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## Hill looks out from Inside the Ivory Tower

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Do you watch cable channel 10? Of course you don't, but perhaps you should.

Cable 10, noted for its bad colour, excruciatingly dull and twittish hosts and spastic VCR operations, has a new show. It's called Inside the Ivory Tower and, yes, your student council has spent \$2627 producing this program. A program it is certain few people will ever see.

The program is designed to increase public awareness of the university's contribution to the community. If the Dal propaganda hour can accomplish that, perhaps public pressure could loosen the purse strings at Province House to the benefit of post-secondary education in Nova Scotia.

But is it probable that all the lights, cameras and action unfolding on cable 10 will bring about such a transformation of public opinion? Who, even among cable 10's die-hard fans (and even they must have some) will sit still for a half hour long commercial for

Ask a friend. Ask all of your friends. "Did you see Inside the Ivory Tower on Monday night?" Don't bother asking the student councillors who approved the expenditures for the show. The Gazette contacted seven councillors and none of them had seen the show.

But that problem aside, a question no one has answered is why student union funds should be spent on university PR. There are to be shows publicizing the Art Gallery, Marine Sciences and the professions at Dal. Who gave council the mandate to advertize these? DSU president Tim Hill's report says it will "contribute greatly to a better public understanding of our institution . . ." Is this not the administration's field of operations?

For the Inside story, stay tuned for the answers to these and other exciting questions.

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