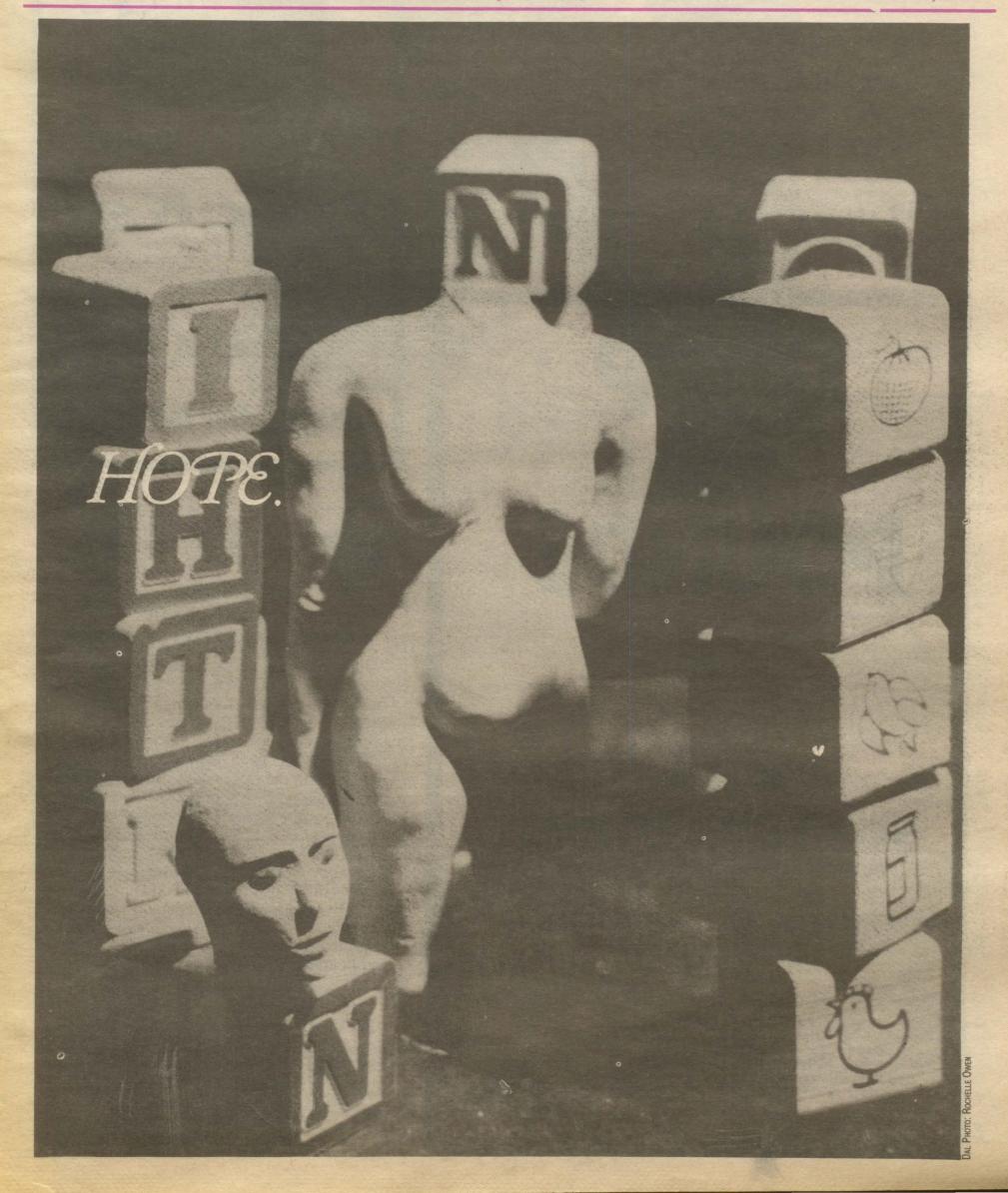
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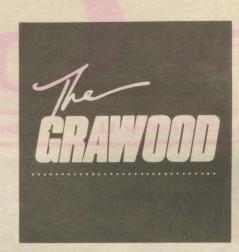
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The student fee also rises

TORONTO (CUP)—The Ontario provincial government is threatening to renege on its promise to increase university funding by two per

The move would deal a \$64 million blow to Ontario universities. The University of Toronto said it will be forced to lay off staff, reduce its curriculum and hike tuition fees if the increase falls through.

Peter George, president of the Council of Ontario Universities, and David Smith, the organization's chair, said the impact of the province reneging would be compounded by the fact that the promise was too small to begin with.

The effects of eliminating the two per cent increase would be disastrous for U of T because the university has already budgeted and begun restructuring based on the promise.

There are rumours circulating out of Queen's Park that the government will try to compensate for the cut by allowing universities to implement drastic tuition fee hikes.

Rick Martin, a spokesperson for the Association of Part-Time Students said he has heard the tuition fees could go up by 30 per cent while Ken Craft, chair of Ontario Federation of Students said "a source close to cabinet" told the student lobby groups to expect an 11 per cent increase and the elimination of Ontario Student Assistance Program

The salary also rises

WINNEPEG (CUP)—Female teaching staff still earn less than male teaching staff at Canadian colleges and universities, a Statistics Canada study has found.

The study compared the pay of full-time instructors at 19 different Canadian schools. On average, women earned \$9,000 less than men. At some schools, women earned as much as \$17,000 less then men.

Only Edmonton's Concordia College paid female instructors a higher salary. Women earned an average of \$50,669 as opposed to \$48,7111, the salary men earned.

Average reported salaries at the University of Manitoba for women were \$15,236 less than men's, and median wages were \$19,293 lower.

The report cautioned many factors can influence the salary figures, including "the age and qualification profiles of the teaching staff and the number of years in the ranks.'

The smoke also rises

WINDSOR (CUP)— Flower pots that were used to grow marijuana are being used in biology research projects at the University of

The city's police services board voted at the beginning of November to donate equipment seized from marijuana growers to the university instead of selling it at an auction.

The board decided to donate the equipment to the university because it was worried the equipment would fall back into the hands of marijuana growers. Often at auctions, dealers buy the equipment and are in operation within a few weeks.

The university picked up high-tech lighting equipment, a large quantity of fertilizer, flower pots and pumps, and timers used for automatic watering.

The equipment is being used throughout the university's biology department, and two professors have plans for the equipment already.

Hugh MacIssac will use it to study zebra mussels and Donavon Thomas will study aquatic plant growth with the help of a powerful mercury vapour lame.

The university was given first choice of the available equipment. Local school boards and a college will also be offered similar equipment for their horticultural programs.

Help stop the atrocities

Judy Reid

This week Dalhousie students can sign a world wide petition as one action in support of the second international campaign of 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence.

The 16 Days of Activism takes place each year from November 25 to December 10 with women's groups in every region of the world organizing public events to raise people's awareness of, and to take action against, gender violence. The petition which emerged during the 16 Days Campaign in 1991 is available in the SUB lobby at the Dalhousie Women's Collective table as part of the Week of Reflection. By signing, students will be calling upon the United Nations to address women's human rights and gender violence as central concerns during the first World Conference on Human Rights in 25 years, which will be held in Vienna in June 1993.

Despite statements such as "everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person" and "no one shall be subject to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, violence against women and girls is still a universal phenomenon. For example, in Canada, 62 per cent of female homicides are the result of wife-battering; in India, girls aged 2 to 4 die at twice the rate of boys because of systematic malnutrition and neglect; and currently, 84 million women around the world have been sub-

cluded from the international human rights agenda.

As of September 1992, over 100, 000 signatures in more than 80 countries had been gathered and will continue to be collected until June

Please take part in the Week of Reflection as well as the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence. Drop by the SUB to sign a petition, to support women's voices and perspectives, and to ensure they are heard at the 1993 World Conference on Human Rights.



jected to genital mutilation. Al-

though this is an undeniable form of

human rights abuse, it is often ex-

by Ryan Stanley

If Dalhousie students held any lingering hopes that the pressure of rising education costs might be eased sometime soon, they should think again. And while they're at it, they might as well get used to declining quality of programs and services, too.

This was the boiled-down message of a presentation made by the university's financial gurus to the Students' Union on Tuesday, November 24. The approximately 25 students present at the poorly advertised meeting received a foretaste of the bitter medicine to come.

The problem, as always, is Dalhousie's \$27 million debt. The latest of a series of models being considered by the university's financial planners projects a reduction of this figure to \$13 million by the year 2011.

Most significant for students is the assumption, as a basis of the model, of 10% tuition fee increases every year for the next five years.

Ian Nason, Director of Financial Services, stressed that this model is neither a policy nor a completely reliable projection. He said that it simply asks, "If we assume a set of policies governing revenue and expenditure, what would the outcome

Indeed, the model, prepared by the Financial Strategy Committee, contains a liberal dose of optimism. For one thing, it assumes that grants from the provincial government, which now account for about 77% of Dalhousie's operating budget, would not increase until the year 1994-5,

even this small figure may not be

Bryan Mason, Dalhousie's Vice-President (Finance and Administration), outlined the university's longterm plan for reducing spending. The measures include non-replacement of faculty who retire (a policy which has been in place since 1988), as well as more vigorous fundraising, an ongoing energy conservation program and sale of properties owned by the university. The university has also,

"We'll pay for it later. Well, now is later."

in recent years, reduced its contribu-

blems to a period in the 1960's and 1970's when the university expanded rapidly, erecting new buildings and buying up property. "We didn't always have the money available to pay for these projects," he said. "They said, 'We'll buy it, we'll build it, we'll worry about paying for it later.' Well, now is later.'

He emphasized that the approach to reducing the debt is not entirely one of crisis management. It also includes a commitment to pay equity, which will necessarily increase

after which they would rise by three expenditures, as well as more student percent a year. But Nason admits services and closer adherence to environmental health and safety stand-

> Still, as enrolment continues to rise, the trend will clearly be towards larger classes and outright elimination of some programs.

> The meeting with DSU Council was the direct result of criticisms voiced last year when the Board of Governors attempted to push through a 10% fee hike. Said Lâle Kesebi, DSU President, "There was some concern that there wasn't ample notice given to students." Vociferous protests forced the Board to delay approval of the increase, although it was eventually passed.

> As a result, the Administration pledged to inform students more fully of its budgetary plans. However, the November 24 meeting was only announced two days previously, a fact which undoubtedly contributed to

Hermie Abraham, one of three tion to the employees' pension fund. student representatives on the Board Mason traced Dalhousie's current of Governors, said other factors were at work. "It depends how angry students are," she said. "They may have had the wind taken out of their sails because last year they didn't have much effect in the end."

Nonetheless, she contended, "We did get something out of it." Student lobbying secured the expansion of provisions for financial assistance, she noted, as well as the promise of consultations in the event of further fee rises. "It shows that we're making inroads, and that we can go farther,"

Cameron on hotseat rationalizes rationalization

Judy Reid & Ryan Stanley

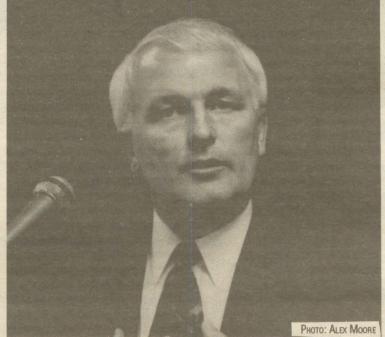
Don Cameron has a tough message for all those who come looking for handouts from the provincial government.

"It's simply a matter of dollars," said the Nova Scotia Premier in a speech at the Dalhousie Law School on November 19. He said that given seemed most concerned with plugthe province's tight financial situation, Nova Scotians cannot expect much new support for social pro-

grams anytime in the near future.

Cameron defended his government's record on social spending. But, he said, the recession and the deficit are harsh realities, and "if we truly care for the programs, the only way we can guarantee is to equip ourselves to pay for them."

In his opening remarks, Cameron ging the legal reforms which his government has introduced since it took up office 20 months ago. He cited



changes to the system for appointing judges, aimed at removing political influence from the process, as well as the inclusion of sexual orientation in the provincial human rights code.

Students, however, challenged him on a wide range of issues. Several questioned him on the recent derailment of the Westray mine disaster inquiry. The Premier also responded at length to queries about

his agenda on the issue of aboriginal self-government.

He saved his sharpest words for the subject of the Senate. He called it a "repulsive" institution, and "symbolic of the very worst of our political

Time and again, Cameron returned to the theme of financial responsibility. In an interview following his speech, he said that in the realm of post-secondary education, the elimination or merger of programs offered by more than one university will "pay big dividends."

On the subject of Dalhousie's mismanagement of funds, he emphasized, "I'm not here to beat up on Dal, but rationalization will make it difficult to repeat some of the mistakes of the past.'

Despite the tight budget, however, Cameron insisted his government remains committed to pay equity in the civil service. He failed, however, to indicate how long it would be before results are seen.

In general, with his uncompromising talk, Cameron sought to project the image of a politician not interested in playing political games. "If the only thing you stand for is to convince people that the other guy is evil," he said, "then you really have to wonder about the political sys-

hysician heal thyself

by Peter Angione

Every 17 minutes, a sexual assault is committed in Canada. 90% of the victims are female. Other statistics point out that 60% of college-aged males report that under the right circumstances they would use force, rape, or both in sexual relations with a woman.

One way for men to speak out about violence against women is with the White Ribbon Campaign (WRC). It was created last December by a small group of men to commemorate the murders of 14 engineering students in Montreal in December, 1989.

"The White Ribbon Campaign started in order to reach out to men to get them to take responsibility for violence against women," said Steve Patten of the WRC. "Statistics how virtually all violence against women is perpetrated by men and men are not getting involved to the extent they need to."

Since its inception, the WRC has grown from a spontaneous effort by a mentoanational

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This allows women activists to comment on what WRC is doing so WRC can try to respond to any of their concerns. At local levels and on campuses, WRC has been encouraging correspondence with women's organizations.

There is worry, however, that the WRC may overshadow women's efforts. WRC is trying not to detract from the money that women can raise from their efforts. In fact, Patten maintains that "we are saying if you are going to give to White Ribbon then we also want you to give to a women's shelter, a rape crisis shelter or women's program of some kind."

Some women are concerned that because the WRC is novel and run by men, it is going to get more media attention. "We have told local groups we do not want WRC to be doing anything on December 6th," said Patten. "December 6th is a day of mourning for women, a day for women to express their anger, a day for women to express their grief. White Ribbon and other men really need to take a backseat on that day."



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Metro's lost horizons

by Alex Boston

Haligonian shoppers are losing opportunities to support fair trade and fair wages. Horizon Trading the rain. Their drinking water is of-Company which sells crafts, food and clothing from non-industrial countries is closing its doors after the shopping season. In contrast to most import knick knack stores, or Sobey's and Co., Horizon gave decent dollars coffee cartel which was expanding to the farmers and craftspeople whose products they sold.

store shares a similar philosophy and commodity. the same fate. Both stores partially attribute their closures to a shortage of volunteers. Ian Patton, Self Help manager, explained they are intending to re-open in the spring once they have managed to generate further support.

Horizon's big sellers were Bridgehead coffees and teas. Through Bridgehead, Horizon and its customers support democratically run producer groups which have a concern for health and safety standards and frequently offer social programs and health care for their workers. The producer groups equitably share their profits amongst members.

Such achievements are remarkable for industries where workers are normally exposed without protection to carcinogenic chemicals and toxic supervisors for ten hours a day. In Guatemala, which is perhaps one of the worst examples, adult workers earn about \$1.50 a day plus six tortil-

las and a small portion of beans. They often sleep on cardboard boxes in shelters, galeras, which have no walls and thus are unprotected from ten plagued with parasites because of an absence of latrines.

The North American Free Trade Agreement will perhaps worsen conditions as it will probably smash a and threatened to eventually force Canadian and American coffee The Dartmouth-based Self Help drinkers to pay a fair price for the

NO! I FIRMLY BELIEVE THEY SHOULD DEPEND ON



The craftspeople at the other end of Self Help get about 70% of what customers pay. Yet according to Patton, the sales are not the most important thing, "it's that they appreciate the philosophy."

Paul Richard, Horizon co-manager, explains with dismay that Halifax was not politically aware enough to support a philosophy of economic justice. "We need broader participation from the community," he says. day to Saturday.

Richard points to a Saint John store which is thriving because of a committed group of volunteers and an array of church congregations and social justice groups which buy their

Nevertheless, he says there have been major breakthroughs. A couple of teachers in the Annapolis Valley use Bridgehead and Rainforest Crunch as fundraisers and educational tools. A United Church in Waverly, several university departments, and a number of other groups consistently support them. They also have quite solid sales on Saturday mornings at the farmers' market in the Brewery Market.

Coldspring Farms has offered to continue selling the coffee, tea and Rainforest Crunch at the market and to wholesale buyers. Gragaron Farms will also continue selling Horizon's line of wild rice and wild blueberry

This week at the SMU students' centre, the International Development Association brought together Horizon, Self Help and some local craftspeople to offer students a choice when they are doing their seasonal shopping rituals. On Monday and Tuesday of next week Dal Christian Fellowship is bringing Self Help crafts to the Dal SUB.

Horizon Trading Company is open seven days a week at Historic Properties. Self Help is located on Portland St. in Dartmouth and is open Mon-

he foundation

by Emily MacNaughton

Idealists are at work on Dalhousie's campus. The United Nations Discrimination Obliteration (UNDO), a small body of committed members funded by the Nova Scotia Public Interest Research Group (NS-PIRG), is campaigning the UN for a revision of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).

The group was formed following a trip to New York City, where the Dal-Kings University Model United Nations Simulation participated in a conference with students from Canada and the U.S. last April. Members of the International Committee for Social, Cultural and Economic Rights who reviewed the declaration were incensed by its content.

otherhood" and "mankind" which the students consider to be

woman," says Miriam Korn, a Dal- for a long time should now be adhousie student and current member dressed," says UNDO member of UNDO, who participated in the Kristine Anderson. discussion last April.

mentally ill, the physically challenged, the mentally challenged, and

"Language shows who's in power," says Derrick Higginbothan, another UNDO member. "It can create biases." However, he maintains that language "can also be very positive."



The UDHR uses words such as A revision of the UDHR would be a thingmore that needs to be addressed, positive use of its power, he states.

UDHR has not been amended since 1948. Times have changed, "It doesn't represent me as a and "issues that have been ignored

rights of bisexuals, homosexuals, the Higginbothan says, "if you change does."

the foundation, everything should go from there."

UNDO has developed an information package available at the NS-PIRG office on the third floor of the

The group invites people to get involved in petitioning the UN for change. "Even if you have a small interest, put your hand in somewhere," says Higginbothan.

The reforms appealed for are: 1) gender neutral language, 2) the protection from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, and 3) a specific reference to individuals with mental health disorders, the aged, the physically challenged, and the mentally challenged, to emphasize their rights.

"If people feel that there is somethey should drop by PIRG and tell us," says Anderson.

"There's no reason to accept injustices just because it's too much of a hassle," says Kom. "People should attempt to realize their ideals."

In the words of anthropologist, Since the UDHR is the founda- Margaret Mead, "Never doubt that a Women are not the only ones tion of many countries' constitutions, small group of thoughtful, concerned who feel excluded by the declara- UNDO believes that it should repre- citizens can change the world; intion. UDHR does not address the sent an ideal philosophy. As deed, it's the only thing that ever

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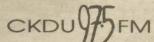


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What is femininity?

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So, the key to marital bliss is maintaining eternal perky freshness, by making sure your man doesn't have to face any of the messier aspects of being a woman. It's the next best thing to being forever young.

In retrospect, the ad is truly comical. However, when one considers the implications of women being told to be ashamed of their bodies in order to accommodate for their mates of the opposite sex are scary. It means women's most important priority is to hold on to their men.

Of course, with more women in the work force and less need to depend on men for financial security, women's roles are changing accordingly. However, the double bind lives on. The media still presents us with a barrage of images of beautiful scantily-clad women which send the men into a lust-crazed frenzy, while on the other hand, the sweet coy virgin is who nice guys like. The former conjures up images of "womanness' spilling over, while the latter is a matter of allowing the supposed inherent passivity of women to shine through.

It is important to notice that it is men who have produced the movies, novels and poetry responsible for creating our images of ideals of romance. This is significant in that there are politics associated with the criteria and expectations for women's behaviour. As long as women continue to be bombarded with conflicting images both women and men will remain in their skewed positions of power in

Madonna and one of her most well-known fans, Dr. Camile Paglia, have taken another approach to the various interpretations of the concept of femininity. Madonna takes on various personas in her much publicized book, Sex.. Photos of the star clad in black leather and chains are interspersed with images of her enmeshed in soft pink, infant-like garb. She is reclaiming all aspects of the stereotypical female sex object in order to foster her fame and fortune. Meanwhile Paglia is receiving great attention for her belief that women should use the power of their beauty to the hilt, and claim their rightful superiority over men. She calls women to take advantage of their disadvantage.

Perhaps Madonna and Paglia are the right track, taking society's view of female human beings and throwing it back in its face. They are recognizing the strength of the politics associated with stereotypes of impure seductresses and ripe, clean virgins. Maybe their extreme tactics will help us to see how absurd, pervasive and dangerous, these images really are.

Miriam Korn

Erratum: Tara Hayward is Literacy Coordinator on campus. Last week's front-page story gave her name incorrectly.

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editorial

The media and the madness

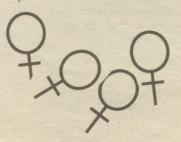
ignating December 6 as a day of murdering us. remembrance for the fourteen women slain in Montreal in 1989 and to raise awareness of violence against women at all levels of our society."

So reads the opening paragraph of a pamphlet put out recently by a coalition of women's groups in Nova Scotia. This day has been specifically put aside for a reason: as Canadians we must all pause and re-examine our position on violence against women. We must see how our society creates cultural contexts to deal with any contingency, and how we react within those imposed contexts.

A recent development has been the portrayal of women in the media as "Lethal Lolitas." This yellowtrash journalistic trend assures the front page of the tabloid (or the lead story on A Current Affair) is devoted to apsychotic kill-crazed woman who suddenly turns on the man in her life, or who fantasizes about a man to the point of obsession and then murders his family in a sly and desperate bid for his attention.

If this type of thing happens as often as the hype leads us to believe,

What has happened is the media about the bikini. has realized that male killers are boring. The headline, "Family Man complicit. Stalks and Gruesomely Murders Five Women," doesn't have the effect it used to have. Men kill women. More women die every year in Canada at



as a given, the only sensational value becomes the quantity of women killed by the lone man.

Women pointed out that we are always the victim, we are always the object of the psychotic, we are someing the glorification of the murderers, the media has turned the focus at last, women have attained some killing. This is like thinking that as mother." measure of equality with men, in that long as we have advertisements that

"Parliament has passed a bill des- we're murdering them as fast as they're sexually exploit men as well as women, women shouldn't complain

It is too easy to sit back and be

An article printed in the November 17 edition of the Arthur, the Trent University newspaper, reads: "Sexism is societal, perpetuated by the hands of some man they love and all men to one extent or another. trust than die in car crashes, or from Only upon realization of this will any other cause. With this accepted men begin to end the problem of violence against women."

> This quote addresses the myth that only a few bad men are spoiling it for the rest of them. Men are complaining they feel excluded by the Week of Reflection, that there's no way men and women can work things out unless they're allowed to work together. Men say they need to be educated by women.

Every day in every walk of life since the beginning of time men and women have evolved working together. The results are in.

Men need to educate themselves to control their own violence. As how always targets. Instead of end-reprinted here from C. Stockwell's article in the Arthur, "If you're looking for women to help you end your we're in trouble. It would mean that inside out, with women doing the violence, you're looking for a

Jennifer Beck



The Dalhousie Gazette welcomes letters to the editor. Letters should not exceed 300 words in length and should be typed and doublespaced. The deadline for letters is Monday noon before publication. Letters may be submitted on Mac or IBM-compatible 3.5" disk.

Scenes from the class struggle

To the editors:

Re: An Enviro-Friendly Campus (Gazette, Nov. 19): this initiative should be one in which we all eagerly participate. Kegrettably, a key ingredient of Sustainable Development - involving the prospective clients or beneficiaries in all stages of developmenthas been neglected. The result is that the announcement of a new class in Waste Management and waste audits (Gazette, Nov. 19) prompts a number of questions and concerns, rather than unqualified approval. Some of mine:

As a professor, I wonder whether hiring consultants to develop this class marks a new approach to course development at Dalhousie. Was there a contract involved that was tendered and reviewed? Was it proposed initially by the consultants? Will the consultants be paid at rates similar to those for sessional appointments? Apparently it is expected that the class will be taught mostly by faculty after

the consultants have developed it; however, the class was proposed and approved without inviting feedback from those departments which would presumably be called upon to contribute to the class in the future.

The consultants' formal (Bachelor level) qualifications are, I suppose, adequate for teaching positions. Of more concern to me are their biases in regard to waste management issues and public participation in Sustainable Development. The consultants' firms were involved in the development and promotion of the (hopefully) ill-fated incinerator option for Metro waste management; one of the consultants has argued vigorously that the public could not be educated sufficiently to make a source-separation/composting option work. A major criticism of the Metropolitan Authority's position, voiced by independent waste management consultants, was that the Authority had not conducted a waste audit for the metropolitan area!

Finally, as a resident of the Biology building in the LSC complex, I would be much happier if Environmental Audits (of which Waste Audits would

be a component) rather than Waste Audits alone were being proposed. An "Enviro-friendly campus" surely refers to our immediate social and physical environment, as well as to the environment "out there". Poor environ-mental quality in the Biology building has been the subject of repeated, and largely ignored petitions for the last 15 years. Conducting Environmental Audits would be a good way to get the prospective clientele for Sustainable Waste Management on side! Components that could well be included in an Environmental Audit of an academic institution are discussed by Christopher Frid, p. 214 ff in vol. 25 of the Journal of Biological Education (1991).

The concept of introducing a class in Waste Management is a good one wherever it came from. It is a pity it wasn't shared and developed with the community as a whole from the beginning. Frid's first Guiding Principle for environmental auditing is "Open Communication".

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(Professor of Biology)

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The coal conspiracy

figure increased by death from asphyxiation unrelated to explosion; there were many deaths caused by crushing from be a degree worse than any other coal development in the world.

This quote can be found in a book of local history, sitting among the was involved in before Westray was a stacks in the Nova Scotia Legislative disaster too, but only a financial dis-Library, one floor above Premier aster. The Quintette Mine in B.C. Cameron's office.

But Mr. Cameron need not do the "research" which he urged members of the audience gathered for law hour on Nov. 19-to do in response to their various questions. This quote was also printed on the front page of the Halifax Herald in a story entitled "Caution Urged in Working Coal Mine". The date was August 18, 1989 -three years before the Westray mine explosion that killed 26 men.

Premier Cameron, on the other hand, says it's just "rumour" that the Westray Coal Mine was built in one of the most dangerous underground locations in the world.

PREMIER A PROMOTER

Mr. Cameron remains a big promoter of the company that owns the mine - Curragh Resources. When asked about their inexperience in digging an underground coal mine, and dealing with all the ensuing dangers, he replied that several of the executive members of the company had extensive experience. That is true. The company's former mine manager-now under criminal investigation - and the company president do have extensive experience in underground mining, but when the same mine manager was asked by the Halifax Herald whether the company itself had ever dug an underground coal mine, he answered: "Not to my knowledge." (See the above Herald

Most of Curragh's experience is in above-ground strip mining - the kind of mine the company is now asking the provincial environment department to Okay.

CAMERON KNEW

Premier Cameron said that he does not know whether the president of Curragh Resources, Clifford Frame, was ever fired from his management

Between 1838 and 1952, 246 men position of a government-subsidized died in the local pits from explosions, a coal mine in B.C. It seems rather odd that he doesn't know Mr. Frame's employment history when you consider the fact that the Conservative falls of stone and coal. In the Stellarton government lent Mr. Frame \$12 seams...mining engineers considered the million, at Mr. Cameron's urging potential causes of explosion present to That aside, Mr. Frame's history is a matter of public record, and Mr. Cameron knows about it.

> The last coal mine Clifford Frame was heavily subsidized by the B.C. Social Credit government to the tune of \$1.5 billion. The coal cost \$100 a tonne to produce. The major buyer, Japan, would pay only \$60 a tonne. By 1988 the mine was \$700 million in debt. This story was elaborated upon by The Financial Post in March, 1988, and the Report of Business Magazine in November of the same year. (I guess Mr. Cameron's "research" missed those stories. If he wants to look at something more recent, he could look at the December 1992 issue of Report on Business Magazine released the day after his talk at the Law School)

After B.C., Mr. Frame went to the Yukon where he made a deal with another government - this time an NDP government - to reactivate an old zinc mine. The Yukon needed jobs. Frame needed government subsidies. Votes for jobs. Some mutual back scratching. This time Frame lucked out. The market for zinc was good and resulted in a lucrative op-

On August 17, 1989 the Halifax Herald told the stories of Clifford Frame's exploits in B.C. and the Yukon. Premier Cameron, then Industry Minister, was questioned about Mr. Frame and he preferred to focus on Frame's success-the Yukon mine. But, since 1988, the Canadian Press wire service has reported several industrial accidents and safety infractions at that mine. (The Yukon miners warned Westray miners about the company's poor health and safety record, even before Westray opened.)

THE POLITICS

The political angle of the Westray mine diaster was investigated extensively by the CBC's Fifth Estate. A long-time, Pictou County MP steppeddown for a short period when

BLACKS ON BLACK

STANDING AT THE CROSSROADS

I took the title of my article from ous struggles in which I am usually Tracy Chapman's album. This is a small way to acknowledge and thank a woman I will probably never meet, for aptly capturing the complex experience of being black and female in a white and male dominated world. Those of us who are of African descent in this university setting know the pain of white supremacy that has been legitimized in our educational system. As an African woman I have had to understand how male and white supremacy are systematically entrenched to limit my difference and to exploit my womanhood.

I am standing at a cross-road divided up by the poverty of my people, my race, my gender and in the vari-

asked to make a choice between. recently attended a conference where women of colour spoke out against struggles that ask them as non-white women to make a choice between their gender, sexual orientation, class, race and other experiences that they deem as central to their lives. received some bold energy from these women which I would like to utilize before it runs out.

I would like to publicly speak out on the racism and sexism (being the two I personally have experienced) that exist in and out of the classroom and in some cases, is taught by professors at St. Mary's and Dalhousie. I think it is time we had the courage to publicly condemn professors that exclude whole cultures and peoples from their discourse. I think too many white students and some non-white students are complacent and thus must be condemned for supporting injustices through their convenient silence. I, like some other students fighting against the evil-isms on campus, am sick and tired of cosmetic solutions and the apparent general lack of commitment. If students are not at the fore-front of organizing, then who will do this work? It is certainly unrealistic to expect those who benefit from these systems to somehow relinquish the power that they enjoy.

To those already organizing tirelessly for change, I give my thanks, support and solidarity. I would advocate that our organizing is inclusive of people as a whole person rather than parts of who they are. To all my Black sisters on and off campus, take courage to stand and be counted. Our silence will never protect us.

Ivy Kusinga

lion loan. Instead, the feds gave him only\$8.75 million and the loan guar-

Federal taxpayers are now responsible for paying off the \$80 million dollar loan guarantee. Perhaps the bureaucratic apprehension which Mr. Cameron spoke of was warranted.

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Brian Mulroney was elected Conservative leader, in order that Mulroney might obtain a seat in the House of Commons. When federal funding was not forthcoming for Westray - the Fifth Estate postulated the MP called in his political debt. (Incidentally, Pictou County includes the Westray mine and also Premier Cameron's riding.)

The federal civil servants, who Premier Cameron criticized for being reluctant to support Westray, knew about Mr. Frame's history through their past dealings with him. They stalled the deal and ultimately the mine's development for several months. Mr. Frame asked for \$60 million in federal funding, and an 85% loan guarantee on a \$100 mil-

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pinions

Where can I buy a toque,

and have been embodied by Conservative M.P. Allan Redway. He is making waves in the Conservative ter he sent to Brian Mulroney which he publicized tirelessly on the weekend of November 14. Redway opposes the direction of the Mulroney government's policies relating to the economy, and calls for significant changes. Amongst them, government should raise corporate taxes, slow the charge towards the North America Free Trade Agreement, and increase government spending with the aim of stimulating the economy. The effect of these proposals is to reprioritize deficit-reduction, the sacred cow of the Mulroney govern-

Allan Redway may have few public supporters for his views in the Conservative Party, but he knows that the current political climate is conducive to gaining for them a wider audience. The responsibility for this lies squarely with President-Elect Clinton. If one considers the contents of Mr. Redway's letter, it becomes obvious that he is parroting a Canadian version of the Democratic platform regarding the economy. The sincerity of Mr. Redway's motivations for acting cannot be deciphered. What can be said with some confidence is that if President Bush had been re-elected, Mr. Redway would not have aired his grievances publicly.

active government participation in lines that tell of Mulroney's intent to

The implications of Bill Clinton's the economy, and is in favour of victory are echoing through Ottawa, realizing NAFTA in its current form, and on its current timetable. Mr. Redway surely could not have made his proposals for the projected eco-Party because of a controversial let- nomic climate over which Mr. Bush would have presided in a second term. Not only would he have faced opposition from his own party, but the ideas he represents would have been stymied by the philosophy of the Bush administration. Like it or not,

Canadian economic policy must, to aconsiderable extent, be harmonized with that of the United States. Dealing with this reality may be somewhat more bearable with Mr. Clinton in the White House.

Canadians define themselves generally in terms of the character which generates the considerable and compassionate social programs with which we are all familiar. Taken at face value, Mr. Clinton's proposed

health care scheme would align Americans much more closely with Canadians, not only in terms of health care, but also in terms of an increased Combined with tax burden. Clinton's economic goals, Canadians may find that there is less of a need to slash and burn its social programs for the sake of competitiveness. It is precisely this expectation that allows Mr. Redway to publicly challenge Mr. Mulroney, for clearly

the Prime Minister's priorities are out-of-step with what is shaping up in the United States. Some may venture to say that Mr. Mulroney is out-of-step with Canadians as well. If Mr. Clinton's victory can bolster the case for maintaining our social programs, then I welcome his presence. How much more so if his victory also leads to a shake up in the leadership of the Conservative Party.

D. Arthur McMartin

oliticians and their poli

Presently, Canadian Parliament is in the process of reconvening for a new session. Apparently it will be business as usual in the House of Commons. Or will it?

Brian Mulroney's government has been preoccupied with constitutional matters for the past few years. In the meantime, the country's dismal financial situation has reached a critical point.

Enter U.S. President-Elect Bill Clinton. Without having issued so much as a statement as Commanderin-Chief, Clinton has already influenced the direction of Canadian

Traditionally, U.S. Democratic governments have had a tendency to tend to domestic affairs. This has always managed to make their allies feel somewhat uneasy. Canada is certainly no exception.

Clinton has stated that he is going to focus "like a laser beam" on the debt-ridden American economy. President Bush stated clearly in Now, not surprisingly, Canadians are his campaign that he is opposed to being treated to newspaper head-

wave his economic magic wand. A late repentance, however, not to mention a perfect example of how a Clinton administration will signifiOur government will be pressured to appoint someone to this position who will be equipped to deal with such an issue immediately.

"Mulroney is like an uninvited houseguest who refuses to leave"

cantly affect and shape Canadian government policy.

Foreign corporations in the U.S. have also been targeted as a source of revenue in the Bill Clinton recovery plan. He plans to collect at least 55 million dollars from such firms which he feels are not paying "their fair share" of U.S. taxes. This has made Canadian business people quite apprehensive about the transition of power in the U.S. This is an important issue as such protectionist measures call for delicate diplomatic endeavors. Early in January of 1993, ambassador positions between Canada and the U.S. will be vacant.

It is difficult to make commentary on a man who has yet to issue a single directive from the White House. Certainly, Clinton's activism may result in the resolution of environmental difficulties between Canada and the U.S. - concerns that were

largely ignored by Republican administrations past. Conjecture aside, Brian Mulroney has been scrambling to get back into the good graces of an electorate he must face in the coming year. Streamlining his Cabinet and promising to "take a hard look" at our woeful economic situations come only as a direct result of his newly elected counterpart's desire to reshape the American economy. Mulroney could be liked to an uninvited houseguest who, once inside, refuses to leave and resorts to any type of cheap trick to ensure that he stays. His most recent performance has him securely under the influence of the policy direction of Bill Clinton.

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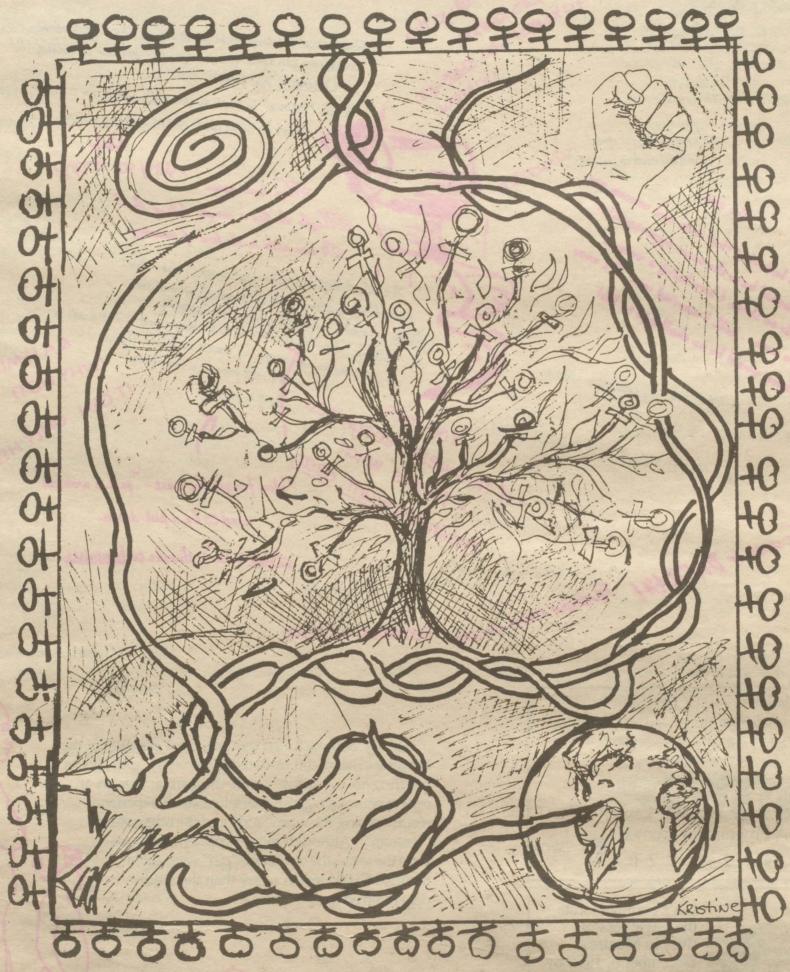
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WEEKOF REFLECTION.

November 23 - 30, 1992



Three years ago a man walked into a university with a a classroom. gun. "I am looking for women," he said, entered a classroom and killed fourteen students. Fourteen women.

Two weeks ago a friend asked me why we were having nists." a Week of Reflection. "I think we should try to forget what happened." he said. He thought it was time move on.

People have many different reasons to take part in a Week of Reflection. Here are a few of mine.

1. I am a woman.

Perhaps you believe I'm paranoid, but as a woman there is a greater chance that I will be beaten and murdered by a spouse, raped by a stranger or an acquaintance, sexually harassed by a professor or co-worker, or killed in

2. I am a feminist.

"I hate you all," said Mark Lepine. "You are all femi-

I've met women who refuse to be associated with feminism, and yet have the same beliefs as I do. Some say they aren't feminists. I'm not sure what the "Ten Commandments" of feminism are, but I thought if a woman believed in equal rights and equal opportunities for women and men, she was a feminist.

3. I am a person.

Week of Reflection is not about women bashing men.

It's about people remembering all the women in Canada who have died as a result of violence and recognizing that there are thousands more who live with abuse everyday. If you personally are not a potential victim of violence against women, then someone who you know and love is.

Week of Reflection is not simply a time to mourn and there are are as of feminism they don't agree with therefore remember. It is a starting point for change. Go to a workshop, watch a film or attend a vigil. Think about what you can do to end violence against women. Don't just read a banner that says "Whether words, blows or bullets, violence kills." Understand. And change.

Graffitti inthe pomper room

Darlin', I have to tell use this, IMAWAYIMA PENDUST. FENDUSMIS NOT I'm not a feminist, and I love men but that's fournish WHATITOITSWOIAN - Right on sisten! I'M O FEMINIST WHO LOVES MEN but I believe every wooman should have the abilility What about having pride in being an intelligent human to stand on her own two feet! being who can spell the name of her gender correctly!? WOMAN, you fool! If you "believe" in that so strongly, make an effort to know what you're talking about! Why are women so agram to call themselves feminists? Out of the Hey look again. - Why so angry? Feminism is believing that men and women are equal and should have the same opportunities Maybe she has a reason behind that? available to them. I love being a woman It sure adds to the level of meaning... and I love men bell, I married one. If I were Is called logic. If man and women are equal a man, there would be no challenge to life! then don't bother calling yourself a feminist ealling yourself "woman" should be enough. I believe I am equal, proud to be a women and I don't let men get in my way, as much as I love them & A FEMINIST if this were recognized inst a woman. and I don't call myself a feminist, IT CAN ONLY HELP WITH Don't let men rule your World Yeah! Rule your own world!!! -This is what feminists want, dear You forget the past - "just a woman" used to be a put-down. THE WIRE OF BACKAGE Everyone has a choice. Don't force your choice on others

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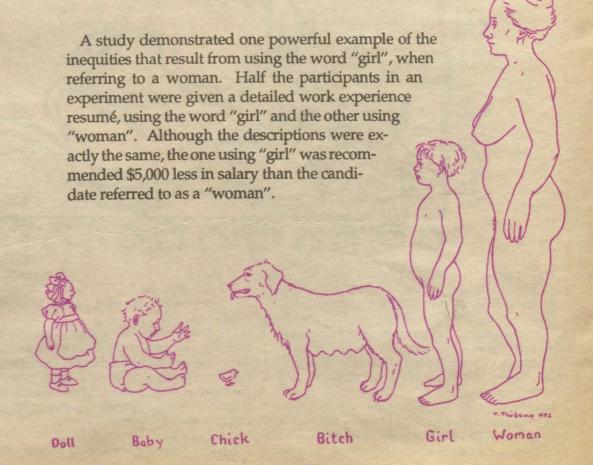
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Let's commemorate the tragic loss of lives in Montreal December 6, 1989 by changing attitudes and taking action to finally end violence against women.

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"Even in darkness there is hope"

moments in the day

by the playground watching little boys run and shout and challenge and girls by the double doors to the school guard pastel dresses and white leotards and black patent shoes

buying the paper at the newsstand I see glossy covers legs spread for the anonymous subject eyes see nothing lips parted without betraying a voice

man in a suit approaching on the sidewalk optically probing my thighs seeking my breasts

at home stepping into the bath is mirror-reflected me

fragmentation

straining vision to catch movement in the dark dead-bolting the door keeping close to couples in the park

thinking planning preparing ahead during and after everything

voicing my truth in class then meeting eyes in the hall attending the vigil that stirs resentment and rage avoiding wrath by smiling quietly at male attention always everywhere

fear

throat constricting around unheard cries that turn inward ribs screaming caging in and sheltering the exploding heart body shedding flesh to avoid poison and violation weeping eyes that cannot blur their vision

pain

refusing to relinquish my core to this finding and connecting to the others pointing at reality and speaking it in your face taking the power you can never steal never access being and being and being

anger knowledge community strength

on my mind

you did not only take a life.
you also took a future.
you took it from all of us;
From her family,
From all of those people whose
day she changed with her smile.
you had no right.

you walk today
you did not know her?
you did not deserve to.
you killed a part of us.
How could you? How could you?
Every minute you run free
adds more to our pain.
you had no right.

you do not know what happens.
To families.
To her family; to us.
you stole all of her dreams.
you took her chance.
you did not think.
you did not care.
you had no right.

you have no right to walkplayskipsingdancelovehaterunHIDE

YOUR AFRICAN WOMAN?

Am I your African woman
Only when I am a virgin?
Am I your African woman
When I am passive and obedient?
When my wishes are irrelevant to your world
When I am available at command
To conceive, preferably sons
To wash and clean your home
To cook and dust till dawn
And to wait up till you're soundly asleep

Am I your African woman Only when my face is worn with falsities When Labsorb without fuss all the pain you afflict When my clothes are cut to conceal my curves And my eyes are lowered in submission To affirm you all, preferably at all times To receive only when given To give and give of myself And to bravely pretend that all is alright For to state my mind, is traitorous To stare back, inappropriate To enjoy my body, slut-like To chose my education, selfish To love myself, unforgiving If all/these things make me an-African If this is what is branded as feminism

Ivy Kusinga

Robbed of Life

life is that precious free gift given to us by this world, It may not be perfect but it is there for us to build;

Then my choice is simple

I cannot be your African woman

I want to cry through hardship I want to laugh in friendship, I want to feel the cold biting air and feel the rain in my hair.
I want to live.

Fourteen young women no longer live
No longer see winter frost on the ground,
No longer hear their friends voices
Their world scattered in one swift moment.
By one confused man.

So many dreams that could have been So much more they should have seen, They were young, intelligent and strong They never did anything wrong.

I know that life is unfair,
I know that people are not all good,
But why, please tell me why they had to die?
That is something I never understood.

Please promise me that never will there be such a waste of life

Tell me that what happened was just one crazy moment Promise their families and friends that society will never hurt innocent people again, And if they can hear you, could you also make this promise to those fourteen young women?

D. Spencer

Laura Janara

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WEEK OF REFLECTION

Women unite to fight the right

On December 6, 1989, fourteen women were murdered by self-proclaimed anti-feminist, Marc Lepine in Mon- in a society where women's oppression is institutionaltreal. The tragic deaths of these engineering students were, for many Canadians, a brutal awakening to the incidence of violence and hostility towards women in our society.

Of course, violence against women is not only a matter of a shooting by a madman or violent rapes carried out by strangers in back alleys. The majority of violence against women occurs in the home. Most often, women are raped and /or beaten by husbands, ex-lovers or other men they

But violence against women goes beyond rape, battering and less frequently, murder. Hunger and poverty, for example are forms of violence. Women make up the majority of those living below the poverty line in Canada and around the world.

Women, along with immigrants and other minorities, fill many of the most menial, low paying and often dangerous jobs. Many women factory workers, for example, are exposed to hazardous chemicals detrimental to their health. Assembly-line computer terminal workers suffer back problems from poor working conditions, as well as deteriorating eyesight and headaches. In places like El Salvadorand the Philippines, women are hired to do the tedious work involved in producing computer chips, work that inevitably destroys eyesight.

Some women with few options turn to prostitution as an alternative. Many suffer police harassment and violence at the hands of pimps.

Even those women who don't face poverty often suffer pain and violence as a result of society's sexist expectations. There are countries where women are beaten, burned and even killed for "crimes" like infidelity or getting a job. In the West, women undergo painful, and

terations in order to mould their bodies to current sexual

stereotypes.

Violence against women will continue as long as welive the fight for abortion rights is to maintain a consistent and ized and as long as efforts to slash wages, cut back on daycare and limit access to abortion goes unchallenged.

As the government cuts social services and employers attack on wages, benefits and union organization, poverty and unemployment deepens. And, as study after study has shown, as poverty levels rise, so too does the alienation and hopelessness which all too often leads to violence against women. Although most men do not become rapists or murderers, what we know of Marc Lepine's background tells us something about how conditions in our society affect people's lives.

Women are rightly angered by the degree of violence and sexism in our society

Government attempts to "recriminalize" abortion, the recent scuttling of the National Day-care Program and the continuing efforts to undermine the principle of universality of healthcare and benefits, all serve to "delegitimize" demands for women's rights and create an atmosphere in which anti-feminist propaganda can flourish.

It is very important, particularly in this period of backlash against women (as well as gays and lesbians, immigrants and so on), that we remember the many women (and men) who have struggled and fought for gains that improve women's lives.

For example, in the past 2-3 years, many young prochoice activists have begun to use the militant tactics often dangerous surgery like liposuction and breast al- which initially won the fundamental right to choose in the early 70's. The success of union efforts and large demonstrations during this time show that the way forward in

high profile struggle for women's rights, and to let the anti-choicers know that whenever these rights are threatened, their anti-woman agenda will be opposed in the

Weare beginning to see such actions again - large rallies in support of a clinic for Ottawa, marches in defence of the Morgantaler clinic in Toronto, and recently in Halifax (Oct. 4th), a lively demonstration of 40 pro-choice activists (armed with placards and chants) which disrupted "Campaign Life" anti-choicers efforts to form a "life chain" across the bridge.

Whenever the right-wing attempts to mobilize, they must be confronted. Whenever clinics are attacked, they must be defended.

Social programs and benefits like maternity leave, subsidized day-care, medicare, etc. have been won through union activity and the mass mobilization of working people, the poor and the disadvantaged. Current access to abortion, limited as it is, was fought for by the movements for women's liberation and gay and lesbian rights. We need to defend and extend these gains so that we are not driven back into the closet, back into the kitchen and back to the backstreet abortionist.

Women are rightly angered by the degree of violence and sexism in our society. But we need to work from points of strength, not weakness; as activists, rather than 'victims". A fightback on issues like abortion access, pay and employment equity, universal day-care, and against cuts to social services is crucial.

So while we remember the victims of the Montreal shooting, let's work to change the society which gives rise to sexism and violence against women. DON'T **JUST MOURN, ORGANIZE!**

KIM CUMMINGS, INTERNATIONAL SOCIALIST CLUB

In Memoriam

We remember the women who died in violence in Nova Scotia in the past year.

Marilyn Rose Sabean, 44 Halifax

Mary Anne Lamrock, 26

East Pubnico Marie Lorraine Dupe, 47

Sydney

Margaret Lorraine Mills Halnuck, 24 Sydney

> Donna Warren, 22 North Sydney

Deborah June Harvey, 38 Windsor

Unnamed Woman, 39 Belle Cote

Daisy Jean Jefferson, 50

Beatrice Marie Wright, 41 Stellarton

We also remember

Jane Hurshman-Corkum, 43

Dartmouth for the witness she bore on violence against women

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INVASION

I lay there, as He presses probes penetrates with his white gloved hands I feel the sharp cramped pain in my stomach In the recess of my mind I hear his tired angry voice his hand pain-fully slides out, wet but

She presses for answers, probes with question and penetrates with her needle. Her voice is precise but understanding.

Confused thoughts curse through my mind

The needle slides out containing blood. She has her answer.

Grace Temani

Escaping violence

An acquaintance of mine was recently beaten by her lover. The perpetrator is being kicked out of his university residence for his actions.

A high school friend left her partner who physically and verbally abused her. My mother used to babysit the abuser after school when he was a cute little seven-year-old who tried to entice his friends to eat worms.

A relative of mine verbally abuses his wife. He pushed her around, once (that I am aware of). She called the police. Sheknew what to do. It had happened before in a previous

Violence - physical, verbal, and sexual - against women is still prevalent in our society even with public awareness of the issue. It is not a new phenomenon, but it certainly is more recognized and less tolerated. More and more women refuse to put up with violence from men.

They refuse to put up with the fists, the taunts, and the being treated like whores. There are alternatives and women are learning that there is support for them and where to find it. There are support groups, there are sexual harassment committees, there are women's shelters (such as Adsum House and Bryony House), and there are programs for abusive men.

Women are learning that they do not have to put up with our patriarchal society's shit.

There are many "excuses" as to why men abuse women Among these are issues of: power, cultural norms, economy, sexual insecurity, jealousy and mistrust, lack of effective communication, and stress. But can we really understand that someone beats his lover because he feels insecure? Can we really say, "That's okay. I know you were stressed out." I will never understand how someone can hurt someone they "love".

Of course, it is a combination of these underlying factors which cause violence that allow men to abuse, and women to be abused. But it is hard to understand and comfort the abuser - even if it is a friend or relative of mine.

M J HAMILTON

An expensive pill to swallow

by Victoria Harding

The Dalhousie student prescription drug plan does not cover birth control pills. In an attempt to find the cheapest source to fill a pill prescription, many pharmacies were contacted. The findings are as fol-

The price of a pack of pills fluctuates greatly depending on the brand name of the pill and the pharmacy's price for that brand. With pharmacies able to mark up the price of pills by whatever percent they choose, it's worth your while to phone a few pharmacies and find out how much you'll pay.

All pharmacies operate under a system by which they charge a dispensing fee for the process of filling a prescription. Dispensing fees for birth control polls are not the same as the fee charged to dispense other prescription drugs. This is a fee that you pay ON TOP of the price of your prescription. The dispensing fee and the number of packs of pills you can get per single dispensing fee varies greatly from store to store.

Prices increase twice yearly - January and July - so you should get as

before the new year... or, put them on your Christmas list.

An alternative to purchasing your pills at a pharmacy is the Metro Area Family Planning Clinic on 5541 pay. You do have to make an ap-Russell St., Halifax. They are a nonprofit organization and charge \$10.00

many packages of pills as possible perpack of pills (this fee includes pill price and dispensing fee). If you're short on cash one week, they have a policy that they will not deny anyone her pills because she is unable to pointment to see one of their (all female) physicians before they will

fill your prescription (you can also Shop around. get condoms, foam, and medication for various STD's from these folks).

If you are a woman who chooses to use birth control pills, exercise your choice about which pharmacy to patronize. Give your drug store a call and find out how much you'll pay.

Footnote: It was interesting to see how reluctant pharmacies are to disclose their dispensing fee.

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DRUG STORE	FEE	# PACKS /VISIT
Albro Lake Prescription Centre	4.75	1
107 Albro Lake Rd., Dartmouth		
Armdale Prescription Centre	6.80	1
7193 Quinpool Rd., Halifax		
Buckley's Drug Store	6.80	unlimited
6247 Jubilee Rd., Halifax		
Community Pharmacy	6.00	unlimited
Prospect Rd., Halifax County		
Connaught Pharmacy		
6589 Chebucto Rd., Halifax		
Crowells Pharmacy Ltd.	5.90	unlimited
349 Herring Cove Rd., Halifax		
Dunsworth E.J. Ltd.	6.45	1
6413 Quinpool Rd., Halifax		
Fader's Pharmacy	6.00	1
6085 Coburg Rd., Halifax		
Family Drug Centre	3.00	1
382 Portland St., Dartmouth		
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many locations		
The Real Atlantic Superstore	5.20	1
745 Sackville Dr., Sackville		
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Zeller's	6.80	3
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Cin ball simply sinful

by Anthony Roberts, BGLAD!

This past Friday November 20th saw the first ever "Homo Hop" organized by BGLAD! The theme for the dance was "Cin Ball" playing on the words "sin" and "Cinderella". Cinderella being the epitome of purity, innocence and naivety while sin conjures up thoughts of lust, sensuality and concupiscence.

The dance was well attended with approximately 100 people taking part. People from other parts of the province, such as the Annapolis Valley, came to take advantage of this event.

The event was more than a dance. It represented an opportunity for an expression of our very being. Sexual categories in this event were not prioritized. Judgements were not made about sexual orientation and desires. It was an open environment for people to feel complete in who they are as individuals and persons. A time to be free in themselves without the worry of being judged. It provided an environment of respect and support liberating feelings of shame and deficiency.

This made the dance a unique experience. One where all were to be left without the need to justify and explain themselves. One where all were to be seen as agents in their own lives and simultaneously

part of a greater whole.

BGLAD! hopes to be active in organizing and supporting events in the future. We are hoping to achieve an environment of mutual respect, admiration and consideration and will continue to strive to that end.

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set by the Act which enabled the now"unconstitutional"inquirytobe established. Lets look at the politics behind this deal. For example: When Curragh Resources did not get the desired, initial response from the federal government, they went to the New York Stock Exchange and tried to raise capital. They failed miserably. No investors were interested in a thinly capitalized, resource-venture company. So back Curragh went to Donald Cameron.

That is when his government came up with the now infamous "Take or

Pay Agreement," a contract by which it incredibly agreed to pay Curragh every year, whether Curragh took the coal out of the ground and sold it, or not. But, Premier Cameron told the law hour audience, the contract wasso extravagantly designed merely to get federal funding. He insists Curragh "said" to him that it would never have asked his government to follow through on its legal obligations - even if the explosion hadn't happened. No "rumour." Honest.

Stewart Lewis

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Making those ears bleed

by Michael Graham & Bruce Gilchrist

The "Green" room took on a whole into pit crowds? new meaning last Saturday night. In case you missed the five hour five high-school days seem lame-O in band extravaganza we present a re- comparison. All we ever did was drink cap for your reading pleasure.

Green Room PWA Benefit Gig Purple Groove Monsters Thrush Hermit, Jale Leonard Conan, Bubaiskull 21/11/92

The show started up at about eight and oh about 250 people were gracing the "Green" room with plaid power (Tom Poston's influence is omnipresent), ripped noserings, and Doughboys T-shirts. Mind you, this was probably the first mini-Lollapalooza concert that 90% of them had ever seen, coz they were all teenagers. This gig was an all-ages show in benefit of the Persons-With-Aids fund and these teenagers (we're talking 13-17 here!) really knew what was up! Within 1 minute of the PGM's starting up it was

THRASHMOSHPIT heaven. Where'd they ever learn to stagedive

Gawd it makes my (Bruce here) rotten homebrew in the guys locker room and dance pathetically to Mony Mony five times over. Boy Bruce, were you ever deprived. (Mikehere). This gig was a throwback to my jr. high days when I was going to punk/ hardcore gigs all the time. The mideighties music scene was great here. Club Flamingo, the Asexuals at St. Andrew's and tons upon tons of bands here at the SUB. Unfortunately I can't remember many names.

Purple Groove Monsters. The PGM's were plagued by problems and didn't put in a very memorable set. Since last term they have come up with a few new tunes, but their set consisted mainly of older stuff. They only played for about a half hour perhaps recognizing their less than stellar performance. This band is capable of much better, they just had a bad night. Maybe it was the guitar strap falling off, the dropping of the pick, and the broken violin string all in the same song that did it. Sorry Aran, no groupies that night...

Thrush Hermit. Thrush Hermit played for about twice as long as the PGMs. Their set consisted of some great thrash-pop and entertaining between-song banter. Their original material was pretty good and they were much tighter than the PGM's. There was a strong audience response and lots of thrashing in the "pit", which is actually about two feet lower Dogfood, the Nils and SNFU at the than the stage area. The band had fun throughout their set and played

> Jale. Where did this band come from? They must have just come out of the garage after years of practice because they sounded pretty good, and very tight. I would go as far as saying that they are the best all female band in Halifax (a joke, for the humour impaired). Heck, they were better than all the other bands, except maybe Bubiaskull. They sounded somewhat like a rougher ("greener") version of the Breeders. The similarity is not overwhelming, and it is



Bubaiskull redefines tinnitis

meant as a compliment. This band event they missed a great band. They night. It was interesting to watch a the audience's collective hearing. think they are.

times they reminded me of a toned whadda lozer. down version of The Stiff Little Fingers. Although they played well, they be had. Now, if only some nondidn't really get much crowd appre- CKDU Dal students had showed up, ciation. This may be due to the tame- it would have been a GREAT show. ness of much of their material, or the But as you know, apathy rules. Seattle

time the band took to set up. In any remixes way too much.

has the potential to progress to Sloan-ranked well on the bizarro-insane like status. They also had the most index (who likes normal?) and they self-effacing stage presence of the seemed to take pleasure in hurting band who is better than perhaps they Their songs had good bass and drum counterpoint and overall they knew Leonard Conan. Next up was L.C. how to break up boring songs and They were the most refined and me- make them very interesting. Mike lodic of all of the bands to play. At says they rule! Bruce missed them -

So all in all, it was a good show to fact that the band's total age is about status the bands are nowhere near (and I do mean that Messrs. Petersen Bubaiskull. Most people left be- and Shaw), but it is nice to see that fore Bubaiskull took the stage. Maybe there is support for local talent, even they had to catch a bus, or maybe if the majority of us Generation X'ers they got fed up with the amount of still listen to Mony Mony dance

A meeting with Mr. Metro

by Dak Jiordani

"Idon't want to sound like a preacher, but I believe everybody is guaranteed three things in life-you're born, you live, you die. So, while you're here, you might as well have a good time.

That Philosophy just about sums up the attitude most people have toward life, especially modern musicians. But, rapper Devon Martin is not just another musician who likes to have a good time with his music. Born in England to Jamaican parents and raised in Ontario, he's a friendly, thoughtful young man who feels that it is perfectly acceptable to mix serious issues with upbeat tunes.

His debut album, It's My Nature, Records, and the first single is a song average kind of fellow, about half the negativity, what's the sense? You

standard modern music topics of love found, love lost, dating, partying,

However, it is the other, more the most interest. These deal with a wide variety of topics, from violence and racism ("Mr. Metro") to safe sex ("Check For Yourself"), and from growing up in modern times ("Back In Time") to day-to-day prejudice ("Call The Cops"). One notable song, 'It's Not The Way," is an allegorical tale about the horror of the neverending cycle of violence, poverty and abuse in the inner cities.

"The lyrics were like a diary of what I was going through at the time has just been released by Capitol and what I was seeing," said Devon. "They were a collection of things - a called "Princess," a rap variant of the giving of myself. I believe in trying to theme featured in Billy Joel's keep things peaceful and just trying "Uptown Girl." Not surprisingly, to live with each other. But, if your since Devon is a fairly optimistic, gonna waste all that energy creating

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songs on the album deal with the might as well check out early. That's how I was brought up, and that's what I reflect in my music."

With a music background that varies from jazz and reggae to classiserious songs on the album that hold cal and blues, it's not surprising that the album's other strength is the heavy use of live instruments, as opposed to loops, samples, and sequencers, the usual method of creating a rap/dance beat rythym.

We kept sampling to a minimum on the album. We didn't let the sample control the whole song, whereas with a lot of rap now, it's the sample that rules. We didn't let the sample that rules. We didn't want that heavy bass, club vibe kind of rythym; we wanted to let live sound be the dominant side of the album."

Devon will perform at the Flamingo on the 29th with the Metro Squad.

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Leolo: the surreal and the sublime

by Walter Forsyth

LEOLO

Director: Jean-Claude Lauzon Wormwoods Cinema Nov. 27 to Dec. 3.

and out of the theatre (Denis Arcand dark fantasy rooted in the tough realverge of manhood in the poverty of cold hard truth. lower class urban Canada. The power softly textured surrealism.

up in Montreal and his struggle to out the story in this manner. This is comprehend the world. He where the magic occurs. Told through

doesn't like or doesn't get he invents. Jean-Claude Lauzon's second fea- Like any child trying to discover what ture film has been causing a stir from is real, he injects his inventions into Cannes to Vancouver and is return- his own reality. For example, Leo ing to Halifax after filling the house believes a tomato injected with the at the Atlantic Film Festival. Not sperm of a Sicilian farmer is his real since Jesus Of Montreal has a Cana-lineage, and so, demands he be called dian film caused such vibrations in Leolo. And living in a world where his father is obsessed with everybody's bowel movements, his two sisters spending ever increasing time in the psychiatric ward, a big brother who hides his fear of people through his obsession with body building, and perhaps a faulty gene trying to rewire is an actor in this film). It is a rich his own brain, he has no choice but to live an imaginative existence flowity of coming of age; of a boy on the ing between dreams, fantasy and the

Lauzon tells this story through the of the production lies here, in its thoughts of an old man who finds ability to scream at you with its harsh Leo's writings in the garbage. The realism while at the same time lulling director has said that this is a very you into the dream-like fantasy of its autobiographical work and as a grown man looking back at his childhood Leolo is about a boy, Leo, growing it seems a logical conjecture to play tries to understand the world by writ- flowing dream-like vignettes which

ing down his ideas of it. What he overlap past with present and past again, your mind is forced to work to understand as events unfold. At the same time you are mesmerized by the grainy cinematography and stellar soundtrack (Tom Waitsetc.). Where do dreams end and days start? No more is this line obscured then in Leo's romantic obsession with his beautiful first-love and Italian neighbour, Bianca.

> If I have painted a picture too cloudy to comprehend don't be alarmed. Trying to describe this masterpiece is like standing too close to a Monet, or maybe it is my admiration for this piece that prevents me from objectively conveying it to you. If you need more assurance, check the credits. Leolo just took home 3 Geminis, the second biggest haul behind Naked Lunch at this year's Genie Awards. It won best original screenplay by creator Lauzon, best editing by Michel Arcand and best costume design. It received a standing ovation at this years Cannes film festival. Who cares about the awards and their politics, if you can get those snobs off their seats then you have a winner. Still in



doubt? Watch Un Zoo La Nuit, Lauzon's first feature which won him Canadian film of the year in 1987. The CBC is showing it Thursday night, Nov. 26. It is a great film of crime, drugs and love but that is another story.

Warning: Some of the clamour from this production is from its intensity. Some people can't take the vulgarity and have walked out (the Toronto Film Festival, surprise, surprise). Perhaps this movie is not for the squeamish or those not in touch with what goes on around them. Then again, we are accustomed to seeing people kill each other on the screen but the most natural acts of sexual interaction are forbidden. You

really have to wonder about our society and after departing from this film you will probably be doing just that.

Superbly photographed, it is like strolling through the Salvador Dali Exhibition at the Musée Des Beaux Arts. With black humour that makes you fidget and laugh at the same time, memories of Brazil, Cold Comfort or even the Fisher King flood back. There are moving emotions throughout, like the sadness in his brother's defeat, the anger of how unfair life can be, and the elation in knowing the power of the imagination. Leolo is a surreal movie adapted from the brutality of Canadian life in the manner of Alice Munro or David Adams Richard. Those are the reasons I loved this film. What are yours?

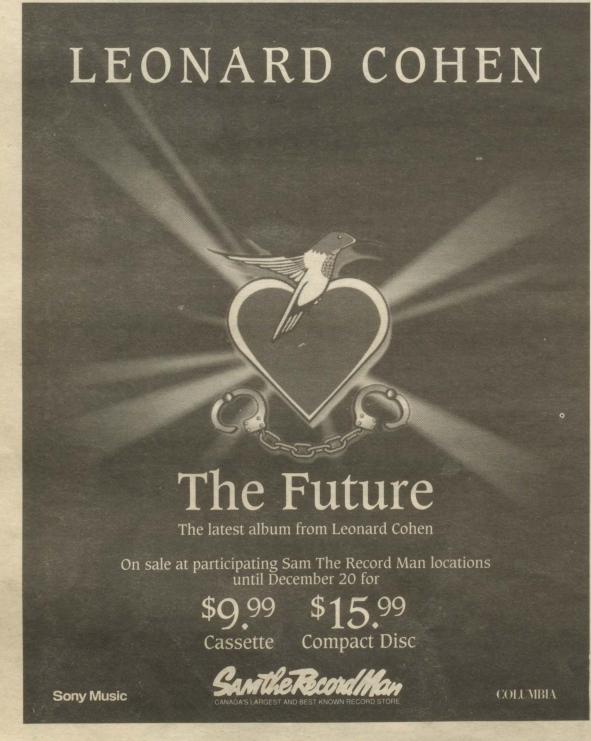
Well now there is an opportunity

from very bluesy slow Doors stuff edge is necessary. (Exit Thread) to faster more radiofriendly straight ahead rock tunes Deuce Wed. Dec. 2.

(Tied By Your Love and Purpose If you were hip enough to be at the Radio). But the best songs on the Deuce about a month and a half ago album are those that rely on compoyou would have seen one of the bet-sition ability, rather than the more ter indie bands available in Canada: typical formula of chorus/solo/cho-The Tea Party. They played a wild rus approach. For instance, the song and literally acid-tinged set that Casual Indifference enters with an brought the feel of authentic 1971 acoustic atmosphere and what sounds psychedelia indoors. Too bad if you like synth strings. This is the most missed them - they were pretty differ- original feel on the album, and the soliloguy in the song comes off great.

While they're not going to blow to capture a different angle, but simi- anyone out of their seats with a maslar in design: Halifax's own The sive alternative assault. The Fourth Fourth Wall. Continuing in the Wall have the tools to sound good 1970's feel, but this time more Doorsy with competent playing and intellithan Led Zeppy, The Fourth Wall is gent interesting lyrics. The lead singer athreesome that write old-stylesongs can actually sing, which is the most with a new-style radio friendly atti- important thing in a radio directed tude. It's hard to walk that line of band, and the guitar solos show an distinction without falling in the traps interest in being unprogrammed and of either "selling out" or getting "too point to the ability to play live. The weird" but The Fourth Wall looks bass is steady and understated, and like a good bet to try and stay origi- while the drumming needs to benal. All of the songs on their new 13 come more responsive it too does cut album are penned by either drum- alright. The only thing not coming mer Bruce Thompson or guitarist offis the intensity on the faster songs. and lead singer John Rosborough. While they are able to create a good There is a fair variation of tracks feel for the naturalism and spiritualon the new album Beltane Born, re- ism themed slow songs, they need to cently recorded at Adinsound Stu-pick up the intensity and belt out dioshere in Halifax. The tracks range their louder tunes. For anything an

The Fourth Wall plays the Double



Swimming Tigers split wins with MTA and UNB

by John Yip

The Dalhousie Swimming Tigers had their first home meets of the season on November 21 and 22. With a huge home contingent of fans, the Tigers took on the Mt. Allison the Tigers to a combined score of 262 Mounties and the University of New Brunswick Beavers at Dalplex.

women's teams dominated the pool and drowned the Mounties. Thirdyear Commerce student Jason Shannon and third-year Physiotherapy student Donna Phelan earned the Swimmers of the Meet awards. Shanpool by posting fast times in the 50m

the men's events. Katherine Dunn, Sarah Woodworth, Jennifer Smith, Janet Tingley and Carla McDougall chalked up victories for the women's team. Both the men's and women's teams also took both relays to bring points over Mt. Allison's 67 points.

The UNB Beavers, ranked in the On Saturday, both men's and top ten nationally, proved to be a bit more of a challenge for the Tigers on Sunday. However, Katharine Dunn outpaced the UNB swimmers to win and qualify for CIAUs in the 100m Back and also led the 4x100m Medley relay to victory. Katharine was non showed awesome power in the consequently named Swimmer of the Meet. Lynne Patterson and Donna Free and 200m Back, narrowly miss-, Phelan managed to win the 200m ing the CIAU cut-off in the latter. In Free and 50m Free respectively. the women's 100m Free and 400m Kristen Matthews won the 100m Free Free, Donna Phelan showed some while Robin Mackay took the 400m early season speed as she too nar- Free. Both Kristen and Robin along rowly missed qualifying for the CIAU with Christy Gustavision and Sarah championships. Matt Fraser, D'Arcy Woodworth outouched UNB to win Byrne, Mike David, Sean Andrews the 4x200 Free relay. Carla and Ian Jackson were also winners in McDougall added a victory in the

100m Breast to top the visiting UNB 124 to 53. The women's Tigers now have three victories so far this season. Hopefully this momentum will carry the team to the conference championships in February.

For the men, the Dal Tigers lost narrowly to UNB, the defending AUAA men's champions. Matt Fraser led the way with double wins in the 400m IM and the 400m Free. Fraser, a second-year Earth Sciences major, had consistent performances all weekend and was named the Swimmer of the Meet. D'Arcy Byrne had gutsy swims in the 200m Free and 800m Free while Sean Andrews powered his way to win the 50m Free. Jason Shannon went on to win the 100m Back.

Maria MacPherson. "This was the third weekend in a row the team has had competitions in conjunction with tough training. I was impressed with their competitiveness and stamina. I'm glad nobody gagged on their goggles twice..."

As the first part of the season is over, the Dal Tigers will be involved in several projects. Through Nov. 27-30, the Varsity Swim Team will be selling citrus at the Craft Sale at the Dalplex. Also, from Dec. 4 to Dec. 19, the team will be running Operation Red Nose to raise funds. Operation Red Nose is a program to chauffeur people too tired or drunk

"It was a tough weekend for the to drive home after a night of cel-Swim Team," said Assistant Coach ebrating. For more information about this vital service or to volunteer your time please call 494-1153.

Funding these events enables the team to travel to Barbados for their Christmas Training Camp. The Camp will not be all fun in the sun, as the Tigers will be training twice daily and swimming more than 75, 000 meters over their eight-day stay. During the training camp, steps will be taken to improve the team's conditioning as well as to mend any technical problems with their strokes. When they come back (a little darker), winning the AUAA Championships and qualifying for the CIAU Championships in Toronto will be the team's focus

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Dal hockey posts 3 wins

by Derek Neary

The Dalhousie Tigers have put and pulled into second place in hockey's Kelly division.

Tigers doubled up on the Moncton Blue Eagles 6-3. Dal trounced St. Thomas 7-3 on Saturday November 21 and defeated Saint Mary's earlier ing up his first victory. in the week by a 7-5 count.

Greg Smyth and Joe Suk each scored two goals to lead the Tigers in Moncton on Sunday. Corey MacIntyre and Peter Robertson had the other Dal markers.

each scored a pair of goals against the Tigers will wrap up the first half of Tommies on Saturday. Trent the season on Sunday November 29 Gleason, Stu Birnie, and Smyth also when they travel to Acadia to take tallied. Dal goal tender Scott on the division-leading Axemen.

MacDonald stopped 31 shots during

On Wednesday November 18 the together three consecutive victories Tigers topped Saint Mary's on the strength of Joe Suk's hat trick. House also played a prominent role making On Sunday November 22, the two goals and an assist. MacDermid and Mark Myles each chipped in with a single each. Rookie net minder Morgan Fudge made 32 saves in pick-

Following weekend action, the Tigers had boosted their record to 6-3-0, putting them a point ahead of Cape Breton and into second spot behind the Acadia Axemen. On Wednesday November 25 the Tigers Keifer House and Ken MacDermid faced the Saint Mary's Huskies. The

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Welcome to my world



by Adam Newman

My biology professor put an early end to the lesson about protein structure so that my classmates and I could hear Jim MacNeill speak.

Dr. MacNeill is a senior fellow with the Institute for Research on Public Policy in Ottawa, former director of environment for the Organization of Economic and Cooperative Development (OECD), former secretary-general of the Brundtland World Commission on Environment and Development, special adviser to the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit this year, author, commentator, and international consultant on sustainable development.

Now that we have slogged through some of his many and distinguished titles, you may be interested to know that MacNeill's talk on November 17. called "The Road from Rio: Setting the Compass" was the third and Then, at the end of the 60s, we got a

final of a series called Caring for Planet Earth, this year's set of Dorothy I. Killam Memorial Lectures. The lectures were funded by a portion of the sixty million dollars that she left Dalhousie University.

And now, ladies and gentlemen, allow me to introduce our speaker. MacNeill is active in both the environmental movement and in politics. He is a diplomat. "An optimist is someone who believes that we live in the best of all possible worlds," he said. "A pessimist is someone who fearsthathe may be right." MacNeill is a realist who has been working for the protection of the environment since 1977. His line of work is a new

"Three decades ago there was no such thing as an environmentalist. People like Rachel Carson, Barbara Ward, and others were trailblazers who opened up the movement.

beautiful photograph of the Earth which was very helpful in changing people's attitudes." When people's attitudes began to change, the time was ripe for political action.

The United Nations held an important conference in Stockholm in

"Three decades ago there was no such thing as an environmentalist"

1972, attended by Canada's Maurice Strong, the eventual organizer of this year's Rio Summit. The United Nations Environmental (UNEP) was formed, calling for environmental protection. The problem was that these measures treated the symptoms, and not the sources of environmental problems, said MacNeill.

During the 1970s several countries, including Japan, Sweden, and others developed more energy-efficient technologies that were less harmful to the environment. Pressure on the Earth's resources of water, trees, and soil continued to grow. Human beings now consume almost 50% of the plants on Earth.

In 1983, the UN General Assembly called for the establishment of an independent commission to address the problem of how the developing economy and the environment could best co-exist. MacNeill was on the commission which reported to the UN in 1987.

"If the world's population is allowed to double within the next forty years, and we are well on our way, can the planet sustain such a development?" was the question they raised.

Some people believe that it can. Information technology has revolutionized the world economy, and reduced the impact that the average person has on the environment. Some point to the emerging science. of biotechnology in hopes that it will further reduce human impact on the planet, and prolong our mutual ex-

But "the obstacles are not technological,"said MacNeill. "If they were, then it would be easy. The obstacles are social, ideological, and political." Just the thing for a diplomat.

MacNeill and the other members of the commission found that the economy and environment are not two independent entities, as was previously believed, but interrelated and interdependent components of asingle thing. They arrived at three conclusions:

1) The Earth cannot accomodate a five to ten percent increase in traditional "rape and pillage" economic activity which harms the environ-

2) Growth in world population

and consumption of non-renewable resources can be reduced.

3) Environmentally-threatening policies can be reversed and modified to improve productivity, industrial efficiency, and international competitiveness. Development will only succeed if it is sustainable, and at present it is not. Slow changes are beginning to be made.

"It is a revolution, and the good news is that it is underway," said MacNeill. "The bad news is that the government officials and heads of state at the Rio Summit left nothing unsaid, but almost everything undone...the rich, the wanna-berich, and the poor countries all have different priorities...the members of OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) would not agree on any sort of timetable to reduce energy use...experts tell me that we are using energy at an efficiency of

Nevertheless, "there will come a time when maximum energy efficiency is realized," and we will have to be content to limit our consumption, and develop in other ways, he said. He called this a necessary "shift

about 3%.

The earth cannot accomodate "rape and pillage" economic activity

MacNeill is not the only Canadian who has taken a great interest in development. In 1964, Lester B. Pearson suggested that 0.7% of the Gross National Product (GNP) of developed countries should be given as aid to developing countries. That amount works out to nearly \$125 billion/year, which is what it would cost for the rich to help the poor achieve a level of sustainable development, assuming that developing countries themselves contribute over \$500 billion/year to their own devel-

At present, developed countries pay about \$55 billion in aid to developing countries. At the Summit they pledged once more to meet Pearson's recommendation "by the year 2000, or as soon as possible thereafter." Said MacNeill, "There ought to be a limit on the number of times that governments can use the same commitment to get off a politi-

In fact, a poor and underdeveloped Third World represents a threat not just to the environment, but also to world peace as countries compete for a dwindling amount of natural resources. "A year ago the oil wars began; the water wars may not be far behind," he said.

Many nations were understandably very concerned, and hoped that action could be taken in Rio. Countries such as Japan and Canada supported timetables for the implementation of the Convention on Global Climatic Change, but these were dropped in exchange for the presence of President Bush at the Summit, "probably the worst deal in the history of environmental politics," said MacNeill.

"Rio confirmed that the US, as the only military superpower, and as adominant economy, has been given an effective veto on environmental policy." However, Vice-President Elect Al Gore is a committed environmentalist, and hopefully things will change. "The global market, currently estimated at \$200 billion/ year, is availabe to those countries who most agressively pursue environmentally-efficient policies," said

"North America is behind (the rest of the world in terms of applying the new technologies of sustainable development)....If we first put our house in order, Canada can become an international force in creating Protocols to strengthen the Conventions of the Earth Summit...We control a disproportionate amount of the world's geography (so its important that we act wisely)." There are several places to start:

1) Develop strong policies to reduce energy consumption. For every dollar the government spends to promote energy efficiency, they spend 100 on the development of fossil fuels, "and incidently on acid rain, global warming, and more," said MacNeill. The US is worse, and other countries have similar "economically perverse" policies.

2) Use our raw material intelligently so that we can "live off the interest of natural resources." We should stop measuring our economy in GNP, and incorporate environmental efficiency into a new economic indicator. Said MacNeill, 'We should stop counting GNP, and discounting our future."

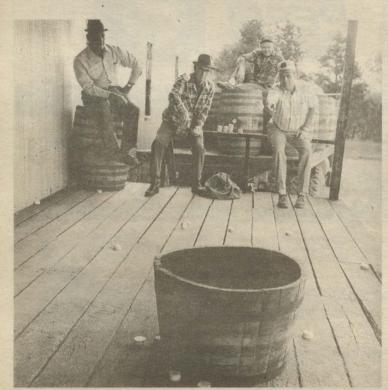
3) Environment considerations must be central in policy-making and in everyday life. MacNeil is well

The US has a veto on environmental policy

aware of this as he flies around the globe to meet with other top officials, "leaving a heavy footprint on the planet" in an attempt to save it.

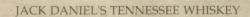
Germany has proposed a gradual increase in taxes on energy, coupled with a reduction on income taxes. If implemented, it would promote energy efficiency, an idea that is "worth exploring" to see if it would work in Canada. Research could be done at a university such as Dalhousie, said

Time is running out. The carbon content of the atmosphere has increased by 25% in the past 130 years. 100 species are extinguished every week, dealing "a body blow to evolution...We are in command," he said, "the responsibility is ours."



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THURSDAY NOV 26

African Studies Seminar Series presents Clement Eme Adibe, "The Globalization of Regionalism and the Challenge of Southern Integration: Nigerian elites & ECOWAS integra-tion." Also E John Inegbedion, "Intervention in Liberia: humanitarianism vs. solidarity." 4:30 p.m. in the multidisciplinary center, 1444 Seymour St.

BGLAD! (Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Association of Dalhousie) meets every Thursday night in room 307 of the SUB at 7p.m.

International Socialists Club presents "Class in the Classroom." All welcome to this week's talk and general discussion! 7:30 in room 306 of the

Women's Centre Committee meeting every Thursday at 6 p.m. in room 218 of the SUB. Info: call Candida at 494-1281/1106.

Dal Christian Fellowship presents "Everything I do I do for You" at 12:30 in the SUB lobby.

FRENCH MOVIES! Join the video club at the Department of French, 1315 Le Marchant Street, every Thursday night at 7:30. Free admission.

FRIDAY NOV 27

Jimi Hendrix's 45th Birthday is today!

African Studies Seminar Series presents Adebayo Adediran, "Women, Rituals and Politics in Pre-Colonial Yorubaland." 3 p.m. in the Multidisciplinary Center, 1444 Seymour St.

Two Planks and a Passion Theatre brings its critically acclaimed production of See Bob Run to the North St. Church tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Tickets available at the door, 5657 North St. and are \$9 and \$5 for students, seniors and unwaged. Info:

Music Dept. presents Chamber Ensembles in the Dal Art Gallery at 12:30 p.m. Free!

Dal Christian Fellowship presents a TUESDAY DEC 1 Room, DCF is an interdenominational group of students and friends from many backgrounds. Come and join

Dept. of Chemistry presents Dr. Brian Fahie, "The Academic/Industrial Transition: A Glaxo Canada Perspective" at 1:30 p.m. in chem. 226. Coffee & Donuts before the show!

Dept. of Biology presents Dr. R.M. Langille, "Differentiation of Craniofacial Mesenchyme." 5th floor lounge of the LSC at 11:30 a.m.



SUNDAY NOV 29

more nothing unless you're studying

Monday Nov 30

"Living With Cancer," an information and support group program for patients, families and friends meets tonight from 7-8:30 at the Nova Scotia Cancer Centre, Dickson Building, 5820 University Ave. Info 861-4785, 455-

A meeting for women who have experienced breast cancer will be held tonight at 7 p.m. at The Lodge That Gives, 5826 South Street. Guest speaker will be Dr. Judy Caines, Medical Director of the Nova Scotia Breast Screening Program.

SWEAT (Students Working on External Affairs Things) meeting every Tuesday at 7p.m. in room 218. Info: Candida at 494-1281/1106

Dal Men For Change meets every Tuesday from 8-10 in the SUB. Room # will be listed at the Inquiry Desk.

SODALES (Dalhousie Debating Society) membership drive is on! Meetings are every Tuesday at 6:30 in the Council Chambers of the SUB.

Wednesday Dec 2

Come join us in influencing our campus environment: CEAG's last meeting for the term is at 6 pm in room 306 of the SUB. All are welcome.

Dal Art Gallery presents the German expressionist film series. Tonight: Nosferatu-A Symphony of Horror. Shown at 12:30 and 8 p.m. Admission is free.

Last meeting for the Dal Outdoor Club until January 6 1993. Time and place

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I write to a foster child near Klatmandu, Nepal, and would like someone to translate his letters. Please call 857-

Dalhousie Women's Centre Committee invites you to Another Constitutional Forum, Thursday Dac. 3rd 12-2 p.m. in the Green Room of the SUB. Baked Goods, coffee and tea pro-

The Halifax YWCA presents the Women's Health Expo to be held Saturday Dec. 5th at 1239 Barrington St. This event will help women learn more about their physical, mental and emotional health. Admission is \$10. Sitter service is available all day. Info: Lisa Tilley 423-6162.

There will be a ceremony in memory of the Montreal Massacre, Friday Dec. 4th in the Henson College Auditorium at 12 p.m.

The Centre for Art Tapes presents The Work of Healing, a 3-part programme focusing on the lack of therapeutic services for adult survivors of child sexual abuse. December 3rd from 7:30-9:30 in the Commons Room of the Halifax Holiday Inn. Info: Ann Verrall, 429-7299.

Dal Christian Fellowship presents a 3rd world craft sale to support 3rd world development Monday Nov. 30th to Wednesday Dec. 2nd in the SUB

The Halifax YWCA, 1239 Barrington St., is offering childcare programs for children of all ages up to 12 years, Registration is taking place now for full and part-time programs. Info Janice Foote, 423-6162.

The Meniere's support group of Nova Scotia will noid its next monthly meeting at Gerard Hall, Halifax Infirmary, 5303 Morris St. from 6-9 p.m. on December 4th. A social evening and pot luck supper will be held. Info:

The Halifax YWCA also needs volunteers to help in the childcare dept. Opportunities exist in the preschool, afterschool and parent/child programs. Info: Janice Foote, 423-6162.

November is National CPR Awareness Month. Register for an inexpensive and satisfying CPR course by contacting the Heart and Stroke Foundation at 423-7530

Help Line is a 24-hour counselling, information and referral service. Any community service or support group who wishes to be listed with our referral service can call or write: Help Line Office, 5711 Sackville St., Halifax, B3H 209, 422-2048.

WANTED: old exams for the exam registry. Please leave your old exams at the SUB Inquiry Desk.

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