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. . . to be left to the voluntary action of the marketplace.  
Richard Kelly  
Florida Republican

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## Tuition protest in the works

by Lucinda Chodan

A mass lobby to protest tuition fee increases is planned for the provincial legislature March 27.

A Federation of Alberta Students (FAS) provincial tuition workshop finalized plans for the lobby by six Alberta post-secondary institutions this weekend in Calgary.

But U of A Students' Union vp external Tema Frank says the lobby is not a re-run of the 1977 march on the legislature by 5000 students.

"A lot of people think this means a demonstration — it doesn't," she says.

The delegations, from Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, Calgary, Olds, Edmonton and Grande Prairie, will discuss tuition increases and the student aid program with provincial MLAs.

The lobby is a response to probably province-wide fee hikes of 10 per cent in post-secondary universities.

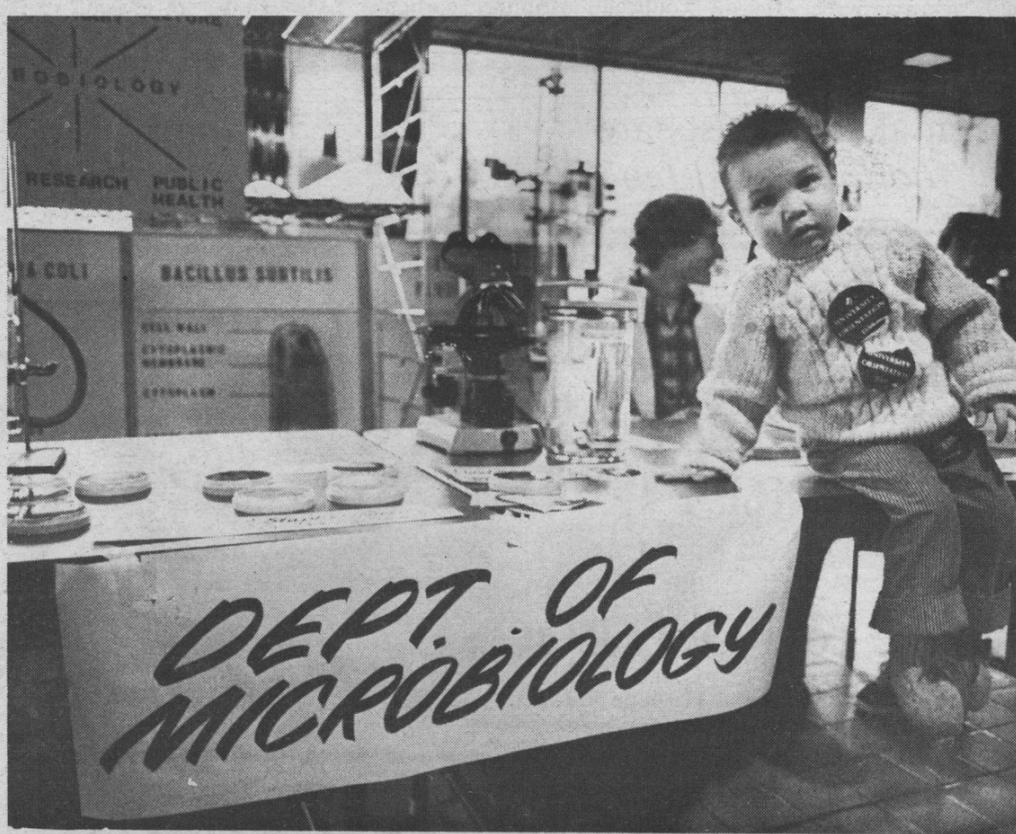
FAS also announced plans for a community awareness program to inform the public about student problems. Members will contact community leagues and church organizations for letters of support to the provincial government.

"We have to get out to the community to explain why students are concerned," Frank says. "There may be a feeling in the public that students just want a free ride."

"There's much more to it than that."

A community issue of *The Alberta Student Voice* will also be published in mid-March.

Frank says she urges all students opposed to tuition increases to write to their MLAs or to Minister of Advanced Education Horsman. Students' Council will also discuss the tuition issue in its meeting tonight. All interested students are urged to attend the meeting in University Hall, Room 2-15, at 7:00 p.m.



This future microbiology student takes a break from his consultation with the experts to pose for the camera. He was one of approximately 3000 visitors to last Thursday's U. of A. Orientation Day. The premiere event was a "definite success," said organizer Lorne Gunter.

Photo Rick Lawrence

## Women victimized by class system

by Portia Priegert

It is impossible to separate women's problems from the class struggle, according to a prominent women's activist.

Speaking at a Students' Union forum yesterday, Selma James, founder of the International Wages for Housework campaign, said women must unite and achieve financial independence if they hope to overcome historical injustices forced upon their sex.

"Men have power because they have money," she said, "but they only have a little money."

James said the ruling classes give men a little financial power so they can control women.

"Government and industry uphold men's power over us so that they can uphold their power over everyone," she said.

James said "multinational corporations have everybody's money" and that windfall oil profits, for example, exist because certain groups within

society, especially women, are not being paid for their contributions.

Women do a lot of important work for our society, says James. "Why is our work not counted?"

James said women are expected to work for love. But if they are paid for their work they can better express that love, she pointed out.

"I think we do more important work than the oil companies have ever done," she said.

"Money doesn't talk, it swears. And would I like to do some swearing."

Women should demand payment for housework, she said. If women are already employed as housekeepers they shouldn't need to take additional jobs to support themselves.

James also pointed out that women are expected to do "emotional housework" by absorbing other's stresses and by keeping everybody happy. Ac-

ording to James this emotional work is much more exhausting than the physical tasks involved in housework.

James also protested the isolation of many women within

society. If women's interest groups are fragmented, it is easier to keep them in a subordinate position, she said.

"To the degree we come together, we can win," she said.

"That's not a new idea," she

added. "What is new is to achieve it."

James, author of a number of feminist books including *A Woman's Place* and *Sex, Race and Class*, is currently on a speaking tour of North America.



Selma James

## Lister discontent

Only one out of seven Lister Hall residents thinks he's getting his money's worth in housing, a university study has revealed.

The study, *A Survey of Housing of University*, by the Office of Institutional Research and Planning, was begun in 1979

as a response to vacancies in Lister Hall. Six thousand students living in various university residences and at home were surveyed.

The survey shows general dissatisfaction with university accommodation in Lister Hall. Only one-third of the responding Lister Hall residents said they were satisfied with their accommodation overall.

And only 28 per cent said they would choose to live in residence if they could make the decision again.

Lister residents were the least satisfied with their personal freedom. Only 26 per cent of the residents expressed happiness with the amount of personal independence they had in residence. However, thirty per cent of students living at home expressed satisfaction with their personal independence.

Only 18 per cent of Lister Hall residents said the university was a good landlord.

Lister residents also complained about the lack of privacy and crowded conditions in residence, strict rules and regulations and the quality of university services.

University Vice-President Finance and Administration Mel Poole said no definite plans based on the survey results have yet been formulated.

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## Awareness Week will highlight tuition issue

Probable tuition increases at the U of A will be the focus of a Students' Union (SU)-sponsored Awareness Week this week.

The week will be devoted to letting students and the public know about impending tuition increases and their effects, says SU vp external Tema Frank.

"We are particularly concerned...that tuition will not only be going up this year, but it looks as though it will be going up annually in the future," says Frank.

The week will feature skits and speeches about tuition increases, student aid problems, government underfunding of university and differential fees.

University president Dr. Myer Horowitz, Dr. Steve Hunka, who published a response to the Grantham Task

Force, and former president of the International Students Organization David Marshall will address students in Dinwoodie Lounge Wednesday March 5 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

A U of A drama class will present skits during the speeches.

In addition, information booths have been set up in CAB and HUB.

Some potential students are unable to complete a university education because they cannot afford to, says Frank. The current student aid program is simply not adequate, she says.

"We are also distressed that...with tuition increases, the quality of education that students are receiving here is falling, due to inadequate government funding," Frank says.



Student unrest has spread to the U of A campus with the hostage-taking of a commerce professor by the Andytollah's Revolutionary Council. The Council is running as a slate in the Business and Commerce and Undergraduate Students (BACUS) election this week.

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