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## Valuable paintings stolen

### Orientation week rocked by theft, vandalism

By DOUG TINDAL

Over \$15,000 worth of paintings were stolen last Wednesday night from the Winters-Vanier college masters' dining room.

The theft of the paintings, two Harold Towns valued at about \$3,000 each, and five Eskimo prints valued at \$2,000 each, was discovered by a Versafood employee at 9:30 Thursday morning.

Three additional Eskimo prints were not taken, which indicates that the thieves may have been interrupted.

A York security guard tested the

doors to the dining room at 3 a.m. and found them locked; but Metro police who investigated the theft found no evidence of a forced entry.

In a similar case two years ago, a painting by faculty member David Samila was stolen from Atkinson. When it was anonymously returned several weeks later, the case was officially considered closed.

George Dunn, York's director of safety and security services, suggests that similar action may be taken in this case if the pain-

tings are returned, but he adds the warning that "no one can regard this as a joke if someone is caught."

Dunn remarked that Wednesday night was the worst night he had ever seen for vandalism on campus.

"Normally you get isolated incidents, like somebody wanting to get into residence, forgetting his key and kicking in the door," he said. "But this night a fridge in Stong was broken into, beer bottles

were broken, and desserts were splashed on the walls."

The Temporary Office Building was the scene of more damage as two or three parking meters were ripped up, "which must have taken a terrific effort because they have concrete bases."

One of the meters was subsequently used to smash the hood of a new car parked nearby. And a number of parking signs around the campus were ripped down, which Dunn described as "an-

noying, because it takes time and money to put them up, while we're trying frantically to hold parking costs down."

Dunn emphasized that his 12-man security force is unable to give adequate attention to all areas of the campus.

"The students are the ones who will pay for the damage," he said. "The university can't afford to just absorb the cost."

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## Free family tuition outdated, says Small

By JULIAN BELTRAME

York University's practice of granting tuition-free education to the spouses and children of faculty members was called outdated by Bill Small, vice-president in charge of administration, in an interview with Excalibur this week.

"It originated out of a concept that might have been valid when college professors were very poorly paid," said Small, "but in my book, it no longer is valid."

The practice, which is followed by most universities in the province, came under severe attack from newspapers last year. As a result the Council of Ontario Universities "looked hard" into the matter during their annual meeting.

John Macdonald, COU executive director, said Tuesday that the council had decided not to interfere with the policies of individual universities. The council did, however, recommend that the individual universities "consider the issue from the standpoint of general policy."

The recommendation handed down to university presidents was ignored in York's negotiations with the faculty, said Small, because both the administration and the faculty agreed to concentrate only on salary disputes.

Small added that the policy would again be reviewed this year.

An estimated 110 to 120 students are enrolled at York every year as either children or spouses of faculty members, taking advantage of the tuition-free education secured by faculty in their negotiations with the president.

The privilege which affects all tenured and probationary faculty does not apply equally to university staff members or administrators, although individual staff members may be granted free tuition if they themselves enrol in courses offered at York, "whenever it benefits the university and the staff member and does not interfere with their work."

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Small said he was in favour of doing away with the practice since

the conditions that led to its implementation no longer exist. He stated that professors now draw salaries comparable to those offered to equally trained men in industries.

He added that if the practice could not be curtailed, staff members should be given the same privileges now enjoyed by the faculty.

While it might be desirable to disallow the free tuition on purely economic grounds, many practical problems would hinder such a move.

The privilege was granted as part of the salary negotiations between the faculty and the university's president, binding the university to the agreement for the life of the professor's contract.

Since many professors are either on tenure or about to become tenured, the benefit would be in effect for as long as the professor decided to remain at York.

Before the policy could be changed, it would have to be negotiated with the faculty association, and agreed to by the faculty.

"There'd be legal and morale problems involved in changing the policy," stated Small.

## Entrepreneurs pay up

Student groups which use university facilities and charge admission to their events will now have to pay up to a maximum of \$310 a year, if a draft proposal put forward by Harry Knox, assistant vice-president in charge of business operations, John Becker, vice-president, and Anne Scotton, president of CYSF, becomes university policy.

The proposed policy would not affect groups which use York's facilities and do not charge admission for their events.

Student organizations such as Winters and Bethune movies, which operate lecture halls on a regular basis charging from \$1 to \$1.25 admission will be subject to the maximum rental fee.

Groups who rent lecture halls once a week will be charged \$155 total, and operators of single even-



Students line up to get copies of their study lists as part of the registration exercise in the Tait McKenzie gym last Wednesday, Thursday and

Friday. Generally, line-ups were light and registration proceeded smoothly. For details, see Registration, page 3.

## Campus dining halls go wet, blanket liquor licence granted

By MICHAEL HOLLETT

York University has been granted a canteen license by the Liquor Licensing Board of Ontario (LLBO). This licence will permit the serving of alcoholic beverages at all campus dining halls, coffee houses and pubs.

But before the new licence

comes into effect, the various drinking areas must pass fire marshal and LLBO inspections. The prospective campus drinking spots have already passed the fire marshal's inspection and are currently being inspected by the Liquor Board. Even the managers of the outlets must be approved by the LLBO.

Harry Knox, assistant vice-president (business operations) said that the university will be given a list of improvements that must be made in the various rooms before the licence comes into effect. Knox believes the inspector's recommendations will be few and minor, and he hopes the licence will be in effect at least by mid-October.

The previous method for licensing campus drinking spots involved each pub's getting a daily special occasion licence at a cost of \$15 per day for each day that it served alcoholic beverages. Over a period of a year the cost of these permits exceeds \$3,000.

Under the new system there will be only one licence purchased, at an approximate cost of \$20, to cover the entire university, thus considerably lowering pub expenses.

In the past, alcoholic beverages for campus pubs have been purchased through Versa Food and

the Green Bush Inn, with service charges.

Under the new plan the university has hired a beverage manager in charge of ordering alcoholic beverages for all campus outlets, including those operated by Versa Food.

John Mitchell, formerly of Green Bush Inn, has been hired as beverage manager, and his duties will include assisting the managers of all campus outlets in control techniques and maintenance of records, ordering special occasion permits when necessary, conducting periodic checks on stock records of all campus outlets and acting as the general liaison between campus outlets and the LLBO.

The money necessary to meet the expenses of the beverage manager's office will be raised by the levying of a 20 per cent service charge on all alcohol purchases made by the various outlets through his office.

Mitchell said that all outlets would be permitted to serve alcohol from 12 noon until 1 a.m. Monday through Saturday; however, representatives of Stong, Calumet, Bethune and McLaughlin Colleges have stated that for the moment they will only be interested in serving alcohol periodically.

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