

CYSF committee's program begins

Women's lecture series launched

By Laura Brown

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opportunities in employment, politics, and status, is the lack of awareness by both sexes of women's progress over the years and the obstacles they will have to face in the future.

With this in mind, the CYSF Women's Affairs Committee has arranged a month-long series of lectures in conjunction with U of T, which deals with women's struggles and how they relate to everyone.

"We (the committee) are representing a student body which consists of men and women," said chairperson Bonnie Brown, "and our topics should be of interest to everyone."

Both universities will offer a different lecture each week for four consecutive weeks. The first York lecture, slated for January 16, will deal with addictions to prescribed and non-prescribed drugs and alcohol.

"These addictions are community diseases," Brown said, "which affect both men and women."

The second lecture deals with equal pay and job opportunities. "It's sort of an over-worked topic," Brown remarked, "but I think men, as well as some women, still feel that women aren't qualified and capable of holding high positions."

This lecture will be followed by one dealing with women in non-traditional employment roles, such as accounting.

Ending off the series will be a lecture on women in politics. Visiting female politicians will discuss their personal experiences

on how they achieved their positions, and the reception they got.

This topic is of special interest to Brown, who remarked, "I think one of the biggest problems, especially at York, is that women aren't involved enough in politics."

The series will not deal with what Brown terms the "traditional women's movement."

"And one of our main goals was to guarantee that we steered away from radicalism," she added.

"I think one of the major problems found in women's movements is when they don't consider men in their issues, and when they see themselves as a

separate entity," Brown said.

"Women have to deal with men constantly, especially since men are so predominant in various fields, and I don't think you can overlook them."

The lecture series is the first of several programs which the five-member committee has underway.

Concern about rape and assault on campus led to discussions on university security. The committee concluded that security is lacking, and plans are now in the making for creating a student security group in the next few months.

The committee is approaching

the residence councils for volunteers to patrol the university grounds and buildings each night.

Finally, a rape symposium will be held on February 28. This day-long event has been planned in conjunction with the Rape Crisis Centre, and will offer films, speakers, debates and four workshops.

The following is the York lecture series schedule:

• January 16 — *Women's Little Helpers: Prescribed Drugs, Non-prescribed drugs and alcohol* with guest speakers Jill McCarther and Margaret Brenner (Addiction Research Foundation).

• January 23 — *Equal Pay and Equal Opportunities* with guest speakers Jane Hynes (social science professor and past Advisor to the President on the Status of Women at York), Marney Clark (Head of Women's Bureau, Ontario Ministry of Labour), and Barbara Greene (Controller).

• January 30 — *Non-Traditional Roles* with guest speakers Elizabeth McTavish (York Career Centre), Ellen Shapiro (Life Insurance), and Delmarie Scherloski (Accountant).

• February 6 — *The Leadership Pattern*, with guest speakers Gail Christie (Mayor of York), Lauma Avens (YUSA), and Margaret Campbell (Liberal MPP).

All lectures will be held in Curtis Lecture Hall 'L'.

For further information and a listing of U of T's lecture series, contact Bonnie Brown at the CYSF office (667-2515).



He: I demand that you desist in this unlady-like behaviour. She: Up yours bub. "Lady-like" is an archaic Victorianism.

Eviction at York easier under new law

By Paul Lantz

The provincial government recently introduced new legislation to deal with residential tenancies, including rent review.

While the proposed Act contains a number of provisions which will strengthen and more clearly define the rights of tenants it will also apparently affect students living in

university housing adversely.

Currently tenants in graduate residence at York are covered by The Landlord and Tenant Act. The relevant sections of that act will be replaced by the new legislation, Bill 163. Bill 163 specifically excludes, 'living accommodation provided by an educational institution for its students or staff.'

The standard lease signed by students at York for graduate residence includes several provisions that are contrary to the Landlord and Tenant Act. For example under the current Act a landlord cannot evict a tenant without a court order. The York lease does not always require a court order, but because of the Act these provisions are ineffective.

Once the Bill becomes law it is possible that that and similar provisions of the York lease will become effective. Student tenants will no longer be protected by legislation but will have to depend

on the terms of the agreement they sign with York.

Other controversial provisions of Bill 163 would allow a landlord to make 'house rules' for his tenants. While the Bill provides that these must be 'reasonable' before they will be enforced it is likely that the power of a landlord to impose regulations on her tenants will be increased.

On the positive side the Bill increases the maximum penalty for violation of landlord and tenant law by a corporate landlord from \$2,000 to \$25,000.

Landlord and tenant disputes will be moved out of the courts and be adjudicated by a new body to be known as the Residential Tenancy Commission. It is hoped that this will reduce the costs of legal action to all parties involved.

Landlords currently charge widely varying fees when they give permission to sublet; Bill 163 restricts these to a maximum of \$50.

Student awards office catching up on backlog

By Greg Saville

The Ontario Student Awards Program seems to have settled down to "more normal" levels according to Jo-Anne Albright, York's director of student awards, after provoking severe criticism from Ontario's awards officers and the Ontario Federation of Students last month.

"The number of processed applications are now at a much more-normal level," Albright said, "and we're now accepting certain applications."

About 800 York students still waiting for financial aid before Christmas after OSAP fell far behind processing applications. The province-wide problem caused the Ontario ministry of Colleges and Universities to make \$11 million available in advance payments to universities and colleges for emergency loans. However, Albright said the York awards office managed to hand out a majority of completed applications that had been previously unprocessed before the Christmas break.

Albright said there is no longer the backlog of people who have been waiting since last year for financial assistance. She had stated earlier that some York students might have been waiting over six months for financial aid from OSAP.

Awards officers across Ontario are in the process of discussing next year's awards program and information about it will be made available to them at the end of March.

Hebrew University - York University Exchange Programme

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Nature of Award

This year we expect to have available three scholarships for York students at Hebrew University, Jerusalem. The value of two is \$2000.00 each. The third is a tuition and room scholarship. (Some additional funds may be available for travel expenses.)

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Students must enrol in a full-time programme of Jewish studies at Hebrew University subject to approval of their faculty and/or major department at York.

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Any full-time York Student, who has completed at least one full year at York. First preference is given to Jewish Studies majors completing their second year.

Students must meet York requirements for study abroad and be accepted by the Hebrew University. There may be a personal interview.

YEAR ABROAD PROGRAMME

Under the York University-Hebrew University Exchange Programme, York University would like to establish a York student group at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem for next year. Such a group might be able to assist students in planning their programmes of study and with other arrangements for and during their year abroad. Should the number of students warrant, there will be a resident advisor in Jerusalem.

When and Where to Apply

Enquiries for the Year Abroad Programme, the Hebrew University Scholarship should be addressed to

Prof. M. Brown, Chairman
President's Advisory Committee for the
York University-Hebrew University Exchange
250 Vanier College
York University
Telephone: 3900

Scholarship applicants should submit a statement of purpose, outlining the projected programme of studies in Israel and explaining how that programme complements their studies at York. Also required for submission are transcripts of all previous university courses taken and two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a York faculty member. A personal interview may be required.

Scholarship applications should be submitted no later than Feb. 26 for awards to begin the following September. Awards will be announced on or about March 30.

N.B. Students should consult calendars of the Hebrew University in preparing their programmes of study. One is available on request in Vanier 120