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## TYP saved . . . for a year

by Lyssa McKee

Dalhousie has committed itself to continuing the Transition Year Program, for one more year at least, says Denis Stairs, Vice-President, Academic and Research. The funding for the program, which provides opportunities for Nova Scotian Blacks and Natives to upgrade their skills to university entrance level, will be taken from university funds, if money is not forthcoming from the government.

"At this particular stage, the money will come from university resources. However, since we have a deficit we'll be funding the program with money we don't have," says Stairs.

In past years the program has been largely supported by a corporate sponsor. However, the funding has run out, and as yet, none has been found to replace it. Several government departments, including MPHEC, have already refused the funding request. The administration is still involved in negotiations with the provincial government.

A task force, funded by the federal government, has been instituted to examine the Transition Year Program and to make general recommendations regarding Dalhousie's commitment to

minority students.

At press time, the Gazette was notified that the N.S. government has committed itself to providing

\$60,000 to support the Transition Year Program in 1988-89. But, as yet, there is still no commitment regarding next year.

## Athletic fee bounces back More money, yes or no?

by Lorna Irons

A question concerning a \$25 Athletic Fee will once again be on the ballots, as Dalhousie students go to the polls next week.

Juanita Montalvo, Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) President, had hoped to avoid a referendum by negotiating with University Administration. She proposed to the Administration that the monies from the strike, which have not been reimbursed to students, be allocated to athletics. Thus replacing the need for an Athletics Fee, and saving all full time students \$25 off of their Student Union Fees for the 89-90 academic year.

Montalvo feels that the "DSU should have a say as to where the money goes. If it had gone to athletics, then there would have been no need for a referendum." But she says "the administration

said "no", to her proposal.

The controversial fee was first debated at this time last year. An administration-backed "Yes" campaign was perceived to be a problem by Council. In a letter written to President Clarke by then President Caroline Zayid, she stated that there were "very serious concerns about the Administration's involvement in the campaign for a \$25 athletic fee."

In this year's referendum Montalvo hopes to prevent any Administration interference. "The Student Union does not want Administration involvement. Since students will pay, it must be student presenting the case to students."

Tony Martin, Director of Dalplex, feels that as a result of the Athletic Fee, students have had great benefits. "Students have benefitted greatly in a number of

## SUNS wants more money too

by Heather Hueston

The Students' Union of Nova Scotia (SUNS) is counting on a "yes" vote to its proposed increase to a per-student fee levy.

Otherwise, says SUNS chair Lara Morris, the organization may be forced into drastic budget cutbacks and a possible closure of their office. She says that due to SUNS' increased credibility as the voice of students' concerns, demands on the lobbying and research capacity are straining the organization's resources.

In a press release, SUNS says the money raised from increasing fees from 1.50 to 2.60 will last them till 1994. This is the first fee increase since SUNS implemented the per-student levy idea in 1982. Member institutions collect the money and forward it to SUNS each fall.

SUNS wants to employ its chair full time for the summer, create a part-time researcher position for the school year, and focus on rebuilding its membership, as well as continue its data-gathering.

Morris points to the appoint-

ment of students at the Nova Scotia Student Aid advisory board, the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission and possibly to the slated provincial Youth Secretariat as proof of the increased clout of SUNS.

Last week, SUNS sponsored the events of the National Week of Action. Morris, who as DSU

External VP co-ordinated the organizing, says she is pleased with student reaction and the fact that local politicians turned out.

Events included a lecture by former teacher Eric Smith, now of the Nova Scotia Task Force on AIDS, a campus accessibility tour, and a photo essay on underfunding.



Part of the National Week of Action last Monday — Kraft Dinner, the student's staple.

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ways, since they have access to enhanced facilities." He cites the improved weight room, a new hardwood floor and renovations to the squash and racquetball courts.

In a memo to Montalvo, Martin proposes that the approximately \$200,000 collected go towards purchasing two "Versa Climbers" (\$3,633 each), a four-sided basketball hoop (\$8,400) continued free access to varsity games (estimated \$15,000) sustaining increase to teams meal and travel allowance and beginning a two-year resurfacing of the fieldhouse floor (\$78,750 each year) among other items.

However, many people believe that the maintenance and upkeep of facilities is the responsibility of the university and not the students. Board of Governors rep

Shayna Watson says "(Students) paying for fixing the fieldhouse floor is like us paying to have the grass cut on campus."

Watson says she's not against students' money supplementing the athletic budget if it were just for improvements to facilities.

The \$25 fee was a 23% increase in Student Union Fees for the 88-89 academic year, raising the DSU fee from \$109 to \$134. Montalvo says that "it will be up to students to decide if they want to pay for repairs and maintenance to the university, money which the university should be paying."

DSU Elections Returning Officer Wayne Aspinall says both the No and Yes sides of the campaign have been organized. The Athletic Referendum fee forum is Monday, March 13 at 1:30 in the SUB Cafeteria.

## Quorum calls it quits

by Lorna Irons

The General Meeting of the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) took place at 12:30 p.m. March 3rd in the Green Room of the SUB. An auditor was appointed and three motions were passed before quorum was called at 1:30pm and the meeting had to be adjourned because the required 50 members were not present.

The Student Union Fee was increased by \$1.10 to reflect the increase to the Student Unions' of Nova Scotia Fee.

Student representation on the Senate has increased from 5 to 8 members.

Upon recommendation of the DSU treasurer, Frank DeMont, the firm Clarkson, Gordon replaced long-time DSU auditors, Touche Ross.

Last year, the DSU was caught

short by a surprise government audit which cost them almost \$60,000. Former SUB manager Andrew Beckett resigned shortly thereafter in January 1988.

There were two motions which could not be discussed before quorum was called.

Only one of the eight members of Senate shall be a voting member on the Student Council.

A member of Senate can only be recalled on the "advice and consent of the Academic Affairs Committee."

Juanita Montalvo, DSU President, explains that this last motion is to safeguard against any unwarranted dismissals of Senators.

These last two motions will be brought to the next General Meeting on Wednesday March 29th.




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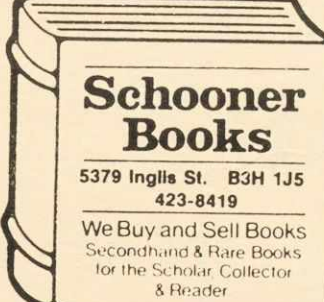
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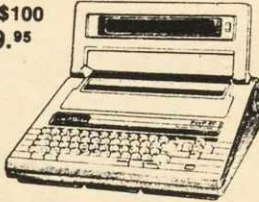


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by Lyssa McKee

Claiming that the curriculum at the law school is racist, a group of Dal law students is campaigning to see it changed. The group says that the courses do not adequately prepare future lawyers to deal with minority issues.

Catherine Cogswell, a spokesperson for the group, says that the law school does not address the legal and social problems faced by minorities in Canada.

"For example, here in Nova Scotia we have the largest indigenous Black population in Canada, with historically deep-rooted, ongoing problems with the legal system. As well, our Native people, the Micmac, are in the midst of political and economic turmoil. Nowhere in our curriculum are these problems adequately addressed.

"Until the school makes a conscious and affirmative efforts, it is perpetuating the problem through ignorance."

Cogswell criticizes the focus of the law program. She says that students are taught "a way of thinking like a lawyer." "We are taught to analyze social issues in terms of laws and statutes as opposed to looking at them in their social context."

In order to bring racial issues to the attention of the students, Cogswell's group held a forum



## Dal law school ignores minority issues

last Saturday. This forum featured Black and Native panelists speaking on a variety of minority issues. Cogswell calls it an opportunity "to get information from people to whom these issues directly affect." Speakers at the forum included Kevin Christmas from the Union of Nova Scotia Indians, and Graydon Nicholas, Chair of Native Studies at St. Thomas University in New

Brunswick. Nicholas spoke about the role of universities in affecting change.

"It has to come from our own. All Dalhousie University and other universities can do is try to recognize and support that," said Nicholas.

The law students' awareness campaign, which included distributing a memo to the law school community, is supported by Law

School Dean Innis Christie, who in an interview with the Chronicle Herald this week denied that the school is "racist".

The organizers hope that the student-run campaign will be the most effective method of encouraging the curriculum planners to incorporate racial issues into the program.

Cogswell is also concerned

with the low number of racially visible students at the law school. She says that "people are intimidated by the institution of law," and feels that the law school should make a conscious effort to set about "demystifying the whole institution."

The law students' campaign coincides with the release last month of the *Report on Visible Racial and Cultural Considerations at Dalhousie*, written by Janis Jones-Darrell, the President's Advisor on Visible Minorities. In her report, Jones-Darrell points out that "barriers to employment and education for visible racial minorities especially those indigenous to the region, are in the lower-level, menial, lower-paid, grant-paid or part-time positions, if employed at Dalhousie."

In terms of education, Jones-Darrell reports that "curriculum adaptations for the racially visible students at Dalhousie are rarely considered. Generally, racial and cultural values, research and cultural experiences have not been integrated into existing courses."

Jones-Darrell sees the problem as getting worse rather than better: "programs initiated in the past are either being eliminated or face severe cutbacks." She cites the uncertain future of the Transition Year Program as an example.

## international students' week

### International students face economic discrimination

OTTAWA (CUP) — If examinations, interrogations, tests, piles of paperwork and five digit tuition fees aren't a deterrent, Canada is a great place for a foreign student to study.

That is, if you can discover any information about Canadian universities.

International students face a myriad of barriers to studying in Canada and federal policy changes for 1989 only address some of them, according to an international education advocacy group.

In February 1988, former employment and immigration minister Benoit Bouchard allowed international students to work on campus.

And since January, as the result of a Federal Court of Appeal decision, students in Canada on study visas are eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.

Three years ago, Mariaurora Mota, a former University of Waterloo student, took the Canadian Employment and Immigration Commission to court demanding benefits from the UI plan she paid into.

Clement Oshinyimika, Carleton University's International Student Centre coordinator, said the decision was a long time in coming.

A Canadian Bureau of International Education (CBIE) report released in November shows that despite a small increase this year,

international student enrollment in Canadian universities has been on the decline since 1975.

In 1987-88 there were 23,335 international students studying in Canada.

The report concludes that while students' experiences in Canada is generally positive, Canada is not their first choice, and money remains a problem.

CBIE researcher Colin Stewart said the new measures are mostly "a step in the right direction."

But he said allowing international students to work on campus will not significantly change their lot.

"We're concerned that there's not usually that many jobs to be found on campuses," he said.

Stewart said the new regulation could even cause problems between international and Canadian students.

"If the Canadian students start to see they're not getting the on-campus jobs they used to get, they could start blaming international students."

Other federal policy changes include:

- Allowing international students to accept work on-campus while at school;
- International students may now work in Canada for up to a year after they graduate in a field related to their degree;
- Spouses of international students are also allowed to work;
- Students sponsored by Cana-

da's foreign aid agency can work without restriction;

● The Canadian government is now offering more scholarships to students from developing countries.

Before they even arrive in Canada, Stewart said would-be students are faced with an almost total void of information.

"Most foreign students find out about Canada by word of mouth," he said. Canada does very little to promote its universities abroad," he said.

Even under the new guidelines, foreign students will still be working and studying under unfair conditions, Oshinyimika said. Visa students still have to contribute to the Canadian Pension Plan (CPP), even though Canada won't likely pension them.

And while international students can get reimbursed for wages deducted for the CPP, Oshinyimika said the procedure is time consuming and almost unknown.

And international students still have to get a permit for every job they take while on a student visa whether it lasts a year or a month. A permit costs \$50.

Oshinyimika said this policy is unfair because the fee represents an additional strain on usually tight finances.

"The \$50 fee for every job can get a bit onerous," Stewart added. Tuition fees for foreign stu-

dents vary according to school province and program from \$1,458 to \$26,886. Newfoundland and Manitoba are the only provinces that do not charge higher fees for international students.

Median living expenses are around \$7,000 per year, according to the CBIE report.

Working international students will still face prohibitive income tax, unless they can prove they receive no money from outside Canada.

But finding the documentation

can prove "time consuming and complex," said Oshinyimika. "Often international students don't take the initiative or have the time to do it."

Students who don't endure the rigmarole of doing their taxes properly can pay as much as 40 per cent of their earnings in federal government income tax.

"If you make it this kind of experience," Stewart said, "how likely is it going to be that people are going to recommend Canada to their friends?"

## Subsidize fees!

by Christina Frei

International students at Dalhousie not only have to cope with the difficulties of being far away from home; they are also being burdened financially.

The differential fee, imposed on foreign students in most of Canada, is the amount of tuition payable on top of the regular fee. At Dalhousie, these students pay over twice the regular tuition, but in some parts of the country, universities charge up to ten times the standard fee.

Dalhousie Student Union Treasurer Frank DeMont says, "There is no requirement for a differential fee — the government should fully fund the differential fee, or if not that, then universi-

ties should subsidize international students. They do bring something to Nova Scotia."

Ted Marriott, coordinator of the International Student Centre at Dalhousie, emphasizes the advantages which foreign students bring to Dal as well as other post-secondary institutions in Canada.

"By and large, they are bright, enthusiastic students. You can only have a good university if you have two things — that is, good professors and good students. High quality students bring with them new and different ideas. Fresh ideas help us expand our education and understanding. They also bring with them social and cultural differences that help to enrich our own experience on campus."



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# Restrictions still harry international students

by Larry Hansen

The easing of employment restrictions on international students and their spouses is an important step towards making Canada a more attractive environment for international education. We are eagerly awaiting news from the Government of Canada on these matters.

(Canadian Federation of Students. Presentation to the Standing Committee on Labour, Employment and Immigration. 18 January 1988)

On February 24th, 1988, approximately five weeks after this statement was made, the Department of Employment and Immigration made the announcement that we knew was coming: the employment restrictions facing international students would be relaxed. Students from other countries would now be permitted to work on campus, in discipline-related positions for up to one year after graduation (if they can find such work within sixty days), and spousal employment either on or off campus.

At first blush, one might think that the promulgation of the regulatory changes is consistent with the fact that Canada places great importance on the recruitment and retention of student from other countries. After all, the enormous benefits this country

receives from international students is beyond dispute: their collective spending has a significant impact on the national economy, they provide us with invaluable trade and intellectual experience by their presence as well as their academic and research activities. As we know, however, the realities of policy does not always follow logic.

A significant number of international students report difficulty with Canadian officials, both before and after they leave their home country. Once here, most of them face large differential fees, and if they receive fellowships or assistantships, pay into CPP and UIC without being able to receive the benefits of these programmes. In addition, they have the added burden of moving to a new country with new customs and, in some cases, a new language to learn.

But, leaders in the international student community who were interviewed for the CBIE study have raised questions about the ambiguity of the new regulations: "What exactly does discipline related work mean? If both spouses are students, how does the spousal work rule apply? If a job is found after graduation, must the spouse stop working? If no job is found within sixty days, can the spouse continue working?"

Also, in the process of finding employment, an international student is faced with a number of bureaucratic roadblocks: immigration officials who have not been properly informed about the changes, employers who are unaware of them, time-consuming paper-work in the form of medical and notarized marriage certificates, and the sometimes exasperating shuffle between prospective employers

and the immigration department in order to get proper work authorization.

Leaders question the practical importance of the changes. They perceive on-campus work as hard for them to obtain and with respect to one year post-graduation employment, they pinpoint the difficulty of finding a job within the prescribed sixty days after graduation, the reluctance of employers to give some-

one a job for only one year, and the restriction of meeting the requirement that positions must be discipline-related.

Lastly, as long as significant restrictions remain and differential fees continue to be used by a majority of Canada's provinces, the recent changes have and will not significantly ameliorate the position of Canada's international student population.

## Dal registration

# Tough on foreign students

by Andreas Katsouris

It goes without saying that in any large community of disparate individuals, many programs that are initiated for the good of the group often have widely differing effects upon the widely differing people that comprise it. That is, while a community as a unit may be served by specific action or program, many of its members may not be.

We at Dalhousie are one such large community of individuals, and as such, have in existence a number of programs that really serve only a subset of our student population. Money spent on athletics, for instance, benefits

many of us a great deal, others not at all. yet, unlike athletics, there are some programs and procedures on this campus that are supposedly designed to serve all students with equality and fairness. One such program is the registration procedure.

With the arrival of a new Registrar last year, the "powers that be" embarked on a long overdue review of the manner in which students are registered for classes the following year. Many of us who have been here for a few years will remember all-night lineups and mad dashes for courses (especially in the Sciences) and agree that something had to be changed, and soon.

The administration responded by introducing a system where students register by mail. Students from Metro, or those who stayed in the area during the summer probably felt quite well-served by this system. You received your registration pack-

age in less than two days, filled it out immediately, and my have even delivered it personally.

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# Defying expectations

by Darrell Bowden

Initially, I think, that it would be important for me to give you some background on myself, so that you can get a better understanding of the life of a Black Canadian student at university.

Originally from New Glasgow, I am the second youngest of eleven children. My father has received grade 6 and is employed at Lavalin as a machine operator. My mother is a housewife and entrepreneur, who completed grade 7.

Being the second youngest of eleven and witnessing the achievements of my siblings: three of which graduated high school, two who were a few credits short of graduation, four who never completed high school, no one expected that I would attend university. Having achieved the goal of getting here, no one expected me to succeed.

In my case in high school I was encouraged to do academic courses so long as they were arts related and not sciences. I opted to do the academic courses I thought I would enjoy and was encouraged, but more often than not, discouraged, with the idea that these courses were too difficult for me. In these cases teachers were pleased with mediocre performance and did not encourage me to excel. Few of my teachers believed in my determination to continue on in my academic career.

Assistance from my parents was to be limited in terms of their life and caring, for they wanted me to succeed, but they had no basis of which they could use to understand the step I had taken. Their feelings alternated from pride in their son the future psychiatrist to confusion of why I was leaving the family.

Once in university, when I visited home there was not a lot of interest, in what I was doing in terms of my educational advances. No one bothered to try to understand the need for quiet to do or need to study on weekends. And the family certainly did not understand the need for quiet to do my studying. The concept of university held by my family, based on stories and TV programs, was that it was one big party. My father's only words of advice as I departed to enter Dal were "Do

some studying, along with the partying."

As for my friends, they told me that they never knew that I was considering university after graduation and that I would miss years of fun partying at home. It's little wonder that I have lost touch with most of them. They all stayed home and took on jobs, now we have little in common.

Poor high school academic preparation caused me to seek entrance into Dal by way of the Transition Year Program (TYP), a special one year program for native and Black students who do not meet the regular entrance requirements.

TYP had both advantages and disadvantages. Being in an access program labelled me as someone who had a higher than usual chance of failure, with many people at the university considering us as not measuring up to the norm.

On the other hand, TYP offered a small supportive group of people with whom I could identify; skill development in Math (my weakest high school subject), English and Study Skills. Most importantly TYP offered for me an opportunity to study Black history and culture through a Black history course, something to which I had never before been exposed. This course provided a strong sense of identity as a Black person, and as a result greater confidence and determination to succeed.

What is it like to be the only Black student in a class?

One of the first things I noticed, in my first year as a regular student when entering a class, classmates sometimes physically draw away from you as if you have some sort of contagious virus. Also, I witnessed that I was very often the last person chosen to participate as a lab partner or as part of a group. Not identifying with the group, that being the white students, striking up conversations seldom occurs. Therefore you feel very ISOLATED.

This isolation is amplified for many in Halifax, for many Black students live with family in the far side of Dartmouth. Commuting by bus takes 1½-2 hours to get from home to campus, limiting use of campus resources and social activities.

Another complication of Black post secondary life is financial problems. Many of our families simply cannot afford to contrib-

ute any money to assist covering the costs, so many of us hold part-time jobs in addition to taking out student loans. The jobs have to occur with the loans, because if you live at home, you are not expected to need as much to live off of. This loans process is quite frightening because after completion of one of the most complex application forms, there is not a guarantee that you will be employed upon graduation, therefore the fear of not being able to pay back the money. If you think the job market is tough for white middle class students, imagine what the low income Black student faces.

Coming from areas where we are used to close contact with entire communities and close knit families makes the university's bureaucracy very intimidating. At home, generally everyone is known to the other, creating the sense that everyone knows who does what to be able to assist when a problem occurs. You know where to go when looking for help in ironing out a wrinkle in the system. Then at University, you are confronted with tasks like completing student aid applications, reading the course calendar, and following the registration procedure — it would be easy to quit after the first week!!

An additional and more intimidating burden occurs in the classroom. As soon as a racial issue arises, you feel as though you're being put on the spot, everyone is staring in your direction. Often, you hear your professor lecturing with inaccurate information pertaining to Black issues and people. Here, often you will encounter subtle, or even open racist remarks. You sit there and wonder whether or not to speak out, feeling alienated, inadequate and intimidated by the professor. It seems as though in order for us to be equal we have to always be better.

Sometimes the pressure reaches such intense levels we often want to give up but we can't quit. We can't fail. We are often the first in the family or at times in the community, to attend university. Everyone, family and friend alike is counting on us to make them proud.

That's a bit about my experience and that of other Black Canadian students at University. It's not all bad, and in many cases we adapted and learned to cope within the already established system.

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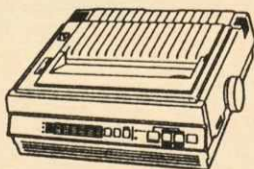
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# Candidates short-sighted on referendum

"No way, Howard. We won't pay more for tuition when this deal expires. Back in 1985, in return for contributing student dollars to your capital campaign, we got you to agree to keep our tuition indexed to inflation.

"But sure, we'll gladly hand over \$200,000 of our members' money so we can pay for budget items you're responsible for. And no, it doesn't bother us that the referendum which passed the \$25 fee was so rigged by the Dalplex administration that the Council couldn't stomach passing it for the original three years."

A logical position? Not really. But both candidates for DSU president support the referendum while at the same time vowing to keep the cost-of-living-indexed tuition agreement.

How can Dr. Clark take the DSU president, the strongest voice of students on campus, seriously when they tell him "the buck stops here" when throughout their campaigns they've been

gladly handing over all the bucks the starving administration needs?

As VP of the Students' Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (SAHPER), Shannon Hessian's support can at least be understood.

But what about Dave Shannon's platform of "logical process" and "strategic planning"? What about his and Terry Crawley's supposed anger over the nickel-and-dime incidental fees slapped on everything from re-reading exams to letters of permission? What would you call an extra \$25 fee tacked on to full-time students' fees just for coming to Dal?

Shannon and Crawley support the fee as a temporary measure to improve school spirit, but its success can only mean more user fees — maybe for the library? After all, students use the books the most, right?

As "No" campaigner Robin Hamilton said yesterday, the students are paying for the adminis-

tration's mistakes — for example, putting the fieldhouse floor over rubber.

Dalplex director Tony Martin's proposed distribution for 1989/90 includes about \$30,000 a year to meal and travel allowances for varsity teams, as well as making up for the 2.5% budget cutback that all departments had to absorb this year — all departments except athletics, which was far-sighted enough to engineer their personal referendum to provide a ready cash reserve. (And what is the proportion of varsity students to the rest of the 10,000-member student body, anyway?)

As for last year's referendum process, it was a bungled mess of administrative meddling and rumours of intimidation during the campaign which left students with an impossibly complicated array of "choices" on the ballot, resulting in the referendum's

squeaking through.

In a four-page letter to Dr. Clark last April, the-DSU President Caroline Zayid outlined the bad faith shown by administration negotiators. Apparently "impatient or nervous" at what they saw as slow process in the talks, administration officials organized the signing of a petition with the 10,000 signatures necessary to call a referendum. After listing several complaints she received from students about the campaign process, Zayid closed by telling Clark she could not "state too strongly the suspicion and ill will that has been created by the conduct of members of Administration regarding the student referendum . . ."

This is what the DSU president has to deal with. A firm stand on refusing special fees now would help Shannon with his stated

principle of "stating what your goals are and working by coalition". Hessian has said she'll raise campus spirit, ensuring that "not 1000 but 10,000" students will turn out for rallies to support the tuition agreement. Okay, okay, the figures are election rhetoric. But if she is basing this strategy on what worked for her during the strike, then the glow of a successful student protest may be clouding her vision. Students won't turn out in the same numbers for an issue like negotiations over what seems to them 'only' roughly a hundred-dollar yearly increase in tuition fees, if they're not being hurt by something as drastic as no classes and a possible delay in summer jobs.

Both candidates should rethink their stand if they really want to protect students' long-term interests.

Heather Hueston

## OPINION

### Elections plagued with apathy

by Scott Matthews

It's time for another round of student elections and nobody seems to care who is being elected. Surprise, surprise.

The people that get elected affect the daily lives of students as well as the overall image of the university within the community.

Every election in recent memory has had student apathy as one of its main themes. It is time we took a serious look at what student apathy has done to the operations of Dalhousie University. Since students are the

only ones who can bring about change in the university they have to be informed of what is going on.

The Commerce Society, who could be expected to implement the best accounting controls and management procedures seems to have the worst. Commerce students are currently paying the highest student fees and I (as a Commerce student) would like to know why. Renovations to the Commerce House last year were approximately \$40,000, but how

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## Students still angry

I'm Nobody! Who are you?  
Are you — Nobody — Too?  
Then there's a pair of us?  
Don't tell! they'd advertise — you know!

How dreary — to be — Somebody!  
How public — like a Frog —  
To tell one's name — the livelong June —  
To an admiring Bog!

by Paula M. Clark  
Elizabeth A. Power

*When the Dalhousie Faculty strike of 1988 is mentioned one thought that comes to mind is:*

*God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.*

*This paper evolved as a result of the lack of serenity in the lives of Dalhousie students. Is it lack of wisdom that has impeded them from speaking out on their own behalf? Or is it lack of courage resulting from fear of repercus-*

### The Administration put Dalhousie's image ahead of concern for students.

*sion that has made it essential for me to guarantee the anonymity of student contributors?*

Students at Dalhousie University have recently gained important insight into this poem by Emily Dickenson. Having examined the consequences of the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) strike with respect to students, we could logically deduce that students have been treated as and, in fact, are "Nobody" at Dalhousie. However, contrary to

Emily Dickenson

Dickinson's exclamation "How dreary — to be — Somebody!", Dalhousie students do want to be Somebody. They want to be learners at a secondary institution obtaining a quality education; that is what they paid for. Certainly in this post-strike period, many Dalhousie students are presently reflecting upon their choice.

The DFA and the administration have provoked much propaganda concerning the recent DFA strike. Students have voiced their opinions as well, yet by and large, the DFA and administrative points of view have been far more pervasive than that of the students. Nonetheless, as the students are said to be the most injured party, it would only be fitting to examine their point of view as they pick up the pieces during the aftermath. This paper will therefore examine what Dalhousie students feel about the strike. Given the fact that these students are from nine various faculties and/or departments and in various years of study, an interesting cross section of the most numerous group of people at Dalhousie, i.e., the student body, is represented. It is also relevant to indicate that these students do share one thing in common: they are unhappy with what has happened and especially so, as it was at student expense.

The headlines may have read "DFA voting on contract; life returning to normal." However, discontentment seems to rumble underneath that calm front. A major grievance repeated time and time again was that of the

lack of effort on behalf of the administration to help students during the strike.

**What students said about the administration:**

- washed its hands of student responsibility, thereby leaving students to clean up the mess themselves.
- put Dalhousie's image ahead of concern for students.
- failed to make an across-the-board decision as to whether or not classes should be cancelled, thereby hurting students.
- created an ethical dilemma for students: cross the picket line and break the strike or miss essential material in ongoing classes?
- did not clarify potential repercussions either of these choices would have on the students.

**What students said about the DFA:**

- seemed to be concerned, but how concerned were they?
- was vocally concerned about student interests, yet was it any more than a patronizing "we'll do what we can for you?"

### The head people of the DFA sold student souls to get what they wanted

- was concerned during the strike, handling student interests along with their own. However there came a point when the DFA put themselves ahead of student concerns.
  - was concerned, but the head people of the DFA sold student souls to get what they wanted.
- Student reaction to the Settlement**
- glad, and moreover, relieved that the strike had finally been

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## Do you feel belittled by the STRIKE?

We would like to use your stories and feelings in a feature article. Please drop material off at the Inquiry Desk or the Gazette Office on the third floor of the Dal SUB.

## Still angry

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settled, yet surprised by the DFA's acceptance of the final settlement.

- panic stricken as they realized their interests had not been assured in the negotiations and much work had to be caught up on.

- angry with both the administration and the DFA.

**Why were students angry?**

- abrupt notice given as to when classes would resume.

- some professors had to reduce three class sessions into one.

- in all classes important material has been missed.

- the administration's attitude that the two weeks missed were basically non-existent, although students know that the administration will argue that time is being made up.

- as a result, students could not perform their best and therefore were not learning from what has turned out to be a rushed education.

- the most intolerable element was the unnecessary pressure the students were suddenly experiencing.

- students claimed to be under more pressure than ever before in an academic situation. This being the case, students were going to complete different quality work than they would have otherwise produced.

- in the end, things were smoothed out and forgotten about quickly as it was absorbed into the exam rush.

**Additional administrative measures pointed out by some students.**

- extended library hours.

- extended hours at the registrar's office.

- the change in policy upon withdrawal from the university before December 20, 1988.

- on a whole, the situation was dealt with quite well; nevertheless, there were individual cases that were dealt with poorly.

- although some are satisfied that in many classes material is being made up by consent of the students, there are those who say that more could have been done to satisfy students.

Dalhousie University can rest assured of one thing: the strike has not made a positive impression upon students. Most of the students indicated that the strike has negatively changed their attitude towards Dalhousie.

## Dalhousie students feel helpless to combat the wrongdoings, for the battle would be against two university superpowers

"I thought I picked the best university," explained one student, "I now realize I picked the second best. If they had a high class university, they would not have let students suffer."

Others explained that they now have a much lower opinion towards Dalhousie and given a choice, they would not come back. One student summed up a lack of faith by stating, "As a student, I would not trust that my needs and expectations would be a priority based on this expe-

rience. Everyone says students are a priority, however, I see no proof."

Although most students realize they have been subject to injustices at the hands of the administration and/or the DFA, the vast number of students have adopted a "business as usual" attitude. Regardless of the way students were treated during or as a result of the strike, most have chosen not to become involved. Dalhousie students feel helpless to combat the wrongdoings, for the battle would be against two university superpowers, i.e., the administration and the DFA. Students are trapped between the knowledge that their education has been jeopardized and the pressure exerted from those two groups — pressure in the form of administrative measures or in the form of marks. Therefore students do not want to become outspoken or high-profile. As Emily Dickinson states, and as many students echo, "Then there's a pair of us? Don't tell! They'd advertise — you know!"

In the end, Dalhousie students want only to return to normal. Unfortunately for some, this state of normalcy can no longer exist, for in the end students were the most injured party. Instead of forgetting the past to step into the future, everyone at Dalhousie University must remember the past in an attempt to prevent history from repeating itself. After all, history will have that opportunity two years from now when the Dalhousie Faculty Association's contract expires. Sadly enough, if students forget about the way they were manipulated during this strike, they may expect to remain powerless in a similar situation once again mourning, "I'm Nobody! Who are you? Are — Nobody — Too?"

## Apathy

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well was this money accounted for? The books and records of the Commerce Society from last year are incomplete and sketchy at best. They might as well have been put together by Robert Hanf, who incidentally was an executive of the Law Society last year. He conveniently handed in his resignation over the controversy concerning the Law School contract-funding fiasco. This man is currently Chair of the Dalhousie Student Union. This is an example of defilement of the student trust brought upon by apathy.

To continue in this vein with the Commerce Society, there have been repeated allegations of misuse as well as misappropriation of Commerce Student funds. There have been problems with documenting receipts and a controversy over expenses which may have influenced the resignation of the elected treasurer earlier this year. The Commerce Society has not even audited its own self to correct and prevent any further problems.

The Commerce Society has found reason to consider suing a former vice-president and golden-achievement award winner (awarded for most work done on behalf of the Commerce

DSU Council and is seeking another term in office. If this is the best that we, as students, can do through our representative organizations then I am ashamed of my past associations with the Dalhousie Student political movement.

This mismanagement is not indicative of Commerce students in general, who I feel to be honest and trust-worthy, but it is unfortunate that the problems of last year may reflect negatively on Commerce students as a whole. In this respect I want to make the effort to correct any existing errors and prevent further mismanagement of our student funds by revealing the digressions of the past if only to maintain the value of our Student Societies.

We, as students, should be prepared to publicize the failures of our student leaders, both unintentional and deliberate, through general forums or through the student press. In addition we should be prepared to take our place at the helm of respective societies. It is only in doing so that we can assure ourselves that our Societies are run effectively with honesty and integrity.

If students took a more active role or played any role in their own education then we could prevent this gross mismanagement of student affairs and our funds. *Scott Matthews is a former member of the DSU Executive.*

## Letters

### Gazette Trashed

To the Editors:

In response to "No one tells us what to put in our paper," I have a few thoughts to share with you. Where do you think you get the funding to run YOUR paper?? From our student union fees perhaps?

There have been continuous complaints about the content of your paper, where general campus concerns are not addressed but there is ample print space for GLAD and feminist issues.

Well, you should be informed that not everyone is interested in reading the same mumbo jumbo in every issue. Haven't you been wondering why people pick up the *Gazette* for use in their kitty litter boxes? AAAh, no redeeming social value perhaps?

To your more sensitive readers, I apologize for the violent outburst. Now, to get to the heart of the matter. Myself, and six other commerce students took up the Levi's Campus challenge in competition with nine other universities across the country. The most effective promotional campaign

wins. All money made at the various events that we held went to the Heart Fund. In case you are not a commerce student, to promote a campaign of this sort you must publicize events. Well, we thought, what a better place to publicize than our own university paper.

Alas, we did not know at the time that commerce students seem to have problems obtaining coverage by the prestigious *Gazette*. Standard responses are: "No one tells us what to print in our paper," and "We never received you PSAs in the mail." Well, my response is BULLSHIT!

I don't expect this letter to get published, and even if it does, no one will read it. Basically, you have alienated the majority of the campus. Maybe you should take some lessons from the *SMU Journal* staff. Wake up and smell the coffee, guys!

Heather Logan

### Gazette Thanked

Dear Dal Gazette, you ol' cornerstone of investigative journalism,

You did it — yes, you. Undaunted and resignation-free, you persevered. Sweeping past accumulations of grime and prej-

udice, you uncovered a till-then-only-dreamed-of gay and lesbian supplement. A darned good one at that, too.

Among the little nuisance corrections, one looms larger. A GLAD meeting, listed for the twentieth, is actually slated for the 30th of March, a Thursday, at 6:30pm.

To each and to everyone involved in the Gay and Lesbian Reader, many thanks for the exposure — we needed that.

Dan "A well-placed official"

Hart.

### Gazette Trash?

To the Editors:

Each week since about Christmas, I've noticed a file of unclaimed papers in the Foyer of the Dunn. There seem to be there even late in the week when the next issue is coming out.

This week, for example there is a file about this high!

These days we're all sensitive about waste. Perhaps you could save some student \$ by printing a few less?

Or maybe your advertising revenue depends on how many you print?

R. March



# ELECTIONS SUPPLEMENT

## Board of Governors Stephen Davis

1. What benefits will you, as a student representative on the Board of Governors, bring the student body?

I believe that as an incumbent student Board of Governor representative I can provide beneficial continuity that has not been possible in the past. My experience has made me aware of the issues facing all students in the upcoming academic year and I will be able to work effectively for you from day one. In the past year I have realized that student voices need to be placed at the forefront of all discussions, both at the Board table and behind closed doors. When I first began my present term I did not realize that students are placed so low on the totem pole of priorities. It is my goal in this second term to raise the consciousness of all Board members of the contribution of student within the University community.

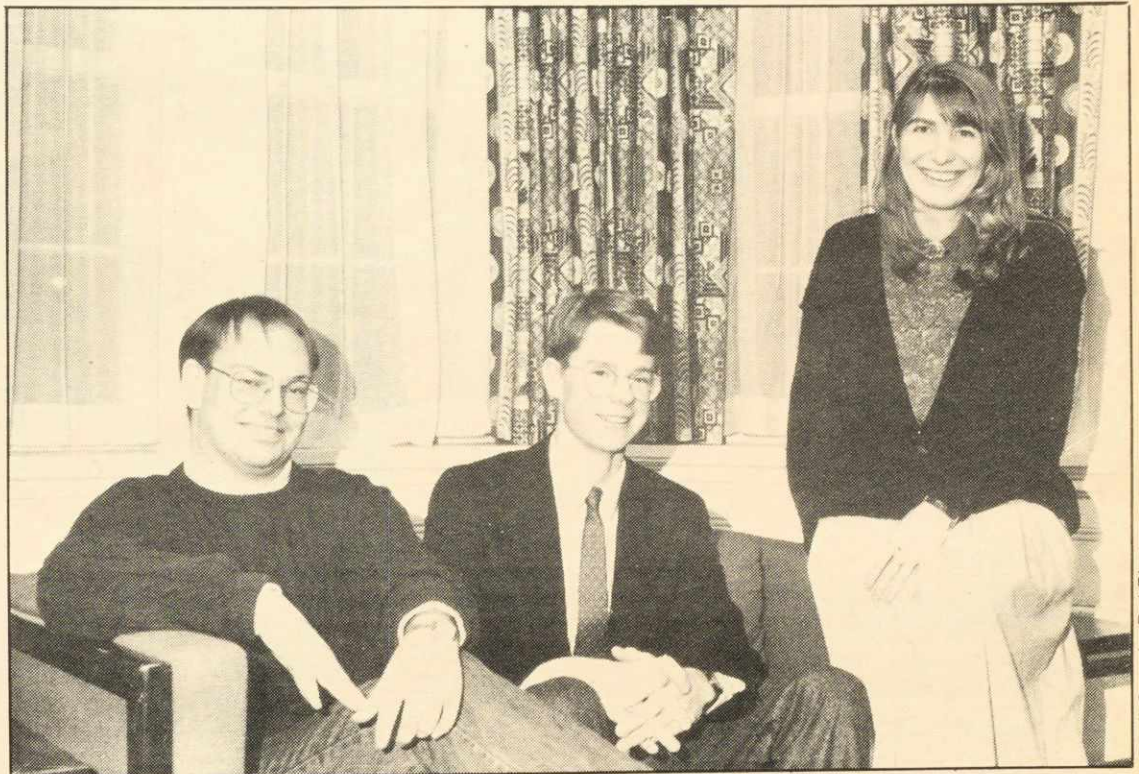
2. What do you think are the most important issues for students that will be drawn up in the 5 year plan by the Board's Financial Strategy Committee?

As a member of the Financial Strategy Committee, I am well aware of the impact that this Committee will have on all aspects of Dalhousie. If we, as an institution, are to prosper in the next decade we must ensure that we are financially responsible in the allocation of the government funding which we receive. By being more financially responsible we will be able to improve the quality of education that students receive. This quality is reflected in such expenditures as library acquisitions, laboratory equipment, and support staff for our faculty. At the same time as improving our quality of education it must also be kept affordable. What's affordable? As long as the student assistance program does not reflect the real cost of education, tuition fees must be kept down to a level that reflects what you can be expected to earn through summer employment and part time jobs. (Read: tuition fee agreement)

Rationalization has been pro-

posed as a means to cut our debt. Rationalization? This means your program gets CUT. If this becomes a reality students must be ensured of some consistency in their programs; perhaps a gradual phase-out over several years. Albeit going to Saint Mary's sounds a little scary to me too!

Being a student representative at the Board has been an eye opener and a learning experience. I feel that students have a role to play in the governance of Dalhousie. This role can be fulfilled at every level of the decision processes that take place on this campus. I encourage each and every



Board of Governors candidates: Stephen Davis, Patrick Oland, and Lara Morris.

Paul Grandy: Dal Photo

one of you to involve yourselves in the many extra-curricular activities that are available to you. We must be the authors of our own fates. Or at least GET THE FUCK OUT AND VOTE!! (Especially since I've already been acclaimed.)

## Patrick Oland

1. What benefits will you, as student representative on the Board of Governors, bring the student body?

I am a second year Commerce student. I think that the benefits I can bring Dalhousie students will be the result of an integration of skill and energy. Knowledge combined with action translates into results, the results which you, the student, hope to achieve in electing your representatives.

As a Dal student, I have a very serious concern with the Administration's policies and their consequences for students. I have participated in many different aspects of student life from Intramural Athletics to student societies. In my experiences I have realized that there are many different versions of the Dal student. However I also realize that they are all at Dalhousie for a purpose; education. Whether that education be academic, or social or both, it is also true that students are seriously concerned about the quality of that education.

2. What do you think are the most important issues for students that will be drawn up in the 5 year plan by the Board's Financial Strategy Committee?

The Five Year Financial Plan is

aimed at reducing the university's staggering debt. This plan will include revenue increases, and numerous funding cuts to programs and facilities at Dal.

**Tuition Costs:** We have been fortunate in past years to have our tuition roughly indexed with inflation. However, the collective agreement of tuition stabilization between the DSU and the administration ends in 1991. What then? We must ensure that tuition does not skyrocket, and that yearly increases are kept within a range that is accessible to students.

**Program Cutbacks:** In past years, to achieve budget targets, the university has implemented horizontal program cuts, where certain courses are not offered. In the near future, the university will be considering vertical cuts, in other words, dropping Academic Programs all together. If such vertical cuts occur, it will be the responsibility of the university and the government to ensure that adequate programs are available at other universities, and that those programs are integrated into the Dalhousie Curriculum.

**Student Services:** It is crucial that services such as the Library, the Student Union Building, the Dalplex and other important student facilities continue to be properly funded. If not, then all students will suffer.

## Lara Morris

1. What benefits will you, as student representative on the Board of Governors, bring the student body?

As a Board of Governors representative I will bring all my talents and dedication to the boardroom table. I am uniquely qualified to address the issues facing the Board and Dalhousie University.

Having served for the past year as Vice President External of the Dalhousie Student Union and with my involvement in the Students' Union of Nova Scotia I have become very knowledgeable on the issues that the Board is facing today and into the future.

My experience and knowledge in conjunction with my hard work, dedication and commitment will allow me to be very successful in addressing the issues from our perspective as students.

It is through the channels of communication including DSU Council and publications, such as the Gazette, as well as direct feedback from all students what I will draw my response to the Board. However, it is important to note that response is not good enough. It is through these channels that I will formulate a proactive stance in representing student concerns.

2. What do you think are the most important issues for students that will be drawn up in the 5 year plan by the Board's Financial Strategy Committee?

Clearly tuition fees are the most important concern for students being discussed by the Board Financial Strategy Committee. This Committee is charged with the responsibility of reviewing the finances of the University and it must establish a five year financial plan.

Having participated in Student Union planning meetings for the Committee, I have learned that the idea of 20 per cent tuition fee hikes is being discussed. Student representatives must ensure student fees are kept low in light of student assistance plans inadequate funding.

A second issue likely to be of concern to students is vertical cuts. This means the elimination of departments or whole programs. Currently Dalhousie practices horizontal budget cuts where each and all departments must face cuts of four or five per cent. This rationalization of programs may be forthcoming as the Committee has been charged with fulfilling Dr. Clark's Mission Statement which suggests Nova Scotia universities must avoid the duplication of services.

A thorough examination of the University's finances will present many issues requiring effective student representation at the Board and on this Committee as it continues to meet. I can provide this representation and protect students' interests in light of shrinking dollars and greater demands on students' funding sources, namely your bank account.



for president

## DAVE SHANNON

Shannon transferred to Dal from Lakehead University in his 4th year of English and is now in 2nd-year Law. He is the founding president of Dalhousie Advocates for the Physically Challenged and has been a Council/Senate member since January. He is also on the Senate sub-committee for Affirmative Action.

### Answer 1

They acted with full intentions to act responsibly and those intentions should be applauded. Mind you, there were some mistakes made. The strike was known to be coming long before it did and there was not a strategized plan to deal with the upcoming strike. This strategy is very important for student leaders to undertake when there is a potential crisis such as a strike.

for vice-president

Crawley is running for re-election and as part of his job description for the past ten months, has chaired the SUB Operations Committee, sat on the president's advisory committee on athletics among other duties. Currently he's taking two non-degree courses and plans to apply for advanced standing in a Masters of Educational Psychology.



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### Answer 2

Of course, it's kind of a contradiction, asking the Exec VP, whose primary role is the services, not the political side. No, the DSU is not too service oriented. If the students could be inside the executive meetings and the council meetings they would see that most of the business there deals with the political end, with constituents concerns.

I'm very happy with the services provided, however there is always room for improvement. Contracts are up for renewal and that's when good leadership becomes important because if you're going to sit down across from somebody, whether it's with Howard Clark or Beaver Foods you



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going to attempt to extend the school year we find that unacceptable.

If the interests of the students are being affected then the word, through a strategized communication plan, must go to a multiplicity of levels so the faculty and the administration not only hear what we have to say, they are also forced to react.

### Answer 2

Underfunding is the central issue that seems to be involved in this campaign, and the effect that it will have on the delivery of services to students could possibly be quite profound. (The administration may attempt to greatly increase our tuition in order to get more monies — that will be unacceptable. We've seen what has just happened to the Rebecca Cohn, the Dalplex, the libraries, and especially the journals and periodicals they receive, and this affects the variety of audio-visual aids and other teaching devices within the classroom. All these issues will be arising as a result of underfunding.

Also, in the attempt to provide Dalhousie's (stated commitment to) academic

excellence, I wonder how they plan to allow for flexibility and academic excellence while at the same time cutting programs. Should dollars be the only criteria for programing? Or is there not the question of coming to an academic institution to be educated?

One more point is that the principle by which all issues are addressed must be looked at and that is an appreciation of Dalhousie's diversity. As a result of the multiplicity of interest groups some needs

or interests are not being addressed. So the first thing is to break down the many com-

TERRY CRAWLEY

### Answer 1

Yes, definitely. (DSU Academic VP) Kim Vance is presently going through negotiations with the printer to have the first anti-calendar since 1981. People should realize that there are some problems — the course evaluation form changes every year, therefore the computer programming has to change, so there are constant delays. But the publication will be coming. We're going to have a standard to follow and the publication will be guaranteed to continue. It's a service that students are paying for, they have to get it.

have to be able to articulate the concerns of students but at the same time remember that they have bottom lines to meet. That's one of the reasons I want to continue, because after going through contract negotiations last year and working with these people all along, I can be very effective across the table.

### Answer 3

What we need to focus on is the role of the A society. If the B society has to approach the DSU, the A society loses total status and total control. Look at the Science Society — it takes care of all the societies under it; they're cohesive, they're solid all through. In this case what we did was try to ensure that the B societies received what they had a just right to, which was funding and any assistance which would come through my office. Now we have to assist the Arts society to achieve what it's supposed to achieve which is to govern those societies and assist them.

### Answer 4

Being the chair of the SUB Operations Committee, which formulated the proposal, the first thing I want to do is explain the rationale behind it. Over the past few years people have been complaining that we have a haphazard way of dispersing our services throughout the building. For example, we have the Gazette and Dal Photo on the third floor but the yearbook is

## Questions for candidates for President

1. Do you think the DSU acted responsibly during the strike? What do you think the role of a student union should be in such situation?
2. What are some of the important issues that will come up in the university's five-year plan? (Note: This is an initiative of President Clark to look at ways of reducing Dal's debt and increasing revenues. A Board of Governors committee will submit their plan sometime this summer.)
3. President Clark and Bryan Mason (VP-finance) are unlikely to renew the current deal limiting tuition increases, which ends in two years. There have been rumours that the cash-starved administration was behind last year's athletic fee referendum, which raised student union fees by almost 25%. In light of this, what approach would you take to best defend student interests?

munities within Dalhousie, ask them what their needs are, and then with that information, develop a cohesiveness that is reflective of the collective needs of Dalhousie. I think that will provide a principled approach to dealing with these other things that arise, namely underfunding and how it affects the delivery of services and tuition fees in the future.

### Answer 3

The current tuition deal limiting tuition increases is very important and I find any significant leap in tuition fees is unacceptable. At the most, it should not go any higher than the present rate of inflation. I don't believe that the university receives enough monies from students to warrant the tuition increase, (students') incomes are not significant enough to incur a greater cost every year they come back to university. I can appreciate that right now that the university is financially strapped and they are looking to just about any area possible to get more monies.

I think, generally speaking, students didn't mind the \$25 to improve the athletic facilities on campus. I think that's the important objective of the \$25, that there is something for the spirit of all students on campus. If that objective was not being met, then I would disagree with the athletic fee increases, but not if it's a temporary measure to improve the facilities, offer free entrance to sports events and improve the intramural sports.

But, if in fact the university was behind the athletic fee and they were trying to raise more funds, then I think that does go to a more deeper issue. It sounds like there's an ad hoc approach to raising funds and students are eventually going to get nickled and dimed so they're paying hundreds of dollars beyond their tuition fees every year and that I disagree with. As president, I'd make the administration aware of the flawed logic of their (ad hoc) approach and I'd argue with them about what they're doing.

up on the fourth. Common sense would say pull all our publications together so they can feed off on another and provide services.

Now the DSU will have to spend time talking with people in the SUB to see what they need, and then see what we can provide. Right now the student population is also making more demands on us but we're all jammed in here, so we have to consider an addition to the SUB.

The payment program would involve the university and the union working out a cost-share program of the internal renovations and for an extension, we would go into a contract arrangement as we did for the SUB originally and as we have for the renovations which have cost \$550,000.

As for how soon, we're looking at at least a year of negotiating.

## Questions for candidates for Vice-President

1. Would you commit yourself to the publication of course evaluations i.e. an 'anti-calendar' for students?
2. Do you think the DSU is too service-oriented?
3. How will you ensure that the B societies are represented on Council? (Note: B societies are the smaller individual groups on campus (eg. Dal Assoc. of biology Students) which have no direct representative on Council. They are represented by umbrella groups called A societies (eg. Dal Science Society). This year there was a problem because there was no Arts A Society rep. This meant that the B societies were forced to go directly to the executive to get their share of funds.)
4. Concerning the re-allocation of space in the SUB: how long do you expect that this will take, who will have priority, and how will it be paid for?

### Answer 1

Being the year of the strike, I think the DSU faced this issue as best as they could. I think that, considering that students have such diversified interest and concerns, it is hard at times to represent or stick on one side or the other. I think that the March for Action was an excellent situation, because what we did was we went to both sides, we went to the faculty and we went to the administration and we expressed our concerns. As well I think now, what the Senate has come up with, which is a strike policy committee, to come up with a plan of action in case we get into this kind of situation again, and coming up with solutions as to what to do with the morale of the students and the university as a whole is an excellent idea. I think that in the future, if we are faced with this situation again, we will certainly be more prepared to deal with it. The Student Union should take an active role and certainly we have to start to drum up, get students more involved on student issues so when we're faced with another situation as we had this year, that students can pull together as a unit to come out and to face the administration and the faculty so that we can come to terms and let them know what the students feel because we are what makes up this university and that's what it's all about, it's here for the students. So therefore it's important that the Student Union take a very active role and seeing as how we may be faced with this situation in two years, that we continue to work on coming up with a strike policy so that when we're faced with it, we're prepared for it.

### Answer 2

The five-year plan is designed to come up with a plan so that the University can look at where they're going for the next five years. I think that the most important issue is the financial strategy that's coming up. I think that coming up with a financial plan for the next five years is vital for Dalhousie University. Seeing what the financial

Smith is sports and recreation rep for Howe Hall, sits on the Intramural Disciplinary Committee, the Council on Student Life and has worked on the SUNS National Week of Action Committee. He was Howe Hall VP for 1988/89 and sat on the Intramural Council for one year.

### Answer 1

No, I would not. The reason is because I feel the students at Dalhousie have the opportunity to learn of classes, course materials and the professors through friends, relatives or peers. To create such a calendar, I think, would be undermining individual professor and faculty aims, and in the end probably causing scheduling and enrolment problems for the administration itself.

situation is now, it is crucial, with the MPHEC (Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission) having come up with a plan to help the universities with their financial problems. Their strategy is that they've come up with pockets of money which will be given out to the universities. Before you can receive one of these, you have to show to the commission your plan of action. By coming up with a financial strategy, they can therefore show this to the MPHEC and look good in that area, so that they can get the funding for special programs. Another issue in the five-year plan is accessibility, looking at Dalhousie as a whole and where it needs to be made more readily accessible, to make it a university accessible to all groups in the community. This past week the National Week of Action looked at some of these areas on campus that need to be made more accessible.

### Answer 3

This is an issue of major concern. In 1985, the DSU signed the tuition fee agreement and it's something the students worked hard for. And it's something we have to continue to work hard for to get that agreement again, we have to start now. We can't wait two year's time. We have to start work on a philosophy, getting the students together, pulling them together so that in two years, we can come together as a unit and fight for the tuition. Dalhousie should be a university that is accessible to all aspects of the community, costs should not be a major problem because if it is then we will just create a system of elitism. Through getting actively involved in the community, the DSU can work toward the fee agreement in the sense that if the community is supporting Dal then when the tuition fee agreement comes up and we

### Answer 2

No I don't. I think there are a great many service benefits that the DSU offers, and that the problem is not too many services, but not enough student awareness. That is why Shannon and myself feel that it is important for us to have a full-time commitment to the DSU so we can get out of the societies and make them aware of the services that we have to offer them. We're both graduating this year and it is our intention to take token courses only to ensure this 110% commitment.

### Answer 3

I see the problem here being that within the societies themselves, as in the Arts society, they have no set executives, which is why Terry Crowley and Frank de Mont had to perform that function. I see the Entertainment Committee as being the means to this desired end. I want to create this committee immediately in May, not at the beginning of the year or in second term. It will consist of a rep from each society, these people, along with the individual society reps and myself, can work to motivate their membership in participating both socially and politically, especially in the case of the Arts society, where the reps and myself will ensure that the creation of an executive is our immediate priority.



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for president

## SHANNON HESSIAN

Hessian is currently VP of the Students Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (SAHPER) and helped plan the Students March for Action during the strike. Last year she was SAHPER rep on the DSU and was involved with entertainment and policy committees. Hessian is also past president of the Students Varsity Athletic Committee and of For the Health of It, a variety charity show put on by health professionals.

go back to the government and say 'yeah, we need more money, we are being underfunded', the community can be behind us. Through such events as 'For the health of it' the clown troupe, as well as other events with the community, we can pull their support behind us. As far as the referendum is concerned and last year's administration being behind the thing, I think that over at Dalplex, there are a number of students that work with the administration, so perhaps there was a little bit of overlap there. This year the students are coming together, they are going to come up with a 'yes' campaign for the referendum so that it's students coming for the issue. If it isn't students, it isn't for the students. So the students are working together now to come up with a 'yes' campaign for the referendum.

for vice-president

STEVE SMITH

### Answer 4

This proposal has just been handed to council, and it is very rough. The Physical Pant hasn't even been in to give their feasibility of the proposed structural changes. Because of this, no blueprints have yet been created. So I feel that the re-allocation of space in the SUB will take at least two years. In the next year, the major goals of this office would be to make sure that the changes are immediately undertaken. As for who will have priority, that of course will be the students. We do have an agreement with the University that they have some space. The Director of Student Services vice-President McKee now has his office here, which I think is of great benefit to the students, as we are more aware of what he has to offer, and can get in contact with him much easier.

How will it be paid for? We have the new Grawood. It's a great success this year. It has been doing well. We expect that it will continue to do well with added work from the council, this money can be implemented in the new changes as well as the appointment of a new treasurer, someone with the same commitment as Frank de Mont had this year, because we have pulled ourselves out of a deficit situation. I feel that with these commitments and the hard work of our new council coming in, that



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# Senate

The structure of the Senate has been changed this year. Instead of five randomly selected student senators, there are eight positions open, one in each of the following faculties: Arts, Dentistry, Graduate Studies, Health Professions, Law, Management Studies, Medicine, and Science. At this point there is no candidate for the position of Dentistry Senator. Uncontested senators must be elected by a yes-no vote. For this supplement, each candidate was asked to submit a letter detailing their experience and explaining their motivation for serving on the Senate. These are the responses we received.

# Senate

## HEALTH PROFESSIONS Patti Dow

Experience:  
President of S.A.H.P.E.R.  
V.P. Communciation SAHPER  
Orientation Committee  
Assistant to the Director Campus Activities  
Residence Sport Rep  
Secretary Residence Council  
V.P. Intramural Council  
Intramural Supervisor

I feel that my involvement and experience here at Dal, thus far, allow me to qualify for the senate position to represent Health Professions. I always enjoy helping people and I would like to help my fellow students in a larger capacity; at the senate level. I am honest, dependable and always willing to listen. I promise to listen to the issues and provide as much input as possible from all Health Professions, to the senate and let them know that we have concerns and issues of our own.



Senate candidates: Doris Buss, Ian Wright, Andrew Murphy, Sanjay Sharma, Patti Dow, Ralph Bastarache (Ken Greer, Randy Pelletier, John Brookes and Jeffrey Fox were unavailable for photograph).

Kirsten Nichols: Dal Photo

## LAW The four candidates for this position are Randy Pelletier Ian Wright John Brookes

I am seeking your support in my bid to be elected Law Faculty Student Senator.

I moved to Halifax from Ontario in September to begin first year law studies. I come to Dalhousie having had 3 years experience with the Ontario Government as an assistant to a Provincial Cabinet Minister. I have had experience with large organizational structures and I have seen effective representative committees at work.

My introduction to Dalhousie University and to Law School was a good one. I was immediately impressed with the community spirit and cooperation that is displayed between the faculties and with the student organizations on this campus. I was pleased to see that at Dalhousie, each faculty and study area does not exist unto its own. It became particularly evident during the fall strike that we are all part of a larger whole, which must work together cooperatively for the benefit of all students and faculty at Dalhousie.

It will be important to keep this spirit alive in the next few years. The pressures which the university is facing demands that the representative bodies at Dalhousie are composed of individuals capable of effectively communicating the concerns and priorities of their faculties. Whether these pressures be finan-

cial, in the face of increasing government constraint, logistical or academic, it is essential that the composite groups of this institution work together to maintain the high standards of excellence for which the university is known across the country and around world.

The law students at Dalhousie will face a particular challenge in the next year as our library wing is completed and the Law School again become a "self contained unit". Day to day contact with the rest of the student body will not be as constant, and we do risk being cut off from the concerns which are expressed and discussions which go on around campus. I want to ensure that this does not happen and that the position of the Law students at Dalhousie is well represented and continues to be heard at the Senate level, as well as ensuring that the concerns and priorities of the rest of the university continue to get communicated back to the students at the Law Faculty.

To accomplish this effective communication and representation I am asking for your confidence, trust and support.

## Doris Buss

"You know, I don't believe there's such a thing as T.V. They just keep showing the same pictures over and over, and when they talk they just make sounds that more or less sync-up with their lips language, it's a virus"

Laurie Anderson

The right to represent the law school in the senate is prima facie the right to confound with obscure, archaic legal phrases. If I'm elected to the senate, I promise to ipso facto obfuscate with antediluvian legal doctrines, to mispronounce all latin phrases I know and even those I don't, to introduce obtuse procedural

requirements, to use 10 words where one would suffice, and to apply charter interpretations, mutatis mutandis, to every and all issues before the senate.

## ARTS Jeffrey Fox

At this moment I am in my first year at Dalhousie in the Arts program. I have the intention to pursue Political science as my major with my minor possibility being in History.

The reason why I wish to be voted onto the Senate, representing the students from the Arts society on the Senate with best possible judgement. Most importantly I feel that there must be better communication between the student and the Senate. The past year was my first year at Dalhousie and not once, until I took the initiative myself, did I hear anything about the Senate or what it did. The communication between the Senators and the students that they are representing must be improved. I feel that I will be able to fulfill this task to the best of my ability.

## MANAGEMENT STUDIES

### Andrew Murphy

There's a new candidate for Senate on the scene. In this case though, the candidate does not come across as typical. Not in the least.

Andrew Murphy, 22, a fourth year Commerce student on the popular five-year plan, recently announced his candidacy for Management Studies Senator. The announcement was made — where else? — by the dartboards at

the Seahorse Tavern. Call it Murphy's office.

His achievements and interests vary widely. Murphy enjoys travelling, playing golf, drinking, playing darts, listening to loud punk music, drinking, driving really fast, and chasing women. So it is obvious that the traditionally quiet, conservative and, in Murphy's opinion, pompous Senate may be thrown off by his presence. Especially, the Senate may be taken aback by Murphy's... well, frankness and poignancy.

According to Andrew Murphy and his supporters, he is just what the Senate needs. Stagnancy has become too great an element in this important university body, and it is time to purge this characteristic from all aspects of the bureaucracy. With Murphy on Senate, you could count on this.

The appeal, here is to students who wish to shake things up. So if you're tired of the current Senate and its ilk, vote for Andrew Murphy.

Jeffrey P. Sullivan  
It's okay to print this... really  
Andrew Murphy

## GRADUATE STUDIES The candidate for this position is Ken Greer

## MEDICINE Sanjay Sharma

Dear Dalhousie Student,  
Our university is \$33.5 million dollars in debt. Academic programs and staff levels have been cut despite the fact that we pay the highest tuition fees in Canada.

No major programs have been implemented since 1972. It is time that Dalhousie students are given strong, intelligent and tough representation on the Senate. If elected, I will be committed to providing this.

I am a second year medical student, with extensive experience in student politics, who is willing to tackle the challenges facing Dalhousie students. As President and Vice-President of Dalhousie's largest society, the Science Society, I learned the importance and utility of effective student representation. Hard work and determination inevitably bring about positive results. I pledge to do the same, if given the opportunity to serve you as Senator.

A student senator must become involved in academic issues ranging from discipline to long term planning. However, I would attempt the role of senator to tackle issues such as longer library hours and increased consideration for the practical concerns of students at Dalhousie.

I am enthusiastic and excited about the possibility of serving you in the Senate. If you share my concerns and want visible results — make your vote count this time and vote for SANJAY SHARMA as Medical Senator.

Thank you for your consideration  
Sanjay Sharma

## SCIENCE Ralph Bastarache

Hello fellow students, my name is Ralph Bastarache. I am pleased to take this opportunity to ask for your support in the coming elections.

When I enlisted at Dalhousie, the enthusiastic welcome of students in the Biology Society was both heart warming and comforting. In the next few years I continued my involvement in D.A.B.S., becoming President in this past year.

As President I sat on various committees, such as the Committee of the Whole and the Curriculum Review Committee within the Department of Biology.

Through my experiences as a D.A.B.S. executive member, as a student representative to the Faculty of Science, and as a D.S.U. councillor I have gained both a knowledge and interest in the academic affairs of the Department of Biology and the University as a whole.

I am the only candidate for this position but, appropriately so, I need a vote of confidence from my fellow Science students. To this effect I ask for your support on March 14, 15 and 16. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come by the D.A.B.S. office.

sincerely yours,  
Ralph Bastarache



Over a year later, dance refugees are still homeless

# Cabbagetown only a blurred memory

by Shelley Galliah

Do you remember dancing until your legs were burning in a dark but hardly dismal place that reeked of stale ashtrays when it wasn't crowded and of mothballs and Frenchies when it was?

Perhaps you may recall black-clad bodies stumbling, skipping, thrashing or undulating to a pounding stereo which poured out tunes from Iggy Pop, the Cure and the Doors. It was a stage for music that stretched from the primal to the commercial to the psychedelic, and a refuge for punks, granolas, Le Chateau trendoids, born-again hippies and other wayward souls. This was the home of a weekly black celebration. This was Cabbagetown.

Though most of my memories have been blurred by Heinekin, I can recall my first night there. It was my initiation, so to speak.

Overdressed and exceedingly paranoid, I watched a puny guy play leap frog to the beat of some psycho song, waded through a suspicious sea of yellow smoke, and tried to avoid being muzzled to death by a very strange and sweaty Cabbagetown regular. I was introduced to a place where nothing seemed to matter and I liked it.

The doors of what was called "one of Canada's hottest dance clubs" have been closed for over a year now. On those two final nights, it seemed that everyone who had never experienced C-Town decided to satisfy their curiosity. The "alternative" crowd moved aside to make way for the "top 40 clones". January 1988 saw hundreds of feverish dancers



Maria Patriquin: Dal Photo

**All dressed up with no place to go**

pushing against each other on an unusually cramped floor. It was overcrowded and sticky, but above all, wild. In this huge going away party where everyone there was the guest of honour, Dionysius himself would have been proud. The T-shirts on sale even boasted "The End of an Era".

But that was then. Where have all of Cabbagetown's loyal followers gone? After speaking to some old groupies, I was informed that most of them just

hang out at the Seahorse. Yet, one of them commented, with all the melancholy which can be managed between drags of a cigarette, "When Cabbagetown died, an essential and exciting part of Halifax nightlife was buried with it."

Still, I choose to naively hope that all is not ended and that alternative dance parties are happening somewhere in this metropolis.

In pursuit of those evasive ex-Cabbagetowners, I thought that

some may have conformed to the more common breed of the "dance bunny". That is, a dance bunny is one who dons brand new black and perfect hair for a night of dancing on the town. With this in mind, I visited the other alternative — The Pub Flamingo. This location had an 8-year history as the Bonny Piper and a short stint as Diamond Dick's Cavern before it became the Pub about a year and a half ago. Since the Flamingo itself has changed from a non-alcoholic club to a pub with a beverage room license, and finally a lounge license, I asked if there had been a consistent change in the clientele.

"If anything," co-owner Derick Honig assured, "the clientele of the Pub has only expanded over the years." After all, there are the regulars, the new lounge fans, as well as the old "Club" alternative crowd which is now coming of age.

In response to my question whether they aspired to become another C-Town, Manger Kenny Silver said, "Perhaps this is what

we are aiming for, or at least we are trying to become a dance club after 1pm." As for capturing the old C-Town crowd, he said "We may be doing this unintentionally." However, Honig says, the Pub will only be a lounge between these hours, because at Cabbagetown, "people would buy one drink and dance the rest of the time. This is the reason it went under."

In my lonely search for fellow ex C-Towners, I discovered a select few at Rumours and Jaguars. Otherwise, the rest seem to prefer drowning their memories in copious amounts of liquor at the Horse or other choice establishments. Or perhaps they have become conditioned to mindless Top 40 and are somewhere boogeying down to the drum machine beat and bubble gum lyrics of a Tiffany or a Debbie Gibson. I implore you, ex-Cabbagetowners, ye black clad lovers of the dance, make yourselves known. Prove to me and everyone else that the demise of Cabbagetown was not the end of an era.



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## An economic roller-coaster with no one at the controls

by Marc Epprecht

Ever wonder, what the fuck is going on? With the global economy, I mean. IMF riots (Algeria and Venezuela so far this year), rain forest burning, communist counties turning capitalist and capitalist countries going bankrupt. . . It's certainly not from a shortage of money — Nigeria may be crushed by a foreign debt of \$25 billion but someone just spent that much in the single takeover bid of RJR Nabisco. Well, if you are like most people who suspect that all these things are somehow interconnected but you can't quite say how, then Joyce Kolko's new book is for you.

Since the oil price hike of 1974, Kolko argues, noisy propaganda about 'unprecedented economic recover' or prosperity cannot hide the fact that the world economy is in a perilous state of crisis. She draws her analysis from the most prestigious, conservative business journals and from the views of top-level bankers, politicians and bureaucrats as expressed in such documents as World Bank and IMF reports. She examines all the major aspects of the present crisis — stock markets, banking, corporate mergers, technological developments, the arms industry, falling commodity prices, the decline of manufacturing and the rise of the service

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# Tracks

by Andrew M. Duke

Karyn White's self-titled Warner Bros. debut, produced mainly by hitmakers L.A. and Babyface, is certainly worth the time of any fan of quality funk. The lyrics are intelligently-written and put to very hot grooves. But the first thing you'll notice is White's voice; rich with smoky soul and full of so much feeling that one wants to melt. The LP is full of excellent material but "Superwoman", her current hit "The Way You Love Me" and her latest, "Secret Rendezvous" are the most notable.

1987 saw the release of *Paid In Full* from Eric B. & Rakim and the title track (remixed by Coldcut), "I Know You Got Soul" (from which M/A/R/R/S stole the line "pump up the volume") and "Move the Crowd" had everyone from the believing b-boys to the coolest college kids (who'd never admit to actually liking a hip hop tune) filling the dance floors. Eric B. & Rakim are back with their follow-up, *Follow the Leader* (UNI/MCA), and again are taking the scene by storm. The album is a literal journey into sound with the uncompromising

knuckle-flexing of DJ Eric B. paired with Rakim's rhymes. This MC doesn't spout clichés, he's setting the standard to which the rest will be compared. Check out the title track, "Microphone Fiend", "Lyrics Of Fury", "The R" and any other track on the LP.

*Power* (Sire/WEA) is the second album from Ice-T, the man best known for contributing the hard-hitting title track to the soundtrack for the movie "Colors". Ice-T is an ex-convict and this comes through in his lyrical stance and overall image. This is hardcore hip hop with all the heavy rhythms, unforgiving scratches, and sampled noise thrown down over the backbone of a bassline. Titles like "I'm Your Pusher", "High Rollers" and "Grand Larceny" — all fine tracks in their own right — deal with past experiences Ice-T went through during his gang-warfare days. I only hope kids can see through his occasional sexist bullshit and general glamorization of the underground and see him saying that this is what they *shouldn't* be doing. Is this really how reverse psychology is supposed to work?

Formed in 1977 in Washington, D.C. (and eventually black-listed from ever playing there again), Bad Brains quickly established themselves in the growing hardcore scene of that time

through their politically and spiritually conscious thinking and their habit of playing an original reggae tune in the midst of each hardcore set they did. Inspired initially by the energy of the Sex Pistols and later on by the Rastafarian religion, the Brains began their career playing minute and half long songs such as "Pay to Cum" where the speed creates such a blur that "a peace together/a piece apart/a piece of wisdom/from our hearts" are the only audible lyrics. *Bad Brains Live* (SST) documents their evolution from these early lightning-quick thrashes to the more thought-out sound they were experimenting with on their 1987 "Return To Heaven" tour.

Songwriter/guitarist Moe Berg and his band The Pursuit of Happiness, after shopping around for a record deal for too many years, have finally been snapped up by Chrysalis Records in the States. The album is called *Love Junk* and features re-recorded versions of "I'm An Adult Now", "Killed By Love" and "Ten Fingers" along with ten other tracks. Producer Todd Rundgren has cleaned up their sound a bit without destroying the raw, intense groove they've managed to create. My roommate's first impression was "Geez, this album really rocks" and I have to agree with him.

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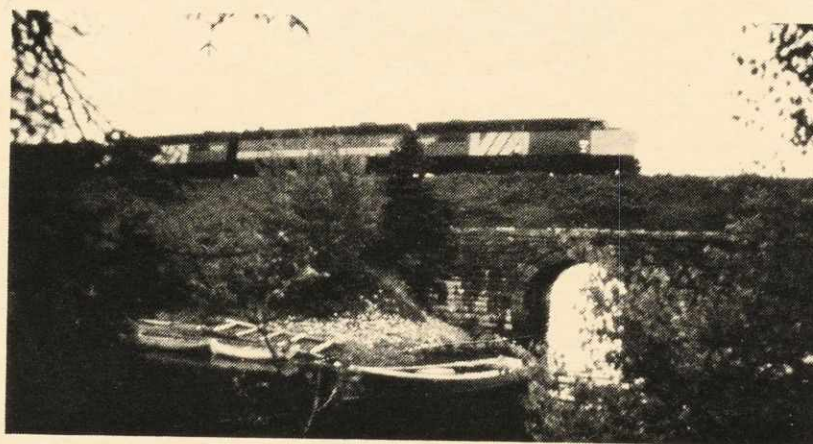
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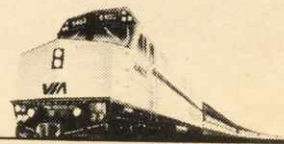
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# Go see Kearney Lake Road

by Michele Thibeau

Jay Ferguson, Henri Sangalang and Chris Murphy make up the "rockin' band" Kearney Lake Rd. This local trio, formed in October of '87, have produced a cassette entitled *Kearney Lake Rd.*, featuring such CKDU favourites as "Glassy Stones", a song about drug paranoia, "Watts", and "Downey", which deals with the death of Donny Downey. It talks about how close crime is — even here in Halifax.

While all three of them are in University now, next year is still up in the air. They would like to make sure the band's lineup is stable and try their hand at cutting a record this summer. Maybe they will even tour in the future.

Live performances by Kearney Lake Rd. are a must see for any hard-rock or even "bit of funk" fan. Dancing erupts naturally due to the obvious enjoyment this band gets in performing. Their energy on stage and the effort they put into their music are great.



Jay Ferguson, Chris Murphy, and Henri Sangalang make up Kearney Lake Rd. They are appearing at the Flamingo Saturday night for the CKDU benefit.

While most of the music is written by Jay Ferguson and Chris Murphy, Henri Sangalang writes counter melodies and lyrics too. When writing, they "stick a pile of parts together — sometimes parts of old songs that don't work." The lyrics are a bit hard to make out and sometimes vague,

but this is hidden by the catchy guitar riffs and drum solos.

This Saturday night, Kearney Lake Rd. are playing for the CKDU Funding Drive Benefit at the Flamingo Cafe and Lounge. The First Gig of the Spring Thaw will feature local bands such as 100 Flowers and Phycus.



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3. Elvis Costello	Spike
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'industry', the degradation of labour and structural unemployment, transnational corporations, privatization, debt, and *perestroika* in the "socialist bloc" which she points out as neither socialist nor a bloc). She traces and (NICs), the less developed countries, the developed capitalist and the centrally planned economies, all with an unrelentingly critical eye to a vast amount of detail. She pulls it all off with a cold, often sardonic style that makes compelling reading — I literally could hardly put it down. Despite the heavy nature of much of the material, this is emphatically not a weighty, academic tome.

Kolko makes her ideological position clear on page one and remains consistent throughout the book until her final sobering conclusions. These are that 1) the restructuring taking place today is totally irrational, 2) no one actually knows what they are

doing and 3) as a result, the crisis is deepening and spreading so that for the foreseeable future we can expect only further immiseration, ecological disasters and political upheavals. Good news, eh?

According to Kolko, the problem lies in the systemic (or intrinsic) features of capitalism. In contrast to changing 'structures' like colonialism or monopolies, systemic features are permanent and unchanging. They include the drive to accumulate, competition, class struggle and the role of the state as a promoter of profit. Arising from these features is an almost stupefying collective myopia on the part of capital, to which she attributes much of the blame for the present crisis. For example in the stampede for profits, oil conglomerates expanded production to the extent that the market is now glutted and prices are historically low. Developed nations financed industrial expansion in NICs that are now trade rivals. Giant manufacturing corporations diversified out

of production and into financial speculation. The list is long but the conclusion is the same: capitalism is inherently incapable of rational, long term planning.

Keeping her focus on these systemic features, Kolko is able to cut a clear path through an awesome range of statistics and quotes. Letting the mandarins of the capitalist establishment speak for themselves, the picture that emerges is one of ad hoc, stopgap measures to keep a house of cards

ing however in asserting that the late 1980s' are different in that for the first time in history, capitalism is truly global: there are no more virgin territories to pillage. Meanwhile, competition is fiercer than ever before and technology, while more productive, is both more expensive and shorter-lived. At the same time, worker

consciousness and ability to organize are also greater than ever. All of these factors are back-

where, West, East and South, real wages have fallen dramatically in the last decade. Unions here have largely been rendered impotent while unemployment rates of 7-

10% are now termed "natural". Government services, including welfare and education have all

been cut back. As Kolko succinctly puts it, capital and the state co-operate "to reduce systematically the cost of labour and its share in the national income, to weaken the working class organization and movement, to restructure the work process globally and to compensate for the state's fiscal crisis by further reducing expenditures for health and welfare."

This should strike a resonant cord to Dal students wondering a) why we missed nearly three weeks of classes on account of a strike and b) why we are unlikely to find employment when we graduate in any case. It should also explain the hysterical reaction of the U.S. to "communism" in tiny Gren-

ada and Nicaragua, the triumph of free trade in Canada and the consistent rumblings of riot and repression in the Third World. So too, for instance, can the falling price of cocaine and all its social consequences be seen as part of a consistent global pattern. All of these seemingly disparate events are actually linked. The most pressing social and political crises of the world today can all be seen to bubble up from the same simmering economic pot.

To Kolko then, Marx and Lenin are vindicated by these developments, although by no means is she a 'vulgar' Marxist gloating that century-old predictions are coming true. On the contrary, she rejects the airy

notions of an inevitable triumph of socialism, as she does romantic ideas of proletarian revolution. She calmly and realistically notes that capitalism is remarkable resilient and that despite its wild instability it will fight bitterly to resist any revolution, as indeed, it is doing today.

Lest one think this book sounds too depressing, Kolko does inject a note of optimism at the end by observing that worker's consciousness of their worsening plight is growing and that bureaucrats and structural adjusters may yet be in for some nasty surprises. *Restructuring the World Economy* is a comprehen-

sive, lucid and sophisticated contribution to the revolutionary tradition that may speed the arrival of that happy day. Not only will it help you, comrade bourgeois student, to make sense of what is happening in the world today, but it may even make you feel guilty for not having joined your teachers on the picket line last November!

*Restructuring the World Economy* is available in the library and at Red Herring Bookstore.

## Marx and Lenin vindicated, but . . .

from collapsing. As a former director of the IMF confided, "nobody really understands the international monetary system." Whatever your own ideological persuasion, the fact that opinions like that are found in the Wall Street Journal means they cannot be blithely dismissed.

Of course, the demise of capitalism has been predicted often enough before. Kolko is convinc-

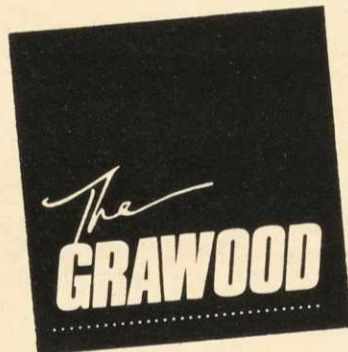
ing capital into a tighter and tighter corner, cutting its ability to make a profit and sending it scurrying in search of new lands, technologies or human relations to commoditize and exploit.

As the crisis intensifies, the state is called upon to aid and abet a brutal assault on the working class. Thus we see that every-

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TIGER HOCKEY

# Tigers lose conference final

by Chris Murray

Dal Tigers finished the 88-89 playoff season by losing 8-0 to the second-ranked team in the country, the Universite de Moncton Blue Eagles, on Sunday. The best-of-three series had been tied at one as Moncton took the first game 5-4, with Dal evening the series by defeating the Blue Eagles 6-5.

In the first game, the only one played at Dal, Moncton scored first. Claude Gosselin was left

unguarded on the left wing, scoring at an extreme angle at 19:57 to give the Blue Eagles the lead. The Tigers tied the game at 3:18 of the second, as Scott Birney caught a pass in the air, put it down in front of the net, and scored Dal's first goal. Gord Kiley scored at

13:34 for the Tigers but Moncton scored on a pair of powerplay chances to end the second period with a 3-2 lead.

The key to the Dal goals in the second was their use of superior team size. When the Tigers began to play a physical game, the puck

## Building for next year's season

spent most of the time in the Blue Eagle zone, with the checking line of Gord Kiley, Scott Meek and Scott Anderson leading the way. The smaller Moncton team played very tentatively and could

mount few offensive chances. The Tiger problems began when they abandoned this style of play in favour of a faster skating game.

The speedier Blue Eagles began to play much better.

In the third period, Moncton took advantage of the change in Tiger strategy and scored twice in the first four minutes, including their third powerplay goal of the game at 3:56. The score was 5-2, but the Tigers fought back. They scored at 13:34 on the powerplay and then Scott Anderson scored 14 seconds later to close the gap to one at 5-4. The Tigers pulled their goalie, but could not control the puck in the Moncton zone during the dying moments of the period and fell short by the one goal.

The second game highlighted a

four goal performance by the Kiley, Meek, Anderson line as the Tigers forced a third game in the series. The Tigers did get shut out 8-0 in the last game, but it was still a successful playoff season for the Dal team. The team this year was made up of a large number of rookies, but still managed to upset the second place Saint Mary's Huskies, another young team who had a much better record in the regular season. Darrell Young said his team this year would be stronger for the playoffs and did improve on last year's first round loss to Acadia in two straight games. The Tigers will be looking to build on this success in the year to come.

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meant that you weren't admitted to the courses you requested. To make matters worse, you are pursuing a degree in a rigorous program (such as Engineering or Biochemistry) that requires you to take a certain predetermined selection of courses. Now you can't get into them and you worry about graduating when you should. You are justifiably incensed, especially since you are paying more than twice the fees of your Canadian friends but you worry about your tenuous immigration status, so you remain silent and decide to make the best of a bad thing.

When these serious concerns were brought before Registrar Gudrun Curri at an open forum for students last April, she responded by merely saying that Metro and other Maritime students comprise an unusually

large proportion of our student body (especially for an institution this size), while international students are fewer than one in twenty. She might as well have said that we can't and shouldn't be concerned with the concerns of such a small group, but she didn't.

We worry about Canadian universities becoming exclusive bastions for the Canadian children of privilege, yet we make cultural diversity that much more difficult.

There are equitable solutions to the current predicament. If the Registrar's Office insists on a mail-out, a grace period should be considered to take into account the varying times necessary for students to return their packages. better yet, students could submit a list of the courses they want before the academic year ends, but without waiting for signatures. Priority should be given to students who need a given course to graduate with elective students assigned the lowest priority.

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Team loses, but

# MacCormick's efforts praised

by Brian Lennox

Playing UPEI in their own gymnasium is very difficult and the Dalhousie women's basketball team knows this all too well.

On Saturday night, the Lady Panthers beat the Tigers 72-58 in the AUAA championship game. UPEI thus earns a spot in the CIAU tournament this weekend.

Unfortunately for the Tigers, this was their last game of the season, as they will not get a wild card into the CIAU tournament. The Tigers got behind early as star forward Kathy MacCormick picked up three fouls in the first half. Trish MacCormick picked up the scoring slack with Kathy

on the bench. However, as a team, the Tigers did not shoot well from the floor.

In the second half, Dalhousie came within one point of UPEI but could not get any closer. Head coach Carolyn Savoy and her team were understandably upset after the game. What really cost the Tigers this year was not getting home court advantage for the playoffs. Had the Tigers finished first in the league they could have hosted the AUAA championships. Winning basketball games in Charlottetown is almost impossible. The AUAA women's basketball championship should be played at a neutral site.

On a positive note Kathy MacCormick received two awards at the banquet Thursday night. Kathy was named AUAA first team all-star for the third time in her career. She was also named AUAA conference MVP. This

caps a great career for one of Dalhousie's greatest athletes.

The Tigers lose four players off this year's team; Kathy and Trish MacCormick, Sherri Thurott and Krista Morris. They do have some excellent players returning next

year. Look for Angie MacLeod to become a dominant player in the AUAA.

(Viva los hermanos del mundo!)

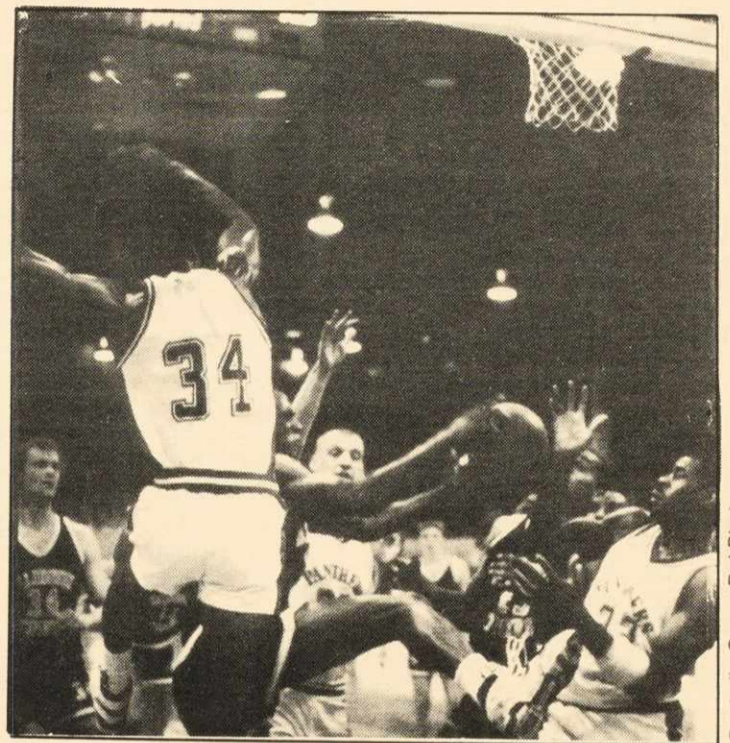
## Up for next year!

by Brian Lennox

The Dalhousie men's basketball team made their final appearance of the year over the weekend, in a semi-final matchup in the AUAA championships, the University of Prince Edward Island Panthers defeated the Dalhousie Tigers 104-89. The score was fairly indicative of the play as the Panthers controlled the game from the beginning.

UPEI star forward Peter Gordon was the dominant player against Dalhousie as he scored 36 points. Gordon was first team all AUAA and was conference MVP. Gordon is without question one of the best players in the nation. The Tigers could not stop Gordon as he hit almost 70% of his shots. The Panthers playoff experience helped them as well against the young and inexperienced Tigers.

Trailing 55-38 at halftime, the Tigers came out in the second half with a little more intensity. Twice Dalhousie brought the game to within 10 points but could not bring the game any closer. This playoff experience should help them next season. The Tigers seemed very nervous in the first half and made mistakes they would usually not make. They did not execute on offense and were guilty of defensive lapses.



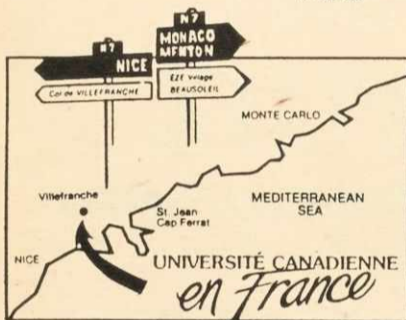
Tigers on the ball

The Tigers found it difficult to penetrate the Panthers matchup zone defense. Dalhousie would have preferred to keep the score in the seventies but they could not contain UPEI's big scorers. Gordon, Curtis Brown and Mark Roberts scored 84 points.

There was some good news over the weekend as Willem Verbeek was selected to the AUAA's first all star team. The Tigers return all but one player for next year. Colin Charles is the only player who finished his eligibility.

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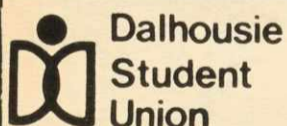
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Voting for the referendum will be March 14, 15 and 16 concurrent with voting for the General Elections.



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# Calendar Page

**Gallery Opening** — The exhibitions *Equivalent Worlds: The Figurative Paintings of John Clark, 1979-1988* and *Works from the Donald Cameron Mackay Collection, Dal University Archives* will be officially opened at 8pm by Ms. Suzanne Funnell, Halifax artist and Chair of the Studio Division at NSCAD. The public is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

**Auction** — The Annual Charity Auction of the Dalhousie Students' Society will be held at 7:00pm in the Charles Cafeteria of the Tupper Building. This is organized by the second-year medical class and raises much-needed funds for local charities. Past classes have raised approximately \$8,000; our goal this year is \$10,000. A wide variety of items will be available as well as a cash bar. Items may be paid for by cash or cheque the night of the auction, and picked up that night or during the following two weeks from the DMSS office in the Tupper Building.

**Seminar** — *Psychology from Buddhist Point of View* will be the topic of a talk by Bonnie Rabin, a practicing Psychologist, presented by the Dal Buddhist Studies Society at 5pm in room 316 of the Dal SUB.

**Lecture** — Graca Machel will speak on "Is Development Possible in a Conflict Zone?" at 7:30 p.m. in the McInnes Room as part of an all-day Symposium on Mozambique.

Friday 10

**Lecture** — Dr. Louis Vagianos will discuss *Beyond the Library* at 11:45am in the MacMechan Auditorium. Admission is free.

**Seminar** — Dal Political Science will host a seminar by Douglas Anglin (topic to be announced) from 12:30 'til 1:30pm in the Centre for African Studies at 1144 Seymour St.

**Tiger Talk** — The CIAU men's basketball championships will take place at the Metro Centre. For further information, phone 424-3372.

**Informal Seminar** — Dal Biology presents a seminar by Carl Jarvis called *A Lobster Called Wanda — Movement Patterns and Egg Development in Jeddore Harbour* from 3:30 'til 4:30pm in room 332 of the Dal LSC.

**Soiree** — La Nouvelle Société Française vous invite à assister La Soirée Francophone et Francophile — Vin et Fromage au Café Français, 1339 rue LeMarchant a 19h00.

**NFB — Women Healers** Three films on three women will be shown at the National Film Board on Argyle St. at 7 and 9pm. The films are *One of Many: Dr. Nham, Doctor Woman: The Life and Times of Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw* and *The Legacy of Mary McEwan*.

**Wormwood's** — The following films will be showing at Wormwood's Cinema. Friday, March 10; *The Dead*, 7pm; *Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam* 9:15pm; *Who Framed Roger Rabbit?* 12am; *Sunday, March 12 2pm A Gauche en Sortant de l'Ascenseur; The Dead* 7pm; *Dear America* 9:15pm. Monday 'til Thursday *Trucker* 7 p.m.; *Bird* 9:15 p.m.

**Irish Lecture** — Meehol O'Gara will talk about *Bilingualism: The Irish Experience* in a public lecture at 8pm in the Alumni Lounge on the 3rd floor of the SMU SUB.

Saturday 11

**Caribbean '89** — The Caribbean Societies of Dal, SMU and the Mount will present Caribanza a night of Caribbean cuisine, culture and dance in the Multipurpose Room in the Loyola Building at SMU. Tickets are \$12 (members \$10). For further information contact Mark Lane at 425-1462.

Sunday 12

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

**Church in Conjunction** — 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 — doctrinal class, 7:45pm drop-in coffee/fellowship hour.

**Church Service** — Roman Catholic Mass is held every Sunday at 4pm in the McMechan Auditorium in the Killam Library.

Monday 13

**The DSU Monday Night Movie** — *Casual Sex?* 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.

Tuesday 14

**Church Service** - The Campus Ministry in Dalhousie will be holding a in room 316 of the Dal SUB from 4:30 'til 6pm. The public is invited, and instruction is available.

**Film** — *I Don't Have to Hide: A Film about Anorexia and Bulimia* will be shown at 12:40pm in Theatre A of the Tupper Building at Dal as part of the Women and Health Film and Lecture series.

**Meditation** — The Dalhousie Buddhist Studies Society meets for the practice of meditation every Tuesday bible study from 12:30 to 1:30pm in room 310 of the Dal SUB. For those of the United Church.

**Film** — *La Boite à Soleil* (The Box of Sun) will be shown at 8pm only in the Dal Art Gallery as part of the Atlantic Independent Filmmakers series.

Wednesday 15

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

**Symphony Nova Scotia** — There will be a Celebrity Recital performance at 8pm in the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium with violinist *Scott St. John* as soloist. Tickets are now available from SNS and the Cohn at \$21 and \$18.

**Magnificent Six Lecture Series** — Jerry Teplitz will discuss *How to Manage Exam-time Stress* in the McInnes Room of the Dal SUB at 8pm. Tickets are \$4 for university students, \$5 for faculty, staff & alumni and \$6 for general admission at the Enquiry Desk.

**Public Lecture** — Dal German Dept. presents Peter Michelsen who will discuss *Die Lyrik Else — Lasker*

*Schlerns* at 8pm in the German House on LeMarchant St.

Thursday 16

**Symposium** — A symposium will take place today and tomorrow in the MacMechan Auditorium entitled *Organizing a Research Agenda: Information Studies for the 1990's*. For more information contact Jennifer Brownlow at the School of Library and Information Studies.

**Seminar** — Dal Biology presents Ron Loucks and Dave Patriquin who will discuss *Stella: Dynamic Modelling Tool for Teaching and Research* at 11:15am in room B400 of the Killam Library at Dal.

**Seminar** — There will be an International Development seminar by Dr. David Luke entitled *The Practical Side of Development: trends in Development Administration* at 3:30pm in the African Studies Seminar Room at 1444 Seymour St.

**Meeting** — All Dal Computer users are invited to attend the *Dalhousie University Computer Users' Group Annual General Meeting*, including computer displays, promotions and a door prize of a 21" Zenith colour TV in the Great Hall, University Club. Displays and promotions 1-4pm. Meeting at 4pm.

**Seminar** — The Dal Buddhist Studies Society presents Peter Lieberston who will discuss *Meditation and Creativity* at 5pm in room 316 of the Dal SUB.

**Amnesty International** — The Halifax Group of Amnesty International will meet at 8pm in room 318 of the SUB. This group meets regularly on the third Thursday of each month. All are welcome! For more information phone Sarah Keoughan at 454-5819 or Lynda Cassels at 429-5153.

**HandiCrafts** — There will be an international handicraft sale and exhibition in the Dal SUB form Wednesday the 15th 'til Friday the 17th. The sale, *CARAVAN*, is presented by Dal and the World University Service of Canada. For more information phone Peter Wallace at 424-2364 or 424-2358.

## Bulletin

**Daily Mass** — is at 11:45am, room 310 in the Dal SUB.

**Intramural Entry Fee Refund** — A reminder to all societies, faculties, residences and teams that have participated in intramural sports: the deadline for requesting a refund for the team entry fee (forfeit bond) is March 15, 1989. Please pick up Refund Forms from the Campus Recreation Office in the Dalplex.

## Classifieds

**Native French speaker looking for opportunity to practice english conversation.** You can improve your French conversation while I improve my English. Please call Jocelyn (Joe) 454-7949.

**Resumes by Campus Recruiter** \$40.00 fee. Choice of format, includes skills on being interviewed. 7 days a week. Pick-up and delivery available 462-7452.



### WANT TO EARN EXTRA CASH?

The DSU needs polling clerks for DSU Elections '89, March 14, 15, 16. If interested please leave your name and phone number at the council offices Rm 222 of the SUB, or call 424-2146, care of Wayne Aspinall, Chief Returning Officer.

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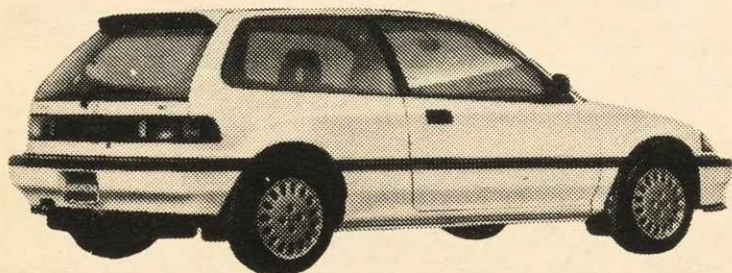
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