

F.A.C.T.S. training session held

Female Anti-Assault Comprehensive Training System

by Danielle Dugas

Last weekend, on Sunday November 17, F.A.C.T.S., a self-defense course, offered the course to females students.

F.A.C.T.S., Female Anti-Assault Comprehensive Training System, and teaches females techniques to defend themselves.

Randy Breau, one of the instructors, said that movements such as chokes, grabs and pins, were really easy and that the

women picked them up. He also said that the women felt comfortable with these movements.

According to Patty Smith, another instructor, some of the students who participated at this session also participated in other programs such as the WEN-DO Program. These students did not compare the two programs but said they liked the F.A.C.T.S. program very much especially since the movements were not too vio-

lent.

Smith and Breau, both felt that the session went very well. They said that the students were a little bit tense at first, but started loosening up when they started practicing.

Both instructors gave their phone numbers to the participants to give them a chance to practice their techniques.

They are hoping to have another session soon, maybe in February, according to Smith, most of the students who par-

ticipated to this session said that they would come back to the next session.

Smith and Breau were both satisfied with this session. Their only disappointment was the turn out; about 30 women took part in this ses-

sion. This is a very small number considering the number of assaults on the UNB campus this fall.

Smith and Breau hope that the next session will be as successful and that the turn out will be more satisfying.

Canadian Federation of Students claims 'Enough Is Enough'

by Jeffery Czopor

In the States, the popular cry is "Don't you dare raise tuition another 3 or 4 thousand." In Canada it has become undoubtedly, "Don't tax my student loan."

Students nationwide have become increasingly angered by "The federal governments new move to skim 3% off their Canada student loan," according to a recent report released by the Canadian Federation of Students.

The federal government refers to this as a "simple cost recovery initiative." This initiative, which will make the government \$18 million annually, is completely at the cost of students. Clearly, this is another attempt by the government to dig themselves out of a very deep hole.

However, it is unfortunate that the government's solution

to financial insecurity will, in turn, oppress and victimize students who are already somewhat financially insecure. The money they need most (to pay for things like tuition fees, books, rent, and food) will be in the hands of the government who has 'other needs' of it.

Taxing seems bad enough; however, unlike the original plan, the government will collect the tax every year (not merely after graduation as before).

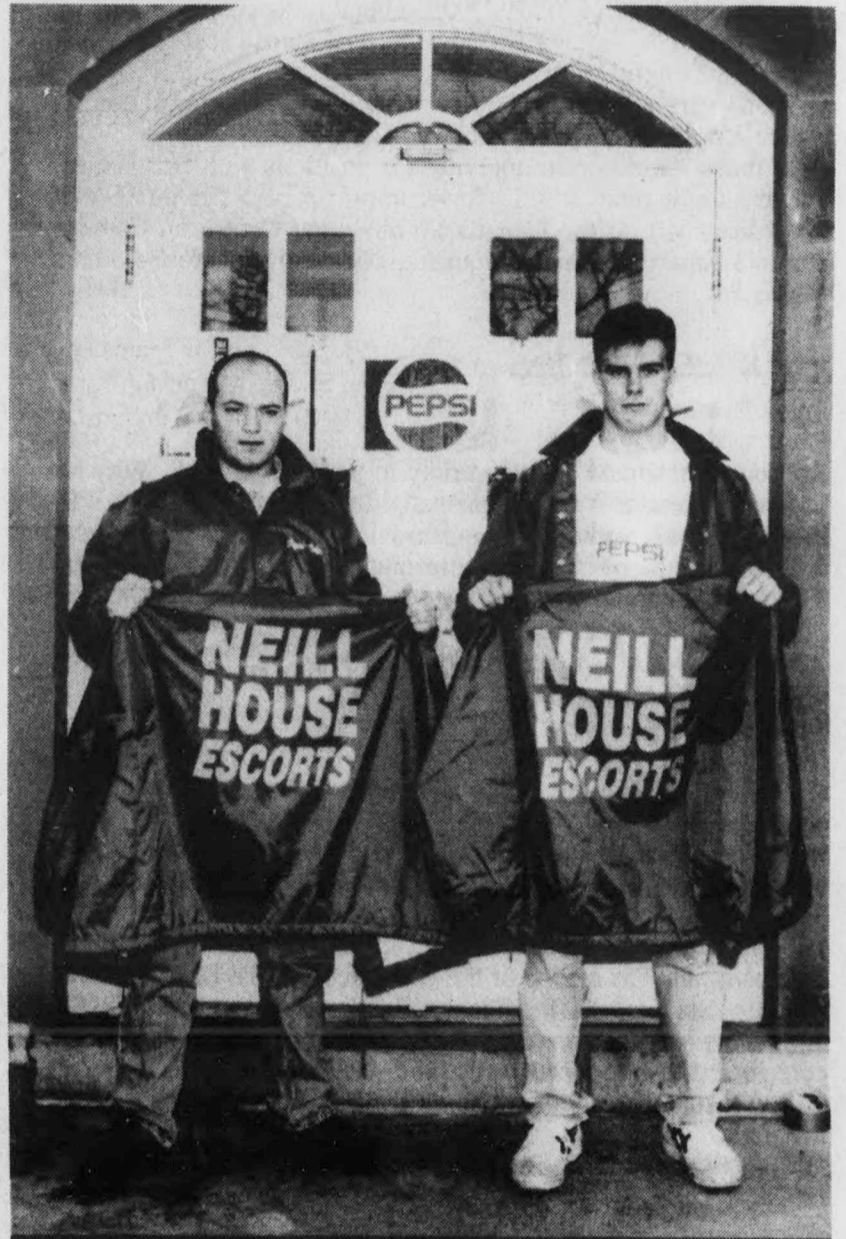
Presently, the Canadian Federation of Students has claimed "Enough Is Enough." When the Federation heard how the tax was to unlawfully be collected, members of CFS were sent propaganda (posters, pamphlets) proclaiming the injustice of the tax and "giant cheques which students can use to 'symbolically pay' the tax." Although virtually useless,

the check will be more of a protest statement than anything else.

In addition, the Canadian Bankers Association collaborated with CFS in its plans to counteract the policy. Both organizations plan on meeting with Robert de Cotret, Secretary of State, to fully express their concerns.

Response has been fabulous. Students across the country have taken initiative to write letters, "not just sit there," and take a stand on something that is truly worth protest. CFS reports that "St. Thomas students sang 500 protest letters."

Perhaps, feelings aimed at the tax can best be summed up by a student slogan at the University of Toronto. "Hey Mike, We're Skin and Bones - Axe Attacks on Student Loans!"



Shown holding the new Knights of Neill House jackets are Kelly Van Buskirk, Don of Neill House, and Jeff Reid, house president.

Micheal David Smith photo

Knights of Neill House receive donation

by Jodi Cruickshank

The Escort Service provided by Neill House just took another step towards ensuring the safety of female students. The Knights of Neill provide an escort service during the evening to ensure the safety of females who have to walk on campus alone.

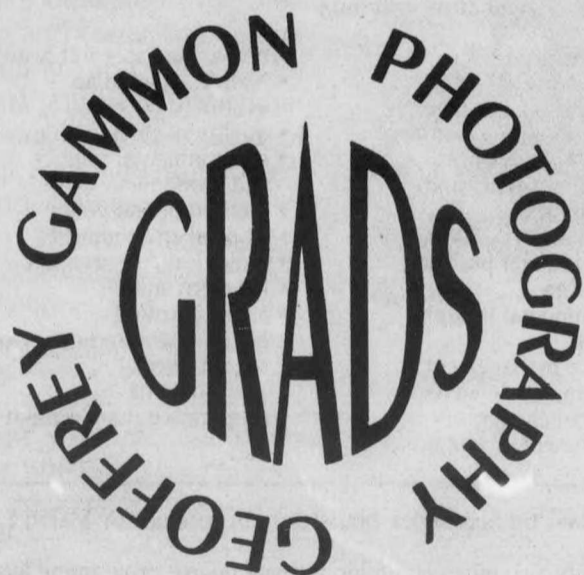
Jackets were donated to the escort service by Pepsi. On the back of the four jackets donated is "Neill House Escort

Service." The jackets make it easier for the person who called the service to identify who the escort is.

On Tuesday November 18, 1991 the President of Neill House, Jeff Reid, was on CIHI Radio concerning the sexual assaults on campus. Apparently it was felt that nothing was being done to reduce the number of sexual assaults, and Reid pointed out that something is being done as Neill

House is providing a safe walk home for females.

The escort service would not be possible without the help from NBTel and UNB security. NBTel generously donated pagers for the program, and security handlers all the calls for it. Currently the average number of people using the service is 5 or 6 per night, but the numbers using it is increasing as more people are made aware of it.



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