

## False alarm?

OTTAWA (CUP) — A supervisor told 60 Carleton students to ignore a fire alarm and keep writing their chemistry exam, Mar. 12.

Wayne Archer, a chemistry lab technician was proctoring the Chemistry 100 exam when the alarm went off.

Archer, also a fire warden for the building, wouldn't comment.

Chemistry department head Ron Shigeishi said Archer "acted reasonably."

Shigeishi said Archer left the room to investigate the alarm after it started.

Archer tracked down the source of the alarm. Shigeishi said he discovered it was false after a 90-second search. "A delay of just over a minute is not going to pose a risk when the supposed danger is so far away," said Shigeishi.

But a student who was in the building at the time, who requested anonymity, disagreed.

"Why even bother having fire alarms when something like this occurs?" she asked.

VP Academic Dennis Forcese called the action "a violation of (administration) policy. . . . An alarm is an alarm and people are to scoot when it goes off."

Forcese said there will be a security report on the incident.

The student said the incident "sets a dangerous precedent," especially in a science building where there may be flammable chemicals.

## Strippers at U of T

by Andrew Epstein  
and J. Andrew Yao

TORONTO (CUP) — University of Toronto residents hosted two strippers at their 'stag' Tuesday night, and some administrators are angry.

"I think it's just disgraceful that students would amuse themselves with such a degrading portrayal of women," said Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs David Neelands.

About 60 to 80 men and one woman crowded the basement of the common room of Devonshire House to watch the two half-hour shows by strippers Juicy Lucy, and Sugarbouche. The two strippers said the residents were "extremely well behaved."

The stag is not a new concept to Devonshire House. Sugarbouche said she appeared at a similar party last fall.

House president Rick Yankowich had said last month there would be no strippers at the stag. He said they were too expensive, and generally not a good thing, when considering sexual equality.

U of T status of women officer Lois Reimer said she was disappointed by the event.

"It's a sad commentary on the level of awareness or maturity of these students," she said.

## Roaches on the menu

by T. Clive Thompson III

TORONTO (CUP) — They should have left the playhouse alone.

Construction on the theatre, above a University of Toronto student cafeteria, has stirred up roaches, college official Isobel Heathcote said.

And they're hungry.

"I found black things crawling in the tacos," said second year student Jodie Nagai. "And they were in the hot food that was served on Monday."

Heathcote said she noticed the roach problem growing over the last few weeks, and asked that the hall be closed until the fall.

"They said closing it down was unnecessary and the situation had been taken care of," Heathcote said.

But she doesn't agree.

"Some students showed me a juice bottle that had two baby roaches caught in the screwtop," Heathcote said. "And when we opened it, there were more than two inside."

"Yesterday students were brushing cockroaches off their coats."

U of T officials were unavailable for comment.

"There's absolutely no reason why they couldn't close it down," Heathcote added. Both Heathcote and Nagai said they heard the Union would be fumigated on Tuesday night. But neither thinks it'll do enough.

"Spraying once or twice won't do it," Heathcote said. "There's so many of them."

# Board of governors tables tuition proposal

by Alex Burton

Roughly 25 students attended a Dalhousie Board of Governors meeting Tuesday afternoon to discuss a motion from the Dalhousie Student Union on tuition fee increases.

The motion, presented by Lara Morris, calls for tuition fees to increase at the rate of inflation with a \$15 per full-time student (\$4 for part-time students) contribution to a debt reduction campaign. The motion is in response to proposals by Dalhousie's Financial Strategy Committee to increase tuition fees by an average of 20 per cent.

The motion allowed students representing various faculties and societies at Dalhousie to speak directly to the board on the issue of increased fees.

Lali Kasebi spoke on behalf of science students and stressed the burden placed on students who have lab duties in addition to class time. She said science students have enough difficulty trying to keep up with school work and the higher fees mean students will have to spend even more time at part-time jobs.

Kasebi said a student can expect to save \$3000 over the summer. This is barely enough to

cover fees and living expenses as they stand now.

Carol Gooding (pharmacy representative) spoke of pharmacy students' mandatory work program over the summer which means they earn less than the average student worker. She said professional and health students should not be expected to pay more than those in other faculties.

Jamie Moore (Students Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation), Crista Dunbar (Russian Society), Shelly Galliah (Arts society), Alex Burton (Arts society) and Derik Hall (Young New Democrats) also spoke out against the proposal increases.

Allen Shaw, chair of the Financial Strategy Committee, said no decision on increases had been made yet, and that the motion should be tabled until the final report of the committee was presented to the board. He added "we very much recognize this issue of accessibility" and suggested that a disproportionate financial burden for university funding was being carried by the tax payers who could not afford it.

Howard Clark, president of Dalhousie, also spoke. He repeated themes he has touched

on before when addressing students on tuition fee increases, stating that fees for many students are actually lower today, in real dollar terms, than twenty years ago and that there is no proven correlation between lower fees and accessibility.

Clark also emphasized that any increases in fees would be matched by increases in student aid. He went so far as to suggest higher fees in conjunction with more loans and bursaries might even improve accessibility.

When asked by Morris to make public a university study that showed roughly 30 per cent of students presently at Dalhousie would be forced to leave if the proposed tuition fee increases were in effect today, Clark denied knowledge of the study. However, Vice President of Student Services Eric McKee, rose to tell the board that the study did exist but that it was incomplete and that they were having some difficulties with the figures.

"Yeah, I bet," responded one of the students attending the meeting.

The motion was tabled until the Financial Strategy Committee's final report is presented to the board, most likely some time in April.

## An Invitation to Submit Nominations for the 1990 Malcolm Honor Awards

*The Dalhousie Student Union is seeking nominations for the 1989 Honor Awards, given in tribute to James Malcolm, B.A. 1906, who sacrificed his life in an attempt to save a friend from drowning, and whose career at Dalhousie was characterized by unselfish service to others.*

*The Gold and Silver "D" Awards will be made to graduating students, on the basis of outstanding contribution to student activities. In addition, Honorary Awards will be bestowed on non-student members of the Dalhousie Community in similar recognition of significant service.*

*Any two individuals may nominate a third, with the final selection to be determined by the Awards Committee.*

**The deadline for nominations is April 12, 1990.  
Nomination forms may be picked up at the Student  
Union Offices, Rm 222 SUB.  
For further information, please contact Terry Crawley,  
VP, Room 222, SUB.**