

So whats the job story?

by Richard Watts

Are you worried about your job prospects this summer? Afraid you won't be able to find anything at all?

There may be a viable alternative for you in starting your own business. You can register, incorporate and become a business entity unto yourself and make money.

On Wednesday, March 16 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., the office of Hire-a-Student will be holding an information seminar on starting your own business. The seminar will be held in Rm. 256 CAB.

The seminars will cover information on legal aspects of starting your own business, licensing (there is a discount for students), taxation and record keeping.

There will be about six different speakers, all well qualified in their area of expertise.

Monica Wegner, of Hire-a-Student, says "We want students to know that starting your own business is an alternative to working for an employer because it is going to be tough this summer for jobs."

The office of Hire-a-Student not only offers information on how to start your own business, they also provide services to help you operate your business throughout the summer.

They provide a free referral service to student businesses. This means a potential employer can get in touch with the Hire-a-Student offices outlining the job that has to be done. Hire-a-Student will then refer three Student businesses to the employer who will then make a choice based on the "sales pitch" the students make.

There are some impressive success stories arising out of student businesses; the most notable of which is college pro painters. However, College Pro Painters have ceased to be a Student Business and are now up there in the big time.

Says Monica Wegner, "Painting isn't the only service a student can offer, there's lawn care, baby sitting, and fitness consulting looks as though it might be a big one this year."

This summer will be a tough one for jobs; they won't be easy to

come by. In times like these, the only ones who will make it are the ones who are willing to hustle. Consider hustling in your own business and consider starting to become a self employed worker.

by Gilbert Bouchard

"The whole idea is to employ people who've exhausted U.I. and other forms of assistance, and to allow talented people to make a

contribution to society," was how Les Gallagher, spokesperson for Public Affairs, summed up the New Employment Expansion and Development (NEED) program.

The program, a joint federal/provincial project, will spend 22.5 million dollars in Alberta to create at least 2,700 jobs. Gallagher expects that "the jobs should be distributed through-out the province."

Gallagher elaborated, mentioning that the jobs created will

"benefit the community, and we're looking for jobs that fit into an overall economic strategy, we want to train people for when the economy recovers."

Voluntary organizations, municipalities, unions and members of the private sector are all invited to apply for NEED funds.

Gallagher does warn that the program does not want to create dependence on NEED funds, to replace presently employed personnel, or for profit-oriented projects. Applicants must employ a minimum of three people for at least twelve weeks.

No marks, no food

VANCOUVER (CUP) — The Canadian Federation of Students is giving low marks to a plan by the B.C. government to index student aid to academic standing.

And CFS intends to use the issue to solicit public support.

"The argument of the government right now is that the system is elitist, so let's make it more elitist. The argument we are going to use is that the system is bad right now, so let's stop it before it gets worse," Phil Link, CFS member.

CFS-Pacific chair Donna Morgan agreed. "It's ridiculous. That money's awarded for food, not marks."

"Basically (academic standing) is a way to save money, because only first-class students are going to receive the maximum allowable amount. Even the financial awards office said it would be an administrative nightmare."

"I don't think that anyone would argue that students should be passing," said Dan Worsely, financial aid officer. "The idea of academic progress is not such a bad one, but if it is set unreasonably high, one begins to wonder."

At a Council of Ministers of Education of Canada meeting in Vancouver Jan. 23, Secretary of State Serge Joyal proposed raising the student allowance to \$100 from \$56 per week if provincial governments maintain their present level of student aid.

There are now indications that the B.C. government may not meet the requirements.

Currently the maximum a student can receive in B.C. student aid is \$3,800. The federal government provides \$1,800 in the form of a loan, while the provincial government contributes up to \$2,000 in grants.

A study conducted by Capilano College has determined the minimum amount necessary to live on is \$6,600 per year, Morgan said.

"To a large degree students are written off by the government because they aren't expecting too much of a student vote anyway," Link said. "The main focus of the work we are doing is public, making them aware of our concerns."



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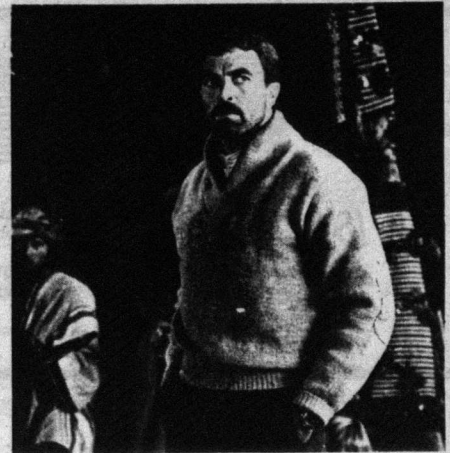
Saturday hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to Midnight in Cameron Library and in the Rutherford North and South Libraries. Reference hours will also increase in some areas. The Education Library will also increase hours at a later date.

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