

This peaceful scene at the main entrance to the Faculte St. Jean belies the current allegations of financial mismanagement. Oh, the turbulent waters bneath the calm surface.

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"If L. Ron Hubbard really and truly snuffed it..."

Faculte students organize against incompetence

ebels demand audit

by Jeff McDonald A group of self-styled 'revolutionaries' at the Faculte St. Jean are presenting a petition for an audit of their Students' Union's accounts at their SU executive meeting today.

"We are concerned about where our money is being spent," said one organizer of the petition, FSJ student Dwayne Seal. "This is not an attack on an individual as such, it's an attack on the way we are being represented."

The petitioning of the FSJ SU follows in the wake of a general meeting where the SU executive narrowly escaped a vote of nonconfidence that would have impeached them on grounds of incompetence.

FSJ SU president Marcel Desjarlais was not available for comment, but last Tuesday, Desjarlais had defended himself and his executive, saying, "We are doing a really good job." Mike Nickel, SU president, said he would not hesitate to act upon a

he would not hesitate to act upon a request for an audit if one is received and, "if any discrepancies show up, I think the (SU) executive would be hard-pressed not to act on it."

"I don't see how their executive can refuse an audit - if they're doing their jobs they won't have to worry about it," he said. Nickel also said that, if necessary,

Nickel also said that, if necessary, disciplinary action would be administered by either the VP Internal, the DIE Board, or the University administration. Earlier FSJ SU president Desjarlais had blamed the main campus Students' Union for his executive's financial problems. As for Desjarlais' complaint that the FSJ SU started the school year with no money because Nickel and VP Finance Rob Splane were inaccessible during the summer, Nickel said, "It's ludicrous. His accusations are totally unfounded. The summertime is when we're most accessible."

"...do I get my money back?"

Mike Evans

With regard to the party in the Faculte student lounge where Desjarlais admitted that beer was served without a permit, "we're concerned when an organization abuses the liquor rules," Nickel said. "But it's debatable what we can do about it."

Ultimately that matter will end up with David Norwood, assistant VP to the VP of Administration, Nickel said.

Power behind harassment says Dziec

by Ann Watson

Twenty to thirty per cent of female students are victims of sexual harassment in the United States, ranging from crude remarks to sexual activity, said Billie Wright Dziech, co-author of the book The Lecherous Professor.

Dziech is investigating sexual harassment on American campuses. She presented a critical analysis of the subject at SUB theatre last Friday to an audience of at least 50 people.

Sexual harassment, said Dziech, has nothing to do with sex. "Sex is not the issue for the harasser-power is."

Dziech spent four years researching the problem through interviews with over 400 students, professors Dziech indicated two of the most prevalent misconceptions about sexual harassment are that it only affects female students and that the harassers are unknown to their colleagues.

Male students can be direct or indirect victims of sexual harassment too. Harassment can affect males indirectly if their female peers receive higher grades for courses due to involvement with the professor. They feel resentment if they are aware of what is happening. Thus it affects all students.

Dziech said in her research she found the activities of many offending professors were known by their collegues.

So what can the students, fellow professors, administrators and pa-

damage the reputation of professors, schools, and create a rift in teacher/student relations due to fear.

Dziech feels raised consciousness by society about sexual harassment will help deal with the whole question more effectively. Dziech cited the case of one female student victim, Anna, in her lecture. Anna related the pain and guilt she felt in response to a survey about sexual harassment by Dziech. She had slept with the professor from whom she received an F on an important test. She felt horrible, but she says, "I didn't get an F. He gave me a D."

This is a sad commentary, but it brings home the impact of this problem for society.

Dziech is a professor of language arts and assistant to the dean at the University of Cincinnati.

Architecture dumped at Uof

TORONTO (CUP) — The president of Canada's largest university told a large audience of architecture students Jan. 23 that he is planning to shut down their faculty as soon as they graduate.

The announcement by University of Toronto president George Connell took the 200 students by surprise. They had crowded into the hall expecting Connell to say he had found a way to end a student boycott sparked by discontent over option courses and the quality of the faculty's leadership. the architecture students' union. "It (the announcement) was the biggest shock of my life."

Students enrolled in the faculty will be allowed to finish their degrees, but no new students will be admitted and the school will gradually shrink until it disappears in 1989-90. Connell refused to give the exact reasons for the closure, but told reporters it is "not purely a financial matter and not purely an academic matter. U of T's projected deficit is \$7.2 million for 1986-87 despite cuts it has already made to the faculty of architecture, among others. However, the faculty has also had problems with internal bickering and dissension. Students have complained of a curriculum that, for ten years, has emphasized either technical skills or design skills, but rarely provided both. They have seen three deans in the last four years. Recently, students have refused to sign up for third and fourth year studio courses, which they must pass before graduating,

and administrators.

Dziech says the statistics can be misleading as the offenders are typically involved with many victims so the per cent of those harassing is not as high as the per cent of victims. Although Dziech uses American figures, she related the characteristics of sexual harassers and their effects on victims, parents, administrators to Canadian institutions.

'Lecherous profs' tend to become involved with those who have more to lose than they do, so they then are in control. A student failing a required course is a prime example.

A harasser may appear as a confidante, caretaker, or mentor to a student and in this capacity he or she is able to draw a student into involvement without the student suspecting anything.

Dziech said that most harassers are repeat offenders. The first time they are caught is not the first time they have harassed a student. They are not generally misunderstood people suffering from mid-life crisis or bad marriages as they may lead a victim to believe. rents do about this problem?

Dziech's suggestions for students who feel they may be the victims of any type of sexual harassment, include:

• write down a description of the specific situations — what exactly was said or done, the time, the date, the place and, if possible, find witnesses to collaborate your story;

• write a letter to the professor explaining that you feel uncomfortable about his behaviour and want him/her to stop;

• see your student ombudsman or the committee on campus which deals with harassment. They can listen to your story and give you advice on further action if needed. This is not a problem a student should face on his/her own.

Dziech says colleagues who are aware of harassment may bring this to the attention of the offender, and further to the administration ifthe behaviour persists.

Sexual harassment can leave farreaching physical and psychological damage with victims. It car

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"It's really, really disappointing that the University of Toronto, which calls itself Harvard of the North, can close down one of its most important faculties," said Raloh Giannone, the president of saying they are too technical this year and have little design value.

Connell blamed government underfunding for the need to close the faculty, but wouldn't say whether U of T.would have to chop other programs.

The 386-student faculty, which includes landscape architecture, provides one of only three accrecontinued on page 3

New SUB info booth opens

by Ann Grever

The SUB information booth got started last Monday with little fanfare and a lot of confusion.

Council had informed Building Services Board and Scott Richardson, VP Internal that the booth was to be built and open by February 1, said Richardson.

Stephen Lynch has been ratified by the SU executive as the interim director of the booth, until May 1, or until the executive "creates a bylaw that will be exclusive of how we would run the booth" or until SORSE or Student Help decides if they'd like to take it over, said Richardson.

The booth is in response to a need for "just general information." The need was "recognized" when the Store Plus More was sold.

"The event brought about an awareness for another facility for the information functions of the store, like the distribution of handbooks and directories."

The manned booth will distribute bus schedules and student handbooks, and have a calendar, SU constitution, maps of the campus and SUB, and possibly a phone for the students' use. Entertainment events at SUB theatre will also be advertised at the booth. The booth attendants will be obligated to "know all the service areas."

Richardson said the booth was busy being on the main floor, an area of "high traffic flow."

The booth will be manned from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Mondays to Fridays, and from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturdays.