

FEDERATION NOTES

New year; new challenges



"Federation Notes" is a column provided by Excalibur for the benefit of the Council of The York Student Federation (CYSF). The Council is composed of five federated colleges and two constituencies and is recognized as the central student government of campus. The person writing this column is the president of CYSF Greg Gaudet (hi), but throughout the year, the author may be any one of a number of executive members. Further information on almost anything can be obtained at 105 C.S., or by calling 667-2515.

CYSF is financially supported by its student members. Although this same point is made repeatedly, if follows, then, that in order for CYSF to properly provide services to students, enough of those students must be willing to get involved. Election to the council is not necessary to sit on any of its many committees, or to help in poster campaigns, etc. All it requires is a willingness to become involved. There are a large number of organizations associated directly or indirectly

with CYSF, making for an extremely diverse organization.

CKRY (Radio York) is perhaps the service with the greatest potential. Although there have been problems in the past, CYSF has contributed financial and moral support so that the station could begin broadcasting for the first time in almost a year. CYSF will continue to work to ensure that CKRY will eventually be broadcasting throughout the campus.

Soundproof, CYSF's record store has taken the place of Lyceum, the used book store. In addition to the fact that they are extremely competitively priced, the record store provides a much-needed service, in that there are no record stores located close to the York campus. It should, therefore, be especially helpful to those students in residence.

Again this year, CYSF will carry on with the Reel tradition. The Reel and Screen film series has been an unqualified success since its inception and there is no reason to believe that the same will not be true this year. The cost is \$2.75 for a double bill (\$2.00 to see only the second film), and Reel popcorn and pop will be available. Listing posters are available in the CYSF offices,

and, as always, the posters for each night will be wallpapered around the campus.

The CYSF typing service will also continue this year. Located in room 121 Founders College, the service is very professional and prices this year are competitive.

This year, CYSF hopes to become more involved in athletics, and as a result, has organized a challenge competition with the U of T SAC. Students from either University can challenge students from the opposing University through the respective student councils. The week preceding the game against U of T Blues, will see these challenges played out with the team accumulation the most points declared the winner at the game.

Many clubs on campus are funded by CYSF, and these are an ideal way to meet other students with the same interests, and to get an idea of what is happening beyond the academic life of the university. Course Unions, while organized through departments, are also involved in much more than academics, and are the responsibility of the Academic commission of CYSF.

Other ventures by CYSF this

year include fund-raising, increased activity in the social aspect of student life, and attempts to increase student representation on the university senate.

Although seen by a few as simply a clearing station for student fees which should be passed on to clubs and unions, the CYSF is an organization with a wide scope. Its mandate goes beyond concentration on clubs and unions. It is an organization which represents the majority of York's full time students, and it cannot remain stagnant. Changes take place, progression continues, and the image of CYSF is improved as time goes on. There is a place for a central student government within this college-oriented and college-based university. And that government is CYSF.

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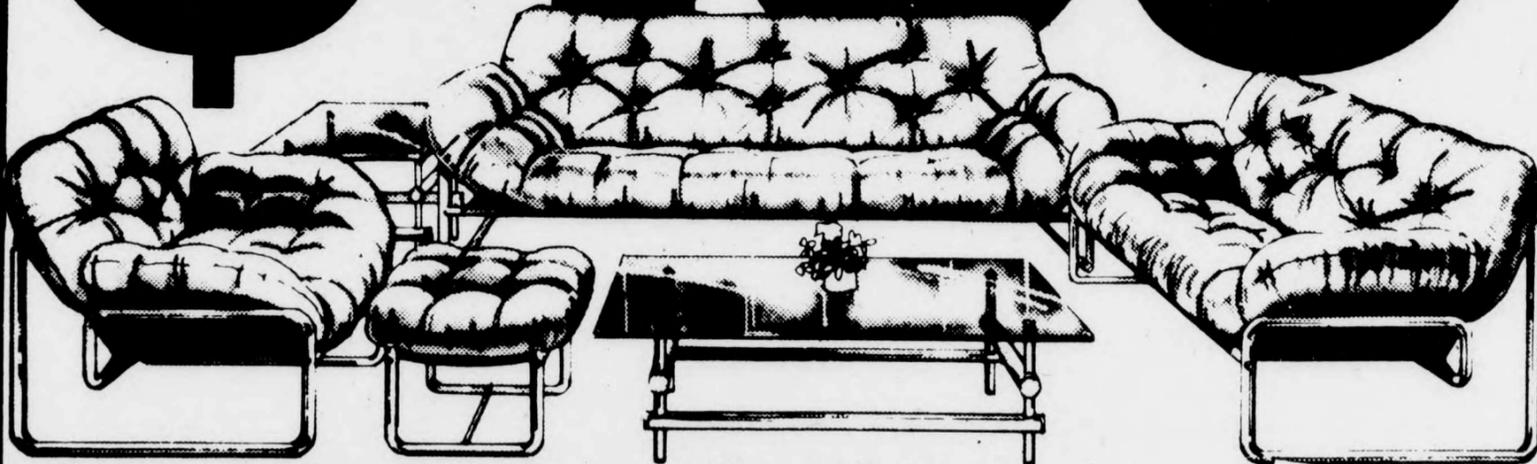


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