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Council won't reconsider their decision Referendum to be held during elections

by Suellen Murray

The Student Council has decided to go ahead with plans to hold a referendum on oral contraceptives during spring elections.

Council scheduled an emergency meeting on Feb. 4 to hear presentations from administration on the issue. The speakers were hoping the members would reconsider their decision to hold the referendum.

During the meeting, Chair of the Corporation of the Sisters of Charity, Sister Paule Cantin, and university President Dr. Margaret Fulton addressed a full council and sixteen guests.

"I'm asking you to consider if Mount Saint Vincent University will be a better place with this," said Sister Paule, "or if it

will be a place like any other place". Dr. Fulton repeated her concerns about technology taking over the individual's use of judgment, and presented books and magazine articles dealing with the dangers of oral contraceptives and reproductive technology.

A motion to rescind the original motion to hold the referendum was defeated eleven votes to six. (The original motion passed eleven votes to one, with one abstention.) If the motion had carried, Council would have opened debate on the issue, and held another vote.

After making the decision to proceed, the Council began picking up the pieces from the previous week. Treasurer Carol McInnes, appointed information officer for the referendum, prepared an information pamphlet

for students. It explains what the referendum will include, and gives information on the CFS health plan. Between 2500-3000 pamphlets will be distributed to students before the referendum on Mar. 19.

At the Mar. 9 Council meeting, president Shari Wall presented a letter from External Vice-President Peter Murtagh tendering his resignation. The letter explained he was offering his resignation because of the controversy surrounding the referendum, and what he felt was his serious error in judgment in speaking to members of the local media. He apologized for any embarrassment he may have caused to the Student Union and the university. (During the spring break, Murtagh gave interviews to reporters from *The*

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Over 50 people supported the walk for Ernie on Mar. 9. Ernie, a child with cerebral palsy, is being sponsored by the Mount's child study department.

Voting held March 18th and 19th

Debate opens election campaigns

by Eduardo Espejo

Elections campaigns are running on schedule so far, according to Chief Returning Officer Frank Demont. All but four positions have candidates running.

The positions that have no candidates are both part-time Senate representatives, the part-time council rep, the international students' rep, and the residence rep.

"I was discouraged to see that no students are running for MANUS in light of the efforts we made for them this year," Demont said.

All executive positions are being contested, with the exception of academic vice-president, which will be a "yes/no" vote for Wendy Kinney.

With the referendum on raising student union fees happening during the election, there

were some worries about it eclipsing the elections, but Demont feels the referendum will not be a problem. As to whether the issue of oral contraceptives will be a campaign issue, Demont said "I hope not".

On Monday, March 10, a debate was held between the two presidential candidates, Susan Smith and Jim Hines. Smith's opening remarks included an initiative for closer ties with students, initiating more inter-society competitions, revamping the communications officer's position, and dealing with the problem of a university that may be expanding beyond its resources.

Both candidates cited housing as a problem they will look into, but Smith stated that the Mount has its money tied up in the proposed communications centre.

Hines' platform included increasing participation among

councillors, looking into the possibility of a typesetting machine for *the Picaro*, increase funding for sports teams, campus police, and societies. He also mentioned renovations to the corner store and Vinnie's Pub, and having an Instant Teller machine installed at the Mount.

The candidates responded to questions from panel members, Shari Wall, student union president; Jim Grant, former Council treasurer; and Robyn Osgood, academic vice-president.

Many of the campaign issues involve money, and the candidates' answers reflected the problem. Answers were vague, because both stated that action would depend on the funds available. They agreed on the need for increased communications with students, and Smith suggested establishing permanent students representatives on

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Women: Together Today at the International Women's Day Rally

by Shelley Murphy

Louise Dulude, vice-president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women, spoke on women's issues as related to women's life stages, at the International Women's Day Rally last Friday in Seton.

Dulude told about 60 staff, students and faculty that high school girls plan to work in traditional female jobs, like sales, because "the jobs are more familiar". Dulude suggested changes in school curriculum, more remedial training and affirmative action to help break the traditional job "ghettos".

"Women must have control of their fertility," she continued. "It's crucial to pay attention to this," she said. "Information on

contraception is not available to young women in many parts of the country." She pointed out that non-smoking campaign funds are higher than those for dispersing information on contraception.

Canada is backward in terms of maternity issues, continued Dulude. "Most women want, or need, longer than 15 weeks maternity leave," she said. "In Sweden, 90 per cent of either parents' previous salary is paid for nine months."

Dulude said many new mothers accept part-time jobs so they can spend time with their children. Part-time work is the fastest growing sector, she said. "Employers know women will

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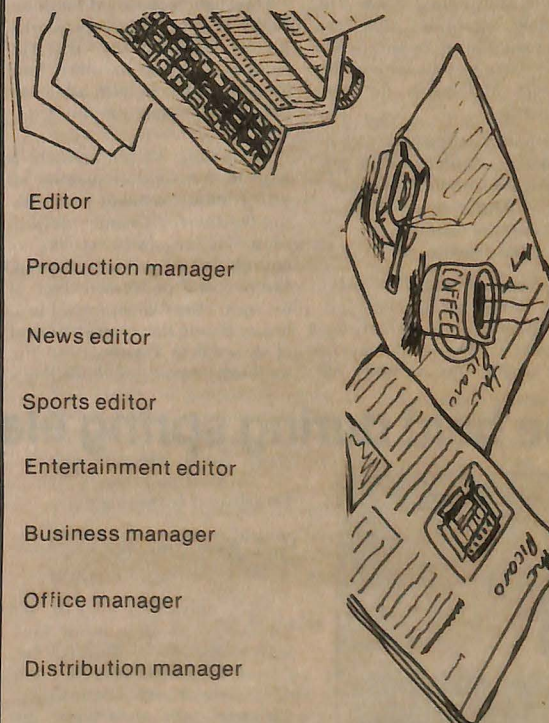
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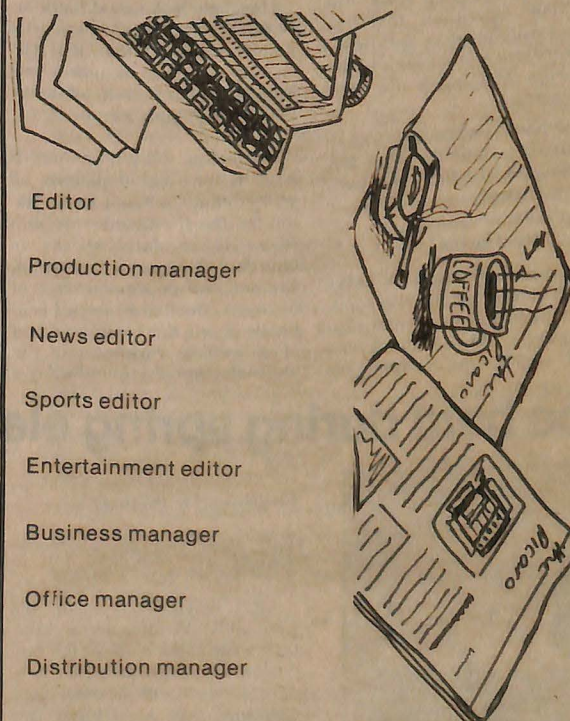
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Food Bank Fights starvation in Metro

by Janice Kenefick

Starvation is not confined to the Third World. It's right here in metro—and the problem is getting worse.

Fred McGinn, co-ordinator of the Metro Food Bank, recently told a group of Mount students that since the food bank began six months ago, he's seen the number of needy people requesting food triple in Spryfield alone.

In a country where up to 18 per cent of supermarket produce is discarded each day, often only because it's stale or off color, there isn't a shortage of food, McGinn says.

But getting surplus food to the hungry is no easy task.

For the Metro Food Bank, it's a \$70,000 operation that includes a warehouse in Spryfield, a delivery truck and a staff of 50 volunteers. McGinn is the only paid worker.

Food bank volunteers solicit supermarkets and bakeries for their surplus produce and perishables. These goods range from cases of cauliflower to crates of dried beans.

For non-perishable foods, such as tinned goods, the food bank depends on the generosity of the public. "We need an average of 10,000 tins or units of

food per day, to go with the perishables," McGinn says.

How much the food bank actually receives however, varies greatly. McGinn says that December brought in more food than any other month, while donations in January plummeted.

Reminding the public there is a need for food donations all year round is a major undertaking for the food bank, McGinn says. He regularly speaks to church groups, school children, firemen and policemen. One of his most effective strategies is to break down the typical budget of a welfare recipient or the working poor and then display a

shopping bag containing the few meagre foods that such a person could afford by the time they have paid other bills, such as rent.

Food donations are taken to the Spryfield warehouse, sorted, and distributed to various charitable organizations, such as Hope Cottage or the community centres. These organizations distribute the food to needy individuals.

McGinn readily admits that the food bank has problems. Whether the food actually reaches the neediest people is out of the food bank's control, because it is distributed by local

community groups.

The food bank even ran out of money in December, although it met the problem by fundraising and adhering to a budget.

One of the food bank's biggest problems is lack of public relations, McGinn says. "PR is very important to the food bank and we need a lot more of it to make people aware of starvation in metro," he says.

The Metro Food Bank is one of 43 in an Atlantic network of food banks. Until it came into being last March, approximately 25 individual churches and charitable groups had their own food banks.

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Daily News and The Chronicle Herald.)

After moving in camera, the Council voted not to accept Murtagh's resignation. Murtagh had declared his candidacy for President in the March elections, but withdrew his application last Thursday.

At the same meeting Council voted to cover \$100 of photocopying at the Student Council office for each a "yes" and a "no" campaign. One of the most fervent opponents of the referendum is taking advantage of the opportunity.

Gene Bonvie, a first-year BBA student, has prepared a leaflet asking students to vote "No". In the leaflet, Bonvie, a Roman Catholic, says that asking any student to pay fees that will betray their religious beliefs is like asking Black students to provide money in their fees for the South African government.

"I'm not arguing about the moral validity of birth control," he said. "But if it goes through, everyone is going to pay \$19, even though they don't all support it. Some people are morally

opposed to this, either for personal or religious reasons."

"By voting 'no', you're not saying 'no' to birth control. You're saying 'no' to Mount students paying for birth control."

The referendum was an issue in the Halifax media early last week, with articles in *The Daily News*, *The Mail Star*, and *The Chronicle Herald*, and items on CBC television's *The First Edition*, and C-100 Radio. Wall wasn't surprised at the press' reaction. "We had anticipated this was something that local media would jump on," she said. "I felt the coverage on CBC TV and C-100 was a fairer account of the referendum than, say, *The Daily News*, which was sensationalized."

"I think it is very regretful that the Mount students had to read the headlines before they had background information on the

issue," she continued.

On Mar. 5, McInnes released a statement on the referendum, giving the straight facts on the issue, and stressing that Student Council is not supporting either side. Since then, says Wall, the media interest has died down.

Chief Returning Officer Frank DeMont hopes the referendum won't become an issue in the spring elections. He explained to all candidates that they are running for next year's Council, and this issue is being taken care of by this year's Council.

The publicity may have an effect on how students cast their vote. "It might have given them an idea of how an internal issue will look to people outside the university," said Wall. "It's an important issue, and the publicity may have provoked more thought among the students."



Louise Dulude, vice-president of NAC, discussed the major issues facing Canadian women during her talk at the Women's Day Rally at the Mount Mar. 7.

Debate opens election campaigns

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the Mount's image committee, and committees to review enrollment increases and expansion. She also proposed a housing committee, with students represented.

Hines suggested improving student involvement by increasing the number of functions held during the year. He also said he would have an "open door" policy with students. "Call me at home, get me out of bed," he

said.

There was also a discussion on student council's relationship with part-time students. Smith said she would wait for the final recommendations from the MANUS Task Force (of which she is a member). On the other side, Hines has had trouble with MANUS this year, disqualifying the part-time student candidate during the fall elections when he was Chief Returning Officer, and neglecting to tell MANUS. When faced with the issue,

Hines balked. "This isn't an issue, so I'll say 'No comment'."

To end the debate, Smith and Hines agreed that it would not make a difference whether the president was male or female, as long as they attend to the needs of all students.

Chief Returning Officer Frank DeMont is anticipating a successful election. "With the calibre of candidates running," he said, "I have no doubt that the Student Council will be left to qualified hands next year."



Susan Smith—President



Janice Pisko—Executive Vice-President



Cathy Hope—External Vice-President



Wendy Kinney—Academic Vice-President

Hi! We're a team of four—Susan Smith, Janice Pisko, Wendy Kinney, and Cathy Hope, running for President and the three Vice-President positions on the Student Union Executive.

We decided to run together because it is important that the Executive members work well together and share your concerns.

We do.

To make a strong Student Council, you first need a strong Student Council Executive. It is the Executive that co-ordinates all Student Union activities and determines what concerns are discussed at Council meetings.

Please see the inside spread of the *Picaro* to read what issues we, as the Executive, would like to tackle.

One last thing. Although we have decided to work as a team, we are also running as four strong individual candidates. The Mount Student Union Constitution does not allow team ballots and therefore you can vote for any number of us.

But remember, teamwork needs people that communicate and co-operate with one another. We can.

Choose us: we'll work for you!



Jim Hines—President

Jim Hines, Executive Vice-President of this year's Student Council, has formally stated his intentions to run for president of the 1986-87 Student Council. Your vote is a claim in next year, and we feel the best way for you to put your vote to work is to give it to Jim Hines.

Mr. Hines' experience in the areas of leadership, and student government make him the logical choice for President. Besides the two years he spent on student council in high school, as well as coaching and managing various sports teams, he has been extremely active in the past three years at the Mount.

The following is a list of Jim's achievements over the past three years:

- member of Business Society for five years
- member of Campus Police since 1983
- assistant chief of Campus Police 1984-85
- Student Council Business Representative 1984-85
- member of Campus Security for the last two and one-half years
- President of WUSC (World Universities Services of Canada) 1984-85
- Executive Officer of 1984-85 Business Society
- Conference Co-ordinator for 1984-85 Business Dinner
- Co-ordinator for Student Protest on Royal Commission on Post-Secondary Education
- Executive Vice-President on Student Council 1985-86

Since the current academic year began, Mr. Hines has chaired four committees, and sat on two others.

- Chairperson of 85-86 Elections Committee
- Chairperson of 85-86 Applications Committee
- Chairperson of 85-86 Security Council
- Chairperson of 85-86 Societies Day
- Member of 85-86 Orientation Committee
- Member of 85-86 Winter Carnival

Mr. Hines also received the Business Society pin at the 84-85 Awards Banquet.

Mr. Hines has proposed a 21-point Platform, which he will work diligently toward fulfilling next year. But he needs your vote. He hopes to increase student participation in all events, by increasing student awareness. He feels that the student body, and Student Council should work as one, and will work toward making council more visible to students. Increased funding for sports teams, Campus Police, and societies is another major issue in Hines' platform. Mr. Hines would also like to renovate the Corner Store and Vinnie's Pub. For students under the age of 19, Mr. Hines is proposing more Wet-Dry functions on campus so these students will not suffer in the valuable social aspect of their university lives.

Other issues covered in his platform include an Instant Teller Machine for the Rosaria branch of the Royal Bank. He feels that students need a crosswalk on the Bedford Highway, and a student bus pass.

For the Picaro to become a more efficient operation, Hines proposes a Type-Setting Machine. Mr. Hines also wants to look into the viability of an off-campus male residence.

Besides these issues there are several more which are just as important. For proper Representation in next year's Student Council Vote Jim Hines for President.



Melissa Sparks—Executive Vice-President

Melissa Sparks, Chief of Campus Police, is running in the Student Council election for the position of Executive Vice-President. Her vibrant personality, and hard-working attitude make her the best choice for the position.

Miss Sparks has an enormous amount of experience dealing with students. While attending Gordon Bell Senior High School in Cole Harbour, she was a member of the Student Police, captain of the Cheerleading squad, Chairperson of the Grad-

uation Committee, and sat on the student council as a class representative.

Since coming to the Mount, Miss Sparks has been equally as active. She has been a member of the Campus Police since 1982, and is presently their chief. In the 1985-86 academic year, Sparks sat on the Pub Committee, Student Orientation Committee, Winter Carnival Committee, Christmas Daddies Committee, and the MSVU branch of the International Year of the Youth Committee.

Miss Sparks is an employee of the MSVU Security here at the Mount, and also serves on the awards banquet selection committee.

Off campus, Sparks is very active. She was the president of the Cultural Awareness Youth Group from 1983-85.

Melissa is an involved person, and pledges to work for you, the student body, if you give her your support in the upcoming Student Council elections.

Vote Sparks, and get the job done!



Garfield Hiscock—External Vice-President

I am Garfield, and I am running for the position of External Vice-President. I have been the Arts Representative for the past two years, and have been very active on council. Along with my experience as the Technical Assistant and going to a Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) conference and two Student Union of Nova Scotia (SUNS) conferences so far this year, I believe I can retain the Mount's position as a major force in both CFS and SUNS. I hope you will allow me to represent you and to keep the respect the Mount now enjoys externally.

Thank you for your support!



Karen Seaboyer—Public Relations Rep.



Greer Kaiser—Non-Residence Representative

I am a third-year transfer student from Mount Allison University. I am majoring in Canadian Studies.

At Mount A, I was on the English Society executive and was appointed News Editor of *The Argosy Weekly*, the school paper.

Living off-campus I know that you need good representation to keep up with university activities. I feel I could do a great job as Non-Residence Rep.

I am involved with The English Society at the Mount.

Energy, enthusiasm and commitment, vote Greer Kaiser for Non-Residence Rep.!!

If elected I will try to:

1. Get some sort of better crossing for the Bedford Highway/Mount crosswalk.
2. Establish a better walking area along the highway and make sure it is properly cleared of snow in the winter.
3. Continue to work towards a lower price for the use of Metro transit buses.
4. Work towards a better awareness of University-related activities for all non-residence students.
5. I will be there for any non-residence-related issues and concerns.



Johna Thorne—Child Studies Rep.

elections



Mickie McDow—

Non-Residence Representative

Hi! My name is Mickie McDow and I am running for the position of Non-Residence Representative on Student Council. I am a prime candidate for the position, for I don't live anywhere close to the Campus. In fact, some people say I don't live close to anything.

I live in Grand Lake, which is approximately 25 miles from the Mount. Although I live a fair distance away from the University, I am not unaware of the problems and frustrations of those off-campus students that reside in the metro area.

Personally, as an off-campus student, I have sometimes felt I wasn't a part of the university community; feeling unaware of the goings on and the services that are available to me. As well, I have felt that I have not had the opportunities of those students in residence to make and hold on to close friendships with the other students.

I am positive that male students, who have no choice but to live off-campus, share many of the same concerns as I. I do not mean to segregate you from the rest of the university community but as you know, you are a minority on campus and one which I feel is often, unintentionally, ignored.

When approaching fellow non-resident students for nominations a number of concerns were brought to my attention. For instance, the price of parking permits and the availability of parking space. Also, it was brought to my attention that there is a need for a proper walkway between the Mount and the Clayton Park area, as a number of off-campus students live in this area.

Communication, social and geographical problems face the off-campus student and I hope to change this. I don't wish to make promises that I can't keep, but if elected I will do my darndest to make things happen for you off-campus students who give me a chance to prove myself.

Remember, vote Mickie McDow for non-residence Rep. I have the cars that will listen.



Colette Curran—

Home Economics Representative

Hi, I'm Colette Curran and I'm running for the position of Home-Ec Rep. for 1986-87. I'm a 3rd year student; two of these years have been spent here at the Mount. I am a very active member of the Home-Ec Society—Society treasurer and head of the student designs committee for our 86 Fashion Show. After being involved with the Home-Ec dept. and the Union I feel I can best fill the position as Home-Ec Rep.

I will promise you my best dedication and my sincerest effort to do my best if elected.

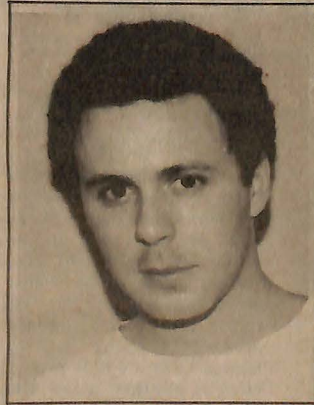
I would like to extend my best wishes to all candidates and also encourage everyone to vote—we need your support!



Karen Chilton—

Full-Time Senate Representative

My name is Karen Chilton and I am running for the position of Full-Time Senate Rep. on next year's Student Council. This year I have taken an active interest in Mount Saint Vincent University by working as the Entertainment Editor of the *Picaro* and by working part-time at Vinnie's Pub. If I am elected to the position of Full-Time Senate Rep. I promise to do the best job I am capable of doing in responsibly representing the students' interests. Please remember me on election day and please come out and vote.



Mike Corkum—

Business Representative

ALOHA FELLOW BUSINESS STUDENTS!! no I assure you I am not basking in 80° sunshine while writing this letter. Seriously Folks, I'm Mike Corkum and I'm running uncontested for the position of Student Council Business Representative.

I enrolled at the Mount after working for four years and am in the third year of my program. While the Business Department here at the Mount enjoys a favorable reputation I feel there are numerous opportunities for improvement. Among them are:

1. To explore and expand opportunities for women in the corporate hierarchy.
2. To increase the available number of courses in quantitative methods and finance.
3. To open relevant public relations courses to business students concentrating in marketing.
4. To organize and improve the efficiency of the student/advisor program and encourage first year students to utilize the service.
5. To create an efficient and high profile business society.

If these and other issues are of interest to you and you would like to have them actively pursued on council I urge you to vote YES on March 18th and 19th.



Jane Taylor—

Office Administration Representative

Hi, I'm Jane Taylor. I am currently office administration representative on Student Council, and I am running for re-election.

I have enjoyed being on Student Council this past year because I receive a very satisfying feeling when I can get problems solved or questions answered for you (OAD Students) and our society (POAS).

Being accessible and easy to talk to have been two of my main goals as OAD representative, and I believe that I am achieving both.

I hope to continue representing you on Student Council next year and continue to have our department and society heard! However, to do this, I need your support at the Spring Elections. Please vote YES for me on Mar. 18 and 19.

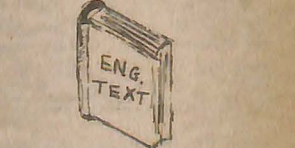
If you have any questions or topics you want to discuss with me, I can usually be found around the OAD department or at the Student Council offices.



Marina Klein
Science Rep.



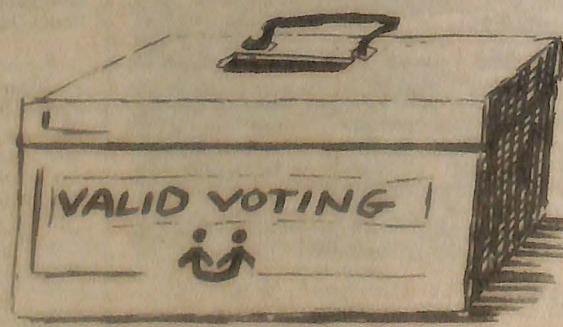
Jane Henderson
Arts Rep.



Nominee withdraws

As Chief Returning Officer it is my duty to inform the students at the Mount that Peter Murtagh has withdrawn his nomination for the Presidency of the Student Union.

Peter has asked me to pass on his thanks for those who encouraged him to run and nominated him for this position.
Frank DeMont
Chief Returning Officer



Advertising

Executive Speak Out.

... housing for students?

Are you one of the students who had to wait until January to find a room in residence? Or maybe you're one of the men who has no hope of living on campus except in the summertime when residences are open to males and females.

Will more housing for Mount students be built on or off-campus in the near future to combat the housing shortage crisis? According to Dr. Carol Hill, director of Student Services, the Mount's priority right now is to build a communications centre in the parking lot between Rosaria and Seton. Funds are scarce and with housing lower on the list, it is unlikely any major residence will be constructed in the next five years.

But does that mean there aren't other alternatives? What about agreements with local constructors for off-campus student apartments similar to Fenwick? Or maybe an off-campus residence for students of all local universities? Even improved promotions to encourage homeowners and apartment managers to advertise at the Mount would help. Often 'room for rent' ads at Dal and SMU never even reach the Mount. The Housing Office is willing to sit down to discuss and develop alternatives. So are we.

For A Strong Team Effort Choose Us We'll Work For You

... the Royal Commission Report

The Provincial Legislature claims it will not be acting upon the Royal Commission on Post-Secondary Education during this sitting, but this doesn't mean that students can forget its recommendations. Education Minister Tom McInnis wants to "listen deliberately to interested Nova Scotians," and students certainly fall into this category.

The February 13th march against higher tuition fees was a well-organized SUNS endeavour, but there is much more to the report than just a potential doubling of tuition fees: there are, in fact, 115 recommendations of which the doubling of tuition is just one.

Recommendations which will definitely benefit students include long-range planning of three years to help students plan their programs and three to five year study schedules for part-time students. Programs would be reviewed in order to ensure that they are of a high standard, including the use of academic evaluations. The problems faced by disabled students are also addressed. Of particular interest to Mount students is a recommendation to extend

opportunities in co-operative education.

Other recommendations include that which states tuition fees would be dependent upon the program a student is enrolled in, and international students would be required to pay the full cost of their education. The provincial bursary program would be eliminated and a loan program implemented in its place.

Academically, it would mean the implementation of a core curriculum, and required use of English and mathematics tests for students entering universities. Structurally, adoption of the Commission's recommendations would mean the formation of the Nova Scotia Council of Higher Education and the potential formation of the University of Nova Scotia.

These proposed changes may not affect us immediately or even at all during our university education, but they will affect those of our brothers, sisters, friends, and eventually our children. And that's why it's so important for us to make well-informed decisions and act as a responsible student body.

Team Candidates

What do you think about...

... relations between students and Council?

Are you having problems with courses? Where can you get help? No one seems to listen? Possibly the Academic Vice-President can be your formal voice to administration.

Would you like to invite another Metro university to a Mount social function? Would you like to participate in theirs? We could work with other universities to plan events.

All of these questions can be answered but, we have to talk about it.

Do you dread climbing all those stairs all the way up to fourth floor Rosaria?

Do you get nervous trying to communicate your concerns to Council?

Did you know that there are Student Council meetings every week that you are welcome to attend?

Does your society feel free to get assistance from or voice concerns to Student Council?

... inter-university co-operation?

Contrary to popular opinion, the best thing to come out of the Students' Union of Nova Scotia (SUNS) is not a highlighter! Although SUNS has its problems (and what organization doesn't), there has probably never been a more important time for Nova Scotian students to work together to make our voices heard and opinions known. The Mount has always played a leading role in the SUNS organization, and next year's Council will hopefully continue this tradition. In addition to SUNS, the Mount also plays an active role in the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS). There is also, within the Metro area, a perceived need for student councils to interact on both a social and functional level, in order to informally share common problems and concerns, and hopefully learn from each other's experiences.

Some suggestions are inter-university dances and other social events, buses to other university events, and more awareness of what's going on at other campuses. We're really fortunate to have so many universities and related events going on in our city. Let's take advantage of it!

... increased enrollment? Are we spreading ourselves too thin?

Has the university let enrollment increase to the point that students suffer?

Do you have to strain to hear your professor because your class holds 90 people and you can't find a seat except those at the back? Or maybe you wish the class was smaller to allow more group discussion?

Do you have trouble approaching your professors for advice because they are just too busy and there's always a line-up of students waiting at their doors?

Have you had trouble finding parking this year? Or what about finding a place to sit for lunch?

This year student enrollment grew close to 4000 students. And at least another 30 more students will attend the Mount next year with the introduction of the Tourism Degree program.

Can the Mount continue to stretch its resources to accommodate more students? Shouldn't we first strengthen the programs and services we already have before we stretch them even thinner?

What do you think? We'd like to know.

... the way Council spends your money?

Do you know where your Student Union fees go? Full-time students pay \$78. Here's the breakdown of where the money is spent. Part-time students pay \$1 per one-half credit. If you're part-time you receive all the services except the drug plan and athletics.

Accounting, postage, office supplies, phone, etc.	\$4.75
Athletics	.90
Awards	.55
Campus Police and insurance	.60
Communications	.50
Student Directory	.75
Drug Plan	11.00
Entertainment	2.00
External:	
Canadian Federation of Students membership	4.00
Student Unions of Nova Scotia membership	1.50
Honorariums	5.50
Identification	.80
Project One	10.00
Photopool	1.40
Rent	2.25
Salaries	9.00
Scholarship	3.00
Senior Class, Winter Carnival, Orientation	1.00
Societies	8.80
Picaro	10.00
Yearbook	4.00
Contingency	2.30
Leadership Conference, International Youth Year, Alcohol Awareness Week, Career Week	1.15
Total	\$78.00

Are you getting your money's worth? Are there other services you'd like included? Let us know: we want to work for you.

... the Mount's reputation amongst employers Canada-wide?

Are you one of the students applying for jobs across Canada but not hired because the employer doesn't know anything about the Mount or assumes it is a girl's finishing school? Maybe you're competing with students of local universities and the employer assumes you went to the Mount because no other university would accept you, not realizing the Mount maintains quality entrance standards and programs. Or maybe you're a male student and the employer is surprised to see you study at the Mount. "You mean men study there too?"

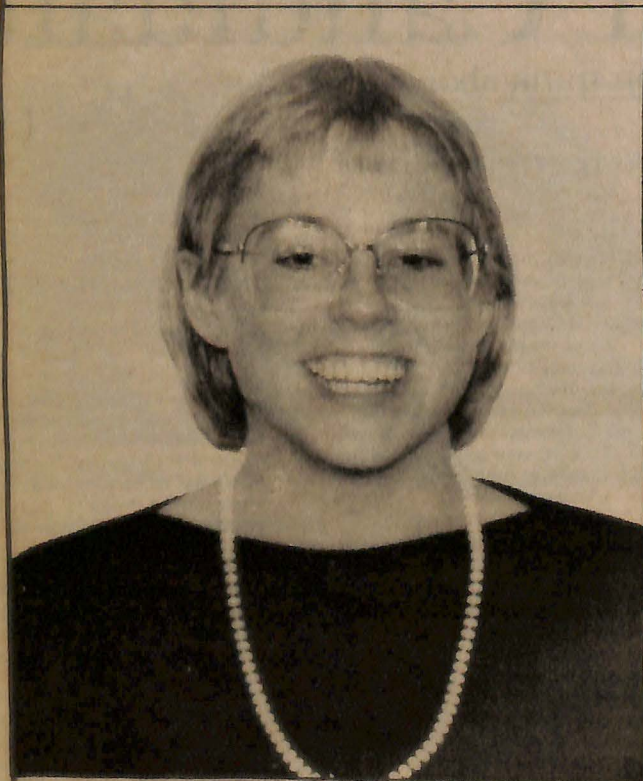
How do we tackle this problem? Co-operation.

The university's reputation as a quality institution is a major concern of students. Student Council has a responsibility to work with the Mount's Public Relations Office, Alumnae and Development Office, Department of Co-operative Education, faculty departments and the Canada Employment Centre on campus to educate employers.

Just a simple action, such as supplying Mount brochures for students job-hunting to enclose the brochure with a resume, will let employers know we exist and that Mount students are competitive with those of other universities.

Students are concerned about their futures. Student Council, particularly the executive leaders, must share those concerns!

Advertising



Susan Smith for President.

NEEDED: Someone who can: serve as spokesperson for 4000 full and part-time students; represent students on 20 student and administrative committees as well as the Senate and Board of Governors; manage and motivate 40 people, including four executive members, 17 student councillors, a bookkeeper and secretary, as well as numerous appointed positions; co-ordinate all Student Union activities; co-sign all Student Union/Council cheques; write a summer, mid-term and annual report for submission to the Student Union and President of the university; and most of all, listen and act upon students' concerns; and ... smile!

TERM: 24 hours a day from May 1, 1986 to April 30, 1987.

POSITION: President of the Student Union, Mount Saint Vincent University.

Hi, I'm Susan Smith and I'm running for President of the Student Union.

I'm a fourth-year student graduating in April with a Bachelor of Pub-

lic Relations Degree. Next year I plan to return to the Mount and finish off a Business Certificate and Bachelor of Arts Degree, majoring in French. I'll only be studying three-and-a-half credits so I plan to devote the rest of my time working as President.

But first let me tell you a little bit about myself. This year I work 25 hours a week in the Mount's Public Relations Office and Centennial Pool in Halifax, study six credits and serve as Public Relations Rep on Student Council. I chair the Mount's annual Leadership Conference and the Public Relations Society Communications Committee, advise the Public Relations Society executive, work on the MANUS taskforce to identify and deal with concerns of mature and part-time students, and sit on other Student Union committees.

I've waited until this past year to become heavily involved in Student Council because up until now I was running every four months to co-op work terms. Now I am back full-time for good.

But even before now I was involved in student activities. I helped found the Co-op Society, volunteered as Production Assistant at DUET, and served as Secretary and Second-year Representative on

the Public Relations Society during my first three years at the Mount. During the months I spent at school, I also worked at least 20 hours a week in public relations jobs and as a life-guard and swim instructor at local pools. I like to keep busy.

I also like to work with students and address their concerns. Many students have identified problems, including housing, the Mount's reputation among employers Canada-wide, and lack of communication and co-operation among students, the Student Council, administrative and faculty departments, and other universities. As a member of an executive team, I'd like to tackle those issues.

It's a big job and a lot of work, and I'm prepared to devote all my time and energy to working with you to address your concerns.

If there's anything you'd like to talk about, issues you'd like raised, just stop me in the halls, phone or visit me in the Council Office, Rosaria 4th floor.

Remember, you hold the vote and it is you that determines what issues are raised by Council. Let us know what concerns you and choose us: we'll work for you!

Hello there! My name is Janice Pisko. I am campaigning for position of Executive Vice-President for the 1986-87 term.

The Executive Vice-President must: assist the President; chair the Applications and Elections Committees; act as liaison between Council and clubs, societies and organizations that are under Student Union jurisdiction; and much, much more.

But so what? What does this mean? What can I do as Executive Vice-President for you?

Issues of communication and co-operation are my main concern for 1986-87.

As Communications Officer for this year's Student Council I have worked side by side with various committees and Council members. I have also studied Visual Communications at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design for two years and therefore I know communications is very important.

Students must be made to feel welcome in the Council Office. I want to encourage this by increasing information and advertisement of Student Union meetings. Even a simple thing like a suggestion box might cover some concerns. A simple smile of greeting at the top of the long climb to the fourth floor would be an additional step toward establishing a positive Council student

relationship.

We must move all out to encourage student participation in university events and Council meetings.

I propose inter-society get-togethers, including once-a-month society socials with Council, a society challenge to encourage participation through competition, and monthly socials open to all students. And I would like to continue the Society of the Month recognition and the Society Day.

Unfortunately students are not aware that Councillors are a formal voice to represent students' concerns. I encourage students to use the Council representatives to help alleviate problems. By making students aware through bulletins, the *Picaro* brochures, and so on, of the various avenues of assistance and representation the Student Council offers, we can improve relations between students and administration, students and Council, and even students and the community.

Finally, my last proposal is to revamp the position of Communications Officer. One person is appointed to this position and is responsible to publicize Council news, advertise Student Union entertainment events, increase communications, chair the Communications Committee and act as the public relations representative on the Board of Governors.

From personal experience as Communications Officer for the past year, I have arrived at the conclusion that this position should be revised to create two positions: Public Relations Manager and Public Relations Technician.

The Public Relations Manager would keep in close contact with student organizations and societies to inform them of each other's activities and plans for socials, fundraising events, and such. This co-ordination would combat problems, such as overlap and duplication of events. As well, the Public Relations Manager would co-ordinate all publicity for Student Council, within and outside the university, establish media relations policy, and advise all Councillors during media coverage outside and within the university.

The Public Relations Technician would produce and distribute posters, bulletins, brochures, and such, to promote Council events, based on the information given by the Public Relations Manager. Each position is a heavy workload, so it is essential that we divide the two.

I want to help... talk with you... hear your problems... help straighten them out... and have some fun too! I'd like to work for you — as Executive Vice-President I can make change in the right direction.



Janice Pisko for Executive Vice-President.

Choose Us Any one of Us We'll Work for You!



Wendy Kinney for Academic Vice-President.

Hello! My name is Wendy Kinney. I am a third-year student in the Bachelor of Home Economics/Education program. I am running for the position of Academic Vice-President.

My interest in student politics began in high school where I held the position of Student Council President. For the past two years I have served as the Home Economics Representative on the Mount's Student Council. This position opened the door for me to become more involved with the student body as a whole.

As a member of the Student Council I have sat on the applications, foods, elections and Christmas Daddies committees. Through my involvement with the Student Union I have had an opportunity to become more familiar with the university network.

This year I worked with the current Academic Vice-President to try and bring about a change in the integrated Home Economics and Education program.

As your Academic Vice-President I would be sitting on several committees which deal with faculty and administration. Some of these include:

Planning and Budgeting: this is a long-range committee that deals

with the university environment, finances, assessment of financial reports, and such.

Policy and Planning: this is an inter-university sub committee. Some of the issues this committee deals with are university policy, staffing problems, and increased enrollment.

Curriculum Committee: this deals with name changes, expanded or condensed courses, course requirements, and such.

Committee on Academic Affairs: this is a very busy and important committee. It deals with student appeals, cheating, course and professor evaluations and in general, everything that concerns academics.

It is difficult to specify individual issues that the Academic Vice-President might face. Each year brings its own special problems and the focus of my position and involvement will depend on the events of the upcoming year.

As Academic Vice-President I would be a member of the Student Council executive. I am aware of this responsibility and accept it with enthusiasm.

I am aware of the time needed for this position and the extent of the work involved. I feel I have the skills and energy to do justice to the position.

Hi! My name is Cathy Hope and I'm running for the position of External Vice-President.

Having lived all my life in Halifax, I am well aware of the needs and limitations of the Metro community. I was involved in student politics at my high school and attended Saint Mary's University for two years before coming to Mount Saint Vincent, where I'm a third-year Home Economics (clothing and textiles) student. Through my involvement with the Home Economics Society, as Public Relations Rep last year and President this year, I've met students from across the province and country, and learned about group organization and communication skills.

This is a really important time for students in Nova Scotia, and we need to make our views known in a clear and responsible manner. The role of External Vice-President involves being a liaison between Mount Saint Vincent and outside community organizations, be them government, student associations and other universities, or community organizations. If elected I would represent the views of Mount students, as expressed by the Student Council, and work to achieve goals set by the student population. I

believe that this process would be easily facilitated by a Council that is able to co-operate and work as a team, as well as display good communication skills among themselves, within the university, and with the community.

There are four major issues that I believe the Student Council should concentrate on next year and they would certainly receive my full attention.

The first issue is housing, or lack thereof. The second is continued lobbying for reduced rate bus passes. Information and action on the Royal Commission Report on Post-Secondary Education is the third. The fourth is the creation of an informal association of Metro university Student Councils, basically to share ideas and problems, and to allow Councils to become more familiar with each other.

While these issues exist now and are important, as situations change, the Council must be prepared to react quickly and decisively. A well-informed external vice-president is an invaluable tool to any student council, and I hope that I have the opportunity to serve you, the students, in that capacity next year.

Thanks.



Cathy Hope for External Vice-President.



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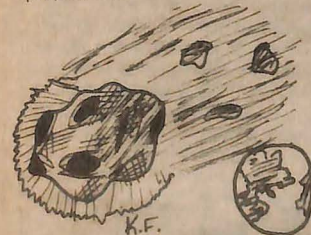
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Meteors on the rise

by Karen Chilton

In a time when most bands leave Halifax to play in Toronto, it is refreshing to see a Toronto-based band come to Halifax. *The Meteors*, who originated in Southern Ontario, made their second Halifax appearance in four years at the newly opened bar "Cheers".

Playing together for the last six years, *The Meteors* have undergone many changes in their music style. The first three years of their career were dedicated mainly to rhythm and blues. Unfortunately today the market is not there for that type of music, but that has not held back this band. For the last three years they have combined their R&B with Top 40 dance music to come up with their own unique playing style.



Artists who had the most influence on this band range from Phil Collins and Huey Lewis to Paul Young and Level 42. The band is made up of six members, Rene Huard—guitar, harmonica, vocals, Loni D—drums, Joe Reynolds—vocal, trumpet, Jim Lawlis—tenor sax, Tim Johers—guitar, and Dave Johers—bass guitar.

The band uses its excellent horn section as an advantage to give its audience a refreshing new sound to listen to. Switching between old R&B and Top 40, *The Meteors* keep the crowds dancing and asking for more.

The horn section comes out in such songs as "Sussido", "Back In Time", and some old R&B tunes. The band does two original songs per set and their style is almost a mix between American and British style music, giving them an international sound.

The Meteors enjoyed audience participation at Cheers as four lucky girls from the audience had the opportunity to sing back-up for the band, a terrific rendition of the old Temptations favorite, "Get Ready".

The next move for *The Meteors* is back to Toronto, but they're looking forward to coming to Halifax again soon. Says Rene Huard, who doubles as the band's manager, "Halifax crowds are into having fun".

entertainment

Leadership conference

Sat. March 22, 1986
9 a.m.
Vinnie's Pub

WELCOME

Dr. Margaret Fulton, President, MSVU
Shari Wall, President, MSVU Student Union
Susan Smith, Chairperson, Leadership Conference

9:30 a.m.
Board Room

Constitutionally Protected Rights: Are Yours Real?
Anne Derrick,
Partner, Buchan, Derrick and Ring
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Accessing the Hidden Job Market
Dr. Carol Hill,
Director, Student Services
Mount Saint Vincent University

Multi-Purpose Room

Healthy Body/Healthy Mind
Janet Fenerty,
Nutritionist, Mount Saint Vincent University

10:15 a.m.
Vinnie's Pub

Coffee and Doughnut Break

10:30 a.m.
Board Room

Your Rights in the Workplace
Donald Murray,
Associate,
Stewart, MacKeen and Covert

Vinnie's Pub

Stress Management
Pat DeMont,
Co-ordinator, Physical Education & Recreation,
Mount Saint Vincent University

Multi-Purpose Room

Group Dynamics
Sr. Evelyn Williams,
Mount Saint Vincent University

11:45 a.m.

Break

12 noon

Lunch

Cafeteria

1:30 p.m.
Board Room

Don MacNeil Room

Vinnie's Pub

3:15 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room

3:30 p.m.
Board Room

Vinnie's Pub

Don MacNeil Room

4:45 p.m.
Vinnie's Pub

5 p.m.
Vinnie's Pub

Motivation

Mary Clancy,
President, Mount Saint Vincent Alumnae Association
Working with Volunteers
Peter Giffen,
Sector Coordinator, Voluntary Planning
N.S. Department of Development

Organizing Special Functions—
Leadership and Protocol
Anne Knight,
Past Staff Officer, Visits and Ceremonial
Maritime Command

Managing Meetings with Roberts' Rules of Order
Patrick O'Neill
Associate Professor, Speech and Drama
Mount Saint Vincent University

Energy Surprise
Tina Murphy,
Residence Representative, Student Union
Mount Saint Vincent University

Public Speaking
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Drama lives up to its name

by Katrina Aburrow

Almost 350 people came to the MPR on Fri., March 7 for some drama and that is what they got. This is the third time that *Drama* has played at the Mount and vocalist Peter Ettinger said, "The crowd was good and we really enjoyed ourselves, for sure!"

"Compared to the other dances this year, this was a really good dance," comments Mount entertainment director Marina Kleyn Van Willigen. "*Drama* was able to get everyone up dancing by the second song of the first set which is very unusual. Their energy and enthusiasm caters not only to Mount students but to any high school or university audience."

Drama, which has been together for almost a year, consists of vocalist Peter Ettinger, keyboardist George Wedge, bassist Chris Lamb, guitarist Paul Craig, and drummer Thom O'Brien.

The band's name—*Drama*—is also the one ingredient that is needed to capture an audience. "The average attention span of an audience is 20 minutes," explains Ettinger. "We must grab their attention within those first 20 minutes." At the Mount they were able to do so in much less time because of their talent and appeal. "They play good top 40, and make top 40 sound good!" according to Kim Geange, of Mount Campus Police.

Their material varies from an easy listening slow song to good old rock n' roll because of the difference in the band's musical tastes. Another reason for their varying original material could be the song writing talent they have and their management.

"We're very lucky to have Bill Boutlier who is our sound man and our road manager," explains Ettinger. "As far as I'm concerned, he's the best in the Maritimes. Any band I'd heard sounded clean and big, and I want to sound like that when I record." Ettinger continued to say, "We're also really excited to be working with George Antoniac, our producer/arranger, who is a musician in Halifax who's been involved in 12 albums. We're young and he has the experience."

Antoniatic also writes for the band as well as co-writing with Paul Craig, Chris Lamb, or Peter Ettinger. Another plus to the band is Hazen Horseman their agent/manager, who brought the band together. "I decided to leave the *Fanatics* and start my

own band so I hung around Hazen for a couple of weeks," explains Ettinger.

Drama is looking for a record deal in the early spring, so Mount students can start saving money for it now. The band had hoped to have one earlier, but fell behind schedule by doing more one-nighters, like the Mount dance, than planned. This gives them less time for original material, but it's a trend *Drama* wants to continue.

"We're working towards an audience of women between the ages of 11 and 25. For this audience we want to play a lot of one nighters. One-nighters also have more to do with the band," said Ettinger. "In clubs, the audience may be there to listen to you, but they are also there to pick some one up, or to drink."



Symphony Nova Scotia performs last of Amadeus series

by Marina Geronazzo

The final performance in the *Amadeus* series will be performed in the Motherhouse Chapel, by the Symphony Nova Scotia, on Mon., Mar. 17 at 8 p.m.

The final concert includes Mozart's *Symphony no. 41 K551*, and Mozart's *Requiem K626*.

Inspired by the popular response to the movie *Amadeus*, the series has included music from Mozart, Salieri, and Mozart's father Leopold.

Burt Wathen, assistant principal

viola player and librarian with the symphony, said, "We have tried to reach people who may not otherwise come to the city for our performances. The Motherhouse is the ideal location for this program."

"The series has been very popular and has attracted all age groups," said Mary Anna Jollimore, public relations director for the symphony.

The Symphony is hoping their future performances will attract more university students. "Students are the wave of tomorrow," said Jollimore. "We hope

to get students interested in the symphony now."

This final performance will be performed at the Rebecca Cohn Theatre on Sun., Mar. 16, at 8 p.m. In addition to the Monday night performance.

Tickets are \$12.00 regular admission and \$9.00 for students and seniors, and will be on sale at the symphony box office until Fri., Mar. 14. On Sunday, tickets will be sold at the Cohn box office. Tickets will also be sold at the Motherhouse on the night of the performance between 7:15 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

"The club circuit is a good place to start out in, because you have to make the audience watch you. If you get a bad crowd, all you can do is work that much harder. The only way to get a crowd going is to get going yourself. That's really important."

Although *Drama* is extremely new, they have focused energy on the image that they project. "We've worked heavily on the look, with choreography and with the clothes and the hair. We have to, because people are more aware of what bands look like through videos. If you can't do it live, you're hurting yourself," explains Ettinger.

"Rock and Roll isn't just music anymore. We take it as a business," continues Ettinger. He feels it is a business that is changing for the better. "It's a hard business anyway, but it used to be a backstabbing industry in the Maritimes."

This change was evident on *Drama's* previous trip to Bathurst, where *Razorboy* was playing the week before. *Drama* arrived

early to find out that *Razorboy* had been pushing the talent of *Drama*. Both bands have been friends for quite some time, and although they are with different agencies, it did not matter.

"Jackie Smith, *Razorboy* vocalist, has been known to support other bands and help them get into major bars," explained Ettinger, who feels the changes were needed. "I believe there's a lot of talent in the Maritimes, but until now the rest of Canada hasn't recognized that. But if bands support each other, which is happening now, someone's going to make it big. Then, within the next few years, people are going to be forced to look down here for talent," said Ettinger.

Drama could be one of the bands that will be recognized by the rest of the country, but not without more hard work. "The band has matured, because like friends, at first we didn't know what the other person is thinking or what they're going to do," comments Ettinger. "We have steadily improved, but we still have a long way to go."



The Reach For The Top Leadership Challenge is taking place in Vinnie's Pub on Mar. 25, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. Nomination sheets for a team of five members can be picked up at the Student Union Office. There is an entry fee of \$30.00 and the proceeds go to the most outstanding Student Leader to be presented at the Awards Banquet on Apr. 5, 1986.

Gerry Fogarty, the Reach For The Top quizmaster, will be here to quiz the teams. Have your teams ready to play and take on the reigning champs of the Challenge.

For more information on the upcoming event, feel free to contact Dilly MacFarlane at the Alumnae Office or Jan Thomas at the Student Union.

Tech News takes its taste seriously

by Katrina Aburrow

In the past year, the University of British Columbia and the University of Saskatchewan engineer newspapers were both forced to close down because of their editorial content, but *Tech News* from Technical University of Nova Scotia (TUNS) has no such fears.

This could surprise some people who were offended by jokes in the *Farce Side* of the first edition, if they have not read the last two issues. Other students will notice that there were some changes made to ensure that *Tech News* will be read by as many TUNS students as possible.

In the original *Farce Side*, there were drawings that could be considered tasteless, including a room full of deformed children with a man saying to the pregnant woman beside him, "I guess this means we shouldn't have gotten married, eh sis?" There was also a column of one-liner jokes that included derogatory comments on Blacks, Puerto Ricans, and others.

Editor Allan Hrynshyn said, "In the last papers the remarks were few, but in the first paper the remarks were outstanding. There weren't a lot who were mildly offended, but a few who were strongly offended, so I toned down the paper a bit. I could have served the majority, but that wouldn't have been morally right."

"We wanted to throw anything in the paper and then see what people wanted. We wanted students to look and laugh at themselves, so we tried to cover everyone."

There were some students who liked the paper, but they were not as vocal as the offended students. "I wish that students who really liked the paper would write in," he added. "So far, I've only heard the bad comments, but that's human nature. A lot of people find it easy to criticize, but don't contribute."

Sandra Crockett, TUNS Student Union President, feels that the paper could be more informative in the future, but it has already improved a great deal. "At first, we were totally blind to what people wanted, but hopefully we've taken giant steps toward attaining that," she said. "We can only know if we hear from people."

Because of the letters to the editor that the *Tech News* did get, they were able to make changes. "The *Farce Side* has been toned down. The racial jokes did offend both the males and females. Some females did find the paper offensive, while others did not," commented Crockett.

"On the paper's staff we don't have a large representation of women, but that's because there aren't that many women at TUNS," she continued. "The university as a whole doesn't contribute to the newspaper."

There is hope for the *Tech News' future* if students contribute and put their suggestions in print. "We could have a really good paper," said Hrynshyn. "Right now we have TUNS news, but later we may have

Tech News



more on outside interests." And if the paper continues its editorial content, outside interests will continue to look positively on *Tech News*. "A lot of engineers said the paper was so wimpy be-

cause it isn't obnoxious," he added, "but we want to get away from that stereotype. Engineers are notorious for being rude, but there are serious students who aren't like that at all."



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The Mount's women's volleyball team worked their way to a victory in the N.S. College Conference. Next stop—the nationals in Vancouver.

Players of the week

Jackie Coyle and Roberta Mentis are this week's Players of the Week. The pair, who helped the Mount to defeat UCCB 15-5, 15-7, and 15-1 in the volleyball finals this past week-end were named to the Nova Scotia College Conference All-Star team. It was the sixth consecutive provincial championship for the volleyball team, as they wrapped up the season with a 16-0 record. They now travel to Vancouver for the CCAA championships.

Tough team deserves congratulations

The Mount's Women's Basketball team ended its regular season play with an exciting game against King's College. At the half, King's was ahead of the Mount 39-37. The second half saw the two teams neck and neck until King's pulled ahead by six with three unmatched baskets. The game ended 77-67

for King's College.

High scorers for the Mount were Michelle Barrett with 16 and June Saunders with 14. Sherry Jackson led King's with 21 points, while Alison Coyle added 14.

The Mount girls had a tough

season, winning only one game but losing many by less than five points.

They deserve to be congratulated for their hard work and determination down to the last game. Look forward to seeing a tough team back again next year with Anne Lindsay leading the way as head coach

MSVU hockey update

by Steve Jennex

The MSVU hockey team finished their regular season with a 7-5 loss to NSTC this past week-end. The team, who finished with a 1-4-1 record, were plagued by penalties in their final game. UCCB now goes on to play the Teacher's College in the finals.

Shake the winter blues today

Does this sound familiar: "Today I will start to exercise"? At the end of the day you realize that you never did find the time, or you had the time but you put it off. We have all put things off that are good for us. Why not start today and get yourself committed to fitness. It really doesn't take very much, just better management of your time.

Your fitness program relies on you, not the fitness instructor, not the programs available or not even the times the gym is open. The hours of the gym are flexible, and so are the pro-

grams.

It's up to you as to how involved in fitness you would like to become. Overall fitness is not only fitness but also nutrition, mental, and general health. At the athletic recreation office we also have a nutritionist who is available for guidance and advice. All you have to do is make an appointment.

Shake the winter blues by getting involved. Come down to Athletics Recreation and we'll help you out.

AIR assessment

The Athletics/Recreation Department offers fitness testing on an ongoing basis throughout the school year. The cost for a fitness assessment is \$10.00.

If you are thinking of starting an exercise program or you have been exercising regularly, a fitness assessment is an opportunity for you to determine your fitness level.

Counselling will be provided concerning an enjoyable exercise program that will fit into your lifestyle.

Sports shorts

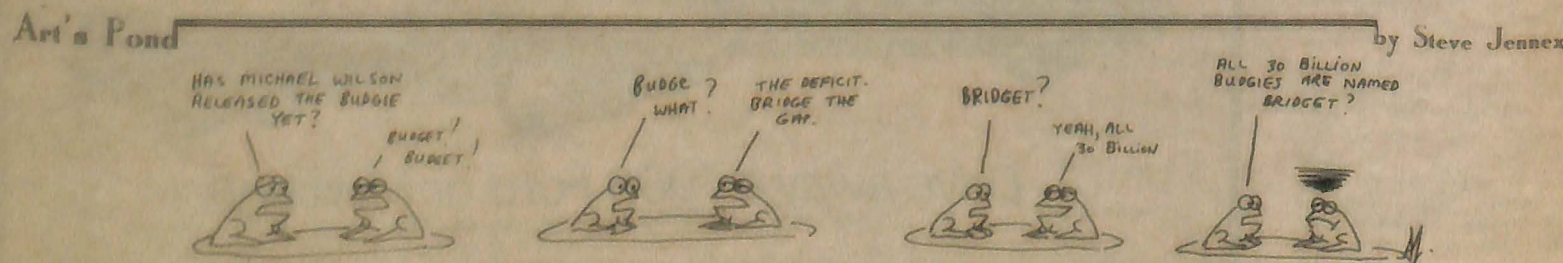
MSVU Mens' Basketball team plays Scoundrel's at 2 p.m. this Sunday.

Good luck to Duff Bishop and Anne Hanrahan as they travel to the Nationals in Badminton.

The cost of getting fit

Aerobics	MSVU	Dalplex
full-time student	\$25/term \$40/year	\$ 55/term \$110/year
part-time students, faculty, & staff	\$40/term \$55/year	\$ 55/term \$110/year
community	\$ 60/term \$120/year	\$110/term \$220/year

Facilities	MSVU	Dalplex
	entire gym	part of the fieldhouse



Purloined Portraits

Hannah Cullwick, an English domestic servant in the 19th century, is the subject of an unusual exhibit, Purloined Portraits, which opens in the Upstairs Gallery at the Mount on Mar. 14.

Curated by Heather Dawkins, the Mount's exhibitions officer, the exhibit came about as a result of research into Hannah, carried out by Dawkins for her MA thesis between 1983 and 1984. She recently returned to England for two weeks to extend this research on a grant from the Canada Council and the Mount Art Gallery.

Dawkins will give an illustrated lecture on Purloined Portraits and the representation of 19th century domestic labour on the Atlantic Satellite Network on Thurs., Mar. 20 at 10:30 a.m., which will be repeated on Mon., Mar. 24 at 8:30 p.m.

Tracking Down a Cultural Heritage

In 1981, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert J. Stitt of Toronto donated some 300 19th century works to the Art Gallery of Hamilton. Much of the collection was obtained in Europe and has been repatriated to Canada. More than 100 works by 39 artists selected from this collection will be on display at the Art Gallery from March 14 to April 6. An opening talk "Tracking Down a Cultural Heritage" will be given on Sun. March 16 at 3 p.m. by Marie Elwood, member of the Canadian Cultural Property Export Review Board.

A guide to children's books

Michele Landsberg, popular columnist, writer and mother will speak about her book *Michele Landsberg's Guide to Children's Books* at the North Branch Library, 2285 Gottingen Street, Thurs., Mar. 20 at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

In the last in the series on *Talking with Kids about Sex*, Anne Bulley of the Planned Parenthood Association will talk about sexual information and health issues related to sex such as teen pregnancy, sexual abuse and birth control. That's at the Mainland South Branch Library, 10 Kidston Road on Thurs., Mar. 20 from 7-9 p.m. Call 421-8766 for more information.

A workshop on *Résumé Writing* for young people age 15-25 will be held at the North Branch Library, 2285 Gottingen Street, Thurs., Mar. 20. The workshop is free and all are welcome.

AIDS issue lecture

Saint Mary's University Students' Association Inc. will present a public lecture by Dr. Evan Collins on the AIDS issue—the biggest story of the 80s, Wed., Mar. 19, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. in Theatre A of the Burke Education Centre. The lecture is free and open to the general public.

Bilateral free trade talks

The Nova Scotia Branch of the Council of Canadians, a volunteer, non-partisan organization of Canadians from all walks of life, is presenting a lecture series on bilateral free trade, running from March 12 to April 16 at Dalhousie University. The goal of the series is to encourage Canadians to discuss the many impacts of bilateral free trade with the United States, and develop a better understanding of where we should be headed as a nation.

The schedule is: Wed., Mar. 12, 8 p.m., McMechan Rm., Killam Library—"Coping with the neighbours—thoughts on Canada-U.S. relations"—Arthur Andrew

Thurs., Mar. 20, 8 p.m., Henson College, Dalhousie—Debate: "Free trade—yes or no?"—Gerald Regan vs. Eric Kierans

Wed., Mar. 26, 8 p.m., McMechan Rm., Killam Library—"Say uncle—bilateral free trade from a journalist's perspective"—Walter Stewart

Wed., Apr. 2, 8 p.m., McMechan Rm., Killam Library—"The impact of bilateral free trade on women and culture"—Maude Barlow

Thurs., Apr. 10, 8 p.m., McMechan Rm., Killam Library—Panel discussion on cultural sovereignty

Wed., Apr. 16, 8 p.m., McMechan Rm., Killam Library—"Socioeconomic impact of bilateral free trade"—Larry Wark

Visit France in Film

French is not necessary to *Visit France in Film* on Sun., Mar. 16, but it will be needed during the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia's tour of France this summer.

Three films—*The Chateaux of the Loire Valley*, *The Wine Regions of France*, and *A Tourist's View of Paris*—will be shown free of charge from 3-5 p.m. in the auditorium of the Nova Scotia Museum.

All are welcome to come and experience a trip to France or to prepare for the tour which will run from May 14 to June 1. The tour of 30 people travels from London, through France to Dover at a cost of \$1900.

POAS conference

The Professional Office Administration Society conference was held this year in Seton, on Mar. 4.

The conference started with a presentation from Brenda Wilson, executive secretary; Sharon Burton, medical secretary; and Heather Foster, legal secretary. They spoke about their office duties and how they cope with office pressures. They also had some advice for future secretaries.

The next presentation was given by Shelia Denison. She discussed colours, fashions and styles for the secretary.

The conference was considered a huge success and all hoped that the society could have another conference in the future.

There is a MSVU quilt being raffled off by the society. The quilt, designed and made by one member's mother, is white with a navy blue border. It also has the MSVU logo in the middle. Tickets can be obtained from any executive member of the POAS.

Public Relations elections news

The PR Society elections are coming up. Nomination forms are available in SAC 304 for the positions of PR Society President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations opened Mon., Mar. 10 and will close Fri., Mar. 21. Positions are open to all PR students and elections will be held on Wed., Mar. 26.

On the PR bulletin board is the sign-up sheet for the PR Pub Crawl, Fri., Mar. 14. Teams of four can sign up for this famous event and information about the Crawl is also posted.

Another special event is being held by the PR Society on Thurs., Mar. 20. The 1st Annual Reunion for PR Alumnae and students will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Don McNeil Room, 4th floor Rosaria. Snacks and a cash bar are included.

And finally, the society is organizing a lottery. Some of the prizes will include three months free membership worth \$99 at Fitness First, three gift certificates for three days at Sunshine Solarium, a package of 10 day passes for Dartmouth Sportsplex, a \$50 gift certificate towards an \$80 consulting session at Colours, a voucher for 2 free tickets to "A Streetcar Named Desire" at the Neptune Theatre Mar. 21 to Apr. 13, 2 one-week memberships at Dalplex, and much more! Watch the PR bulletin board for more details.

Caribanza '86

Caribanza is a cultural presentation organized by the Caribbean students of St. Mary's, Dalhousie and the Mount. It is an expression of the rich cultural flavour that is inherent in the Caribbean. This year's Caribanza on Mar. 15 will consist of a dinner, cultural show and dance.

The theme for Caribanza is "Walking on Sunshine". The special feature will be a West Indian play, "Junction Village", which won the Readers and Writers Guild Prize for the best play in Trinidad and Tobago in 1952.

The play is being directed by David Woods. Mr. Woods, a native of Trinidad, is currently the co-ordinator of The Cultural Awareness Group of Nova Scotia.

Another highlight of Caribanza '86 will be the menu of delectable Caribbean dishes including curried chicken, macaroni pie and rice and peas. One of the desserts will be a delicious coconut-cream pie. Other features include folksongs and several exciting dances.

Caribanza '86 will be held in the McNeil Room in Dal's Student Union Building and will start at 7 p.m. Tickets will be on sale from Feb. 28 in the lobby at SMU, the Dal SUB, or members at MSVU. Admission is \$8.

Best birthday wishes

Happy birthday to Lise, and good luck in designing a successful twenty-first year.

with love, Lalo



Student Services Award

Do you feel a student has proven to be an exceptional leader and has taken an active role in various activities at the Mount? If so, this student could be a candidate for this year's Student Services Award.

The following criteria must be considered when suggesting your nominee:

- student in at least third year
- significant contribution to the overall quality of student life at Mount Saint Vincent University
- shown leadership and active participation in a wide variety of areas (e.g. athletics/academic achievement, student societies, residence hall staff, chaplaincy team, recreation, Mount Student Assistants, Community Services, etc.) throughout university career.
- has demonstrated concern for the interest and well-being of others.

While students holding office will not be excluded from consideration, Student Services will give consideration as well to those who have shown leadership but are not necessarily in high profile positions.

Please pick up the nomination forms at the Student Services Offices in Rosaria and return them by March 15th. Thank you for your cooperation.

Veith House volunteers

Veith House requires the services of a volunteer with a valid chauffeurs' license. Help is needed Tuesdays and Thursdays to transport seniors and preschool children to and from various House and community programmes. Travel is via a 14-seat passenger van, and there is room for flexibility in hours.

Interested individuals are encouraged to contact Veith House at 453-4320.

Junior Achievement Trade Fair

The Junior Achievement 11th Annual Trade Fair will be held on Sat., Mar. 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Halifax Shopping Centre.

Eighteen Junior Achievement companies from Halifax, Dartmouth, Liverpool, and Caledonia will display their products for sale on the main level of the shopping centre.

Products for sale include a wide variety of handmade items ranging from clocks to key-chains. A coat check service will be provided for shoppers.

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