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Frosh week comes to a sunny close



Computer Science building behind its time

BY DONNA LEE and
SALLY THOMAS

The new Computer Science building is behind schedule because of a self-imposed time crunch and the strong smell of a new building.

If you were to walk into the building, you would see balls of wire hanging from the ceiling. There's furniture wrapped in plastic laying all over the floor, and a thick layer of dust and wood shavings cover everything.

Bill Lord, from the Department of Facilities Management, says the building will be finished

by September 17th. The faculty and administration agreed not to officially open the new building until October 4.

He says the university knew from the beginning the new building would be touch and go with construction. The plans were not finished by the architect when construction began.

"We knew it was going to be a real struggle to get in on time," Lord says. "The architects are keeping one step ahead of construction."

Bryan Mason, Dalhousie's Vice President of Finance and Administration, cites several

reasons for the delay in the construction of the building.

He says construction operated on a 'fast track' design-build project. This is where architects still work on the design and the faculty's requirements while construction had already started.

"They've always been working ahead of us," Mason says, "and it makes for a more complex project, there's no question about it."

The limited time frame is due to the department's discontin-

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Financial strain, student costs publicly recognized

DSU lobbies for financial support

BY AMY DURANT

Steven Cote probably never expected his daily rituals would get him on national television. But anyone who turns on Canada AM — Canada's national morning news show — on Monday will see the Dalhousie Student Union Vice President Internal shopping at Omni and applying for his student loan.

Cote talked to the program's journalists about the rising costs of tuition and the everyday expenses of university life. He hopes the show will help students gain more support throughout their times of financial stress.

"Every student expects to pay at least \$12,000 during a year at school," said Cote. "They also expect to have a big student loan to pay off at the end of four years."

Student representatives, like Cote and his colleagues at the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU),

are petitioning to change the financial situations of students across the country.

"We've been working on lobbying the government to [take action] on student loans," said Cote.

Kelly MacKenzie, DSU president, and Mark Galley, DSU Vice President of Student Advocacy, are working with the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA), with several goals in mind, like having the GST eliminated from the cost of textbooks.

"Textbooks are a required learning resource," said Galley. "It's ridiculous to have the government tax them."

CASA is also looking for increased funding for universities and colleges, and an improved student loan and bursary program.

MacKenzie is watching student loan procedures closely, because of the new section on loans which deals with designa-

tion based on employability.

"It basically says if you're a music student you aren't as important or as deserving of a student loan as an engineering student. We don't believe that at all," said MacKenzie.

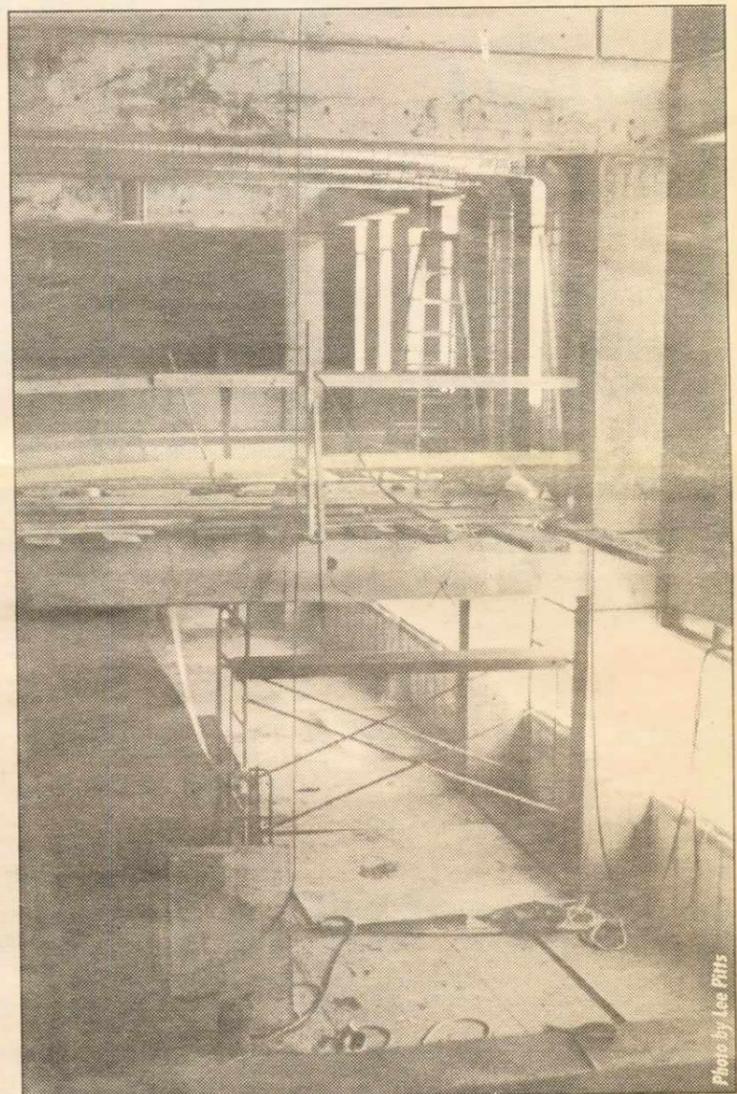
Meanwhile Galley is looking forward to conferences he and MacKenzie will be attending for CASA.

Jason Aebig, National Director for CASA, will be speaking to our student council about this year's campaign, whose theme is "Education builds a nation".

CASA has plans for three conferences, two of which are timed with the national budget.

"We'll be in Ottawa lobbying when the politicians are working on the budget in October and November, and we'll be back there in February when the budget is announced," said Galley. "That

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Weird science: construction continues on the new Computer Science Building

Frosh Week welcomes Dal students

BY JEMERY NELSON

The bigger ticket price on this year's frosh week has not kept first year students away from the events, with an increased number of events attracting more students than years past.

Students Union president Kelly Mackenzie says more students, especially those living off campus, are participating with more enthusiasm than in the past. She believes the small increase in costs is more than justified given the important role Frosh Week

plays.

"I think orientation week is about welcoming new students to the campus," says MacKenzie. "If you give new students a good sense of Dalhousie community, then they're more likely to keep that with them for the rest of the time here."

In order to participate in most Frosh Week events, students must purchase a Frosh Pack which allows for entrance into all but seven frosh week events, as well

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Dalhousie Student Union

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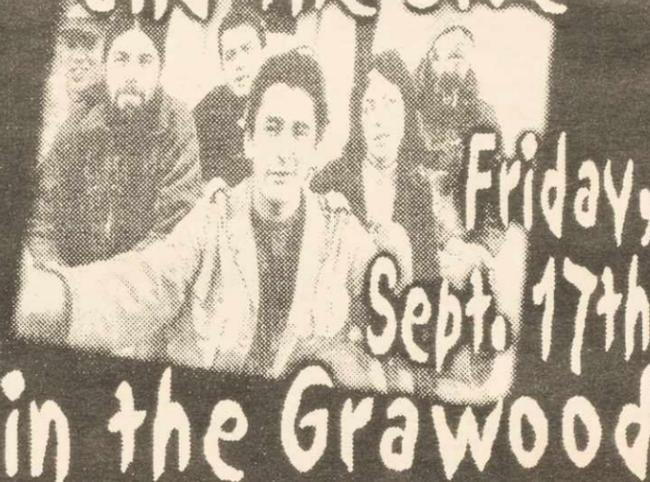
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Student loans now subject to credit checks

BY MARY VALLIS

VANCOUVER (CUP) - Mature students hoping to upgrade their education must now jump through another hoop before entering the classroom - mandatory credit checks on student loan applications.

The federal government is now running credit checks on first-time loan applicants aged 22 or older to pare down the loan default rate.

The new measure, which came into effect on August 1, would deny would-be students with spotty credit histories student loans. Student leaders are calling the policy another block to public education.

"They've got one foot in social policy but another foot in privatizing the loan system," said Michael Conlon, national chair of the Canadian Federation of Students. "This is a progression from a social program to a program that responds to the needs of banks."

The latest figures from Ottawa show 80 per cent of students repay their Canada Student Loans without incident, while 13 per cent repay their loans after defaulting at least once.

In other words, 93 per cent of students eventually repay their federal loans.

These numbers, however, date back to 1995 — the same year Canada's major banks began administering the student loan system. The banks have not released data to show what the current loan repayment rate is like.

Meanwhile, the new credit checks mean mature students will be denied loans if they have defaulted on three or more debts — at a minimum of \$1,000 per debt — for at least 90 days within three years of their application.

The new policy will affect 38,000 students a year, but its overall impact will be minuscule, said government spokesperson Gino Trifiro.

"The criteria are so tight it is not restricting education for anyone," said Trifiro, pointing out students can appeal a denial to a federal panel.

"It's just making sure that Canadian tax dollars are used responsibly, that's all."

But Conlon sees the new policy as another push down a slippery slope towards a loan system that puts student interests behind profit margins.

He worries that over time, the government will tighten the credit check restrictions until lower and middle-income Canadians can no longer qualify for student loans because of their financial burdens.

Conlon points to the 1998 bankruptcy law as an example of how loose policies can stranglehold students once they've been approved.

Last year, Ottawa passed a bill denying students the right to declare bankruptcy for two years after graduation.

Within 10 months, however, the time limit was increased to 10 years, making it nearly impossible for students to flee loan payments.

"The way the government works in terms of student loan policy is to get a regressive policy through the door with fairly low

criteria and ramp it up very quickly," Conlon said. "We're not denying that there's a problem with defaults, but we're saying the solutions that are being proposed are regressive and punitive."

The government would be better off reducing student costs at the front end, starting with tuition fees, Conlon said.

Most provinces already run credit checks for the provincial portion of student loans, either through their risk-sharing agreement with CIBC or on their own.

Looming ahead is the possibility that credit checks will

be built into all student loan applications when provincial and federal systems merge.

The federal government is currently negotiating harmonization agreements with the provinces to nationalize the student loan system by 2000 — and implementing mandatory credit checks are part of the discussions, Trifiro said.

Although the credit-check policy took effect Aug. 1, which credit agency will run the checks for the government has still not been determined.

Computer science building behind

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ued contract with the Maritime Centre.

Dalhousie quit its lease because of the amalgamation with the Technical University of Nova Scotia. There was an agreement between the merging schools to build a new facility to house all the new students.

Rent at the Maritime Centre cost close to a million dollars a year. If the school continued to

pay rent, they wouldn't have enough money for the building.

Mason says the faculty and staff who will work in the building wanted to delay the opening. They wanted to make sure the building was aired out properly before starting classes.

The new building costs roughly \$11.6 million, a figure they started with one year ago. So far, they haven't gone over budget.

Financial strain

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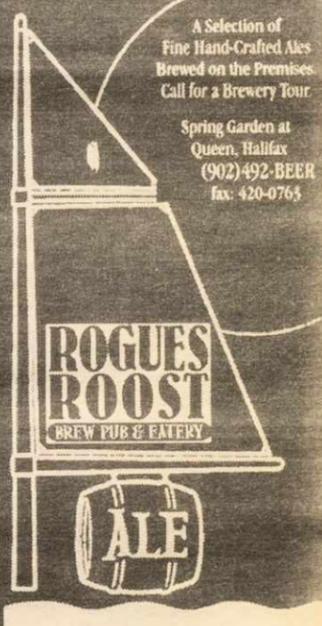
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Tuition fees continue to soar

Students cringe as tuition rises

BY CHRIS BONDAR

OTTAWA(CUP) - A new report from Statistics Canada has confirmed what many students already know — tuition fees across the country have skyrocketed

in the last nine years.

The report blames the tuition fee increases on a reduction in education spending by Ottawa and the provinces.

Government funding, including both provincial and

federal grants, now make up less than 58 per cent of Canadian universities' operating revenue, down from 74 per cent in 1980.

This has resulted in a drastic increase in tuition fees for post-secondary students.

Across Canada, tuition fees for undergraduate arts programs have increased by 125.9 per cent since 1990, resulting in an average cost of \$3,658.

Nova Scotia general arts students pay the highest tuition at just over \$4,100 a year.

Alberta arts students have seen the greatest increases, with fees almost tripling in the last nine years.

Meanwhile, medicine and dentistry programs have been hit the hardest of all university programs. Medical fees have increased 32 per cent to \$7,377 this year alone, while dentistry fees have increased 15 per cent to \$5,699.

In Ontario, fees for dentistry programs have more than quadrupled since 1995 and medicine fees have doubled or quadrupled, depending on the institution.

The numbers don't surprise student leaders.

"The reality of this is that it will continue until both levels of government begin to work on putting money back into the post-secondary education system," said Jason Abeig, national director of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations. "Tuition fees simply back-fill the hole left by the

reduced government funding."

Michael Conlon, national chairperson of the Canadian Federation of Students, has similar feelings.

"The report essentially confirms our analysis that there is a direct relation between the government cuts and the increase in tuition fees," said Conlon.

The report did note British Columbia has frozen public university tuition fees for five years, and Quebec has also kept fees low for residents of the province.

In addition, the most recent tuition fee increases for the 1999-2000 academic year are at a 7 per cent average across Canada, down from 11 per cent in each of the past two years.

"The report shows a good news, bad news scenario," said Conlon. "While the fee hikes are down a little bit this year, the report makes a very compelling argument that the federal government must address the issue of federal transfer payments for post-secondary education."

Government officials, who were still studying the report, were not able to comment by press time.

Frosh Week welcome

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as a T-Shirt, Hat, Coffee mug, Laundry Bag and coupons. The bags cost \$48 and account for half of the revenue of frosh week — \$52,000 in all. Tickets for other events, including several concerts and special events, must be purchased individually, range from \$17.00 to \$5.00 each and totalling \$45.00 for all extra events.

By contrast at Saint Mary's University, Frosh Packs cost \$65 each, but include tickets for all events, many of them similar to events at Dalhousie. Like Dalhousie, participation at SMU is up, with more than 850 Frosh packs being sold — 150 more than their previous record.

"There seems to be an incredible interest level this year," said SMU student association vice-president Mike Gibbs. "Everyone seems to be really enthusiastic, full of energy and wanting to get involved."

SMU orientation may be \$20.00 cheaper, but the cost doesn't seem to be keeping Dalhousie students away. Although they had already attended a Summer Orientation session, first year students Alana Coolen and Chantal Fougere are quite happy to participate in this frosh week festivities.

"It's definitely a good way to meet new people," said Coolen.

"It's like a giant summer orientation, except more expensive," added Fougere, who had just purchased tickets to several orientation events.

The bigger budget for orientation this year reflects a number of things, including more events, and a second promotional mail-out to all first year students in the summer.

Orientation week coordinator Level Chan says these new expenditures have been partially offset by increased fundraising. Moreover, Frosh week only

devotes a small portion of its budget — \$7,000 in all — to salaries, with most of the work being done by the more than 200 volunteers during the week.

"Even though frosh week is bigger, there will not be any additional burden on the Dalhousie Student Union," said Chan, pointing out that Frosh week has already raised \$10,000 through sponsorship — nearly \$4,000 more than budgeted.

As for welcoming new students, he says the event is a total success.

"Asides from concerns about classes and registration, meeting people is the major concern of first year students," Chan said. "That's one item we deal with particularly at frosh week."

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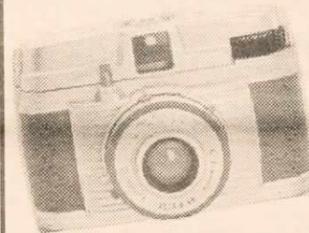
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Student found guilty of harassment

BY DAN LAZIN

EDMONTON (CUP) - A University of Alberta student, found guilty of harassing her teaching assistant after writing a critical course evaluation, is appealing her conviction.

Linda Smith was convicted of harassment this past April under the University's Code of Student Behaviour.

The case revolves around Smith's course evaluation of her 1998 fall term class Statistics 141, taught by Professor Ata Al-Hussaini.

The sentence bars Smith from attending further help sessions at the Department of Mathematics or the Engineering Students' Association, and it places her on conduct probation for the remainder of her Univer-

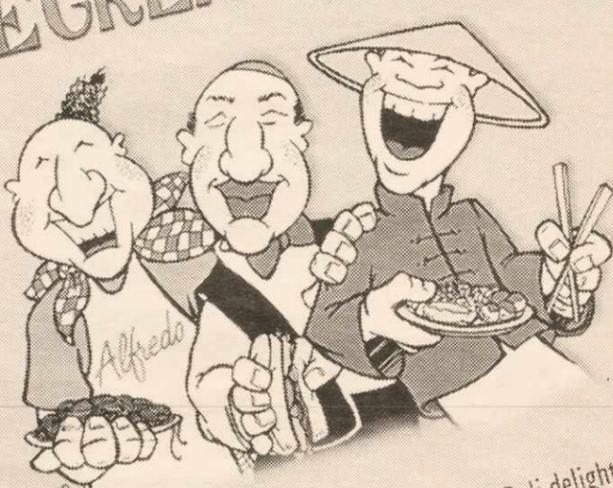
sity career.

Smith, who has a learning disability and a neck disorder, has appealed the decision, which is expected to take place in October.

Her lawyer, Franco Tarulli, is questioning the validity of charging a student for comments made in a teaching evaluation.

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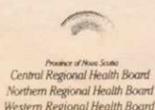
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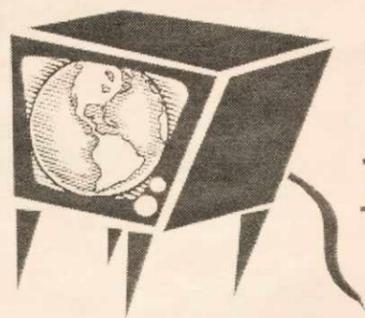
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Quebec government announces youth summit

BY KIM FRASER

MONTREAL (CUP) — In an attempt to tackle the economic problems facing its young people, the government of Quebec has announced plans to hold a youth summit in Quebec City this coming February.

The meeting will bring together youth, student leaders, union heads, provincial politicians and other decision makers, to address the province's difficult economic situation.

According to statistics

Canada, Quebec's youth unemployment rate was 16.4 per cent in July — noticeably higher than Canada's youth unemployment rate of 14.1 per cent.

The overall unemployment rate in Quebec in July was 9.6 per cent, almost two percentage points higher than the nationwide rate of 7.7 per cent.

"Today we have the challenge of integrating youth, to take steps to ensure that young people become active participants in

society," said Diane Gaudet, the senior government official in charge of the summit.

"The government can't be the only one to do this. We want to bring together the people who are best able to face that challenge with us."

Working groups are currently being set up to explore four broad themes: employment, knowledge and training, social equality, and globalization.

The summit's priorities has

pleased student leaders.

"The nominations and the themes indicate that our concerns will be addressed," said Daniel Baril, president of the Federation des étudiants universitaires du Québec.

The working groups will be headed by such people as Paule Leduc, rector of the Université du Québec à Montréal, and Marie-Claude Sarrazin, a founding member of the youth committee of the Federation des Femmes du

Québec.

All working group leaders are volunteers.

The Québec government estimates the summit will cost taxpayers roughly \$4-million.

A series of consultative workshops are planned throughout the province in September and October.

"We want to ensure that all of Québec society is represented," said Gaudet about the consultation process. "No one will be left out."

Student found guilty of harassment

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"The university goes out of its way to ensure that it's confidential," said Tarulli, noting the evaluations are not filled in the

presence of the instructor, and that they are carried directly to the departmental offices by a student in the class.

The U of A's General Faculties Council's Policy Manual, however, does not explicitly specify any need for

confidentiality.

The policy only states that evaluations be "administered in as consistent a fashion as possible."

No University of Alberta officials were available for comment by press time.

Meanwhile, Tarulli said the

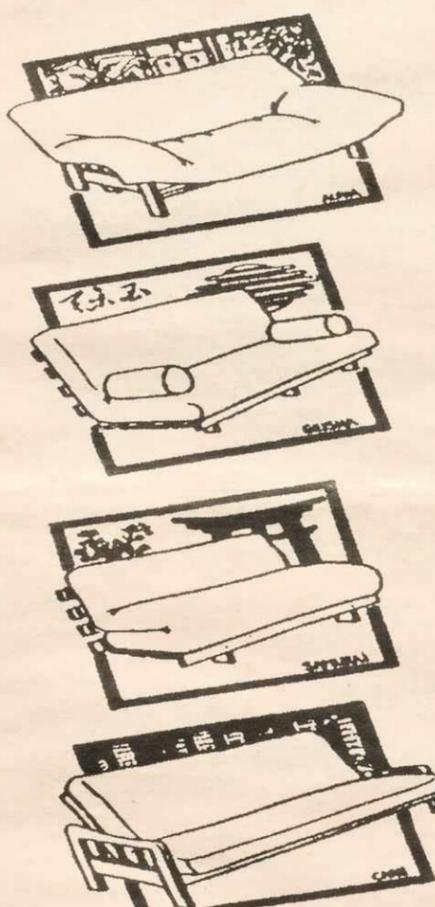
case brought into question the universities entire teaching evaluation process.

"How can you turn around and expect students to give honest answers?" he asked.

The lawyer also raised a concern that his client was not

properly informed of her violation of the Code.

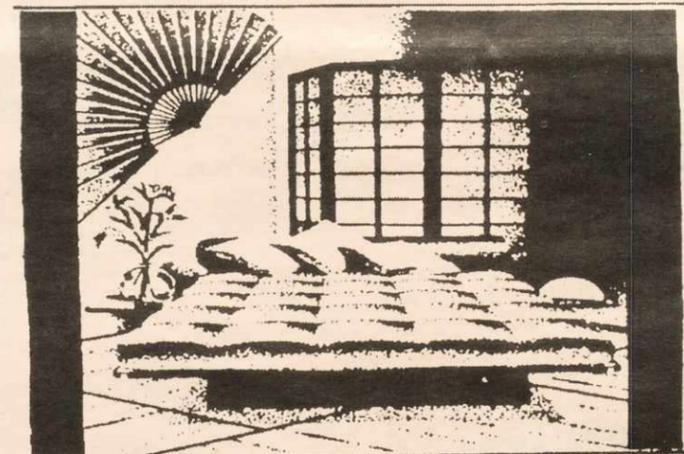
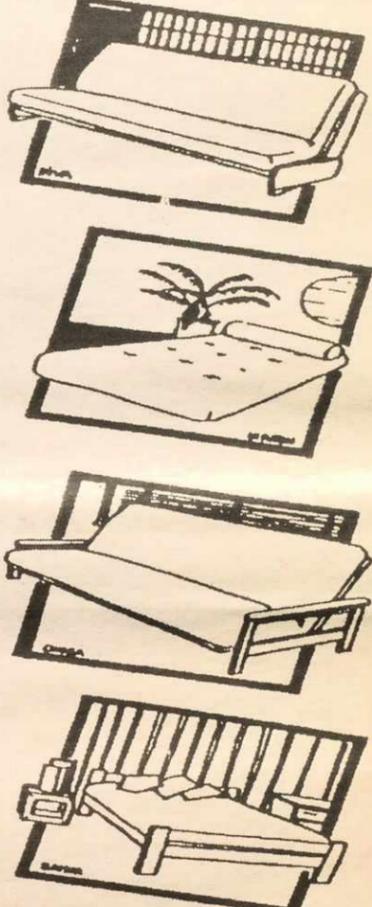
The original letter to Smith from then Deputy Discipline Officer Olive Yonge did not specify what section of the university code she was being charged with.



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University is a huge step in everyone's life, one that is filled with anxiety's and apprehensions. You worry about academics, meeting new people and simply being in a completely new environment and stage in your life.

But there is a way to tackle these apprehensions.

By getting involved in the greater Dalhousie community, you challenge yourself, develop some of your interests, and meet people who give back to our university.

Too often, it seems, Dalhousie gets the reputation of being too big, too impersonal and generally too apathetic. Well if this school is apathetic, it is because many Dal students don't take the initiative to get involved.

In what you ask? Well let me put it to you this way, if you can think of something you would like to do, there is a good chance someone has already created a society.

Dal has over 150 societies, everything from the Dalhousie Debating club to, get this, the Parachuting club. (A complete list of Dal societies can be picked up from the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) main office on the second floor of the SUB.)

If one of the many societies don't strike your fancy, try student politics. It is a sure way to learn about how the university is run and there is always a committee that needs representatives. If you don't have the time to commit to a council or board position, con-

sider volunteering. Volunteers are always needed to help run many of the activities planned by the DSU.

If you live on campus get involved with residence life and the wonderful community that exists there. Again, departments and faculties around campus give students a way to see their professors as more than talking heads, in events ranging from fundraisers to pub crawls.

From concerts to Grawood

EDITORIAL

nights, from lectures to sporting events there is more to Dalhousie than classrooms and exams.

You will see, hear, and learn many things (hopefully) in your years at Dalhousie. Yet remember to approach these experiences with an open mind.

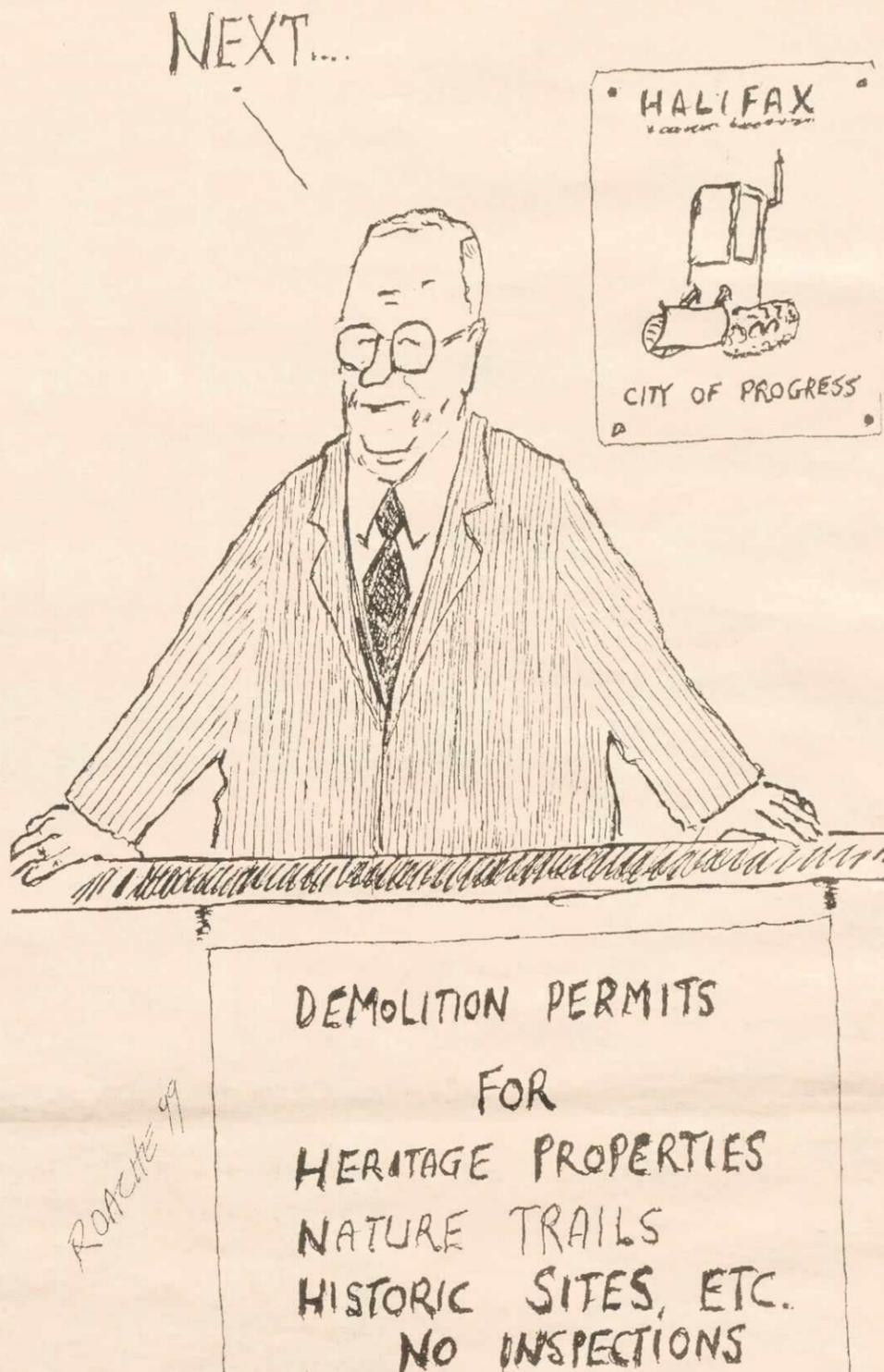
In moderation, extracurricular activities can help broaden your social circle and focus your academic life. After all everyone needs an outlet from three hour labs, bone dry lectures and wandering around in a LSC induced haze.

So, I leave you with this. If you want to have a good time at university, you will. If you want to develop yourself, you will. If you want to succeed here, you will do that too. On the same note if you want to shut yourself in and only expand on academics you can do that too. Just remember, education goes way beyond the pages of a text.

As someone much wiser than I said, "Your education in university has nothing to do with books."

Something like that.

BRIANNE JOHNSTON



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Freedom for East Timor

In March 1997, Dal-Tech (then TUNS) awarded an honorary degree to Indonesia's minister of industry and trade, Tunka Ariwobowo. In an April 2nd, 1997 column in the *Daily News*, Parker Barss Donham criticized the ceremony, which both TUNS and Ariwobowo had hoped to keep secret.

In the same column, Dalhousie president Tom Traves defended our six research projects in Indonesia as an issue of "free speech and research freedom." Both the University of Guelph and the University of Toronto have renounced projects in Indonesia — why not Dal?

The "Peace Action Group," a working group of NSPIRG, will be holding a teach-in on Thursday, September 15 at noon, which will consider media coverage of East Timor and examine Dalhousie's ongoing involvement with the Indonesian government.

East Timor has been getting lots of news coverage in the past three weeks — most of which doesn't give us enough background to understand what is going on. Here's what the East Timor Alert Network (ETAN/Canada) offers as an introduction:

East Timor, an island country about 450 kilometres northwest of

Australia, has been illegally occupied by Indonesia since 1975. So far

over one third of the Timorese population has perished in the worst genocide, per capita, since the Holocaust.

The tragedy of East Timor is one of the world's best kept secrets. For years Indonesia has been a favoured trading partner of Western countries because of its cheap labour and resources. That's why so many governments, including Canada's, have helped keep East Timor's genocide a secret.

Tens of thousands of Indonesian troops and secret police remain in

East Timor. Access to the territory is severely restricted — journalists

and international observers are only occasionally able to get in.

Resistance is rewarded with disappearance, rape, torture, arrest or murder.

For example, on November 12, 1991, in what is known as the Dili Massacre, hundreds of unarmed women, men and children were killed for demonstrating for self-determination. Despite these risks, the East Timorese believe that to resist is to win, and defiantly continue their struggle.

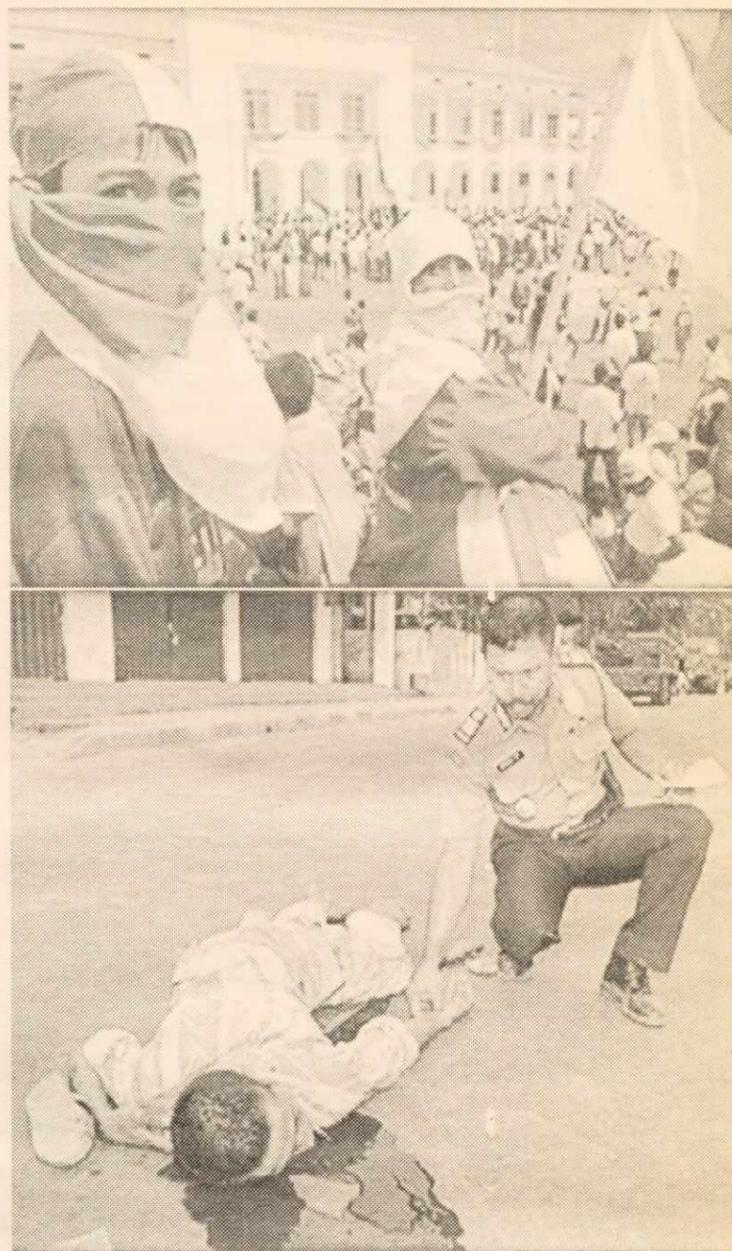
The resignation of former Indonesian president Suharto in May 1998 has brought new hope and energy to the push for a

referendum on self-determination in East Timor and democracy in Indonesia. Pressure to end the occupation is increasing, both inside Indonesia and in the West. Many Indonesian pro-democracy movement leaders have publicly supported East Timor's struggle.

In Canada, ETAN is working to end Canadian military sales to Indonesia and for the Canadian government to publicly support the East Timorese people's right to self-determination.

The current campaign of terror in East Timor started months before the referendum. It was led by militia's, backed by the Indonesian military, who wanted the public to vote for integration into Indonesia over independence. Organized under UN auspices, it was the first time since the Indonesian military invaded in 1975 that the Timorese were allowed to democratically determine their future.

Despite all the intimidation, almost 99 per cent of the population voted on August 30, 1999, with over 78 per cent supporting independence. Less than 24 hours after the results were announced on September 2, reports of violence, killings, and even massacres were heard from all over the country. Since reporters, international observers and UN workers have been forced to retreat by militia intimidation, reports are unavailable for much



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of East Timor; at press time only a few foreigners were left in Dili, the island's capital.

Some of the international community responded very quickly: Australia, Malaysia and Portugal offered to send in

peacekeepers. Meanwhile, the UN seemed to be dithering, with the spokesperson for the Secretary-General indicating that a "Coalition the Willing" was more of a possibility than a full-fledged UN peacekeeping force.

By September 7, the Indonesian government had declared martial law, but many observers do not believe this will help. On that day, Richard Lloyd Perry of the Independent (UK), reported that "the army is no longer even trying to keep up the pretence that it is independent of the militia — all day they acted as one." This seems to be the consensus in the press corps, with the significant exception of CBC's Patricia Noonan.

Brooks Kind is a long-time East-Timor activist and local contact for the East Timor Alert Network (ETAN). He describes our government's position as "a cop-out." They refuse to denounce the atrocities, to use economic leverage, or take a strong stand at the Security Council. There are even rumours that Ottawa is trying to minimize the issue on the Security Council's agenda. This isn't a departure in our foreign policy towards Jakarta; the record

is one of unabashed complicity. Kind says, "We've supported atrocities in East Timor with every means at our disposal: military aid, refusal to implement an arms embargo, financial aid and strong diplomatic support."

Our department of foreign affairs has downplayed atrocities in communications with the public. And since 1975, it has abstained from or opposed the UN's seven general assembly resolutions condemning Indonesia.

The only thing that will stop our Government's complicity now is public outcry. Please drop by the Peace Action Group's info tables near the SUB, and sign letters to Chretien and Axworthy. Peace-

daniel haran

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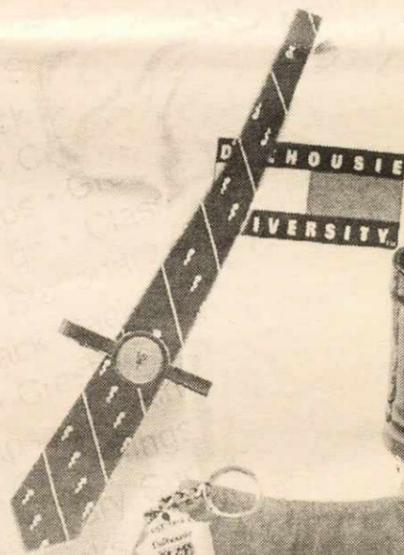
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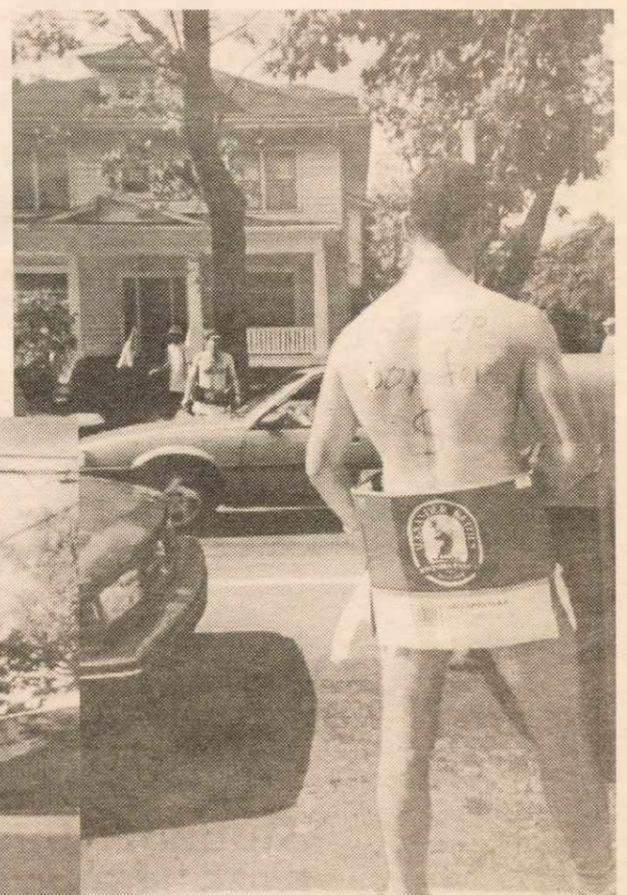
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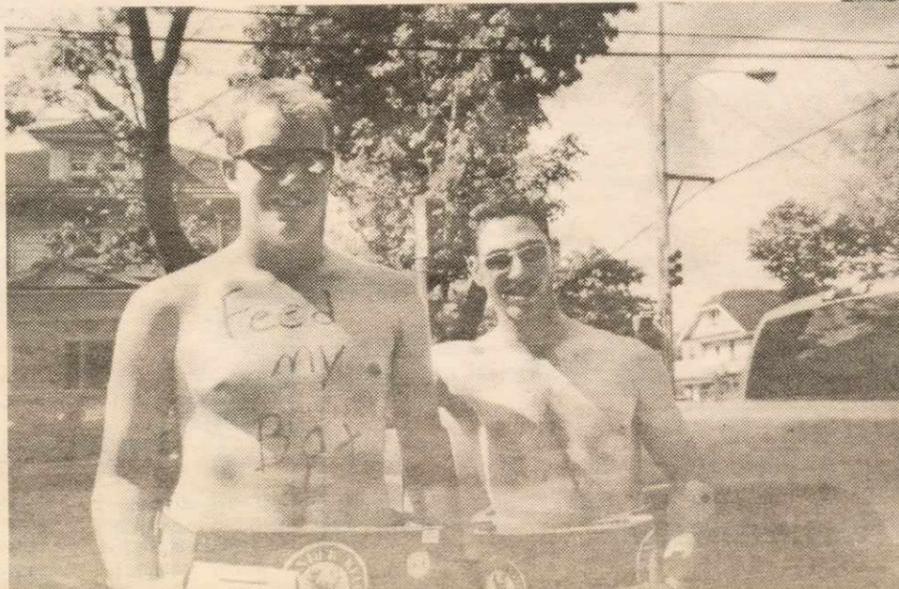
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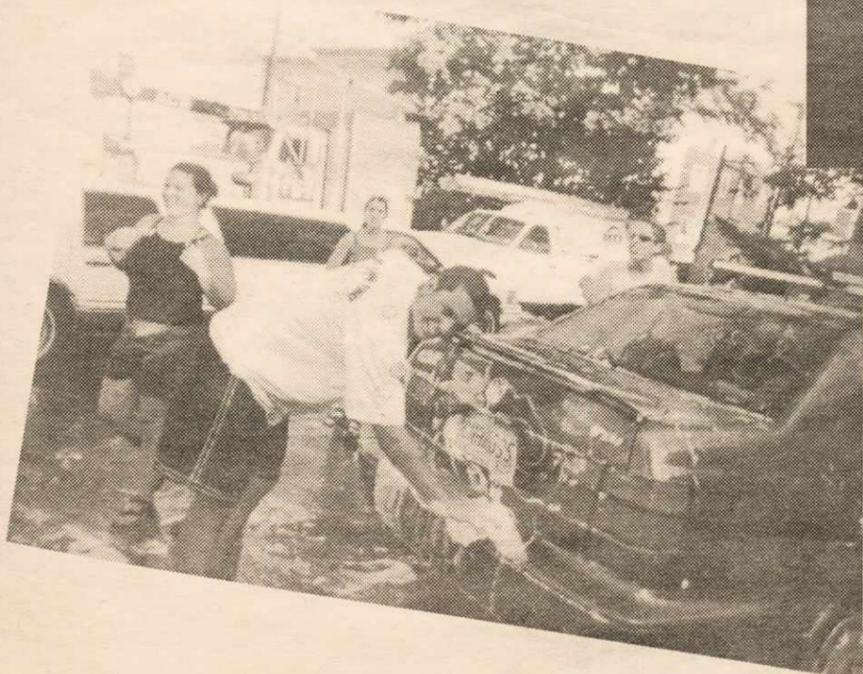
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Shinerama '99



A Frosh's diary

BY STEPHANIE EISAN

It's 9 a.m. And all of us frosh are crowded into the MacInnis Room for Shinerama. We've been fed a free breakfast.

Afterwards, we fetched a milk crate filled with Shinerama supplies and left for the buses.

Each group has a different section of the city to cover.

My group covered the Harvey's restaurant on Kempt Road. My spirits were high as the first lady I approached gave a whopping six bucks!

My group even came up with a song to the tune of "If you're happy and you know it."

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Unfortunately, spirits began to dwindle as fewer people appeared and even fewer gave

donations. The Swiss Chalet complained about us wandering into their parking lot, so we decided to move down to Wood Motors Ford and the huge intersection nearby.

Ford gave us a few dollars and our spirits began to shine through again as we began to collect more and more money.

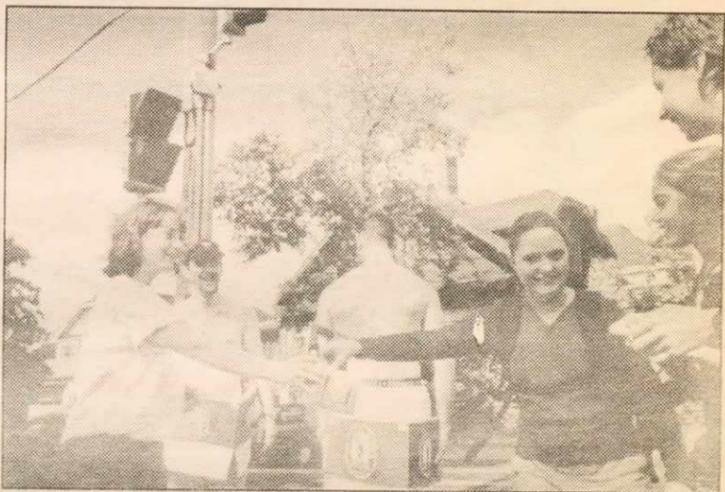
The hot sun beating down on us all day was getting to everybody. We headed to Wendy's for ice cream and drinks. What a relief! Forty-five minutes later we were back at the intersection for rush hour. I covered the traffic lights, where people coming off the bridge had stopped.

We tried giving Shinerama stickers to everyone who had donated, but we ran out quickly. Many people were very generous, donating tonies and loonies. Our group even managed to get a \$10 bill.

We had lots of fun and by 4:30 p.m. we were all tired and quite sunburned, so we caught the bus back to campus. Shinerama was definitely a frosh experience I'll remember.



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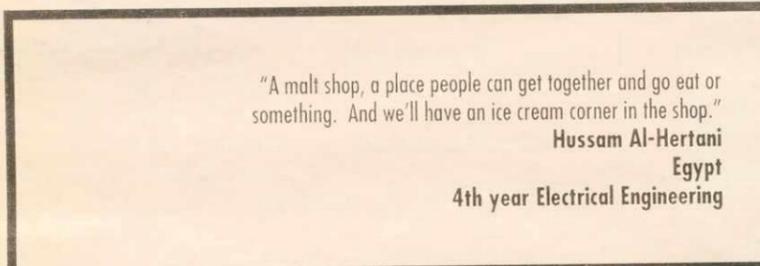


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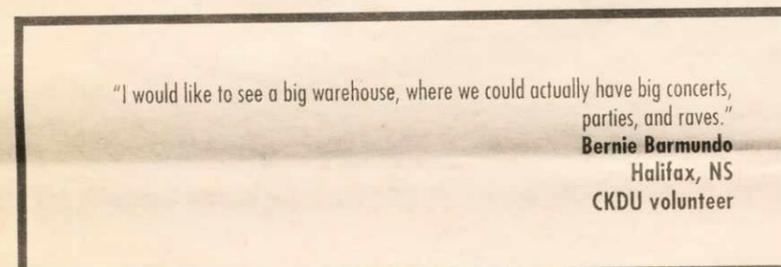
"A liquor store, it would be easier to get alcohol, and you can make a lot of money on campus!"
Kathy Reid
 Amherst, NS
 1st year Arts



"A malt shop, a place people can get together and go eat or something. And we'll have an ice cream corner in the shop."
Hussam Al-Hertani
 Egypt
 4th year Electrical Engineering



"A McDonald's, because I LOVE Mickey D's!"
Ashley Pickering
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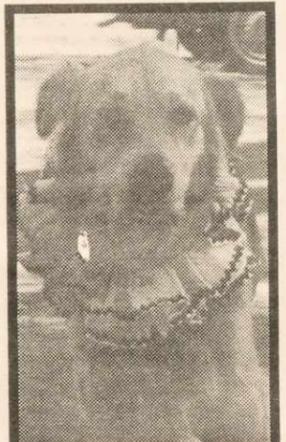
"I would like to see a big warehouse, where we could actually have big concerts, parties, and raves."
Bernie Barmundo
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"An Aboriginal Learning Centre, like the one at UBC. They have a daycare, and tutors, and a computer lab."
Patty Doyle
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At 8pm, Sunday September 12th, in King's College Gym, Coburg Road, Mark MacLeod will begin introductory Kendo lessons charging \$50 for 8 months, equipment included. Mark is an Italian trained Kendoka (Kendoist) with 2 years of dedicated experience who seldom discusses his personal life, yet his adventures reveal a world rich with experience.

At 28, Mark MacLeod is an enthusiastic multimedia designer, musician, businessman, and Dalhousie University Neuroscience pre-Med student with three years of Sabre Fencing experience.

"I was searching for a martial art involving sword-fighting techniques for some time." Says MacLeod. "Internet searches revealed Kendo and I was impressed with the philosophy and techniques. I contacted a Kendo Dojo in Genova, Italy, prior to my studies and I was

invited to visit. I began lessons immediately when Kendo satiated my desire for swordfighting.

"Upon returning to Canada, I couldn't find a Kendo Dojo in my immediate area, so I sawed off a broom-handle and continued

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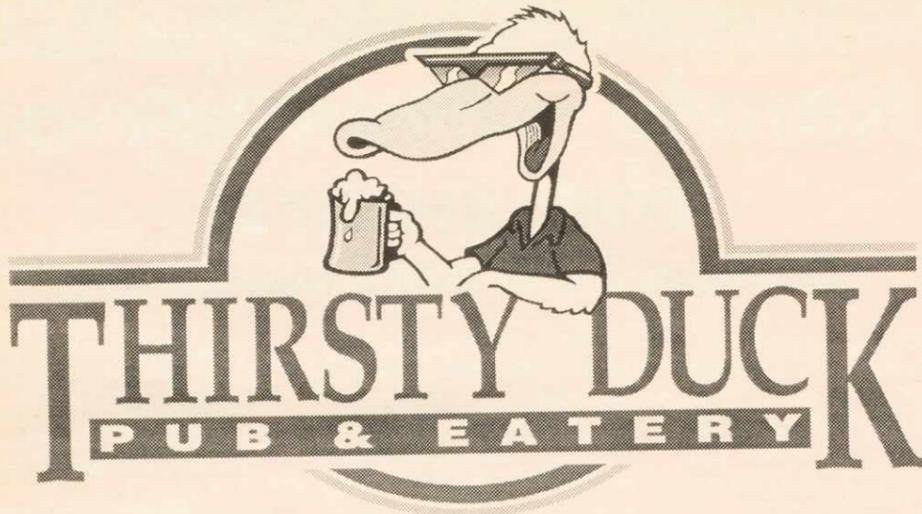
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Kendo

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Doria Dojo (Genova), Canadian Kendo Dojos, and the Canadian Kendo Federation, I founded the Dalhousie University Kendo Club to promote Kendo and self-cultivation to Nova Scotians. The concept of self-cultivation challenges the apathy prevalent in youth culture because Kendo is invigorating, fun, builds character, and is unique among local sports," MacLeod explains.

Kendo practice develops the will power required to overcome adversity by strengthening one's character, etiquette and respect for others, skills applicable to every-day life.

The philosophy of Kendo (Kenjitsu) arose from ancient Japanese Samauri culture emphasizing self-cultivation through continuous practice and the principles of Ki-ken-tai-icchi, Ki (mind/body cohesion), Ken (sword/knowledge), Tai (overall balance), and Ichhi (spirit of voice). Ki-Ken-Tai-Icchi is a simultaneous combination of these four elements.

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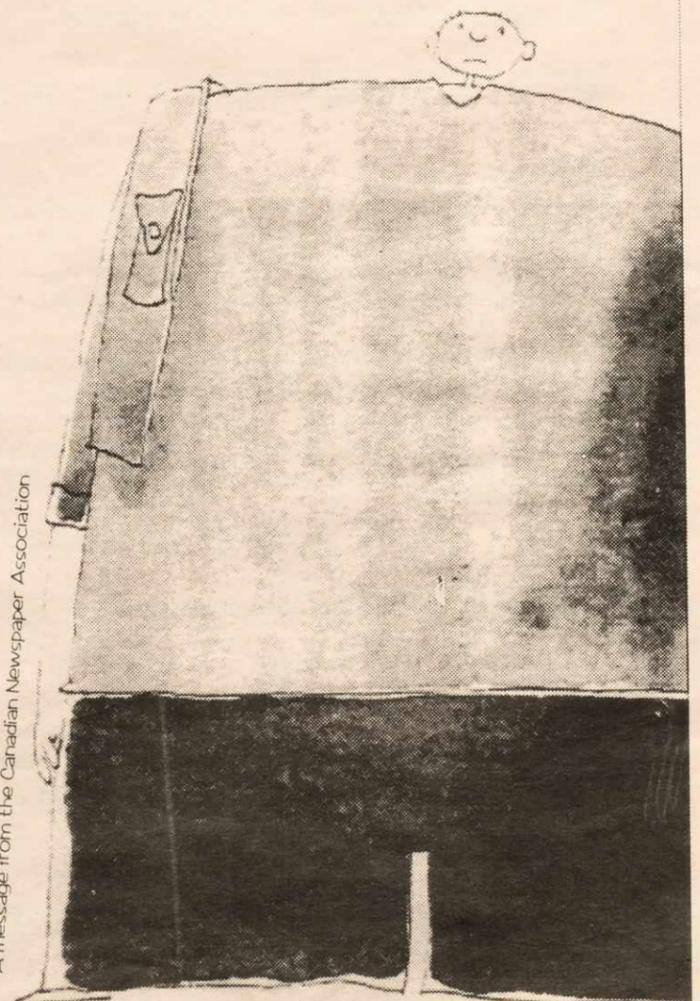
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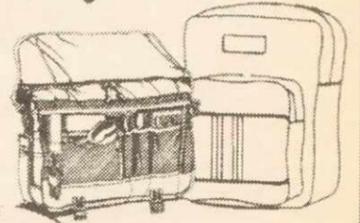
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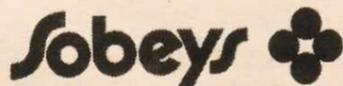
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The list of sports chosen from by Dal students consists of; soccer, flag football, ultimate frisbee, broomball, basketball,

volleyball, inner tube polo, beach volleyball, tennis, softball, badminton and squash.

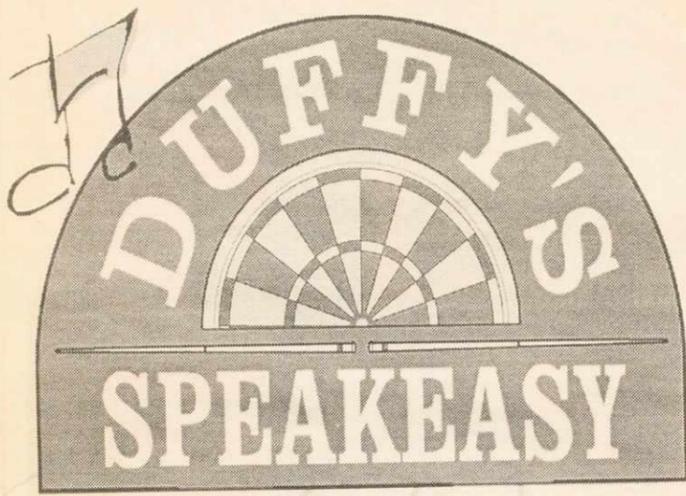
"We see usually about 3,500-4,000 sign up every year," says Intramural Coordinator Shawn Fraser. "It's fairly popular."

Using the very best of Dal's athletic resources, the intramural uses everything from the Dalplex, to the Studley gym and arena for it's programs, and they are open to anyone with any interest in joining.

Dalhousie also has several

sports clubs, including baseball, curling, badminton, women's field hockey, fencing, figure skating, women's ice hockey, judo, masters swimming, outdoor club, rowing, men's and women's rugby, squash and wrestling.

Recreation sports can be a fun way to relax and get some exercise — not to mention meet people — without the stress of competition. The atmosphere is friendly and easy to join. For any information on Intramural's at Dal, phone the Intramural office at 494-2588.



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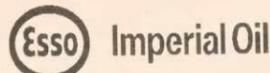
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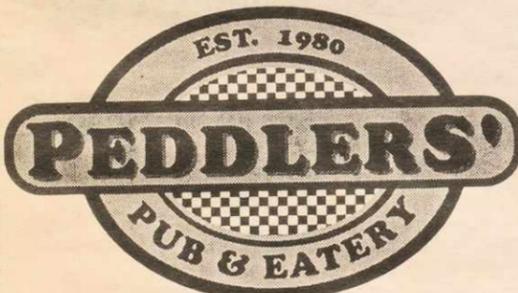
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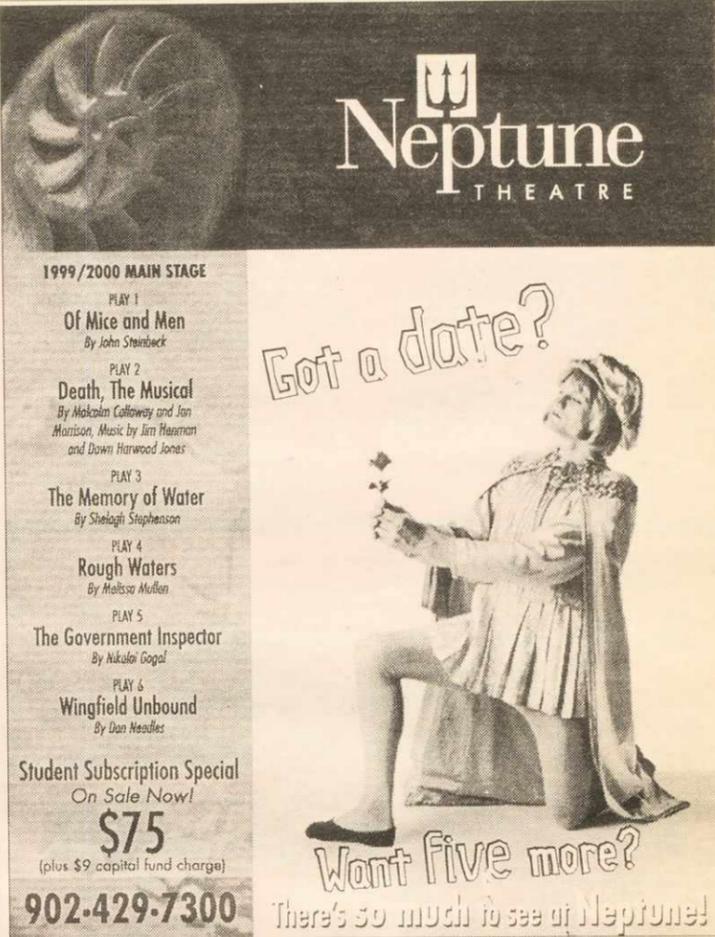
- Ultimate frisbee — September 16
- Soccer "A" — September 17
- Soccer "B" — September 17
- Flag football — September 17
- Broomball "A" — September 24
- Broomball "B" — September 24
- Basketball "A" — October 7
- Basketball "B" — October 7
- Volleyball "A" — October 15
- Volleyball "B" — October 15
- Volleyball "C" — October 15
- Inner tube water polo — January 12

Men's Leagues

- Soccer "A" — September 17
- Soccer "B" — September 17
- Residence soccer "A" — September 17
- Residence soccer "B" — September 17
- Hockey "A" — September 27
- Hockey "B" — September 27
- Residence Hockey "A" — September 27
- Residence Hockey "B" — September 27
- Basketball "A" — October 7
- Basketball "B" — October 7
- Residence Basketball — October 7
- Volleyball — October 15
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- Soccer — September 17
- Basketball — October 7
- Volleyball — October 15



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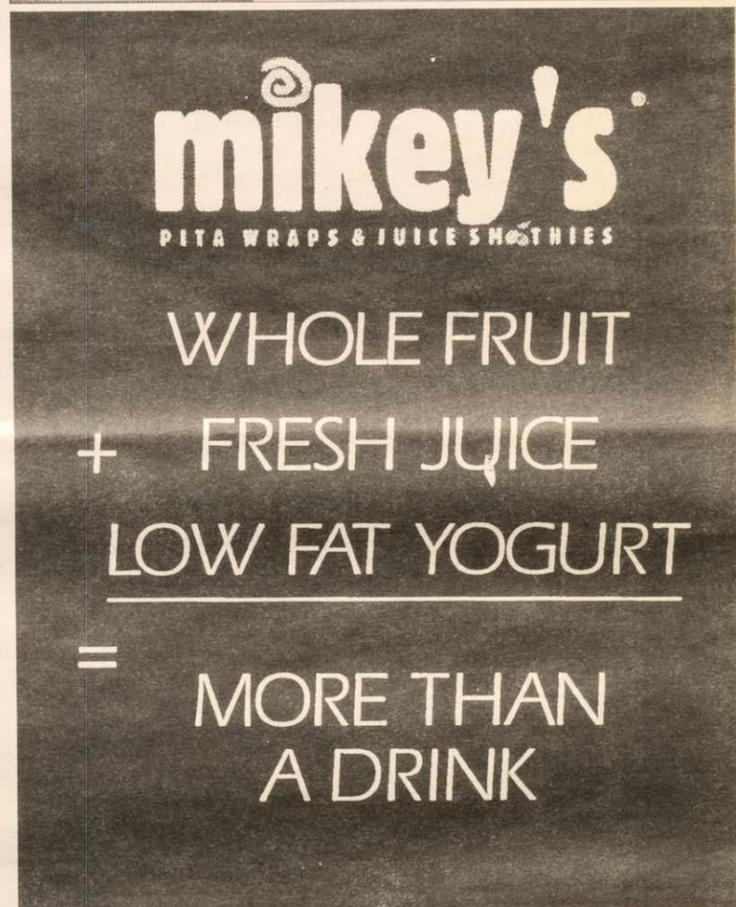
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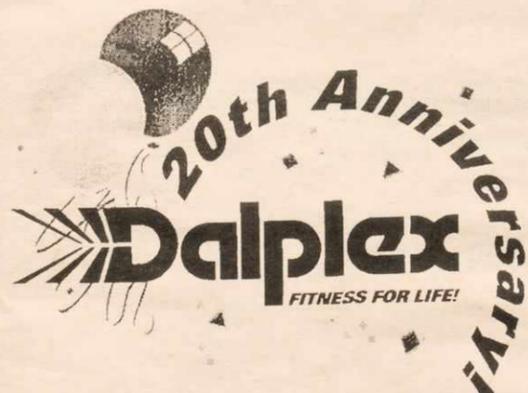


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Sun., Sept. 12	SMU @ DAL	WSOC	1pm
Sun., Sept. 12	SMU @ DAL	MSOC	3pm
Fri., Sept. 24	ACA @ DAL	WSOC	3pm
Fri., Sept. 24	ACA @ DAL	MSOC	5pm
Sun., Sept. 26	SFX @ DAL	WSOC	1pm
Sun., Sept. 26	SFX @ DAL	MSOC	3pm
Sat., Oct. 2	UCCB @ DAL	WSOC	2pm
Sat., Oct. 2	UCCB @ DAL	MSOC	4pm
Sat., Oct. 2	UNB @ DAL	SWM	2pm
Fri., Oct. 8	High School Tour.	M&WVB	
Sat., Oct. 9	High School Tour.	M&WVB	
Wed., Oct. 20	SFX @ DAL	HOC	7pm
Fri., Oct. 22	MTA @ DAL	SWM	6pm
Sat., Oct. 23	PEI @ DAL	WSOC	1pm
Sat., Oct. 23	PEI @ DAL	MSOC	3pm
Sat., Oct. 23	ACA @ DAL	HOC	7pm
Sun., Oct. 24	MTA @ DAL	WSOC	1pm
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Treating Minor Sport Injuries

While participating in physical activities many minor injuries may occur. Some of these injuries may be serious requiring immediate medical attention, however others may be minor aches and sprains which can be dealt with effectively by the participant.

Upon suffering an injury such as a sprained thumb or ankle the simple "RICE" formula is important to remember. "R" is for rest, "I" is for ice, "C" is for

compression and "E" is for elevation of the limb if applicable. Although it is not always possible to rest a minor injury in the game situation, this should always be considered if the injury is painful and has swollen substantially.

The use of ice is essential in the care of minor injuries. Ice is used in the acute stage of an injury because it best decreases the metabolism of the injured tissues. It also limits the extent of the injury and will control the

amount of swelling and bruising. Any pain and muscle spasm may also be decreased with the use of ice.

Ice can be applied in numerous ways. Crushed ice can be placed in a plastic bag or a wet towel and placed on the affected area with a tensor wrap. The commercial chemical cold packs are effective, however, their ability to lower the temperature of deeper tissues is limited. Ice should be applied for approximately fifteen to twenty minutes, once an hour. It is important to remember that ice can cause frostbite, so remove the ice pack if a burning sensation is felt.

Compression is used to help decrease the amount of

swelling and is usually done with the application of an elastic wrap. Elevation of the affected limb is most applicable if a part of the leg or arm has been injured. When used, the injured area should be elevated above the level of the heart as much as possible in the first twenty four hours. This will prevent the pooling of blood and decrease the amount of swelling that will occur after the injury.

Once the first forty-eight hours have passed, heat may be used as well as ice. The heat will increase the blood flow to the area, aiding in the removal of the swelling. With injured muscles, heat can be applied using a hot water bottle for ten to fifteen minutes. This should be followed

by gentle stretching and the use of ice. If the injury is a minor sprain, such as a sprained thumb or ankle, than soaking the affected area in hot water can be effective in helping to decrease the swelling.

Using this guide minor acute injuries can be managed successfully. It, however, is important to ensure that injured areas are properly warmed and stretched prior to exercising to prevent further injuries. Ice should also be used after any activities when recovering from an injury. If an injury does not appear to be healing please contact your physician or local physiotherapist for an evaluation.

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Sunday, September 12

The Dalhousie Chaplains invites everyone to share their faith in a scripture reading being held at 7pm in room 437, SUB.

Monday, September 13

Monday Night Jazz, Sheri Herington will be performing at The Economy Shoe Shop on Argyle St.

Tuesday, September 14

Wednesday, September 15

Nobel Laureate to give lecture, Prof. Douglas Oskeroff of Stanford University will be giving a lecture entitled "Superfluidity in Helium Three: the Discovery through the Eyes of a Graduate Student." It will be taking place in the Sir James Dunn Science Building, beginning at 8pm.

Announcements

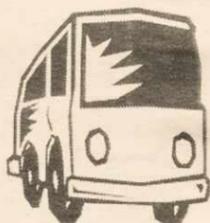
Art Exhibition—Leighton Davis's watercolor exhibition Circle of Stones will be on display at the Saint Mary's University Art Gallery beginning September 10 and running through to October 10.

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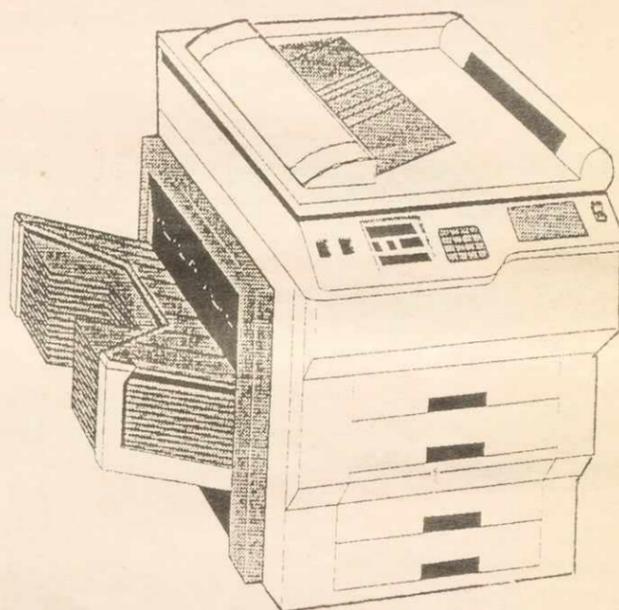
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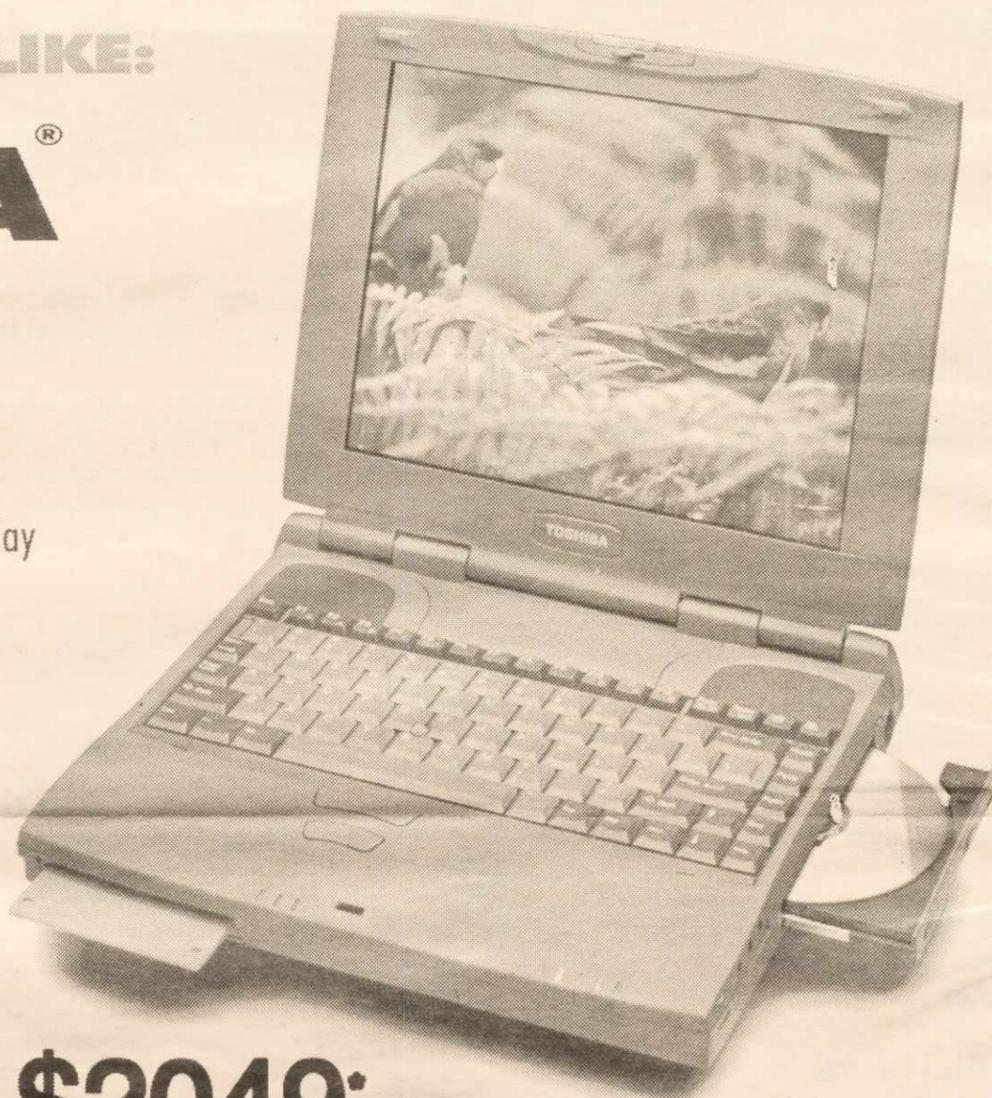
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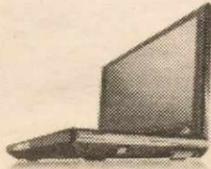
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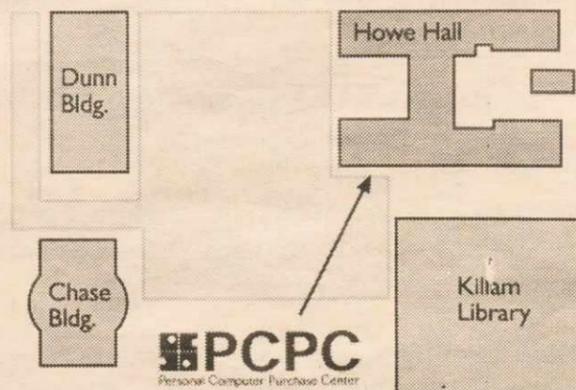
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