

# The Gateway



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a charming look at  
Canadians and the  
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## Propaganda ignored

by Rod Campbell

Homophobic propaganda is being circulated around campus in an attempt to discredit the Together slate's current election campaign.

Together presidential candidate Paul LaGrange does not feel the material will hurt his slate's chances: "It's so ridiculous nobody's going to take it serious. I hope."

"It's added some sense of hu-

mour to the election."

Chief Returning Officer Craig Cooper says that "this sort of thing happens every year. It's unfortunate but it happens."

Cooper feels that if the culprit was caught he might lose his Students' Union privileges.

LaGrange says he does not intend to pursue the matter.

To emphasize AIDS awareness...

## Condom giveaway

by Gateway staff

Three hundred condoms will be distributed at an open forum on AIDS Awareness, to be held March 17.

The forum, organized by the Nursing Undergraduate Association, is aimed at "dispelling the myths of AIDS," said Cathy Giblin, a representative of the NUA.

Speakers from the Faculty of Medicine, the AIDS Network, the Sexually Transmitted Disease Clinic, and the University Hospital Centre for Infectious Diseases will address various aspects of the disease. The

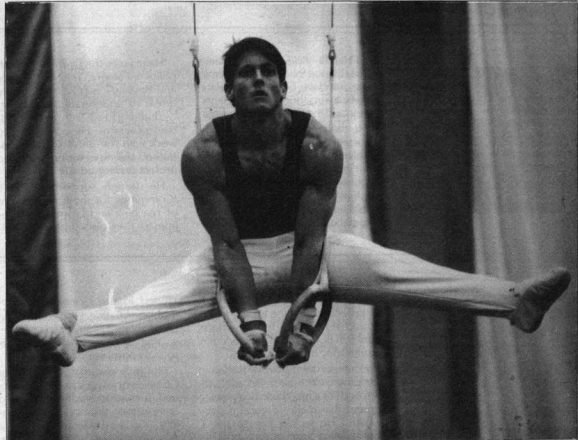
condoms, all Trojan brand, will be given out at the beginning of the forum.

The transmission of AIDS, its manifestations, and the course of the disease will be covered by a representative from the Faculty of Medicine. The AIDS Network will present some of the psychosocial aspects of AIDS, especially as it affects the day to day life of its victims.

Prevention of AIDS will be addressed by the STD Clinic in a safe sex lecture. Also discussed will be the resources available in Edmonton for testing and counselling of people affected by the disease.

For people in health-oriented faculties, the Department of Infection Control will be presenting a talk on precautions for working with the victims of AIDS.

After the presentations, the floor will be opened for questions. Giblin expects that the constantly changing information of AIDS, such as the recently released Masters & Johnson report, will prompt students to ask questions of the speakers.



Steady... Bear gymnast concentrates on the CIAU national championship. See P18

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## Controversy in Athletics election

by Alan Small

For the first time in years, the position of Vice-President for Men's Athletics is being contested, and controversy over the election is brewing.

Candidate Kendall Beleshko believes that the Department of Athletics thinks of him as "an outsider" and that the Students' Union positions on the University Athletic Board (UAB) are traditionally selected from within the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation to discourage others from running for the positions.

"I find the whole deal [selection of candidates] very internal," said Beleshko, "the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation just sends their people to be nominated and they expect to win by acclamation."

Athletics spokesman Brenda Chen disagrees with the statement that Phys Ed expects to get their candidates elected by acclamation.

"From what people have told me, the Department of Athletics puts in a candidate, and no one else was interested in running," Chen said.

"I believe they [Phys Ed] are shocked that an outsider is running," Beleshko said. Chen, however, disagreed: "I have no problem with him running," she said.

The other candidate in the election, Glen Allen, was out of town at press time and was unavailable for comment. His campaign manager, Karen Allen, did not wish to reply on behalf of the candidate.

Beleshko claims that all the UAB

does at the present time is get together and discuss how to make money for Color Night, the U of A's banquet where athletes are honored.

"I have no problem with that," Beleshko, an arts student said, "my beef is that they don't concentrate on any of the other aspects of their constitution."

"I got a strong impression that the position I'm running for is not a Students' Union position, but a University Athletic Board position."

Beleshko, if elected, hopes to use all the powers given him to promote the U of A's athletic endeavors.

"To get this school moving, we have to pump up the spirit," said Beleshko, "we've got to get participation of the students outside of Physical Education. That way apathy would be eliminated, or if not eliminated, reduced by a great extent."

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Candidates enjoy last year's forum

file photo

## Classes cancelled!

by Gateway staff

Noon classes are cancelled on Wednesday, March 16, to allow students to attend the Students' Union election forum in SUB Theatre.

The hour-long forum is designed to give candidates for SU office a chance to address students and present their positions.

The forum is traditionally entertaining, as audience members often take the opportunity to indulge in creative heckling and verbal abuse.

Candidates will not be forced to duck high-speed projectiles as they have in the past, however, as throwing objects was prohibited last year.

Craig Cooper, Chief Returning Officer for the election, plans to try to keep order by hiring two people to act as security guards at the door to check for eggs and "suspicious packages".

Besides the regular speeches, the PTL slate will be holding a faith healing. Cooper is hoping that students who wish to increase their awareness will "pack the theatre."

by Rod Campbell

The Nicaraguan ambassador to Canada, Sergio Lacayo, will speak on campus this Friday evening.

The ambassador will discuss the Arias peace plan and its implications for Central America, says Jan Gelfand, a program officer with the International Centre on campus.

Mr. Lacayo will speak in SUB Theatre at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free. On Saturday, the ambassador will be the guest of honor at a Crossroads International fund raising dinner at St. Agnes Catholic Church 10826 - 62 Avenue.

Proceeds from the event will be used to send six Crossroads volunteers to development projects in the Third World.



Nicaraguan ambassador Lacayo

"By comparison with the greatest subjects of art... all politics seem like provincial struggles for booty between dusky tribes."

Sir Stephen Spender