Kommen Sie alle zum Oktoberfest

by Gisele Marie Baxter

The word "Octoberfest" always makes me think of a grand excuse for merrymaking, Munich-style; of beer gardens and accordian bands and dancing in the street. Our own Octoberfest activities get under way next week, and this year will see those activities coordinated by four universities in cooperation: Dalhousie, Saint Mary's, Mount Saint Vincent, and the Technical University of Nova Scotia. Early this week, I had a chance to chat with Marie Gilkinson, who is the Entertainment director at Dalhousie, and she described the events of Octoberfest Week for me.

The festivities kick off next Tuesday night, October 13, with a night at the Palace, featuring the popular young Canadian rock band, Leyden Zar. On Wednesday, you can move on to Mount Vincent for Vinnie's Pub Night; admission is \$1.50 Thursday, October 15, sees a German Beer Garden, to be held in our own Dalhousie Cafeteria from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., with the Oom-Pah Boys providing the appropriately Germanstyle music. Admission to this event is free, but for \$3.50 you can buy a complete German meal: weiner schnitzel, sweet and sour cabbage, hot potato salad, peas and carrots, dark rye bread, large pretzels, and open apple pie. So whether you want to eat, drink, or just make merry (or all three!) your needs will be met in true Octoberfest fashion.

On Friday, there will be a dance at the Technical University, in the gym, with music provided by the popular local band, Spice, and the Oom-Pah Boys. Admission will be \$4.25, and this event features a number of door prizes including an allexpense paid trip to the Grey Cup Game in Montreal, courtesy of Eastern Provincial Airlines and Olands. This gets under way at 9 p.m. On Satur-



day, you can head for the beer bash in S.M.U.'s Muli-purpose Room. For \$2.00, you'll be entertained by the Oom-Pah boys from 1 to 5 in the afternoon.

Finally on Saturday night, our own Student Union Building will host the crowning event - the SUB Explosion. Folk artist Terry Kelly (who does a lovely version

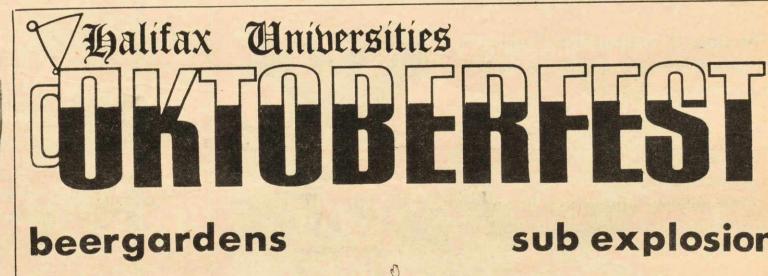
of "The Band Played 'Waltzing Matilda"') will appear in the Grawood; there will also be a Komedy Kabaret with two very funny guys from Yuk-Yuk's club in Toronto, Larry Horowitz and Jim MacAliese. You can dance to Lighting, a great local electronic band (I had the chance to write about them for the Gazette twice last year), in the Cafeteria, and the McInnes Room will feature one of the best of Canada's new wave bands, Teenage Head. With their energetic dance music and frenetic stage show, these four young men have gained a strong following and really should be well worth seeing. They should provide some solid rock'n roll to wind up the week.

Tickets for these events will go on sale next Monday, and

Marie Gilkinson told me that people should really try to get theirs early. There may not be

any dancing in the street, but the line-up of festivities should give ample opportunity for merry-making.





Thursday 15th 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. Dal Cafeteria "Oom-Pah Boys" German meals available

Admission free

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SATURDAY OCT. 17th 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. DAL STUDENT UNION BLDG TEENAGE HEAD LIGHTENING TERRY KELLY KOMEDY KABARET ADMISSION \$4.50