're not displacing 16 clubs, we're putting 12 in of our own."

The implications you accuse me of were, if you will notice,

contained within quotation marks and attributed to people who do not necessarily perceive the situation as you may.

Lydia Pawlenko

Alder - Manus

Having read this year's version of *Manus*, I thought I'd point out a small inaccuracy. Under the heading of North York Alderman, the handbook lists the name of a former member of council. This could present a problem for anyone wanting to resolve a municipal issue such as T.T.C. service to York and so on.

However, any publication has its flaws; recalling readings of *Manus* during my tenure here from 1974 to 1976. All is forgiven.

In any event, I may be reached at the North York Civic Centre, 224-6017 or at home, 241-0028.

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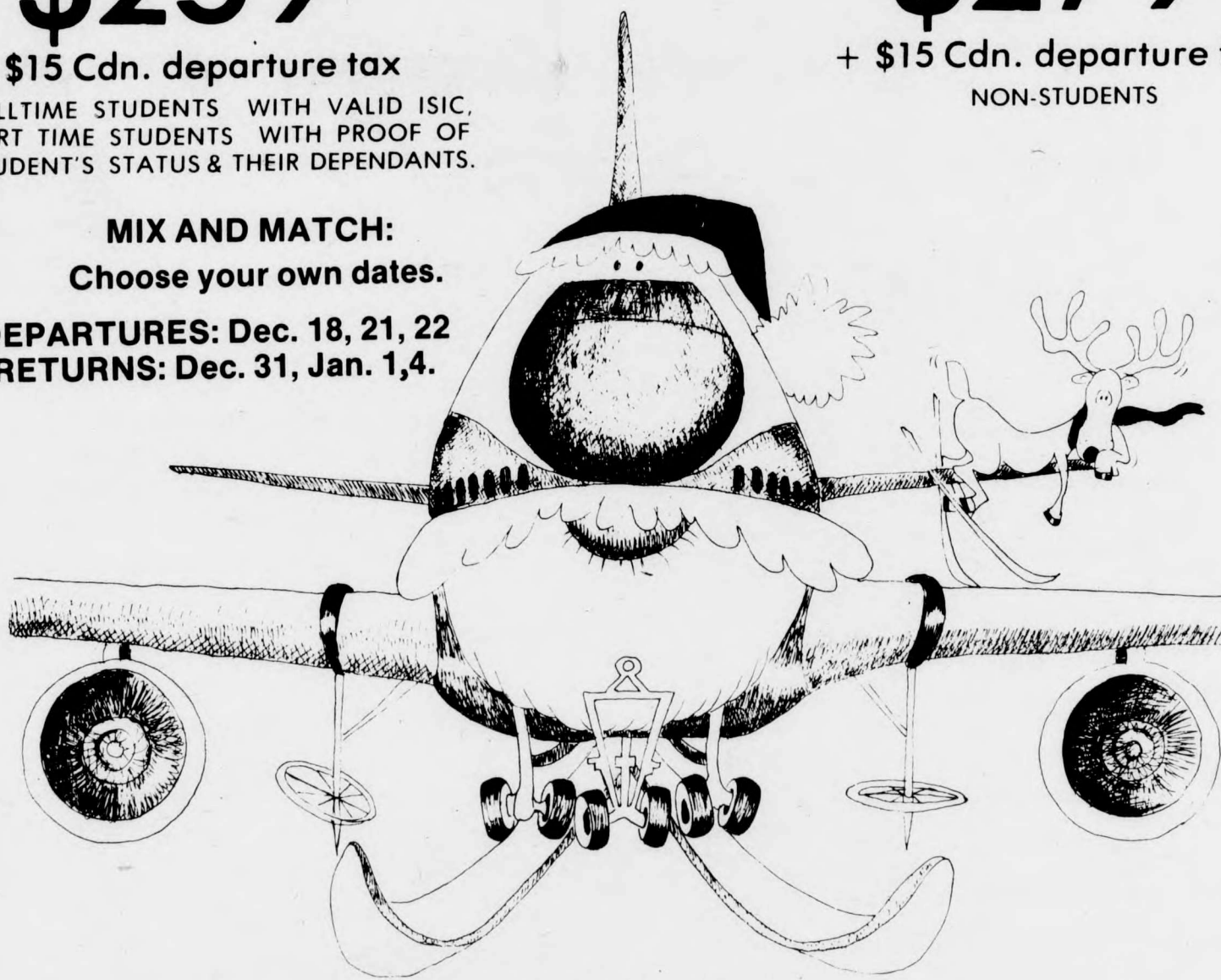
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G.A.Y.

The Gay Alliance at York will have an organizational meeting and coffee house tonight, Thursday Sept. 18, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Room S416 Ross. A special welcome extended to York's newcomers.

York NDP

The next meeting of the York NDP Club will be on Wednesday, September 24 at 4 p.m. in Room S123 Ross. Elections of officers will take place. A party will follow at 8 Assiniboine No. 1803. All members of the York community are invited.

CYSF Film Series

Tonight at 8 p.m. the CYSF Film Series begins its year of entertaining and diverse programming with a double feature of campus comedy. National Lampoon's classic **Animal House** will be screened along with **Monster on Campus**. The movies take place in Curtis L at 8 p.m.

McLaughlin College

McLaughlin College Student Council presents MacLean & MacLean with special guests Oliver Heavside. Mac Hall, 9 p.m.—1 a.m., September 18. \$3 Mac, \$5 York.....Mac Pub, Friday, September 19 from 9 p.m.—1 a.m. in McLaughlin Junior Common Room. \$1 Mac, \$2 York.

Lutheran Student Movement

Lutheran Student Movement vespers each Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Scott Religious Centre, Central Square. All welcome.

Great Thinkers Series

Present noted feminist (Ms.) Libby Ashcroft-Campbell, authoress of the best-selling **Womankind and Beinghood**, who will present the first two lectures in the series, "Was Shakespeare a Sexist?". Tonight, "From Goneril and Regan to Lady Macbeth: Negative Sex-Role Stereotyping and the Denial of Personhood". Tomorrow, "The Taming of the Shrew: The Perpetuation of Male Dominance". Sponsored by the Institute for Lifestyle Policy and Planning Research, Bloor Street West. Both lectures at 8 p.m. Free.