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ACT—UP protest marred by inconsistencies

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Also coming to Marriott's defence was The National Restaurant Association, which itself lobbied extensively in support of the bill.

An anonymous source in the NRA office said Marriott "was not involved [in the lobbying] at all."

Still, Kelly claims he received proof of Marriott support for the bill through the Washington office of both Senator Edward Kennedy and an anonymous congressional source.

But when contacted by *Excalibur*, a spokesperson in Kennedy's office said although she had spoken to Kelly she had not told him Marriott lobbied for the bill because she had "no idea if they were for or against it."

"The whole thing has been blown out of proportion," she said.

Spokespeople for both the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and the U.S.-based AIDS Action Council (AAC) confirmed that Marriott never officially lobbied for the Chapman amendment.

But Dr. Ruth Finkelstein of the AAC was disappointed that a company with as "progressive" a life-threatening illness policy as Marriott's did not take a more active stand against the Chapman amendment.

"Our grievance with Marriott was that they never officially opposed the bill even though the bill was inconsistent with their employment policy," said Finkelstein.

Roger Conner, Vice President at Marriott's international headquarters in Washington, said that, although he understood that AIDS groups wanted Marriott's public

support in opposition to the bill, "this is not our role."

Conner was surprised when told of the scheduled demonstration.

"Energies could be more constructively used in the fight against AIDS than in harkening back to Marriott's lack of stance on the Chapman amendment," Conner said.

However, official student support for the demonstration appears to remain strong, with both the YFS and OFS planning to attend.

YFS president Jean Ghomeshi said he "supports what Ron is doing." Ghomeshi said the YFS voted to give its official support pending substantiation of Kelly's claims.

OFS chairperson Tim Jackson says Kelly's claims are "substantial . . . all indications so far are that the facts are correct."

When pressed, however, Jackson was unable to say precisely what facts he had received.

The demonstration is planned to begin tomorrow at noon, at the flagpole in front of the Ross building, Tuesday October 16.

Bacchus York reactivated after student dies

by Natalia Smith

Bacchus York, an affiliation of Bacchus Canada, was reactivated this summer by Christopher Hastilow. The move was sparked by the death of York student Tammy Emerton. Emerton, an active member of Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving (OSAID), was killed this past May by a 17-year-old drunk driver in a head-on collision.

To raise alcohol consciousness Hastilow, President of Bacchus York, invited Bacchus Canada to hold a one-day symposium on impaired driving at McLaughlin College.

"Our organization subscribes to Bacchus philosophy which is moderation, responsibility and awareness," Hastilow said.

Bacchus Canada is an alcohol awareness and abuse prevention organization which promotes responsible drinking among post secondary students. It launched a Canadian Campus Alcohol Awareness Week programme (CCAW) from Oct. 1-5 which began with the symposium.

"Our main objective is to make

people aware that alcohol on campus is an issue. But this is difficult, because we are competing with others such as the AIDS issue," said Carmi Camicata, executive director of Bacchus Canada.

According to Camicata, many crimes such as date rape and impaired driving are alcohol related. Therefore, the irresponsible use of alcohol must be addressed and prevented.

"We are not trying to ruin anyone's fun by prohibiting alcohol on campus, but we would like the university to be in control of its consumption instead of outside forces," Hastilow said.

In 1989, Richard Stone, a medical student visiting Guelph University died from choking on his own vomit while drunk.

During the inquiry into Sloane's death, Guelph's liquor license was revoked for 14 days.

Presently, the university is under stringent alcohol policies which prohibit service of pitchers of beer to students.

Hastilow reasons that there should be no need for such policies at York if preventative measures are taken to ensure respon-

sible drinking.

Bacchus York has already implemented some programmes that address alcohol as an important issue. "Don't Leave Dick For Dead," a recent campaign about how to save a drunken friend from choking on their own vomit, is geared towards students.

"When you throw up from being intoxicated you are close to death," Hastilow said. "Since you are suffering from alcohol poisoning your body will deal with this in one of two ways; either by vomiting or shutting all systems down."

Another project being activated

on campus is the Steer Clear Programme which allows students to arrange for their car not to be ticketed or towed away if they are too drunk to drive.

In addition to Steer Clear, Bacchus York is pushing for more server intervention in sales of alcoholic beverages. According to Hastilow "last call" in pubs should be banned.

"We the students are the ones that have to make the difference," Hastilow said. "What we are basically trying to do is change people's attitudes towards alcohol which will change their behaviour."



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