

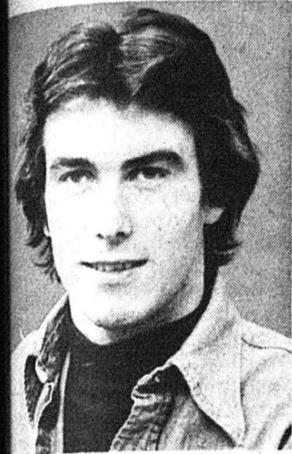
Fenna not fooling; Olmstead missing one

Slates dominate election picture

by Tom Barrett

This year's Student Union elections appear to have something to offer everyone.

There are two serious slates, a joke slate, and a pair of independent candidates. In addition, two people are running for the position of student representative on the Board of Governors and the presidency of men's athletics has been won by acclamation.



Fenna

The battle shaping up between the two chief slates can only be appropriately described in terms normally reserved for the titles of grade 'B' Japanese horror flicks.

It's *Son of Kushner versus Son of Hume* (with FAS executive officer Brian Mason in the role of the Godfather for the latter quintet).

SU President Cheryl Hume is the central figure behind the formulation of the Alan Fenna

(Arts Rep. on Council) slate and VP external Steve Kushner played a significant role in the generation of the Dean Olmstead (president of the Engineering Students Society) slate. It is no secret that Kushner and Hume have been at odds since early last summer.

The Olmstead slate includes COTIAC chairperson Tema Frank for VP External, FOS director Sharon Bell for vp internal, and GFC rep Chanchal Bhattacharya for vp academic. No one is slated for the position of vp finance and administration.

The Fenna slate features Greg Michaud of the Student Finance Board for vp external. Student Help director Terry Hadford for vp internal, Kyle Petersen of BACUS for vp finance and administration, and

academic commissioner Harry de Jong for vp academic.

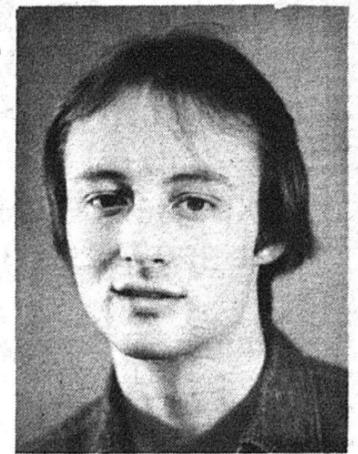
The joke slate is apparently the brainchild of Arts rep Harvey Groberman, who is running for president. The other members are Gateway managing editor Kent Blinston for vp external, Science rep Alison Thomson for vp internal, housing and transport commissioner Bruce Webster for vp finance and administration and Faculte St. Jean rep Sarah King for vp academic.

The independent candidates are Arts student Len Thom and Brian O'Kurley, who ran last year as well.

The two candidates for the seat on the Board of Governors are Commerce student Mike Ford and Engineering rep Rhon Rose, who is running as part of the Olmstead slate.

Doug Hinton is the president of men's athletics by acclamation.

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No tuition fee hike

Grantham report out

by Adam Singer

The anxiously awaited Report of the Task Force to Review Students' Contributions to the Cost of Post-Secondary Education was released by the provincial government yesterday.

And in conjunction with the report's release, Advanced Education and Manpower Minister A.E. Hohol has stated there will be no tuition fee increase this year at the provincial universities, colleges and vocational centres.

The Report, submitted to Hohol last Friday by Task Force Chairman Ron Grantham, con-

tains 39 recommendations under five categories. The majority of these deal with tuition fees and student assistance. The others deal with student housing, day care and employment.

The major recommendations related to tuition fees state:

- There should be tuition fees at post-secondary institutions.
- All programs within a given institution should have the same tuition fee.
- There should be three levels of tuition fees based on the follow-

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Lethbridge student paper shuts down in protest

LETHBRIDGE (CUP) — The staff of the *Meliorist*, the student paper at the University of Lethbridge, have decided to quit publication of the paper until negotiations with the Students' Union concerning the paper's autonomy are completed.

In a motion passed at a recent staff meeting the decision was made to call for a commission of investigation to be conducted by Canadian University Press, a news service which the *Meliorist* belongs to.

Staff member Eugene Plawiuk said the staff were utterly demoralized by the negotiations with the student union concerning the funding of the paper. Originally the *Meliorist* was to receive \$3.50 per student, but the students' union withheld that money in the fall.

The students' union decided to hold a referendum on funding. Plawiuk claims they did not consult with the paper's staff over the wording of the motion. The referendum called for a \$2.75 per student grant to the paper. That referendum failed to achieve quorum.

Since then Plawiuk says the students' union had unconstitutionally dissolved the *Meliorist's* publishing board on which there was representation from both the paper and the students' union, along with representatives from the residence association, the support staff and the student body at large.

Plawiuk said in the fall there had been a great deal of sentiment for some sort of confrontation with the students' union but now he said "Most of us are just too burnt out." He said the paper will publish its last issue on Friday with a front page editorial explaining why they are taking this action.

Plawiuk also said the battles with the students' union had led to a loss of more than three quarters of the staff since most of them did not have the energy to put out a paper, deal with the students' union, and keep up with their school work.

The staff are also asking that the \$20,000 that the students' union has for the

Meliorist be put in a trust fund to be controlled by CUP. He said the students' union is in a deficit position and he was afraid they would spend the money that could be the *Meliorist's*.

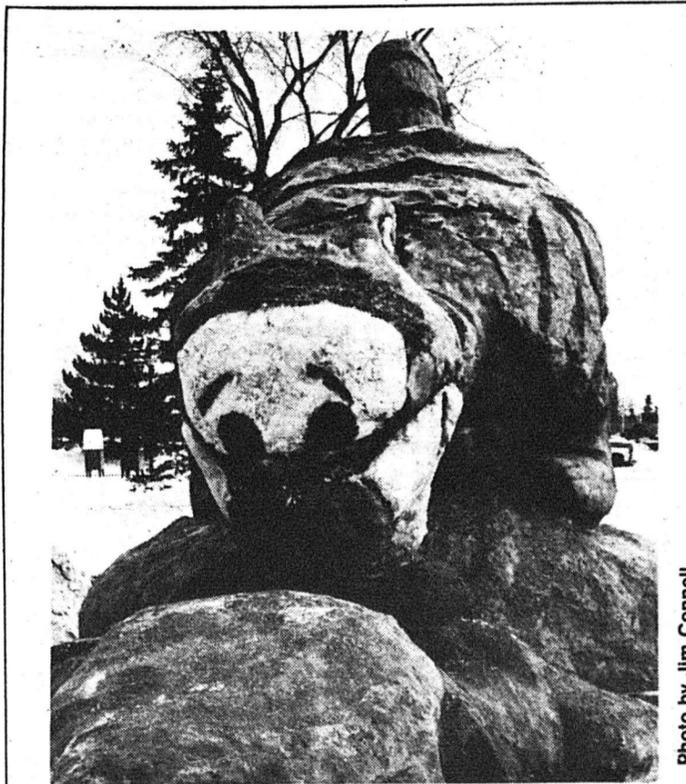


Photo by Jim Connell

HEY HUNNY! Yep, that's Tigger accosting Winnie the Pooh in front of Lister Hall. They're one of several ice sculptures in honour of King Louie Week, the residence answer to Engineering Week, Animal House and the Med Show. It ends tomorrow at the King Louie Ball, where the winning units will be announced. To each his own.

FAS loses court case

A decision has been reached on the Federation of Alberta Students' claim that differential fees for foreign students are illegal. Although full details were not available at press time it appears that Judge J. Stevenson ruled on Thursday that the U of A Board of Governors does have the authority to charge visa students higher tuition fees.

Look for more details in Tuesday's Gateway.

FAS referendum at Grant MacEwan

While students at the U of A are considering membership in the student organization, fellow students at Grant MacEwan Community College (GMCC) are reconsidering membership in another.

Students at Grant MacEwan will vote Monday, January 29, whether the community college should withdraw from the Federation of Alberta Students (FAS).

The proposal to withdraw from FAS was first raised by the college's central council (the student government of the four-

campus college) in November.

Chairperson of the council, Carol-Lynn Chilcovich, says the referendum resulted from doubts FAS has accomplished anything for GMCC.

But FAS spokesman Brian Mason says that services offered by FAS have been ignored by GMCC.

"FAS was formed on the basis that a unified students' voice across Alberta would be more effective in furthering the interests of post-secondary students," Mason said. This goal

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