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Committee snowed under, students stay away.

# Poor turnout plagues Winter Carnival

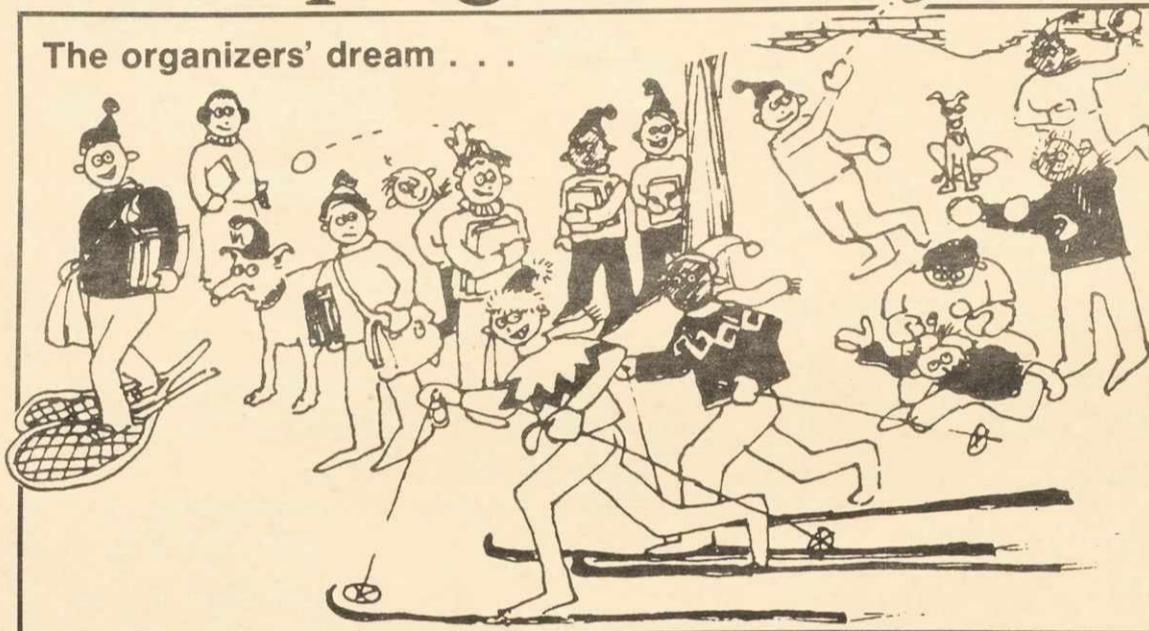
by Karin Bergen

Everyone, think hard. Can you remember Winter Carnival? Most students can't; most organizers don't want to.

Winter Carnival is an annual week of festivities held at Dalhousie in January. Activities this year included, "Mondae Sundae", the creation and ingestion of a giant sundae last Monday. A tug of war competition, "Winterfest" in the Green Room and a Chalet Party at the Grawood were all on the schedule, among others. A major problem was getting the events off the ground. Some didn't.

"There were a lot of problems with it", admitted Frank deMont, Treasurer of the Student Union. He says a "lack of leadership" in organizing the Carnival was a major problem. He says that, from the Executive, "there was no full time person to hover over and run the show". For this he blames "the leadership of the Student Union." That leadership includes deMont.

deMont says some events were successful. Mondae Sundae "raised money for the Foster

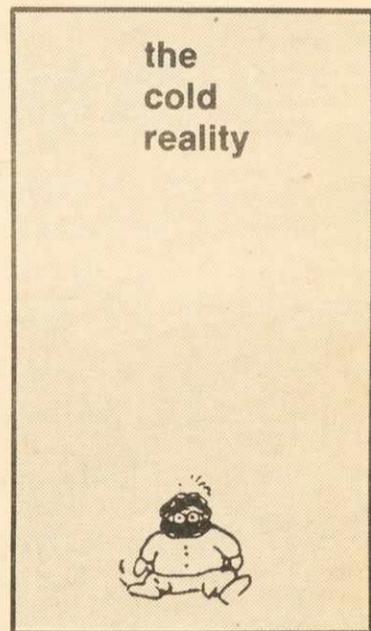


Children's Fund." Most events weren't so lucky. At the Tug of War last Friday, deMont says "not a soul turned up for the tug part." Only 20 souls turned up for the Winter Fest in the Green Room Monday. "A disastrous event" says deMont.

DeMont says that car stuffing in the SUB lobby was a major success last Thursday, because of "initiative and hard work". It's not a Winter Carnival success though. Beth Beattie, Community Affairs Coordinator says the event was her "baby" and that it

was scheduled to take place with or without the Carnival.

Another less-than-successful event was the Chalet Party at the Grawood Friday. "A bust but no money was lost", says deMont. deMont says the Winter Carnival budget "was reasonable" but the



Carnival did lose money. Big money. "Approximately \$10000 was lost" deMont says. The lost money will be covered through cuts to other events during the year.

Sandra Thompson, Winter Carnival Chairperson says that she was "really surprised at the lack of spirit" at Dalhousie. She says that "for this school, Winter Carnival went over fine." Thompson says she never felt a lack of leadership by the Executive. She says her closest advisors were Terry Crawley, Executive VP, deMont and Beattie. Without their guidance "I was on my own", she says, "but if I had a question, I'd ask." She says "Terry Crawley kept checking in with me."

Thompson says Crawley gave her a list of name of volunteers to organize the Carnival. She says she "started out with fifteen or 20 interested people" and ended with "four friends I had picked up during the week." Thompson says that most of the people in her committee came from the Residences, and many had "bad attitudes" about last year's fest. As a result "soon my committee fell right apart."

Thompson cites time constraints as another major problem when she tried to organize the Carnival. She was chosen as Chairperson only in November. Papers and exams in December and January left her only a few weeks to organize "a lot of great ideas", she says.

Beattie agrees the Carnival "didn't go very well." She says the volunteer committee was the main problem because "not enough

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# Campus cups destroy ozone

by Lisa Clifford

The first meeting of the Campus Ozone Action Group last Wednesday was well attended by a group of people who seem determined to stop the use of styrofoam cups by the Student Union Building.

The manufacture of styrofoam cups releases ozone-destroying gases called chlorofluoro carbons, (or CFCs) into the environment. The ozone layer protects the earth from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays.

When group member Roxanne Deevey spoke to Beaver Foods about the problem, they claimed to know nothing about it. They were, however, receptive to Deevey's suggestion that they look into replacing styrofoam cups with mugs.

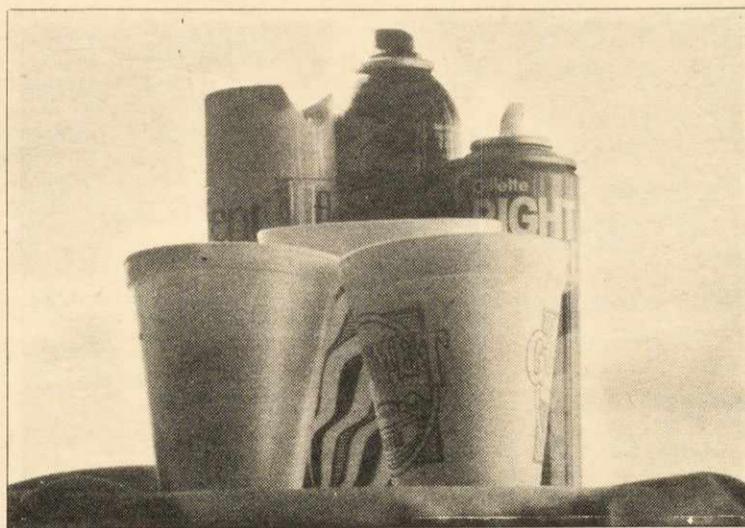
Deevey, an International Development Studies student, cites a lack of education about the problem of depletion of the ozone layer as a major factor in the continued use of CFS-emitting aerosols.

An Environment Canada report distributed by the group

says scientists realized in the mid-1970's that the use of the tremendously popular aerosols was releasing literally "thousands of tons of CFSs directly into the lower atmosphere." Steps were taken in the 70's to reduce the use of aerosols but the use of these cans has once again started to rise.

Deevey says the student council are "all for" a campus society to monitor the use of styrofoam. The group hopes to qualify for

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Styrofoam and aerosols damaging ozone, Dal action group says.

# Law students sue Dal

by Ruth Legge

Dal law students mady Brodie, Roger Proctor, and Sandra Giffin made news headlines a few months back when they decided to file suit against Dalhousie for damages they claim were incurred during the strike. Their lawsuits are the first-ever brought against Dalhousie in the context of a strike.

Brodie says that the university

is concerned. "If we win there are 10,000 students who could follow suit, and the fact that they've hired one of the best litigators in the city is, I think, indicative of the fact that they are taking us seriously," says Brodie.

Brodie, who goes to court Feb. 27, says her claims are based more on principle than anything else.

Says Brodie, "Sure, I would like to win, but even if we lose I

think there are gains to be made in terms of making the students' voice heard and informing students of the risks in selecting universities. Going to school now means that you have to enquire about such things as contracts and faculty associations because I think strikes are going to be much more prevalent in future," says Brodie.

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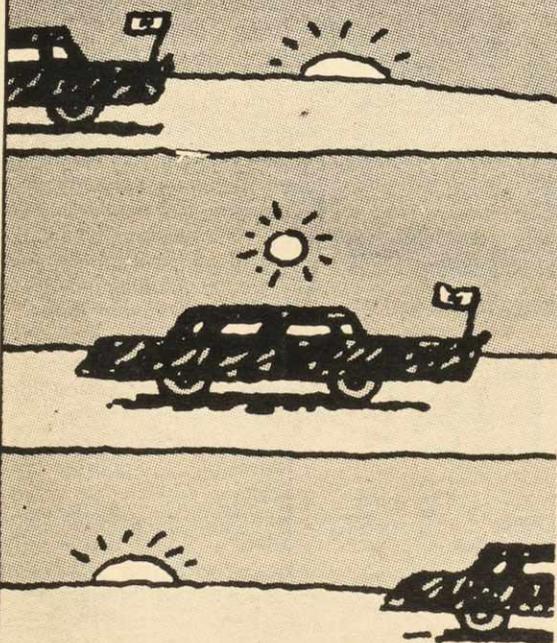


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Dictators and debts

# The legacy Ferdinand left to the Philippines

by Lynda Cassels

An island nation of little over 40 million inhabitants, the Republic of the Philippines is currently grappling with a foreign debt in excess of \$29 billion U.S. According to Martin Hilarion Tranchuling, Training and Education Co-ordinator for the Philippine Peasant Institute, 44 per cent of the country's annual gross domestic product goes to servicing that debt — while an estimated 70 per cent of Philippines live in poverty.

"Last year the government spent \$4 billion on debt-servicing payments," Tranchuling said at a

public education workshop on global debt and the environment last week. "It is money that could have been spent on economic development and social services."

His stop in Halifax was part of a tour through the Maritimes, during which Tranchuling hopes to increase Canadians' understanding of the human and environmental implications of the current debt crisis.

The Philippines, like most developing countries, is struggling to increase the exports which provide cash needed to service its massive debt. One casualty of this policy is agriculture.

Land which had long been devoted to feeding the population now produces cash crops for export such as bananas, pineapple and cocoa.

Most of the debt was incurred by the previous government of Ferdinand Marcos says Tranchuling, and the Philippine people are now struggling to pay back a debt from which they derived no benefit.

"It is my perception that many Canadians think that aid money all those years actually went to development projects that would help the people," Tranchuling says, adding that most of the funds were squandered on mega-projects, or used to purchase estates and property abroad for the President and his wife. One such project was the construction of a \$2.5 billion nuclear power plant, which was later discovered to have been built on a seismic fault. It is no longer in use.

In a country like the Philippines, the human cost of debt is all too evident. Of the 70 per cent of the population who live in the countryside a further 70 per cent are landless. According to Tranchuling expropriation of peasant land is common practice, and few environmental or safety regulations are respected. In the countryside plantation owners frequently expect their employees to continue working while airplanes swoop above them, spraying the crops with pesticides.

"Some of these chemicals can severely irritate the skin, while others are known to cause cancer if a person is exposed to them for



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**Martin Hilarion Tranchuling of the Philippines' Peasant Institute was in Halifax to explain how paying off Marcos' loans is crushing the people.**

long periods," Tranchuling says. A worker who attempts to take precautions, however, may be risking his job. The people also have to struggle with the problems of deforestation brought on by over-exploitation of the lucrative timber industry.

Although President Corazon Aquino has been attempting to negotiate a rescheduling of the debt external debt payments remain the priority of the govern-

ment. A National Coalition on Debt in the Philippines is now proposing a 10 per cent upper ceiling on the percentage of export earnings that the country must put toward debt payments and is also demanding an investigation of all debts incurred under ex-President Marcos. But at the moment, little progress has been made, Tranchuling says.

"We continue taking out new loans to pay the old ones."

## Gov't funds 10 student 'leaders' Clark's initiative praised, criticized

by James Hamilton

Despite some bad sentiment and criticism from within the student body, the President's Leadership Class (PLC) is providing the community with invaluable service and helping Dalhousie to become more integrated with its community.

The aim of the PLC is to integrate students' academic studies with a program of community service and leadership development over a five-year program. Each year, ten students will be chosen based on their interest and commitment to serving others. In the first three years, students

the PLC program even if the government funding is not renewed which would further restrict Dalhousie financially.

Jim Neil, co-ordinator for the PLC, responds to this criticism, saying, "We're not taking money away from anyone. Funding for this program was provided by the government specifically for this program." Neil says that funding came from a government program called "Innovations" which funds innovative ideas that will generate employment.

Neil also notes that in a worst case scenario (funding stops after three years), Dalhousie is only committed to one more year of

Program director denies accusations of elitism, says sole criterion for entrance to course is student's interest

become involved with the community and the campus. The fourth year will involve community service in a third world country. In the fifth year, students help co-ordinate programs for the first year class.

Employment and Immigration funds the program with \$60,000 a year for the first three years and Dalhousie expects to receive more funding for the program as the class becomes more established.

Juanita Montalvo, president of the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU), says some DSU members felt that the government funding should go towards already established programs, for example, the Transitional Year Program for black and native students which is currently badly underfunded. Montalvo also points out that Dalhousie is still committed to

funding. Neil adds that the program will end up paying for itself. It will attract new students and add prestige to the university. And most importantly it will improve relations with the community — an important area of financial support by giving something back to the community.

Critics also say the PLC is involved with too few students. Shayna Watson, a student representative on the Board of Governors, said that she applauds the aims of the program but feels that it is too restricted and should be aimed at all students and not just a few. She also expressed apprehension about funding going towards a concentrated program when it could be going towards a more widespread program.

However, Neil says that as the



President's Leaders relax at home

Raymond Mah: Dal Photo

program grows, more and more students will become involved in the program. He says that the program is not just aimed at the students in the class but at the student body as a whole. Neil hopes that the PLC can become

an instrument that all students can use to get involved in community activity.

When questioned about the bad sentiment among the student

body and accusations of being elitist, Neil says, "It's up to us to demonstrate to others that this program is worthwhile. As for us being elitist, the only criteria for getting into the course is that the students have an interest and commitment to serving others. If that's elitist, I have no apologies."

PLC member Alex Burton says the group should talk more to other students. "We should

improve relations by working together instead of working as separate entities," says Burton.

Neil notes that there are bound to be problems in the program's first year. Students say the program is still being shaped.

"It's up to us to make our own program. . . It will take at least one or two years to fully develop the program", says one member.

So far the reactions toward the program from within the PLC have been positive. Ryan Stanley, a first year student in the PLC said "The program has given me the opportunity to do things within the community that were not otherwise possible." All PLC students interviewed liked the program and were glad that they were in it.

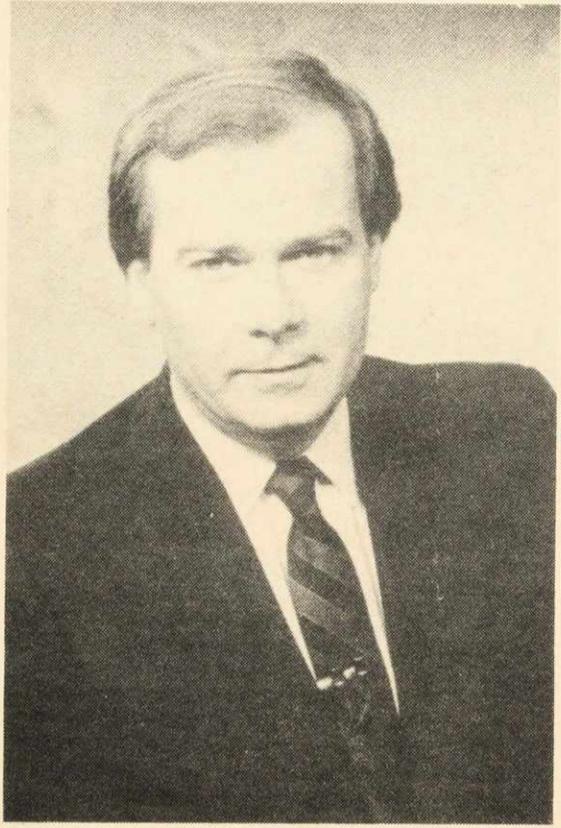
Last term the PLC helped co-ordinate the Terry Fox run, held a drive for the food bank, and helped children to decorate a Christmas tree on campus. The students were also involved in a larger project designed to help alleviate stress during exams, but it was cancelled due to the strike. As well all the students in the PLC are involved in many organizations around campus.

**"Hey, are you okay in there?"  
Peeping tom stakes out johns**

MONTREAL (CUP) — Peeping Toms are getting sneakier and sneakier: a man set up shop in a McGill University women's

washroom with a pair of fake legs dressed in pink aerobics tights and pink and white running shoes.

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The washroom is in the MacLennan library, which weathered a \$60,000 cut in its security budget this year, a third of last year's \$201,000 budget.

One guard patrols the entire, five-floor library complex weekdays, and two guards do a roving patrol at night and on weekends.

The MacLennan and Redpath libraries are the only libraries of the 19 at McGill with security guards.

"There should be someone to regularly patrol the women's washrooms, and since many people are uncomfortable with male guards checking the women's washrooms when they're using them, they should hire more female guards," said history stu-

dent Sherry Pielsticker, who chased the man out of the bathroom.

McGill employs two female security guards.

Pielsticker filed a report with security, who say they are investigating the complaint. "I think what she wants is to get more guards in here," said security guard P.G. Nowell. "There should be more guards in here," he added.

The fake legs ruse seems to have been successful, except the man may have stayed a little too long. According to Nina Bregman, this isn't the first time he's been there. She said she'd seen the pink aerobics shoes in a stall before.

**Sue Dal**

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Brodie, spokesperson for the three who are currently researching their cases says that the cases will be based on the fact that the university broke a signed contract. Even though there is a disclaimer clause in the calender which exempts the univiersity from liability in the event of a strike, Brody says as far as law students are concerned this clause does not apply.

"We (law students) don't receive a copy of the calender in our registration materials. We receive a course selection handbook which is generated by the law school and the disclaimer isn't in there. At no point would a second or third year law student have reason to assess the calender. So our argument is that a disclai-

mer can't work unless you're given reasonable notice of it," says Brodie.

Brodie is suing for \$320 in damages, worked out on a basis of hourly loss. She feels it is only fair that she should recover part of her tuition fee because, she says, "I know that the university, as a result of the strike, has a net financial gain. And that bothers me because the students have a net financial loss."

The three students have met with the university's lawyer, Mr. Cluney of McInnes, Cooper, and Robertson, and they feel that their claims are being taken seriously." Mr. Cluney was very professional, he wasn't patronizing. He met us as much as he can on legal terms and we appreciate that," says Brodie.

Proctor and Giffin's court dates are set for February 28 and March 6 respectively.

**Ozone**

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funding and discussed setting up posters and kiosks to inform the public about the dangers of CFCs.

Recycling was mentioned as an option to reduce the numbers of CFCs in the environment but

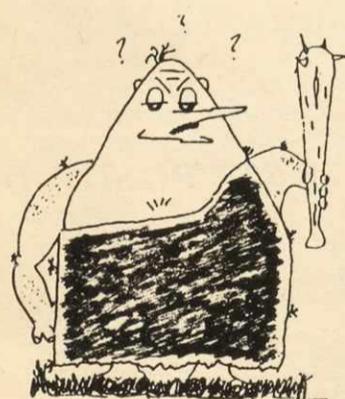
there is currently no such program in Halifax.

On a more positive note, the report also cites recent efforts to protect the global environment, including an attempt to develop international pollution control standards to limit the release of ozone-destroying substances, with Canada playing a major role in the negotiations.

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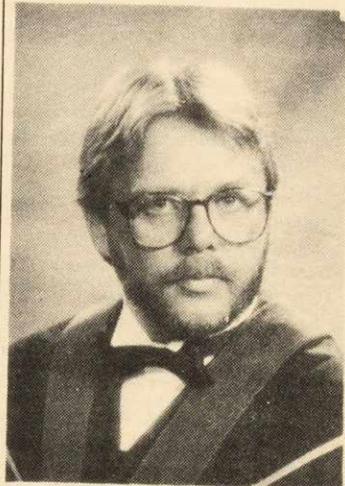
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# "Get-tough" won't work on crime

by Shelly Galliah

Please put those electrodes down.

Fifteen thousand brain-sizzling volts cannot heal a convict, according to Dr. Paul Gendreau, a psychologist with the Ontario Ministry of Correctional Services. Gendreau spoke at Dal last week on the topic of *Curing Criminals: Rehabilitation versus Deterrence versus Justice*.

Gendreau said that rehabilitation can and does work if an effective program is established. However he added that governments have always preferred sim-

ple but costly punishment policy rather than the more complicated rehabilitation programs. Gendreau said no program works if the bureaucracy does not accept it.

Gendreau blames the problem of North America's packed prisons on the absence of rehabilitation programs that could identify the low-risk criminal, keep him out of jail and save the taxpayer money. For instance, Gendreau said that supporters of capital punishment should realize that processing a criminal from arrest to the chair costs 1.5 million dollars. Considering that the United States has 3,000 men on death

row, America could buy up half the third world for the same amount.



Gendreau said that workers in the field of "curing criminals" have to adapt to the changing strategies of the government; that the mental health "brotherly

love" approach to rehabilitation of the 1960's was "disastrous" but that the get-tough policy which replaced it in the 70's was hardly a better alternative.

In Canada, the implementation of the Young Offenders Act (YOA), which does not provide the option of ordering counselling for young offenders, had a negative impact on the crime rate. Gendreau's office studied the statistics and found that in 1986-87, under the YOA, 31 per cent of juveniles went to prison compared to only 18 per cent in 1981-82 before the YOA took effect. The rate of recidivism (reincarceration) also increased, said

Gendreau.

If punishment is inefficient and rehabilitation is difficult to implement, where is the solution? Gendreau advocates combining the two. He said a beneficial deterrence program should incorporate rehabilitation — one that "promotes pro-social values so the criminal can understand his problem."

Gendreau has found that an effective regime stresses personal contact, positive role models and behaviour modification. Gendreau said in the future, psychologists will have an even greater role in criminal treatment and assessment.

## Carnival

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people wanted to get involved." Beattie says some members of the Executive blame Crawley for the Carnival's failure. She says there is "resentment because he didn't actually go to the events." Winter Carnival is included in Crawley's portfolio and Beattie says some members "felt abandoned by him."

deMont says that he and Juanita Montalvo, President of

the Student Union, must also take the blame. He says neither of them "recognized the problems soon enough". deMont says he is "proud of the way a lot of people chipped in to help", but admits "there could have been more spirit within the Executive."

Despite the problems, Sandra Thompson says she'd like to apply for the job of Chairperson of the Carnival again next year. She says now that she knows the "ins and outs" involved, she'd like to see the "Winter Carnival a success."

## Anti-abortion rally to mark law's demise

by Michele Thibeau

Last Saturday, exactly one year after the abortion law in Canada was struck down, 1000 people participated in a peaceful candlelight walk from All Saints Cathedral to Saint Mary's Basilica, where Nova Scotians United For Life (NSUFL) then sponsored a "Rally For Life".

Sharon Harland, Sanctity of Life Convenor for the Catholic Women's League of Canada, explained how they educate people, informing them that the unborn have the right to inherit money, and sue after birth, but not the right to live. Helen Walsh, from Give Life Canada, talked about her efforts to get a law to protect the unborn. Last year she walked from St. John's Newfoundland to Ottawa to raise support.

Pat Tanner, NSUFL president said the organization is, "not a political-action one, our mandate is education", especially of young people. Referring to the possibility of Dr. Henry Morgentaler establishing an abortion clinic in Halifax, Tanner said (Morgentaler) "is a catalyst and whether he comes or not there are still 1,750 abortions done every year here already and this cannot be ignored."

The NSUFL are planning workshops on the issue, as are other groups around the city.

In 1969, abortion became legal in Canada, with some restriction. Parliament has not yet introduced a law to replace the legislation struck down last year.



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# Can Dal meet its obligations to society?

The president's Statement on the Mission of Dalhousie University (see Dal News January 18) is vague and would be hard to translate into specific policies and programs. The authors can be commended for a nice try at a difficult task but the Statement should go further.

But what will Dal be in the twenty-first century: A fine institution of higher learning or a glorified vocational school, a pompous Harvard of the North, or a community-oriented university?

Can a university be centre of innovation and social criticism when its funding (read life-blood) comes from the government and the business community, groups who would want a steady stream of mass-produced workers who complacently accept their leaders' visions, policies and production

goals?

Dalhousie should not only "define the vision of society" but help create that vision of society which is just, well-balanced, cosmopolitan and above all educated. Dalhousie and other universities should emphasize diversity of thought, something society really needs.

During the recent free trade debate many people said that they didn't really understand free trade, much less the actual agreement. The government presented the agreement the same way Chrysler would advertise a new car. In order to fully understand free trade, people would have to know about economics but also history, arts and sciences. These subjects are not very vocational but are necessary for a well-educated society.

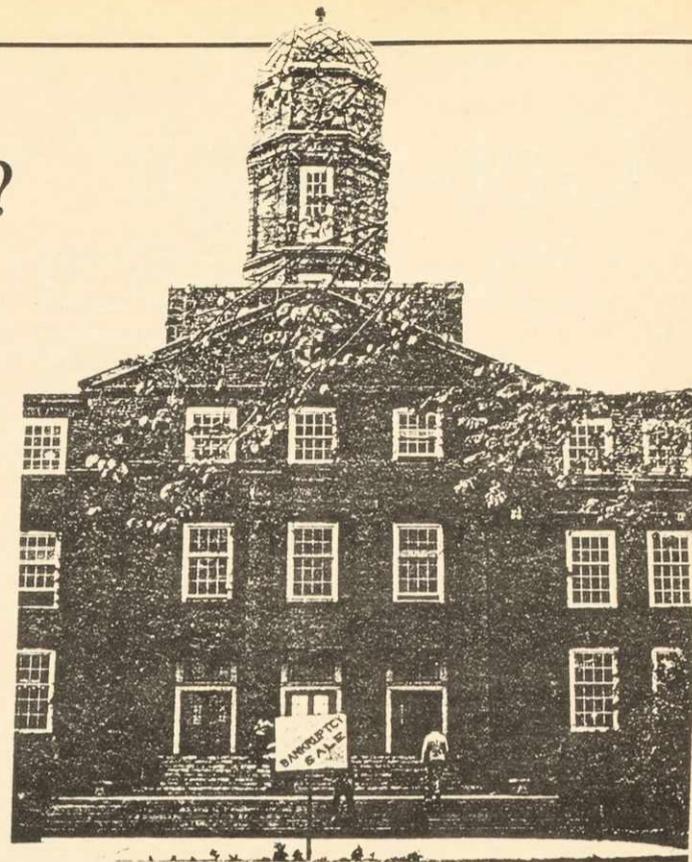
If the universities are short of

funds then why don't they go on strike like our professors just did? Some 20,000-odd university students not spending their money in Nova Scotia would put a dent in the economy, not to mention the effect on the youth unemployment rate when all those young people have nothing better to do. Other provinces should also help fund their students who come here.

Dalhousie should have a one-year core curriculum, a sort of Dalhousie foundation year. Engineers and accountants should know a fair bit about the world before we let them loose.

The Statement says, "Dalhousie's undergraduate enrolment will not increase substantially." (Yay!) Who wants classes in the Dalplex fieldhouse?

—Scott Randall



## Letters

### Boycott blueberries

Dear Editors:

It is time that a public discussion takes place in our province concerning the health and environmental hazard associated with commercial lowbush blueberry production. Within Nova Scotia it is estimated that there are about 26,000 acres under cultivation and over 1000 growers. Cumberland County produces about 75% of the present harvest, although Central, Western and Eastern Nova Scotia and Cape Breton, all have commercial operations. Many people live close to blueberry fields.

Blueberry spraying is considered an agricultural activity and is essentially unregulated. This means that for consideration of the impact of differing pesticides upon particular soil types, consideration of wind speeds or the width of stream buffer zones, whether workers who spray or work in recently sprayed fields should wear protective equipment etc., we are forced to rely on the unsupervised "good sense" of the sprayers. Yet people who use blueberry sprays often know nothing about the real dangers of the chemicals they are using, perhaps relying for their information on company pesticide labels, chemical promotional literature from the department of agriculture, etc.

**Pesticide Residues:** Because of the large number of insecticides, fungicides and herbicides recommended for use, pesticide residues on purchased berries must be a concern. Provincial government literature recommends the use of ten insecticides and fungicides, eg. Ambush, Captan, Cygon and Gunginex. All but two of these, are applied in the year the fruit is

picked. Such residues will also affect the pickers in the blueberry fields and wildlife which consume blueberries or blueberry plants. Government literature also recommends the use of seven herbicides, eg. Atrazine, 2,4-D, Dicamba and Velpar, against what are considered "weeds".

**Groundwater Contamination:** If you don't look for problems you are not going to find them, and there is very little monitoring of pesticides in groundwater in Nova Scotia. Despite this, the types of chemicals used in blueberry spraying are turning up in wells and groundwater. We would also like to point out that 2,4-D, itself a proven cancer-causing chemical, is routinely mixed with fuel or diesel oil and used against hardwoods. Thus the provincial department of agriculture advocates adding 70 litres of diesel or furnace oil in a tank mix of 450 litres. (Other components of the hardwood-killing mix are Dicamba, adjuvants "such as Triton XR, SuperSpred, or Agral-90" and water.) The sloping, gravelly character of many blueberry fields, increases the possibility of run-off and contaminated groundwater.

**Burning:** Blueberry growers routinely, on a two year basis, burn their fields. Burning is a method of pruning the plants. The other method of pruning is close mowing. The provincial department of agriculture, in its literature, favours burning. Yet all burning removes some organic matter from fields and the deeper the burn, the more is removed. Removing plant cover promotes soil erosion. As organic matter is depleted, nitrogen fertilizers are increasingly being used. Toxic contaminants from previously applied pesticides, are released into the air from burning, an obvious disservice to neighbours. The burning of blueberry fields also kills "non-target" insects, destroys cover for

small animals and reptiles and ground-nesting birds, etc.

**What Can Be Done?** We believe several things are on the immediate agenda: First, people living close to commercial blueberry fields should organize their communities to eliminate the use of pesticides on the fields. Basically, people should have the right to give an informed consent or informed rejection to blueberry spraying. We propose that no blueberry grower could spray any pesticide without written permission from all the people living within one kilometer of the field.

Second, we are poisoning the Earth, the basis of all life. In the long term, we need to move to an organic agriculture, without pesticides. While this may entail a lower production level, people's health, the environment, and wildlife will benefit. Third, we ask those who share the concerns expressed in this letter, to boycott pesticide-sprayed blueberries. Let store owners/restaurants know that you want organically grown berries.

This letter is endorsed by the following persons: Helga Hofmann, Don Rushton, Shirley Smith, Willis Lunn, Helga Stahl-Duff, Henry Holgate.

## Harke chastised

To the Editors:

How ironic that Mr. Harke should criticize the Gazette for printing Cory Francis' "disgraceful drivel" and yet request that his own (no less disgraceful) response be published! Mr. Harke's letter brims with intellectual arrogance from its opening sentence to its needlessly condescending postscript. Is this the way a mature student presents an argument? By ridiculing the opponent and flaunting his own

degree?

While I do not necessarily subscribe to Cory Francis' argument in its entirety, I certainly disagree with Mr. Harke's pretentious refutation. True, university is more challenging than high school and many students who found high school difficult will not excel in post-secondary studies. But this does not mean that all students with low grade point averages are doomed to fail! There is some truth to Mr. Francis' suggestion that a grade point average does not reflect a student's potential. Many high school students are simply not interested in the courses they are required to take and consequently devote little effort to them — but at university, where they can study the subjects of their choice, they may still do well. And a 60% average is certainly not as ridiculous as Mr. Harke pretends it to be. It represents average performance and by no means brands its possessor as illiterate or unable to learn!

I am happy that Mr. Harke is succeeding at his studies and is in the third year of a Ph.D. program; but I am dismayed at his seeming unwillingness to let others strive for the same success. We should not be intellectual elitists, but should give others — including those with 60% averages — a chance to prove themselves if they

so desire.

Yours sincerely,  
S. Bieger

## Multiple managers

To the Editors:

A fairly elaborate feature was published in a recent Gazette about financial shortages in Canadian universities. A striking quotation was that "Dalhousie now has two people changing light bulbs. It used to have six." I would like to complete this statement, so as to provide the omitted, but crucial, explanation:

Dalhousie used to have six people changing lightbulbs, and two people managing these six people. Now Dalhousie has two people changing light bulbs, and six people managing them, and another two administrators managing each pair of the six aforementioned managers, and three committees on light-bulb personnel management, and . . .

(Clearly, the emphasis is on the spirit of the problem — it is much too complicated for anyone sane to try to calculate with numerical accuracy.)

With some respect for the Incomprehensible Political mesh,

Steve Oore

## Opinion

by Kirsten Nichols

By 1997 the government of Canada hopes to have received its planned fleet of nuclear powered submarines.

The year is 1997 and a flurry of activity at the Halifax-Dartmouth ship yards centred upon nuclear-powered submarine *Beatty* now docked at home base for routine maintenance, signifies that all may not be well.

The power supply to the primary cooling system for the nuclear reactor has failed. As well the two back-up systems also failed to operate, as heat and radiation are rising to dangerous levels within

the reactor core. While alarm sound over the ship yard, two men race to start up a diesel generator as an alternative power source to the cooling system. They manage to stabilize the reactor, but must be treated for radiation exposure. An independent expert examining the data says an explosion could have resulted in radioactive contamination of a 2,000 square miles area.

The suggestion that Metro could be contaminated would be disturbing enough if the situation described had not already happened in 1988 at Faslane, Scotland.

At that time the official press release called the incident a

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trinkets and manifestations of "junk"

# Uncle Wick's heart art

by Shelley Galliah

If you are a rummager of attics, or an admirer of second-hand mementos, venture to Fireworks Gallery on 1569 Barrington Street and catch a display entitled "Uncle Wick's Heart Art".

The artist, Robert Wikstrom, describes his exhibit as a "collection of collages constructed from a lifetime of saving things that were ugly, weird, and useful to throw at children." In this creation of the compulsive packrat turned artist, he gives you accessible art and a tribute to the aesthetics of the ordinary. The result of hoarding these tidbits of memorabilia, trinkets, and various manifestations of "junk" are 22 bizarre, yet recognizable collages. And, yes the man lives this art. Photographs on the wall reveal a home as cluttered and creative as his art. The only thing plain about this display are the wooden frames and burlap backing that all this playful, precious trash is mounted upon.

The collages are composed of ornaments of delightful, and occasionally delicate antiquity. His relics of the past are old watches, silverware, fake jewelry, keys, coins, porcelain knick-

nacks, mirrors, and photographs. It is both "just plain stuff" and an accumulation of odd conversation pieces now and then decorated with a heart of rhinestones, glass, or clay. It is stuff from the heart for the heart. It is memories.

A walk through this display is reminiscent of an adventure through Grandma's jewelry box to discover coveted trinkets. Everything is familiar. These photographs are the strange faces you remember on your aunt's faded wallpapered walls; these ornaments are the cheap trinkets you bought in an out of the way gift shop with your last dime. This is art born in attics and church bazars — made of things that are both eclectic and common, eye-pleasing and ugly. Nonetheless, it is worthwhile because it is familiar and captures tidbits of life.

Although this is a display of history and nostalgia, the artist, by his humorous approach, avoids the cliché. He is not afraid to show the gaudy and the tacky. A close look and you will find a plate of false teeth perched upon a box of Turkey figs. Or maybe your aesthetic appreciation extends to a hyal chocolax box or

a container for Birmingham Nasal Douche. Slide open a Panda Cigar Package and you will find a miniature monk with a glitzy rhinestone Jesus over his head.

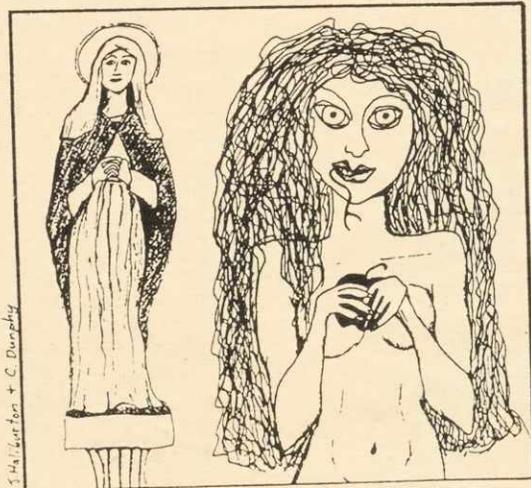
This is functional art. There are thermometers which still read the temperature, mirrors that give reflections, and keys that once opened doors, locks, and secrets. Go in and you can open the numerous containers, feel these strange wonders, or wind up a tin music box to hear "Dixieland".

Indeed it is difficult for a novice like me to discern a theme in this display. Yet, I was still curious about the abundance of frogs. There are numerous figures of various sizes all devoted to this slimy amphibian. Apparently, as a young university student, Robert Wikstrom's intricate handwriting did not allow him to take notes fast enough. So to occupy himself he drew frogs. There is a story behind all these momentoes.

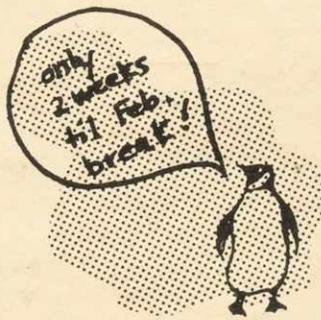
This display, absent of pretension, is an easily digestible and witty art form. Until February 14, you can experience eye-catching nostalgia as well as a little of yourself.

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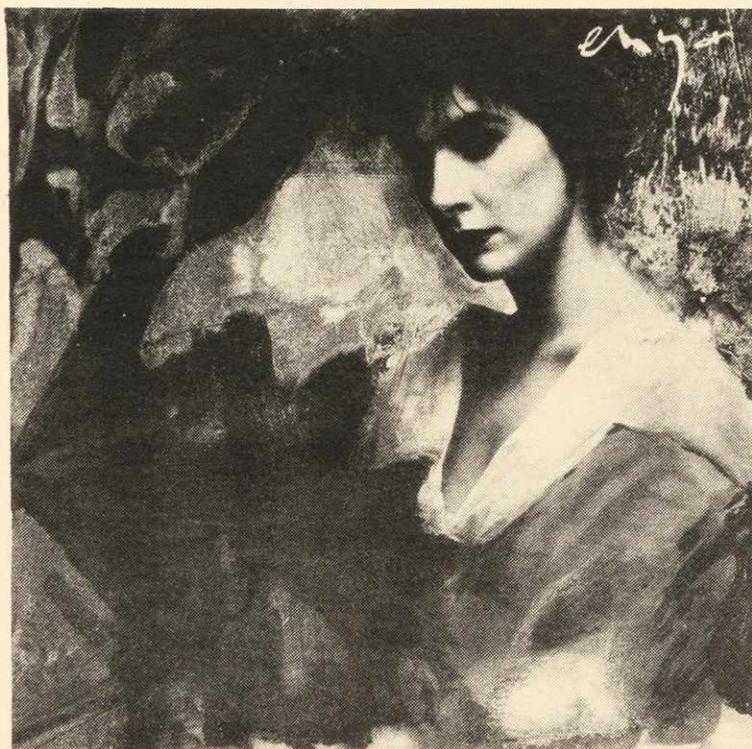


# Duke's dance tracks

by Andrew M. Duke

New from Germany's Nitzer Ebb is the *Belief* LP (Mute/WEA), their second domestic release and the follow-up to 1987's *That Total Age*. While the previous offering was the epitome of hard-driving industrial dance rhythms ("Join In the Chant", "Murderous", "Let Your Body Learn"), *Belief* finds the band exploring the moods possible in their style. "Control I'm Here", again employing aggressive, chanting vocals over floor-shaking beats, is a return to the old and is quite successful in the clubs.

Former Clannad member Enya offers something extraordinary on her debut album, *Watermark* (WEA). Using layers upon layers of her vocals (sometimes overdubbing notes up to 120 times) and limiting instruments to keyboards only, she has produced a soothing swirl of sound that can only be called beautiful. Though she sings in Irish, the effects are not unlike those created by the Cocteau Twins, another band whose vocalist evokes emotion with each song



Enya's solo album, *Watermark*, features the song "Orinoco Flow (Sail Away)" which went to #1 in the U.K.

she sings. Orinoco Flow (Sail Away)" is a perfect example of what she does best.

Twenty-two year-old Todd Terry sits in the front room of his house in Brooklyn, New York and cranks out dance tracks that all eventually seem to top the charts. His was the guiding hand behind Royal House ("Yeah Buddy", "Can You Party"), Swan Lake ("The Dream", "In the Name of Love"), Black Riot, and Hardhouse. He has now released a full album — as the Todd Terry Project — entitled *To the Batmobile Let's Go* that features "Bango", "Weekend", "Back to

the Bear", and "Just Wanna Dance", all former chart-toppers. What makes Terry special is the minimalism of his songs; while most are recording dense, big-sounding dance tracks on huge systems, he's sitting in his living room working with a simple four-track machine and getting rich quick. (Fresh Records, 1974 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10023)

Specialty music, including dance 12's and selections such as The Todd Terry Project, can be found at The Record Corner (Blowers St., Halifax, 429-1622).

ART'S NIPS

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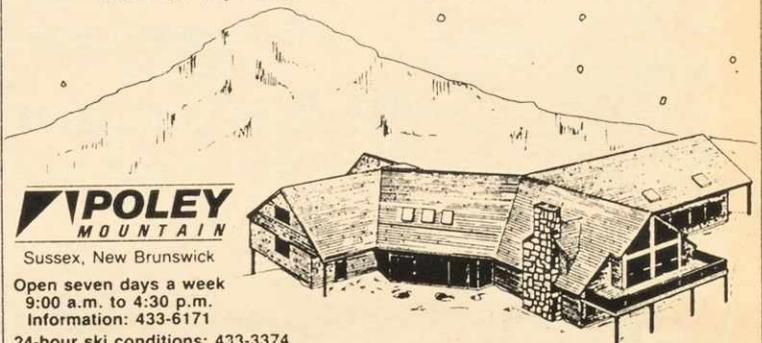
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# "I am the blues" Willie Dixon Does the Job

by Mike Thompson

*Hidden Charms: Willie Dixon, Bug Records, 1988*

In his own words Willie Dixon "is the blues", and *Hidden Charms* serves as yet another proof of his claim. This is a superb collection of Dixon originals — some previously unrecorded — dating from the late '40's ("Jungle Swing") to a present day collaboration with his thirteen year old grandson Alex ("Study War No More").

Ironically, *Hidden Charms* neither hides anything from, nor presents anything significantly new to the listener. From the spontaneous piano of Lafayette Leake resounded by the grunts and groans of Dixon in "Good Advice", to the lingering harmonica of Sugar Blue on "I Do

the Job", the feelings released in this collection are authentic. *Hidden Charms* is real down to earth blues, nothing more nothing less. Every track is a full performance with nothing dubbed, mixed, or edited.

From the heavily laden lyrics of "Blues You Can't Lose" to the foot stomping bass of Red Callender on "Don't Mess With the Messer", *Hidden Charms* contains every element essential to the blues — including the occasional 'bum' note by T-Bone Burnett on guitar.

If you are not familiar with the music of Willie Dixon, discover the hidden charms of his music and find out why he calls himself the blues. If you are a fan of Willie Dixon, no doubt you already have this album.

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The \$25 charge covers the cost of the workbooks and pamphlets. For more information or to register contact the safety office 424-2495.

**Tigers have even weekend**

by Chris Murray

The UPEI Panthers defeated the Dal Tigers at the Dal Arena last Sunday three to two. The loss evened Dal's weekend record to 1 and 1 and put their overall record at 11-10. Dal defeated the Mount Allison Mounties by a score of 8-6 on Saturday before losing to UPEI on Sunday.

Martin Bouliane returned from a groin injury versus the Mounties to score a goal and played well against the Panthers. He created several good scoring chances against UPEI with a combination of accurate passes and strong skating. It looks like Bouliane will have little trouble regaining top form for the playoffs.

The Panthers, looking to avenge a 6-3 loss at the hands of Acadia Saturday, wasted little time in taking the lead. At 52 seconds, right winger Dave Flanagan walked around a Dal defender and scored on Tiger goalie Peter Abric to make the score 1-0. The Panthers established early in the period that they are a physical team by finishing their checks, including several which resulted in Tigers being knocked to the ice. The penalty totals reflected the style of play in the period, with each team receiving five.

There was no scoring in the second period although the Tigers had many chances. At the 10:00 mark, a Dal forward got a break-way from the PEI blueline

only to be hauled down by a defenceman before getting a shot away. The referee did not call a penalty and ten seconds later the Tiger's Joel Brown got a penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct. UPEI was penalized four times after the incident but Dal managed only five shots for the entire period.

In the third period, the Panthers went ahead 2-0 at 5:38 on a screened shot by Sandy Gallan that went through Abric's legs. The Tigers replied quickly however, with Scott Birney scoring 17 seconds later at 5:55 to narrow the lead to 2-1. UPEI took a 3-1 lead at 9:55 when the Dal defence failed to clear a rebound which Brent Thompson fired into the

open net with Abric still down from the first shot. The Panthers then played defensively and kept icing the puck to kill time. Dal cut the lead at 17:14 as Greg Royce put a shot into the top corner of the Panther net to make the score 3-2. The Tigers then won several key faceoffs in the PEI zone with six attackers on the ice but the Panthers hung on to win 3-2.

Despite the loss, the Tiger defence played well overall, with only a couple of lapses and the offence came alive in the third period, registering 20 shots. The difference was that the Panther defence played even better and their offence capitalized on its chances for the victory.

**Swim record perfect**

by Susan Hall

Dalplex pool was the scene this past weekend of the final AUAA Invitational of the swim season, leading up to the AUAA Championships which will take place at Acadia Feb. 17-19. It was a fast and exciting competition, with 9 swims clocking in under CIAU qualifying times, and a new AUAA record set by Doug Clouston of Memorial in the 50 free. Both Dalhousie teams extended their perfect records for the season. Dal women garnered 138 points to Mount Allison's 72 and Aca-

dia's 70, while the Dal men edged out UNB 111-103. Outstanding for Dalhousie was Ralph Akerstream who won 3 of his four events (200 and 400 individual medley and 200 breast stroke) and was 2nd in 100 breast stroke. Other winners for Dal were Kent Williams 1500 free, John Duncan 100/200 fly, Kellie Andrews 100/200 free and Marla MacPherson 100/200 breast stroke. The Tiger's last pre-championship meet is versus Mount Allison and Memorial this Friday at Dalplex at 7pm.

**Opinion**

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"minor electrical malfunction... that resulted in a minor release of radiation. There was never any danger to the public."

"Never any danger" are scary words when dealing with nuclear reactors. Due to incidents like the one in Faslane, the fact that Canada does not have a permanent disposal unit for nuclear waste and the fact that the waste would have to be transported through populated areas, like the Halifax-Dartmouth area; many environmentalist and peace groups want the government to do an Environmental Assessment Review Process (E.A.R.P.).

All government and private projects that could have a significant impact on the environment, from the Prince Edward Island proposed link to airport expansion, should undergo an

E.A.R.P.. This does not mean they always do.

Under E.A.R.P. the Department of Defense would have to study the potential environment impacts of the nuclear submarines and submit a report to a panel of independent experts.

These experts must hold public hearings on the impact and submit a report to the Minister of the Environment recommending that the submarines go ahead, go ahead with modifications, or be cancelled. This report must be made public, as well.

In fact the public can become very involved in this process. The more public pressure the government feels, the more likely that the submarines will have to be carefully studied and reviewed. Operation Dismantle is calling upon people to write the government and stress how important you feel it is that an Environmental Assessment Review Process be done on the nuclear submarines.

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# Calendar

## Thursday 2

**Fashion** — Most lived-in Levis 501 jeans fashion benefit. 7pm, Feb. 2nd in Vinnie's Pub, Rosaria Centre, MSV. Proceeds to Halifax Co. Literacy Council. Tickets are \$4, \$2 for students and seniors.

## FRIDAY 3

**Seminar** — Dal Chemistry presents *The Measurement of Surface Forces and Polymer Adsorption on Surfaces* by Michael Hair (Xerox) at 1:30pm in room 215 of the Chem. Building. Coffee and Doughnuts will be served at 1:15pm in room 231.

**Public Lecture** — The International Development Association is pleased to announce the first in a series of four lectures to be held this term. The Series focuses on NGOs in our community and what we can do to promote development around the world. The first presentation will be given by Deveric/Oxfam and will be held at 2:30pm at the Pearson Institute.

**Concert** — The Early Music Society of Nova Scotia presents *Abendmusik*, an evening of Renaissance and Baroque music for recorder, voice, harpsicord and early strings, at 8pm in King's College Chapel. Admission: \$6 and \$4.

**Wormwood's** — Wormwood's Cinema presents *Babette's Feast* from Feb 3-16 at 7 and 9:15pm nightly. Winner of the 1988 Academy Award for Best Foreign Film, it tells the story of a French chef who becomes the maid in a Jutland community and after winning a lottery treats the entire village to a feast.

**Tiger Tails** — Memorial and Mount A will face the Tigers in swimming action at 7pm. Universite de Moncton will compete against the women's volleyball Tigers at 8pm.

## SATURDAY 4

**Public Forum** — *Women make a difference* will be the topic of a public forum at the Dal SUB, room 222-224 at 7:30pm. A one day workshop will also take place from 9:30-5pm on the role of women. For more info, phone 425-8188.

**Tiger Tank** — UPEI will be playing against the Tigers in Men's basketball action at 3pm.

## Sunday 5

**Church Service** - Sung Eucharist, 11 am. Kings College Chapel (Anglican) at the Coburg entrance to King's.

**Church Services** — Real Life Fellowship in conjunction with Community Bible Church meets every Sunday in room 314 of the SUB. Everyone is welcome. 11:45am worship service, 6:30pm — doctoral class, 7:45pm drop-in coffee/fellowship hour.

## MONDAY 6

**SWAP Talk** — Find out more about the Student Work Abroad Program (SWAP). Come to an information meeting at 6:30pm in room 224 of the SUB. Brought to you by CFS and Travel Cuts!

**Monday Movie** — *Broadcast News* will be the Monday night movie in the McInnes Room of the Dal SUB at 8pm. Tickets are \$3 with CFS Studentsaver Card, \$3.50 for university students and \$4 for the general public. Doors will open at 7:30pm and popcorn candy and softdrinks will be available. Student Union Movie Passes are now available at the SUB Enquiry Desk.

## TUESDAY 7

**Film** — 3 films by Nova Scotia filmmaker, Lulu Keating: *A Guide For the New City Dweller*, *Enterprising Women* and *Funny Things People Do to Themselves* will be shown at 12:30pm and 8pm in the Dal Arts Gallery. Admission is free.

**Address** — Archbishop James Hayes, Archbishop of Halifax and president of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops will address university students at 7:30pm in room 307 of the SUB. At this time the Archbishop will share what he, as president of the CCCB, would like to say to university students today and listen to some of their needs.

**Tiger Tracks** — SMU and Dal will be competing in women's volleyball action at 8pm. For up to date schedule information phone 424-3372.

**Church Service** - The Campus Ministry in Dalhousie will be holding a bible study from 12:30 to 1:30pm in room 310 of the Dal SUB. For those of the United Church.

## WEDNESDAY 8

**Meeting** — Not just any meeting but the Dal Gazette Meeting. We meet weekly on the third floor of the Dal SUB to plan and discuss the running of Canada's oldest Student newspaper. We encourage past, present, and future members to attend our 4pm meeting. No experience required necessary.

**Public Lecture** — Dal German Studies presents Peter Michelsen who will discuss *Schillers Fiesko: Freiheitsheld und Tyrann* at 8pm in the German House.

**Church Service** — Roman and Catholic mass will be held at 7pm in the Green Room of the SUB. This is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be distributed at this Eucharist.

**Magnificent Six** — Peter Mansbridge will be speaking in the McInnes Room of the Dal SUB at 8pm on *Tele-*

*vision News: the good, the bad, the medium.* Tickets are \$4 for students, \$5 for faculty, staff and alumni, and \$6 general admission.

## THURSDAY 9

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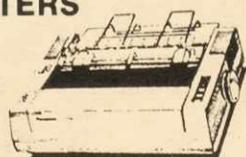
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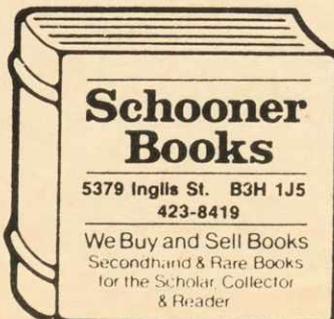
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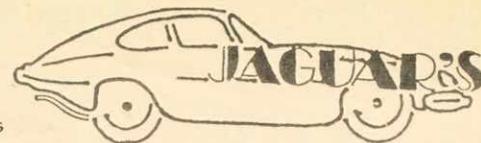
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