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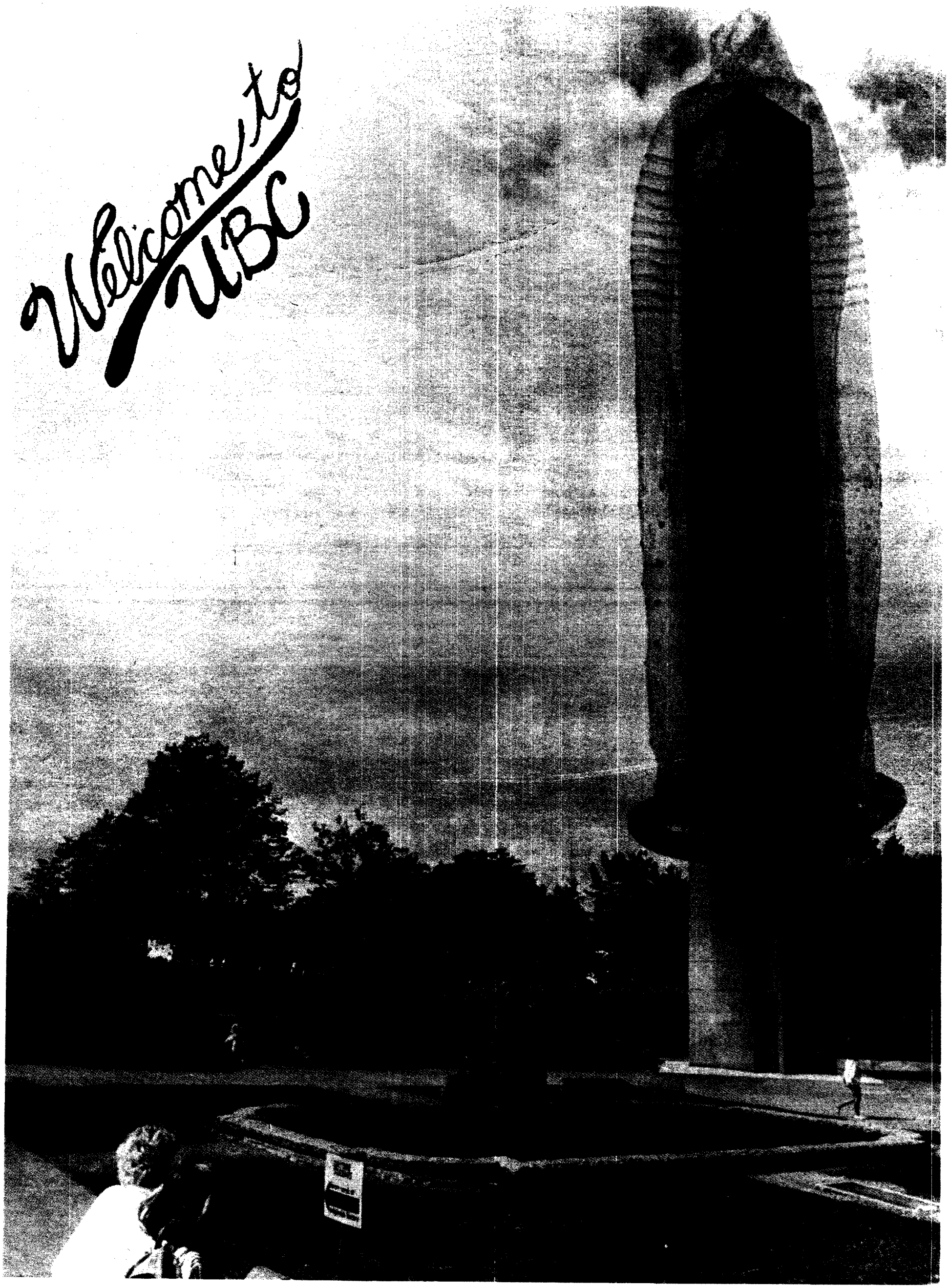

BETWEEN CLASSES

WEDNESDAY

UBC NEW DEMOCRATS
Organizational meeting for Clubs Days, 12:30 p.m., SUB 249F.
VARSITY OUTDOOR CLUB
General meeting, 12:30 p.m, Chem 140.
STUDENTS FOR A FREE SOUTHERN AFRICA
Organizational meeting, 5:00 p.m. Grad Student Centre.
UBC LIBRARY
Tour of Main and Sedgewick libraries, all welcome. 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Meet in Main libra4y, entrance hall. Tours last 45 minutes.

THURSDAY

LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
Guest Lecture by Catherine MacKinnon and Katherilne Sagey, 1230 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Hebb theatre (across East Mall from SUBa0.
SHIYO-RYU KARATE
First Practice of the year, 12:00p.m. to 2:30 p.m., SUB Ballroom.
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UBC STAMP CLUB
First heneral meeting. The club welcomes all, old and new, 12:30 p.m., International HOuse, boardroom.
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HOT FLASHES

Fun with No Fun

Experience the return of a great thing. Last year the hippest folk-rock duo Surrey ever produced wowed 100 cheering fans in the Ubyssey office. This yerar, No Fun is returning, palm trees in hand, to present the Rich Folk Festival. come to the Ubyssey office, SUB 241K in the Northeast corner (second floor), and see No Fun, Friday September 18, 3:30 - 7:30 p.m. david M., Paul Leahy and the gang will not disapoint.

Theology Library changes hours

The Vancouver School of LTheology Library is changing its hours, starting Sept. 14th. New hours are Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m, Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

COPE Women's Conference

The committee of Progressive Electors Wo men's Committee is holding a conferrnce on women's issues, Sun. Sept. 27th at Trot Lake Community Centre, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For registration info, call Michele at 251-4209 or Tami at 251-1491. Lunch and childcare provided.

Ubyssey Staff Meeting Today

first regular staff meeting of the Ubyssey. All staff and those interested in becoming staff should attend. SUB 241k, 3:30 p.m.

Ubyssey needs features editor

Applications for the position of Ubyssey features editor will be accepted until September 15th. For more information Phone 228-2307 or drop in to SUB 241k.

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5 — COMING EVENTS

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Inside you'll learn everything your mother forgot to tell you about birth control, where to party in Vancouver, and the ins and outs of living and surviving at university.

But remember that there is more to school than clothes, restaurants and nightclubs. Your time at UBC is an opportunity to question and question again nature, politics, history, the meaning of life, or whatever you choose to debate.

Plus, UBC offers an opportunity to meet people of different backgrounds, people from other parts of the world or from other parts of Canada. It is a unique chance to grow as a person but to grow you must get involved.

So again, welcome, enjoy, and let the year begin.

How to avoid "Uzi toting" secretaries

and other hints to survive campus

By KATHERINE MONK

Now that you've finally made it through registration, here are a few things which might help you wend your way through the academic jungle as it unfolds before your virgin eyes.

COURSE CHANGES AND WITHDRAWALS

Getting cold feet about physics 500? or maybe you and your prof have `personality conflicts'? It's time to consider withdrawing or transferring. Course changes and withdrawals are nothing to be afraid of. In its ultimate wisdom the university has made provisions for wishy-washy twits like yourself.

The first thing you have to do is pick up an "add-drop" form which is available from your Faculty Head offices. If you haven't changed your mind again yet, go to see the professor who teaches the course you want. If you satisfy the requirements, and any other instinctive or monetary need of the prof, they will provide you with a signature on your "add-drop" form.

The next step is to have your change approved by your faculty advisor. In Arts, the faculty advisor's office is located in Buchanan A207. In Science, the dean's office is located in the north wing of the biological sciences building, room 1507. Now that wasn't too bad, was it?

But wait, before you rush out and get that set of Ginsu Knives, remember that this must all be done by September 18 for one-term fall courses, and September 25 for full-year courses (beginning in September and ending in April). For one-term courses in the winter session you have until January 15 to do the whole thing one more time.

APPEALS

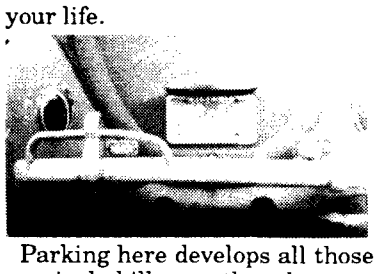
If that hasn't satisfied your red tape wanderlust, try appealing a grade. Appeals are for people who just don't take the word of the prof as the word of God. For you foolish blasphemors, you may contest your grade by discussing it with your professor. If you feel your claim to brilliance is falling on deaf ears, see the department head, and then the dean of your faculty. Appeals are worthwhile if you really feel you have been misjudged, or if you feel there has been a mistake (they do happen) in the calculations. Otherwise it will cost you 25 dollars and a lot of time. Appeals must also be made within two weeks of the report of the final

FEES

Unless you want the secretarial pool on your front lawn toting Uzis it would be a good idea to pay your fees on time. Fees for the first term are due on September 25, fees paid later are subject to a forty dollar late fee.

PARKING

If you've still got enough cash left to run a car, you may be wondering about where to park it. For that you're going to need, what else, more money. Parking at UBC is good training for those of you who are planning to live in New York at some time in your life.



Parking here develops all those survival skills you thought were long gone the minute we became bipedal. If you are an old hand at the game, and are a grad or a fourth year student, you can get a preferred students sticker to park in A Lot, but you have to be quick because it's already too late to get a spot for this year. Stickers are available once again come August 1st, 1988. Plan ahead.

If you are anything less than a faculty or staff member, and you do not live on campus, welcome to the wonderful world of B Lot. B Lot is a world of wonder all by itself. B Lot costs a quarter each time you leave the facility - assuming that you might actually be able to get in the facility.

If you don't mind paying more, there are visitor parking lots opposite SUB, next to the hospital, and near the Asian Centre. But the best of all alternatives is to board a BC Transit aluminum sided limousine to SUB loop; after all, we're paying for it.

Or, if the bus doesn't make it to your white picket fence, try finding a car pool on the ride board which is located by Duke's in SUB.

Any way you make it onto campus, make sure that you get here. Attendence may be more important than you think. Check with your prof about how much of the grade, if any, is based on attendence. Even if you're only auditing a course make sure the prof gets to know your beautiful face, it could make the difference between the beginning of a beautiful friendship and an ugly transcript.

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The **Illustrated History of Canada** is the first good, accessible general reference on Canadian history and looks like a must on every bookshelf.

We are now taking orders for **The Historical Atlas of Canada**, edited by R. Cole Harris, and it should be arriving this month. Along with the new edition of **Canadian Encyclopedia**, which isn't due out until next year, but is already generating a lot of advance orders, these books will become the essential Canadian home reference collection.

Rick Hansen: Man in Motion, by Rick and local sports writer Jim Taylor is in and selling briskly.

If you are among those who see western culture as being on a slow downward spiral and standards, especially educational standards, eroding fast, then two new books of cultural criticism will be right up your alarmist alley. **The Closing of the American Mind** by Allan Bloom and **Cultural Literacy** by E.D. Hirsch Jr. are both stinging attacks on the educational system of America and the disappearance of the literate and cultured man.

New Fiction. **Presumed Innocent,** by Chicago lawyer Scot Turow, is a well-crafted courtroom drama, loaded with dirty urban politics and moving family politics, and it's a good suspence story as well. Highly recommended.

In the Skin of a Lion is Michael Ondaatje's new novel, set in Toronto in the 20's and 30's and blending history and fantasy into the kind of intriguing web for which Ondaatje is so famous.

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THE UNIVERSITY SONG AND DANCE

You have to learn the steps before they'll let you polka

BY CORINNE BJORGE

There's THEM, and then there's US. Them is the administration, the bureaucracy, the people you curse while you're standing in line. Us is the ones in line.

THEM

In principle the ministry of advanced education and job training determines broad funding allocations for BC's colleges and universities. But the government also controls funding to a large extent within UBC through appointments to controlling bodies.

The board of governors, for example, is dominated by eight provincially appointed members from the business community. Other members on the board include two faculty members, the Uaniversity Chancellor, UBC president, one staff representative and two students elected by the student body. The board makes funding allocations within the university based on recommendations from the administration and the senate. The biggest responsibility and power of the board is to set the university's budget which includes an annual review of tuition fees. They were also responsible for approving the recent increase in athletic fees. Student representatives are not allowed to be an effective force.

Students enjoy greater power in the senate. Although the student senate caucus is not particularly large, with 17 representatives out of 87 (19 per cent), it has the potential to influence decisions which affect academic standards of the university, decisions regarding course content, the state of libraries, and etc.

Students also have representation at the faculty and departmental level through student representatives who attend meetings and voice their concerns. These positions are not highly publicized and are usually appointed through undergraduate societies.

US

The most visible student organization on campus is your students' council — the Alma Mater Society. Council is made up of students elected at-large and students elected by their constituencies. There are five at-large positions: president, vice president, director of finance, director of administration, and external affairs. These, the council executives, have offices on the upper floor of the Student Union Building and, generally, more influence than other council members. Although decision making power is loosely held by all council members, in practice decisions are usually directed through the executive and the bureaucrats, the AMS business office.

All students enrolled in credit courses at UBC are members of the AMS and, as members, enjoy certain rights and privileges. Facilities such as the ice rinks, gymnasiums, rooms in SUB, and the aquatic centre are available at reduced rates, or sometimes without charge.

AMS PRESIDENT, REBECCA NEVREAUMONT:

As president, Rebecca publicly represents UBC students and attends various official functions. She chairs all student council meetings and is responsible for overseeing everyday AMS business.

Rebecca will be representing UBC at the national forum on post secondary education this fall. She claims to operate on the premise that student politicians can speak their minds without fear of retribution.

JODY WOODLAND, AMS VICE PRESIDENT:

Jody's main job as vice president is to act as a liason between the AMS and the undergraduate societies.

"One thing I would really like to do is try to get council a little more active again. Basically it's a lethargic body. Things are left to the executive to get done," he said.

During the first week of classes Jody will be responsible for running the annual general meeting, which will take place at the Friday's AMS barbecue between sets of cow-punk music by K. D. Lang. The code and bylaw changes that Jody hopes to pass at the meeting are general housekeeping motions to 'clean up' the AMS constitution. "People tend to forget that this (the AMS) is a legal entity and that (if it's not reviewed) things can can go wrong," said Jody. "With a more accessible document people can be more aware of what the society can do, and what it is allowed to do," he said.

During the summer Jody gave high school orientations. He enjoyed getting the positive feedback, but criticized the university's lack of participation in the orientations. "I think the university should be paying for (the orientations). The university has been resting on its laurels for too long. Their record of academic recruitment is poor," he said.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, DON ISAAK:

Don merits two accolades. Once is for attaining fame as the only director of finance to ever be made an honorary Ubyssey staffer. The second is for his crocodile boots.

"My number one project over the summer was to establish a typesetting shop for the AMS," said Don. The shop currently serves The Ubyssey newspaper and various constituency newspapers on campus, but Isaak hopes to expand it into a competitive publishing business during the year. "I'd like to market the typesetting shop so it's used to its potential," he said.

As director of finance Don would like to see all AMS-owned businesses run efficiently, "I want to see that there's not a speck of wasted space in this building (SUB) where people aren't trying to make money," he said.

AMS DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, TIM BIRD:

"I thought I would have more time to work with people and to work on long term projects," says Tim of his position as director of administration so far, "but in a position like this you end up solving everybody elses day to day problems. So I'm treading water more than I'd like to be."

Tim is responsible for communications between clubs, the Student Administrative Commission (of which he is chair), and council.

He hopes to pilot an expansion project for SUB this year. "We've got three clubs in some offices and it's just too crowded - it's not fair to them".

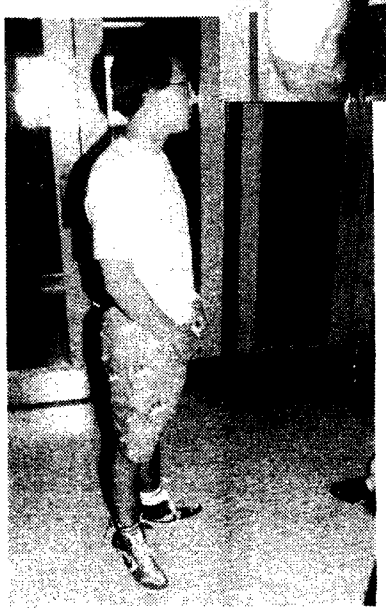
Tim said a review of executive honoraria at UBC was needed to bring them more in line with other campuses across Canada. "The UBC student body made a big mistake in assuming they're going to attract competent people in these positions if there is really no monetary compensation," he said. "Most universities across Canada provide a comfortable salary for the positions like our executive. Other student council executives are paid a full time wage and they do a full time job so they have time to spend on long-term goals."

AMS EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COORDINATOR, CAROLINE RIGG

"We would like to see increases in the student aid program," Caroline says. She hopes to gain public support for student aid by working to improve the local profile of UBC.

Caroline said one way to improve the UBC's profile would be "to invite as many MLA's from both parties to campus" this fall. "You get so many students from different areas," she said. "Student aid is the one thing you can hope to better."

Increasing communication and structuring the office of external affiars will also be a priority this year, she said.



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Turn to page four to learn how to change courses. And now, the easiest courses on campus, in alphebetical order.

FINE ARTS 100: "Introduction to Art History" involves the memorization of paintings, art concepts and historical trends in art. According to one students, you'll do fine if you can remember Picasso was the guy whe drew like you did in kindergarten.

FRENCH 400: "A Survey of French Literature in Translation" in the calendar, this course is better known as "Football French" and is one of the most infamous easy courses on campus. According to one student all that is required is to "sit back and watch the prof rant about sex for two hours." Fills up fast.

GEOLOGY 100: "Introduction to Physical Geology" is the original "Rocks for Jocks" and deserves the name. Worth three credits, this is the easiest way to fulfill your science requirement.

GEOPHYSICS 310: "Exploring the Universe." A three credit whirl around space for those with an aversion to advanced mathematics. "No background in science or mathematics" is necessary, and it's apparently interesting as well as easy.

MUSIC 326: "Music Appreciation" is a course in which students listen to a variety of classically oriented music and discuss musical concepts and history. It is known in the department as "Clap for Credit."

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 206 through 229 inclusive: This is the last year you can take the absolutely easiest courses on campus; they will be phased out next year. You will learn the intricacies of all the sports you have played since you were a kid. ("This is a football...") Try PE 222 to get credit for going skiing.

THEATRE 350: "Theatrical Production" is colloquially known as "Stagehand 350" or "Introductory Roadie 350." You make sets and stuff for the Freddy Wood plays, get lots of exercise, and yep, three credits.

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By JENNIFER LYALL and ROSS McLAREN
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Feeling stressed? Need a drink? That is bad because alcohol increases stress. But never mind. You know what you want and we know where you can get it, and in this guide we want to share our knowledge with you.

THE PIT PUB
Aptly named, the Pit can be lots of fun, especially if you want to be very loud, get very drunk, dance a lot, and pick up a stranger. It is certainly in the running for the worst decorated pub in the city, although the back issues of The Ubyssey all over the walls provide interesting reading when conversation wanes. The Pit boasts the largest selection of draft beer in B.C. at real cheap prices, along with a singularly unimaginative menu of greasy burgers and thick cut fries. The Pit is frequented mostly by fashion victims, UBC residents and fraternity members, especially on Wednesdays, when trendy people of all affiliations come to see and be seen and maybe get lucky. There is no cover charge for AMS cardholders, but you will be required to present ID at the door. Cover is $1 for non-students.

THE GALLERY LOUNGE
No lounge lizards here! The Gallery offers a refuge from the barbarian hordes located in the Pit below. It is a comfortable, tranquil place to relax with friends or with that special person in your life. Daily drink specials, both hot and cold, make it even more affordable to seduce the aforementioned special person. In keeping with its name, The Gallery walls display a different artist every month. Live entertainment, usually mediocre but occasionally excellent, is featured several nights a week.

99 CHAIRS
99 Chairs is the only bar on campus with no atmosphere. It would make a real nice luncheon cafe. It is the only bar with a piano that is never played. How boring is this bar? UBC Lawn Bowlers refuse to drink here. But it is real convenient if you happen to live in Fairview or Acadia residence.

THE GRAD LOUNGE
This has to be the most boring bar on campus. How boring is this bar? It is even more boring than 99 Chairs. It used to be pretty good but has gone downhill since management was taken out of the hands of the grad students two years ago. Even people who aren't grad students are allowed to drink here, especially at one of the many politically correct parties.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
International House is an interesting place to meet wild and wonderful people from around the world, although the most interesting of these people are probably out somewhere else meeting Canadians. The decor isn't much and the booze selection isn't worth writing home about but is rumored to be the cheapest on campus. Great beer gardens 'cause they got the best dance floor on campus.

THE CHEEZ FACTORY
Rumors that there is a puking trough around the engineers' pub are completely unfounded, although it certainly attracts dedicated drinkers. The Cheez has the atmosphere of a backyard picnic area, complete with checkered tablecloths, surrounded by geer memorabilia. Since the engineering faculty is mostly male, this is probably a better place to pick up men than women. The Cheez is located off the Main Mall between the civil/mechanical and electrical engineering buildings.

Stuff your face

By HEDY RUBIN

Although most of the time students can subsist wholly on starch, chemicals, and lotsa Kokanee, there will be times when you need real food. Contrary to popular university mythology, real food can be found on campus; just follow this handy guide.

SUBWAY CAFETERIA
For variety and a large selection, this is the place. UBC's largest cafeteria, taking up most of the main floor of SUB, offers deli style food, a salad bar, Chinese and Asian cuisine, burgers n' fries, fruit kabobs, omelettes, and more. Be sure to experience the original UBC cinnamon bun, famous nation-wide but available only in this cafeteria. The most recent special addition is the "Lickity Split" ice cream bar, featuring 26 different decadent flavours... indulge! Open M-F, 7:30 am to 7 pm, Saturdays 10 am to 2 pm. Closed Sundays.

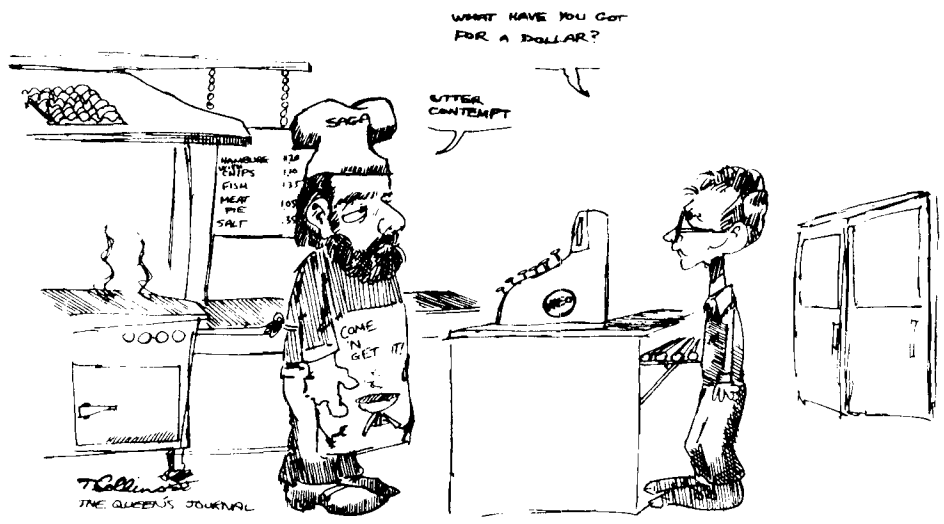
DUKE'S COOKIES
Finding themselves on the main concourse of SUB, gourmet cookie junkies will easily follow the pervasive aroma to discover true hot n' chewy cookie ambrosia. Duke's also features an excellent capuccino and espresso bar, and other hot and cold beverages. Open M-F 7 am to 10 pm, and probably weekends too.

TORTELLINI'S
Mama Leone, eat your heart out! Affectionately known to some as "Plastic Pasta", Tortellini's is UBC's version of little Italy and is located on the lower concourse of SUB, with indoor and outdoor seating. They offer a wide selection of pasta dishes (unfortunately not always al dente) with a choice of 5 scrummy homemade "sauca's." You can enjoy filling meals at fairly reasonable prices. Indulge in stroganoff or the spicy chili, or try the full salad bar and baked goods. Early birds can sit down to a breakfast special offered daily, or go for the hearty T-Bird breakfast sandwich at $1.99. Open M-F 7 am to 10 pm, Saturday and Sunday 11 am to 10 pm.

THE PIT PUB
Also located on the lower SUB concourse, the Pit is open from 11 am to 1 am daily and till midnight Sunday. Here you will find unbeatable burger bargains and a variety of burger fixin's to tempt the fickle. Daily specials make great ploughman's lunches at dirt cheap prices. With enough draught beer to sink the Canadian navy, the Pit boasts the largest selection of draught on tap, import ciders and the infamous Pit shooters. You can nibble excellent finger foods to nibble while catching up on your soaps on the larger than life satellite TV, on which various featured films are shown every Sunday. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights it's time to kick back and do some dancing!

SNACK ATTACK
Again on the lower concourse, the Snack Attack provides the quick solution for the most wicked case of the munchies. Variety of gourmet "dogs" in three different sizes, humungous muffins and heavenly chocolate malts. Open M-F 7 am to 8 pm, S-S 10 am to 8 pm.

THE DELLY
The Delly specialises in wonderful custom made take-out sandwiches at affordable prices. For a change of pace try the samosas, cornish pasties or tasty spanakopita, or indulge in sinfully delicious nanaimo bars or cookies. Healthy light snacks also available for the conscious nibbler. You will find the Delly near the Bank of Montreal in the SUB lower concourse.



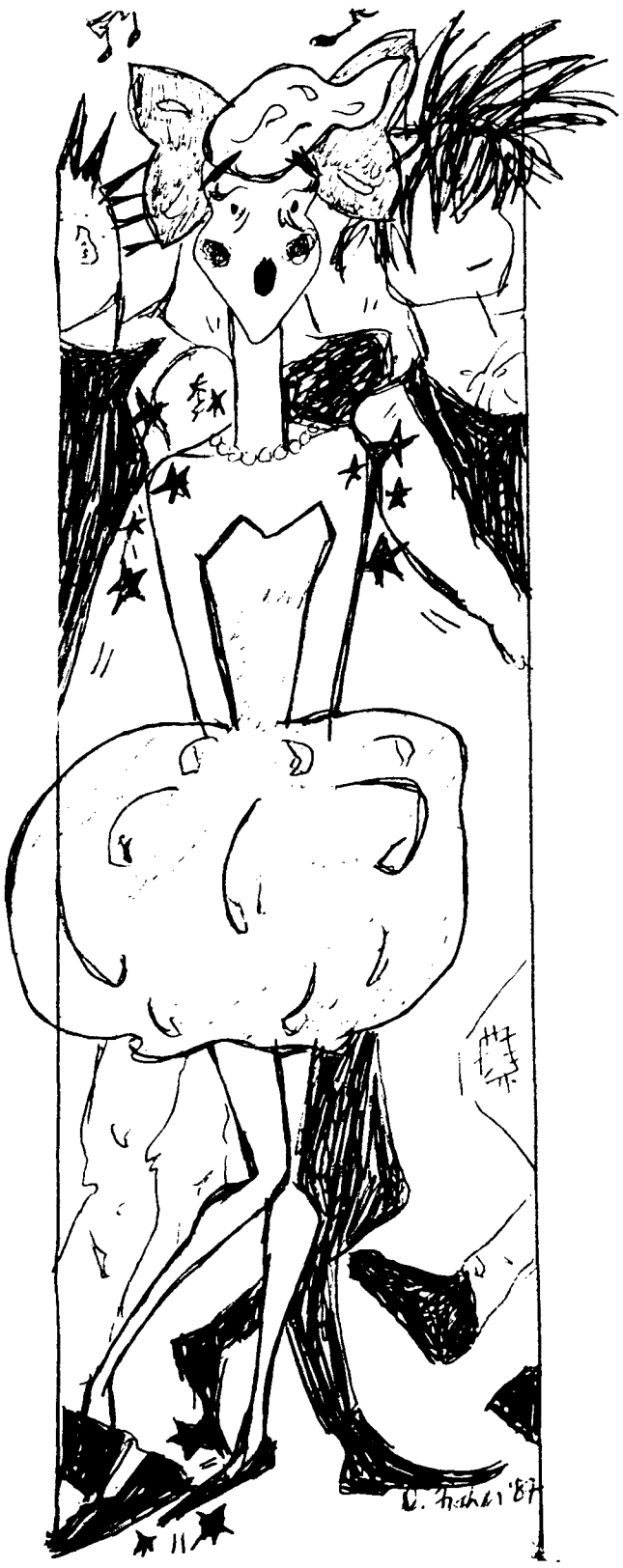
THE BUS STOP
Centrally located on Main Mall, the Bus Stop provides a cozy, unhurried, although often crowded atmosphere. This is the place to make contact! Good hot and cold short order items, excellent fresh pasta salads, and a truly irresistable ponderosa cake that goes down best when accompanied by one of the various specialty coffees. Renowned for the friendly staff, always ready with a smile, a listening ear, and helpful advice on any problem!!

BUCHANAN SNACK BAR
Conveniently located in Buchanan block A, you'll find baked goodies for a quick snack and for that much needed night class caffeine fix, the coffee is, well, definitely an eye-opener!

THE BARN
Located on the south side Main Mall, The Barn offers a quaint and cozy atmosphere with daily luncheon specials, a sandwich bar, hamburgers and other hot items. Open M-F 7:45 am to 3:35 pm.

PONDEROSA CAFETERIA
Located by the Ponderosa Pine on the corner of West Mall and University Boulevard, take out or eat in. This cafeteria is most famous for its baked goods (try the ponderosa cake) but also features daily specials and a create-your-own sandwich bar. Licenced. Open M-F 8 am to 2 pm.

I.R.C. SNACK BAR
Located in the Instructional Resources Centre lounge in the Woodward library building, take out service for a quick snack or a light meal. Open M-F 8 am to 3:45 pm.



Tiffany, misguidedly questing for romance at the Luvafair, is rudely introduced to the concept of slam-dancing.

Hang out, look good, be cool

By DEANNE FISHER et al

If you're brave enough to venture beyond the realms of the familiar this year, past the gates of conversational idiocy ("Like, what's your major, dude?") then you're ready to enter the real world full of real people who hold real jobs and have real goals and go out and have real fun. Get a taste of adventure through Vancouver's night clubs where students are almost a novelty and average people make asses of themselves and live to tell about it, over and over again. You too can be cool just by studying this simple guide.

■ **AMMNESIA** (99 Powell, Gastown) Plastic people dance to plastic music in a plastic nightclub. Top 40 with cosmic lighting and lots of college students. Might as well go to the Pit, it's cheaper and they can spell.

■ **ARTS CLUB LOUNGE** (1181 Seymour) Interesting bands play late at night after Arts Club productions. Sit back and watch the beautiful theatre people roll by.

■ **BUDDY'S** (1018 Burnaby) A gay bar with little tolerance for heteros. A favorite of the young crowd, plays mostly new dance music.

■ **CELEBRITIES** (1022 Davie) The newest gay club in town, has a very large dance floor and attracts a diverse crowd. Nice decor.

■ **CHANNEL 1 KLUB** (860 Denman) Can you say "big hair?" — I knew you could. Either be authentically cool or wear enough black to cover up the fact that you don't belong here. Live bands sometimes, reggae night Thursday, everything but the bass mixed out of the music.

■ **CLUB SODA** (1055 Homer) Live top 40/rock. Don't wear anything special. Nobody cares. Pretty ordinary.

■ **THE EDGE** (1225 Homer) After hours/underage bar. Look like death and you'll fit in.

■ **EIGHTY SIX STREET** (Expo site) Big enough for big name bands, but has the atmosphere of the PNE food fair. Billy Bragg said it was the only time he'd played in a shopping mall.

■ **THE GANDYDANCER.** (1222 Hamilton) Straightest gay bar in town. Men dance with men, men with women, women with women and dancing alone is perfectly acceptable. Bathrooms are almost co-ed. Men only Friday and Saturday.

■ **GRACELAND** (1250 Richards, in the alley) Music to wear black to but beware of stray slam dancers. Sometimes they show pornos on the video screen. Good local bands occasionally.

■ **HOLIDAYS** (135 W 1st., North Van.) Highlight of the evening is Madonna's "Holiday". Need I say more?

■ **LUVAFAIR** (1275 Seymour) Like Graceland but even more black. Don't expect to feel comfortable unless you are a pseudo punker pinhead. Wear lots of black, blend into the walls and laugh at the pseudo punker pin heads. Never a lot of fun, hostile atmosphere, you'll go home alone.

■ **MARDI GRAS.** (century plaza hotel, 1015 Burrard) Mid-life crisis centre (pick up an older man) with an ethnic flavour.

■ **The METRO** (1136 W. Georgia) Spandex mandatory. Heavy metal heaven. Michael J. Fox is seen here.

■ **NUMBERS** (1042 Davie) An older gay bar featuring pool tables, dance floor and skin flicks.

■ **THE RAILWAY CLUB** (579 Dunsmuir) Original alternative local bands play to a mellow crowd. Lots of reggae, blues, and rock n' roll. Spirit of the West sings a song called Our Station about how great this bar is. It doesn't cost much to become a member.

■ **RICHARDS ON RICHARDS** (1036 Richards St.) Alias dicks on dicks but not a gay bar. Women come here to meet lawyers, doctors and entrepeneurs. Men come here because women will believe they're a lawyer, doctor or entrepeneur. Safe sex atmosphere. Bring a condom.

■ **THE SAVOY** (6 Powell) Same management and atmosphere as The Railway Club. Good dark draft.

■ **SYSTEMS** (350 Richards) Revives disco tunes like "Born to Be Alive" and "Knock on Wood" which are initially nostalgic but eventually nauseating. Men should wear a Corona t-shirt. Women should wear enourmous bows in their blonde hair. 99 cent highball extravaganza on Wednesdays. Has been accused of racism.

■ **TOMMY AFRICA'S** (1010 Beach) Full of underage UBC students. Plays Sid Vicious' I Did it My Way every night. The only club desperate enough to offer drink specials even on weekends. Get lucky on Mondays.

■ **THE TOWN PUMP** (66 Water) The only place in town where the band plays to a wall. Good blues and rock from all over. The band never comes on before 11:30, and there are no good seats anyway, so come late.

■ **UNICORN** (expo site) Go there with lots of friends and act stupid. Relax, there are no intimidating cool people here.

■ **The WAREHOUSE** (871 Beatty) Only slightly intimidating for white folks. Good funk music.

■ **XENON** (1108 Hamilton) All those sickeningly trendy people who can't get enough of that generic music come here.

■ **THE VENUE** (932 Granville) The Town Pump in a seedier district. Blues/rock/country.

■ **THE YALE** (1336 Granville) Great blues bands, relaxed mood. Mixture of yuppies and rubbies.

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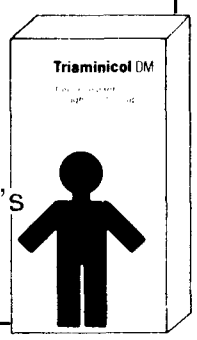

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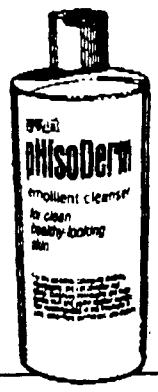

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Don't be a fashion victim

Or, How to look good for cheap now that your mom no longer dresses you

BY DEANNE FISHER

The University of British Columbia is an enormous speckled mass of levis and deck shoes and unless you sport a fuchsia mohawk or are blessed with a grotesquely disfigured body, you will likely remain, for the extent of your glorious years on campus, one measly conforming dot in the matrix.

So you ache to cure your wan wardrobe crisis with a shopping extravaganza but feel morally obligated to limit your clothing allowance to the grossly unrealistic $50 per month you foolishly stated on your student loan application.

Don't fret, you superficial GQ disciples. You can save enough money by scrimping on necessities to eventually afford that dull blue Aritzia sweatshirt you yearn for and which will likely be out of style by mid-October anyways.

Used clothing stores are ideal should you need to dress up for some depthless wing-ding. Shops like Paradise Alley on Davie, The Web on Granville, Sequels on Broadway and Deluxe Junk and The Clothesline on W. 4th are teeming with classic vintage gowns and suits. Their jewelry makes for great conversation pieces. Try on excruciatingly pointed shoes and charmingly tacky winter coats. Don't be surprised if you have to spend hours weeding through the true junk until you find that piece of exquisite trash that transcends the boundaries of mere fashion.

If you simply cannot wait until Christmas, purchase your socks and underwear at Woolworth's or Army and Navy downtown on Hastings. Buy the cheapest most hideous panties you can find and hope to start a lingerie trend. Socks are purely functional. Never labour over colour co-ordinating the triangles in your argyles with your favourite sweater because no one will notice or appreciate your efforts. With an abundant supply of socks and undies, you can do laundry semi-annually and save even more money.

"I'm no measly conforming dot!"

Wear plenty of black. Not only is it in style, versatile and flab-concealing but you can wear the same black t-shirt repetitively before washing it as the dirt you accummulate blends in conveniently. If it smells, spray a lot of cologne on it. Don't, however, buy your own cologne (wait until Christmas for that too) but use the testers on the fragrance counter of any department or drug store you happen to pass. Go for the costly stuff.

While you're in the vicinty, women might mosey over to the cosmetics counter and help themselves to the display testers to do a respectable job of plasticizing their faces and actually co-ordinating shades with their attire. Try those brush-on hair colours at the same time. Warning—do not return frequently to the same cosmetics counter as the dippy beautician may miraculously catch on to your deception. Inquire about different shades of foundation or buy a 73 cent eye shadow brush to deter her suspicions.

To avoid having those burgundy streaks in your hair dribble down your face from the constant Vancouver drizzle, you'll need an umbrella. You will break or lose about sixteen of these this year so don't bother spending alot of money on a cute red one with yellow duckies on it. Apply for a Bay card during their free umbrella promotion. Apply sixteen times. The umbrellas are dull brown but, like socks, are purely functional. Expect sixteen rejection letters.

If the Bay wimps out on their dandy umbrella deal this year, you still needn't splurge. Buy a sharp hat at a second hand store. Hats not only attract attention and distinguish you from the 29,452 clones at UBC, but they save your face from streaking and your hair from sticking to your forehead during the perpetual rainy season.

Never buy jewelry in a mall. Never buy anything in a mall for that matter but especially not jewelry. Granville and Robson streets are rampant with jewelry vendors. All of their merchandise is inexpensive and of decent quality and varying styles. And these people need the money more than Timothy Eaton does.

If you insist on binding yourself, buy 99 cent nylons at 7-11.

It is essential that everyone spend money on footwear. Shoes can make or break your wardrobe, are indicative of your lifestyle and keep your feet dry.

If your closet still seems bland, remember that after those intial weeks of mutual respect, you can borrow your roommate's clothes and double your wardrobe.

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Birth control. Nobody likes to think about it. But birth control is a major concern for many students—married, coupled or playing the field.

Numerous methods are available. At worst, the UBC Health Science Hospital's emergency ward has morning-after pills available to anyone 24 hours a day. But they have serious side affects.

And SUB washrooms, men's and women's, have long, ugly condom dispensers. Inside, for 75 cents, are small cardboard packages labelled "Climax "4"...EXOTIC COLORS...STIMULATING TEXTURE" and a small, scrunched up, protex condom. That's not a great option either.

The best solution for students of either sex is to talk to the friendly staff at Student Health Services about birth control concerns. They've heard it all before and they're not at all shy. Consider methods and decide for yourself before it's too late.

These methods include:

CONDOMS, which have increased in popularity with the burgeoning AIDS scare because they help prevent the spread of the virus. They are also effective in checking other sexually transmitted diseases. They are rubber tubes placed over an erect penis to stop sperm from entering the vagina. The quality of brands varies so check it out. Use them properly (read the directions) with a spermicidal foam.

THE PILL is a combination of the hormones estrogen and progesterone. The ratios of one hormone to the other vary; women are affected differently by the different combinations, so if you react to one it might be a good idea to try another. The pill is taken orally daily and has an impressive effectiveness level of approximately 99 per cent. It can have various side effects including weight gain, lethargy, depression, and, ironically, loss of sexual drive; it can also have more serious effects, especially if you are over 35 and a smoker. Talk to your doctor to determine if you are in a high risk group. The pill requires a prescription from your doctor.

THE MORNING AFTER PILL is a very heavy dose of hormones which can be taken to stop pregnancy up to three days after unprotected sex, but it commonly has serious side effects including vaginal bleeding, abdominal pain, dizziness, nausea and vomiting. It can be useful in emergencies but should be avoided if possible. It's estimated to be 98 per cent effective. The emergency ward at UBC Health Sciences Hospital has them on demand, 24 hours a day.

THE IUD, or intra-uterine device is a small, plastic piece which is inserted into the uterus for up to five years. Insertion is performed by a medical professional. Perforation of the uterus occurs sometimes and there are other side affects.

They look sort of like huge contact lenses, with a diameter approximately the same as that of a tennis ball

DIAPHRAGMS are inserted into the vagina to block passage to the cervix and stop sperm from entering the uterus. They look sort of like huge contact lenses, with a diameter approximately the same as that of a tennis ball. Used properly with a spermicidal jelly or cream, diaphragms are judged to be 92-95 per cent effective. They must be fitted by a health professional.

CERVICAL CAPS are similar to diaphragms but much smaller, about the size of a golf ball, and don't require the use of jelly or foam. They prevent the passage of sperm by adhering to the cervix, where they are held by suction. Insertion can be awkward for women with very deep vaginas or short fingers. Cervical caps can be left in place for up to three days with no ill effects, allowing greater freedom and spontaneity. They too require consultation and fitting with a health professional.

STERILISATION is always an option for those who know they don't want children. The operation is simple for men and a little more involved for women; talk to your doctor.

The key to all these methods is knowledge and correct usage. Check with a health professional and know what you're doing. It's much easier than dealing with a pregnancy or anxieties related to sloppy birth control methods.

SNIP SNIP SNIP SNIP

By KURT PREINSPERG

For those of you men who've done your share of reproducing or who want no part in exploding the population, getting a centimetre of your sperm ducts removed will save you any birth control worries from now till doomsday. For the fickle of mind, the success rate in reversing vasectomies through microsurgery now hovers around 70 per cent.

If you're ready for that little cut in your scrotum, Student Health will refer you to an expert with twenty thousand vasectomies to his credit. The fifteen minutes you spend under the knife of this expert pass so fast that it's almost fun. Almost! Your balls will feel sore as hell for a day or two, but a few weeks later you're back in circulation. And a month or two later - when the last straggling sperm are gone - you can fire away without messy forms of birth control or fear of paternity suits.

A vasectomy won't, of course, protect you from a nasty virus. Once you're monogamously ensconced with the right partner, however, and unencumbered by worries about birth control, sex may well blossom into the intimate, tasty, reckless, incredible fireworks it can be. And best of all, you, the male, proudly assume contraceptive responsibility instead of expecting the woman to dump chemicals or insert funny contraptions into her body.

What if that friendly Friday night partner wasn't so friendly after all?

AIDS is a fact of life. Sounds corny but it's the truth. Smaller than a pin-prick, this virus is deadlier than John Wayne in his prime.

The campus community, however, has responded well to the AIDS crisis. Student Health Services has an outreach program run by a nurse to educate people about AIDS and individual doctors are available to answer questions and test people for the AIDS antibody.

The UBC AIDS Coalition is also dealing with the AIDS crisis in a constructive fashion. The coalition's membership includes students, doctors, nurses, and staff from UBC. It serves as a resource center for campus groups and agencies concerned about AIDS and answers hypothetical questions such as should students with AIDS be allowed in residence (the answer was yes).

The coalition helps students with AIDS cope with their disease. One member, Dr. Rick Mathias, said that although it is not mandatory, some students have told the committee they have AIDS and the committee in turn has been able to better help those students.

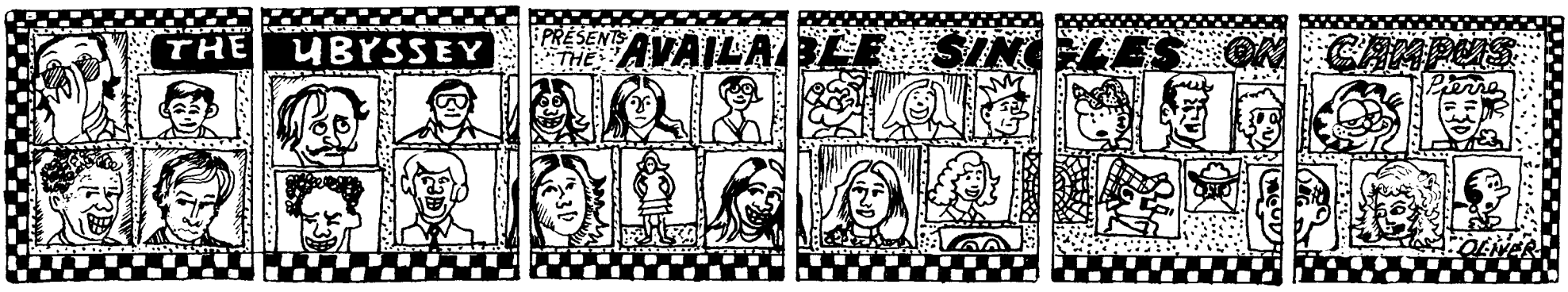
The AMS student council also came up with ideas designed to prevent the spread of AIDS. One of the more exotic of these was a plan to throw condoms from a Trojan Horse. Unfortunately that idea died but the council did decide to distribute an AIDS pamphlet at the annual AMS barbeque in September.

Then there are chlamydia, gonorrhoea, and syphilis. These are some of the diseases you might receive from that friendly Friday night partner who wasn't so friendly after all.

Chlamydia is the worst offender on the UBC campus, according to Dr. Charles Brumwell of UBC Student Health Services. This nasty little virus strikes about five per cent of those who receive checkups. Only half of those people show chlamydia symptoms, which include infection and internal inflamation.

Gonorrhoea and syphilis are less common. Last year there were no cases at Health Services, but since students have doctors off campus it might be around.

The safest sex is no sex but if you find that idea unpalatable and you haven't run the appropriate tests on your partner, it's a good idea to wear a condom.



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By RICK HIEBERT

When I get a little money, I buy books; and if any is left, I buy food and clothes.

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No, Erasmus was not a UBC student, but after buying texts for UBC courses, we can all empathize; it's easy to be cleaned out by the price of books. However, there are places, both on and off campus, where you can find books at a reasonable price.

When buying textbooks it is important to resist the temptation to go to the UBC Bookstore first. That would be a big mistake, for two reasons. First of all, there are a few bookstores around town that sell the texts you need and secondly, everybody and all their dogs will be inside the UBC bookstore getting their books this week. Unless you are sure the book will sell out fast, it is better to wait a day or two, and see where else you can get the texts.

The first place to try is the AMS' Used Book Store, SUB room 125, which is open throughout September. Operated by students, it has most of the more common textbooks. The pricing system eliminates most of the overhead, which results in significant savings for text buyers and extra cash for students using the bookstore to flog their old books. The used bookstore receives textbooks until September 20 and sells them until Oct. 2. Returns are accepted until Oct. 9.

There are, of course, other Vancouver bookstores you should look into. Some deal in textbooks, some don't, but most are worth a visit, if only to dig up more bedside reading.

Just outside the gates on 10th Avenue (4443 W. 10th) is Better Buy Books. A good bookstore, open seven days a week, it stocks a lot of Coles, Monarch and Barron Notes, if you use them. It stocks tons of really cheap paperbacks for bookworms, and it buys and sells used textbooks. Check it out.

Across the street is the university branch of Duthie's Books. A typical new bookstore, it caters to those with literary tastes and deep pockets. But it is a good place to look for recently published books, even fairly obscure ones. The downtown branch on Robson Street is bigger and better, with a huge paperback cellar.

Ashley's Used Books (3712 W. 10th), is an antiquarian bookstore, which means they deal with very fine (and expensive) used books. However, they also have a great selection of inexpensive paperbacks of all kinds. As well, they sell paintings and play classical music. A very cultured place, Ashley's has a lot of hardcover books, biographies and a lot of fiction.

Around the corner, at 2553 Alma, is the Book Mantel. The Book Mantel has crammed enough books for two stores into one, piling them onto lofty bookshelves that stretch up towards the ceiling. Quite a few books that tie into UBC courses, notably strong literature, politics and history sections. They also have a lot of used records (alas, mostly 70's and Disco) and the staff is friendly. A nice place to browse while waiting for the bus to UBC.

Around the courner, on Broadway, is West Coast Books (3209 Broadway). It has good hardcover books and bestsellers for a little cheaper than most downtown bookstores. They also provide chairs to ease your aching feet and is a little less claustrophobic, more open, than many bookstores. A nice little place.

Continuing down Broadway, we find, at 2887 Broadway, Kitsilano Books. Lots of books, but a bit musty. Generally prices its books a little high, but here you find books you won't find elsewhere. The cats are friendly.

Just down the street, at 2685 Broadway, is Banyen Books, an alternative bookstore that concentrates on natural-based lifestyles. With lots of books on religion and spirituality, the environment, wholesome cookery, feminism, socialism and such, this is a very mellow place to hang out, with lots of space to sit down and a really friendly staff.

Down at 632 West Broadway, out by London Drugs, is one of my personal rave faves, the Book Warehouse, where you will find lots of hard cover bestsellers and paperbacks, with lots of obscure books. Few of these relate directly to UBC courses, but they give out free coffee and have a damaged and clearance books table that is worth looking at.

A-Aaabaca Book City, at 1247 Granville, is an excellent warehouse style store. Although, like most non-University bookstores, it is very hard to find exactly the text you want, it is a good place to pick up good, inexpensive books that explain other facets of the subjects you're taking. An incredibly large store, great for browsing.

If you want books by, for and about women, go see the women at Ariel Books (2766 West 4th) and the Vancouver Women's Bookstore (315 Cambie, downtown), where feminist magazines and books, and other material relating to women is available.

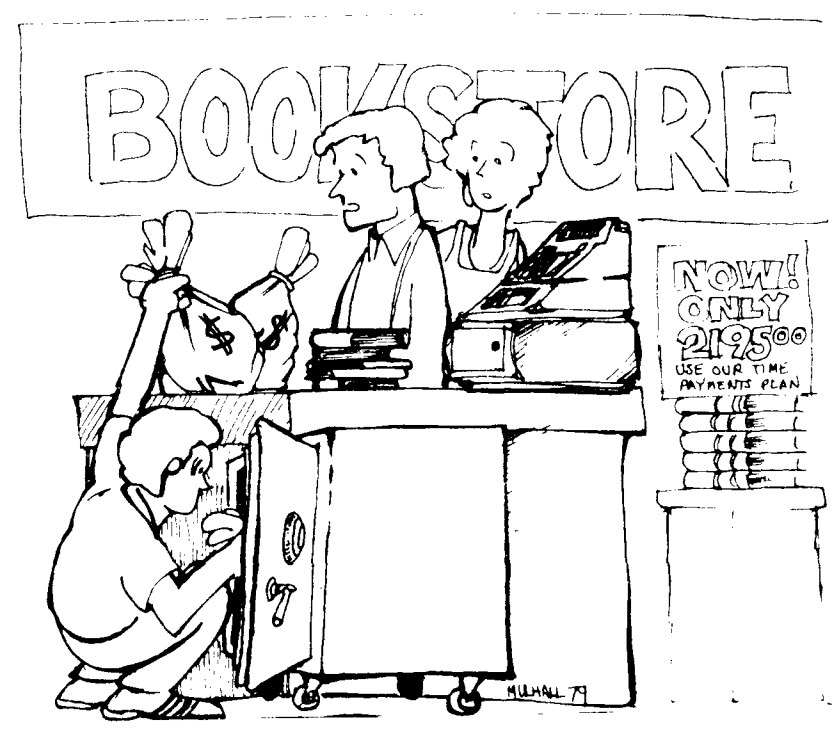
If you want leftward leaning reading material, go to Octopus Books (1146 Commercial) where you'll find all sorts of books, magazines, flyers and pamphlets approaching politics, economics, social issues and history from a collective perspective. Lots of really neat posters and buttons. A laid back place where you can meet nice, pleasant people.

And then there's the People's Co-op Bookstore just down the street (1391 Commercial Drive). Lots of Soviet material, and an entire wall of Marx and Lenin. Pacific Tribune readers will love this store.

For UBC's Christians, or those interested in religious reading material, videos, records and magazines, Faith Christian Books (10036 King George VI Highway, Surrey, across from Surrey Place) is the biggest and best. Those unwilling to go so far will find that The Music Cupboard (521 W. 57th) and Pilgrim Book and Bible (2756 Kingsway) are also quite good.

And last, but not least, the UBC Bookstore. Here, you will find all the textbooks you couldn't find anywhere else, assuming they have come into the store. A big bookstore, it has an incredible number of books that people would actually want to read in their spare time. The usually friendly and helpful staff will help you find all those textbooks whose purchase will give you a checking account overdraft almost as big as the American national debt. Also, you can outfit yourself almost entirely in clothes that will give free advertising to the University.

The books that you need are out there. The fun part is looking for them. Pleasant reading.



The greying campus

After the isolation wears off, mature students enjoy the benefits of experience

By JENNIFER LYALL

More UBC students have grey hair these days, but for many mature students the return to campus means adapting to an alien lifestyle and overcoming feelings of inferiority and isolation.

"I felt like I had turned my back on everything I knew and was comfortable with...(Being a student) was a very unfamiliar situation; it's very different from the workforce," said Helena Petkau, 44, who returned to school after 12 years in the workforce.

That uneasiness is heightened by a lack of confidence felt by many mature students. Even people who have done well in school in the past can lose faith in their ability to study after many years away from school.

"Self-confidence - that's what I lacked going in," said Petkau. "You're afraid that your thinking capacity isn't so good any more...I was worried that I couldn't maintain (a high) standard."

Those worries dissolved when she got her first essay back: "I got the only A in the class, (and I thought) it's okay, I can do it."

As a single mother, Petkau has more responsibilities than most students, and has been forced to reasses her priorities and make some sacrifices in order to pursue her education.

"I have a bit of a problem reconciling the fact that (my daughters) have to make do with less because I'm following my dream," she said. "Traditionally motherhood has always been the most important thing for a female; I can't say I don't have any guilty feelings but it's a guilt I can handle."

Petkau also had to address feelings of isolation and displacement during her first weeks on campus.

"I felt a bit out of place (during the first weeks on campus) because so many of the students are younger," she said.

Her experiences are so common that the Office for Women Students annually offers a one-day program to help mature women students adjust to campus.

June Lythgoe, director of the office, said mature students typically start out with an eroded sense of self-confidence.

"After you've had a fair bit of experience, with all that entails, you're not as sure of yourself," said Lythgoe. "It's ironic but what experience does very often is to chip away (at self-confidence)."

And it isn't difficult to understand why people feel alienated, she said.

"If you walk around this campus as a mature student with grey hair in this sea of excited and seemingly self-confident...fresh faced younger students, you feel absolutely isolated."

"You feel this enormous sense of loss of identity...and you think you're all alone," she said. "It's like being in a foreign country without knowing the language."

But "once the initial strangeness wears off," mature students enjoy many advantages over those coming straight from high school, said Lythgoe.

For example, mature students know what they want to achieve and bring more direction to their studies.

"What you learn as a mature student is embedded in experience," said Lythgoe. "When I went back to school as a mature student I really wanted to integrate my studies...to feel that I was learning."

HELENA PETKAU...no longer out of place.

Petkau agrees that her life experience has been an asset.

"We can see the value of what we're doing because we've been in the workforce," she said. "The returning (mature) student is doing it because they want to do it."

Far from being alienated from her fellow students, Petkau said she assumed "a little bit of a parenting role." Her willingness to speak out in class gained her the respect of the other students, she said.

Her age has actually made it easier for her to establish a rapport with her classmates. "They don't need to compete with me because I'm older and I don't need to compete with them because they're younger, so it's a very supportive relationship."

Women's Office offers support

By WANDA CHOW and FLORENCE LOUIE

"As long as we live in a culture that is in most part shaped by men, there is a place for a special support for women," said the director of The Office for Women Students.

"We approach counselling from a woman's perspective," June Lythgoe said, and added that the office is there to offer support according to woman's needs.

Lythgoe said the office faces every kind of problem under the sun, from homesickness to school anxieties, and that the office staff is availabe for discussion and advice on particular problems.

First established in 1921, The Office for Women Students(formerly the Dean of Women's Office) was one of the first student services on campus.

Apart from a variety of professional counselling services, this office offers skill workshops, informative programs and special discussions.

There is also a Resource Library for student research and the Mildred Brock Lounge for women. Located in Brock Hall (Room 223), the lounge is comfortable and available to all women students for socializing, meetings, or simply rest and relaxation.

Basically, Lythgoe said, "If you have a question you're too embarrassed to ask anywhere else, this is the place to go." Just drop by at Brock Hall, Room 203 or call for an appointment at 228-2415. The office is open Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm.

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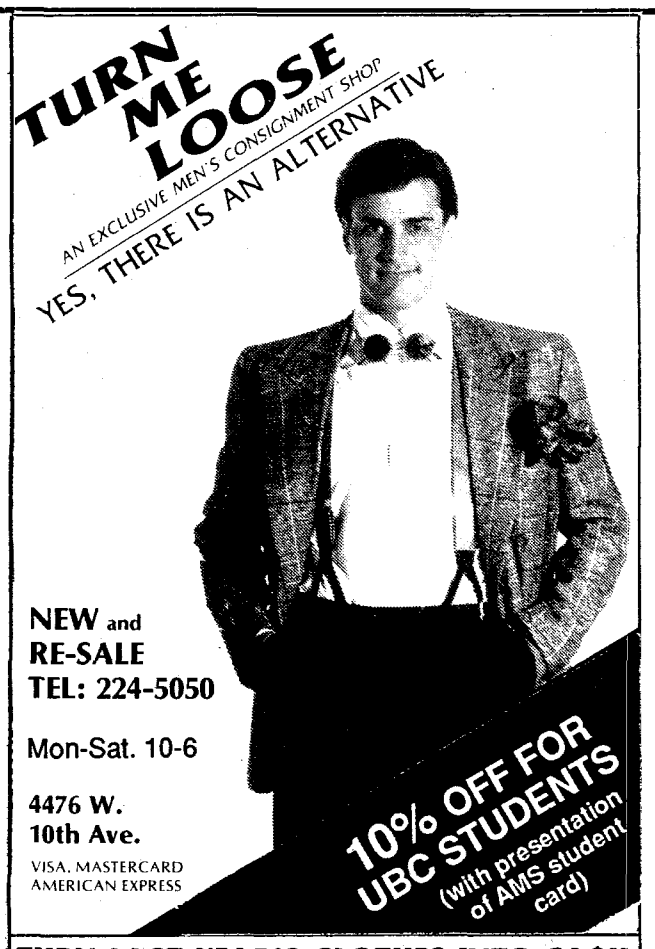

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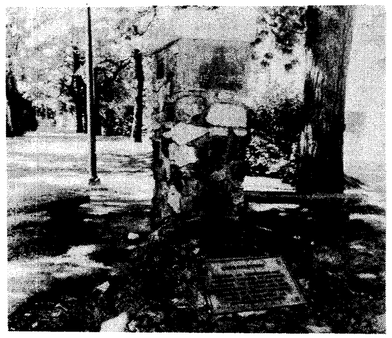
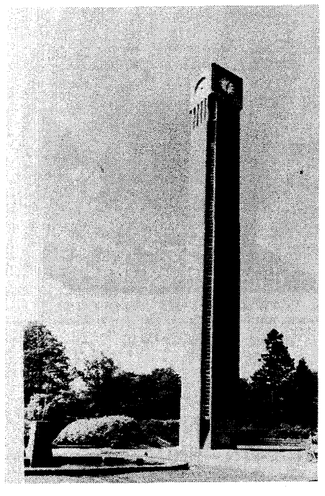
3) Three points deducted from your score for every pint of beer drunk while playing.

4) Every hole starts from the target of the previous hole.



FIRST HOLE PAR 3:
Start the course in the main foyer of SUB across from the candy counter. Buy yourself a snickers bar to fortify yourself while playing. Now, head north to the plaza outside the north door of SUB. The target is the totem pole in the middle of the traffic circle opposite you. You can't see it because it's obscured by trees. Beneath the north entrance is the Bank of Montreal which no longer approves student loans on campus so students have to go downtown to apply for their money.

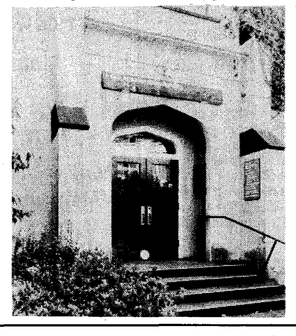
SECOND HOLE PAR 5:
From the totem pole, head northwest to the Tuum Est Cairn "erected to commemorate generous actions of student bodies, in providing for their Alma Mater." The Ubyssey is always in favour of generous actions by student bodies. Across the road from the cairn is Brock Hall which contains, among a number of services for students, the job centre and the counselling centre. Bear in mind that this conselling, like this game, is free. Free advice and free games are often worth the price.



THIRD HOLE PAR 5:
This dogleg takes you along the avenue of trees running west from the cairn and then south towards the clock tower which is your target. The clock tower was built with money donated in the will of a certain man named Ladner. Anyone looking at it will surely agree that the nickname "Ladner's Last Erection" is most applicable.

FOURTH HOLE PAR 6
Continuing, the course heads west around the green area in front of Sedgewick Library. Hit the north door of the Old Administration Building. Go in and have a chat with UBC president David Strangway about university politics or something. All of the president's men have their offices here and the Board of Governors meets upstairs. The Board features such academic luminaries as Peter "the Rabbit" Brown and Joy "Tennis With McGeer" McCusker, as well as president Strangway and nine others.

FIFTH HOLE PAR 4
To the north, along the boulevard in the middle of Main Mall is the large flagpole with a beautiful backdrop of the mountains. Hit the pole and learn that 90 per cent of the campus population will be on those mountains skiing during the term. Be careful not to overthrow and hit a pair of young lovers planning safe sex in the rose garden below the flag pole.

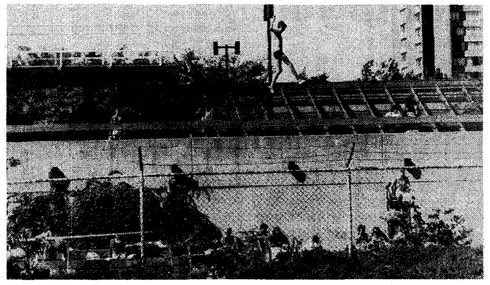


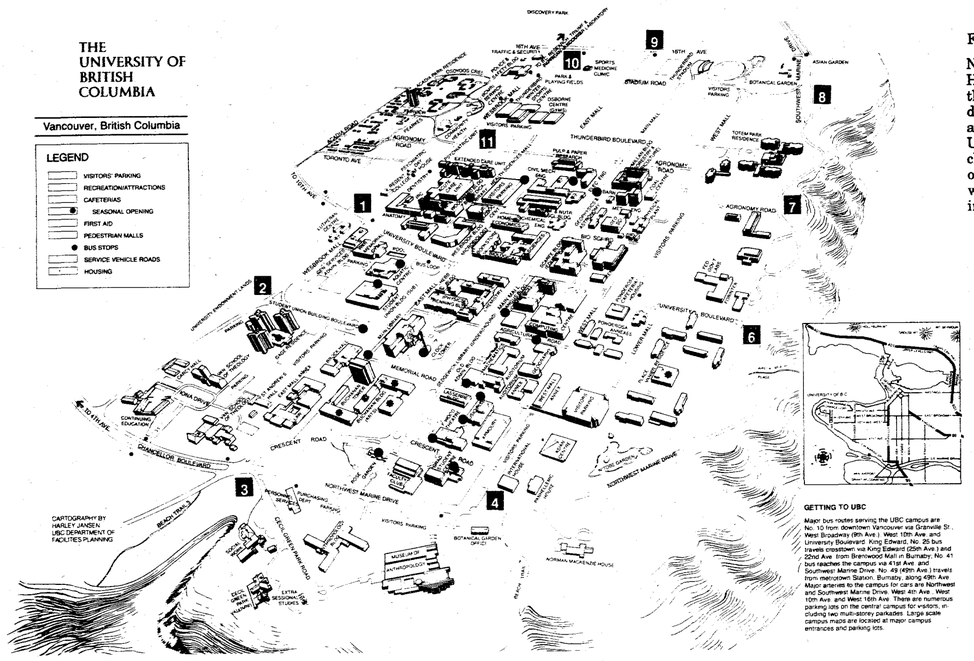
SIXTH HOLE PAR 4
From the flagpole, head west to the Graduate Students Centre. On your way, look at the privileged profs swigging dry martinis (shaken, not stirred) in the Faculty Club on your right. Hit the door of the Grad Centre and then head in and have a cheap pint of Rickard's Red in the lounge upstairs. Remember that you get three points off your score for every pint you drink.

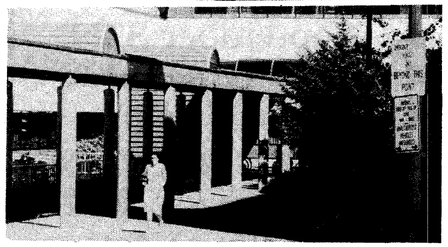
NINETEENTH HOLE NO PAR VALUE
Head to The PIT and see how low you can get your score at three points off per pint.

EIGHTEENTH HOLE PAR 2
Now we turn to that big ugly concrete bunker ahead of you. Hit the south door of the Student Union Building and congratulate yourself on a job well done.

SEVENTEENTH HOLE PAR 8
Another long hole for the grimly determined — just remember how close the Nineteenth hole is. Head further north through some more medical buildings to the Aquatic centre. Hit the door (careful not to break the glass) of the big bath. This is another of the many buildings built with student money. Students are occasionally allowed to use the facility (three times a day).







SIXTEENTH HOLE PAR 5
Now head North to the Terry Fox cancer research clinic. As you hit the door of the pale pink concrete building, wonder aloud at the state of contemporary architecture now that pastels have left Better Homes and Gardens bathrooms and ended up on public buildings.

FIFTEENTH HOLE PAR 6
Next stop is the Health Sciences Hospital further to the east. It is the big concrete building with the dark blue top. It was built beacuse a certain Universities Minister (a UBC medical researcher, as chance would have it) thought the only thing worth funding at UBC was medicine. He thought people in other subjects such as the the liberal arts should wither away or go to Stanford because UBC was so inferior in Arts. You should hit the door to the Student Health centre at the end of the covered walkway at the South end of the building. The student health clinic is a good place to go if you have physical or mental ailments. Don't hesitate to head on over if you have suicidal exam stress in December (or April).

FOURTEENTH HOLE PAR 5
This hole was thrown to test your navigational skill. Head east to a pair of "do not enter" signs at the exit from a multi-storey visitors' carpark. Hit one of the signs. Parking is a contentious issue on campus. You either pay a lot of money or get a lot of exercise.

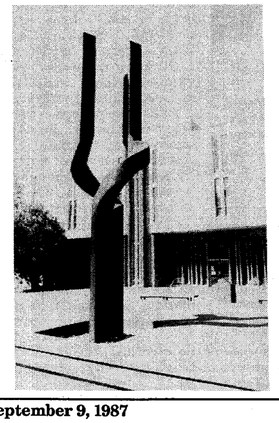
THIRTEENTH HOLE PAR 4
Head East from the cairn between two engineering buildings to the building where Applied Science students argue about Nietszche. Yes, your next target is the roof of the Cheez Factory. Head in and have a cheap brew (remember, you get three points off your score for every pint quaffed). Then you can discuss philosophers like a true geer.

TWELFTH HOLE PAR 10
This is a long hole which Nicklaus was reluctant to include because of the high par. We had no such qualms. Head directly south along Main Mall to the famous, the infamous, the infectious, Engineers' Cairn. It is heavy, thick and immovable, just like 90 per cent of geers. Hit the cairn with your frisbee. Maybe this will be the year the Science Undergraduate Society finds a way to blow the fucking thing to bits.

ELEVENTH HOLE PAR 4
Head east then south to hit the Great Trek Cairn between the Bus Stop Coffee Shop and the Chemistry building. The cairn commemorates a walk by most of the students in 1922 to agitate for completion of the campus. The Chemistry building has at least three labs which could synthesize good acid — talk to a Chemistry grad student to find out about availability. The coffee shop has the best food, cheapest prices, and greatest service on campus. But, beware, the building could be torn down for a new science/management library on the site.

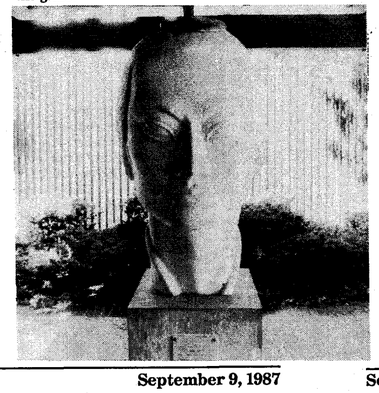
TENTH HOLE PAR 6
This is a long hole because Jack Nicklaus couldn't think of any other way to get people through this part of campus. Head south to the Computer Science building past Yum Yum's cafeteria and between the Geography and Math buildings. Hit the door of the building and feel sorry for the poor sucks stuck inside computing away all night long.

NINTH HOLE PAR 3
Now, head south along the covered gallery and hit the large rusty metal sculpture at the end. To The Ubyssey, this sculpture symbolizes the dialectical struggle between to intertwined rusty forces, the United States and Russia, for example, or maybe the Tories and the Liberals, or maybe you and your transcript.



EIGHTH HOLE PAR 4
From the ticket booth, skirt the theatre lobby and head south to hit the large white stone sculptured head at the end of the long gallery. This is one of many sculptures on campus which can be appreciated in contemplative moments.

SEVENTH HOLE PAR 4
To the south southeast is the Frederic Wood Theatre which only produces boring classical plays that have no social relevance or relevant plays that are simply boring. Good sets though. Hit the ticket booth, but avoid breaking the glass.



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For more information, please contact A.M.S. president Rebecca Nevraumont, SUB 256, 228-3972

STRESS

Don't let it get to you.

By CELIA HENSLOWE

At the beginning of September the pressure of essays, labs, and exams is still a nebulous threat. But by the end of October, with four assignments and six mid-terms in just one week, the pressure can become intense.

Academic anxieties, moreover, aggravate stress in other areas of your life. Combined with emotional, personal, or financial worries, school can be traumatic.

Stress is an integral part of the university experience. And not all stress is bad; everyone needs some pressure to stimulate them, especially when studying. But it is important that you control your stress and use it to your advantage rather than let it control you. So if the upcoming term is already giving you headaches and sleepless nights, you might want to consider some techniques in stress management.

The best way to reduce stress, according to Student Health Services' stress specialist Dr. Dorothy Goresky, is to maintain good health. Regular aerobic exercise. A well-balanced diet high in whole grain goods, fruits, and vegetables, and low in refined flour and sugar. And enough sleep.

While going for a coffee or beer is relaxing, remember that caffeine, alcohol, and nicotine tend to increase levels of stress.

Take time out every day to relax. Meditate. Practice yoga. Walk through the Endowment Lands or watch the sunset from the beach. Vent your frustrations on your squash partner. You can even justify watching t.v.

Organize your time so that you have time both to study and to have fun. Counselling offers free workshops in time-management and study skills.

When you do start feeling stressed out, acccept the fact. Stress is natural, and in university it is inevitable.

Evaluate your stress. Are you putting unneccessary pressure on yourself by having unrealistically high expectations?

Use the power of positive thinking. If, for instance, writing exams paralyzes you, Goresky suggest that you visualize the situation as a series of steps which you successfully complete. Picture yourself calmly sitting down to study, reviewing your notes, understanding them, serenely slumbering, then going to the exam and breezing through it.

Imagine the worst possible outcome. So you fail a course or decide not to finish the year. It is not going to ruin your life and it is certainly not worth ruining your health over.

Talk to a friend. Sharing a problem makes it less distressing. Your friend can give you the emotional support you need, and probably some useful advice. Your friend may also be experiencing similar anxieties, in which case you can commiserate together.

Should you feel unable to cope alone, however, there is plenty of help available on campus. After all, many other students are feeling similarly stressed out.

Student Health Services can deal with your medical problems. Doctors often diagnose physical complaints as symptons of stress. And while they can alleviate the headaches, stomach aches, and insomnia, they can also suggest where to go for counselling to get to the underlying problem.

A variety of pamphlets on stress, including an article by Goresky and director of counselling services Ken Kush, is available in the SHS waiting room.

SHS and Student Housing are holding a workshop from December 1-4 on "Recognizing and Coping with Stress." Goresky offers sessions teaching stress managing skills, but you need to see her before enrolling.

Speakeasy offers personal and anonymous counselling from your peers. Drop by the SUB or call 228-3700 crisis line, 228-3777 info line.

The Women's Resource Centre also offers personal counselling for women, and specializes in women's concerns.

Drop by the Office in Brock Hall or call 228-2415 for an appointment with a counsellor.

The Centre is presenting a three part workshop November 12, 19, and 26 on "Creative Techniques for the Reduction of Stress and Anxiety."

Counselling Services offers counselling for personal, academic, social, career, and emotional concerns. To make an appointment with a counsellor, drop by Brock Hall or phone 228-3811. Counselling also offers workshops on a variety of subjects.

It is important to control your stress, and use it to your advantage, rather than let stress control you. So relax, take a deep breath, and take the time to enjoy your life as a student.

Frats...Check Them Out

by Ross McLaren

Fraternities and sororities can be the best of times or the worst of times, it depends on who you ask.

"We do everything together, all the time. Sororities have more to offer than any other UBC club or organization," says Corey Evans of Delta Gamma.

Brent Lymer, past president of the Inter-Fraternity Council says that, "I gained many different skills in my fraternity. My resume is packed. You get more out of a fraternity than you ever put in, but you have to put in."

Fraternities, sororities, and phrateres, however, are not for everyone. The greek community is criticized for the cliques that surround fraternity life, the childish pranks forced upon pledges, and the male bonding experiments that ensure the majority's voice at the expense of the individual's.

Fraternities 19th century attitude towards homosexuals is an example of the latter tendency. Individual frat members may accept homosexuality but the majority don't, hence gay fraternity men remain in the closet.

"I know gay people in frats. It's fine by me but gay people I know don't let it out," says Lymer.

If gay men can cope with hiding their sexual preference, then what better place to meet men than in a fraternity. Perhaps in time the "greek" way of life really will resemble the historical greek way of life.

Don Isaak came to UBC alone, afraid and unwanted. Then Don joined the Fiji's. Now Don is Director of Finance, a somebody. Don spends money, lots of it, and none of it his.

In other areas, fraternities have worked hard in the last few years to improve their image. Alcohol will not be served at the first Rush function this year. And for the other Rush functions, those who drink too much will be driven home.

Hazing has also been toned down. Hazing — mental or physical abuse that endangers lives of pledges or humiliates pledges — was outlawed after men in the United States and Canada died while being hazed.

Lymer, a Kappa Sigma member, says, "if the international finds out (someone was hazed) the fraternity (UBC chapter) could lose its charter. But it is hard to define what hazing is; we don't kidnap people but we do other things that could be considered hazing. The definition often gets sticky."

One area where the greek community excells is in charity work. Last year the Inter-Fraternity Council raised money for the Rick Hansen Fund, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, and the Kidney Foundation.

Individual fraternities and sororities also select individual charities to support. The sorority, Delta Gamma, for instance, raises money for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Car washes, penny drives, and the "anchor splash" raised $1,000 last year. That doesn't seem like much but Delta Gamma chapters across North America have raised over $10 million for charity, according to Corey Evans.

Phrateres also raise money for charity. Last year it raised $8,000. Phrateres, unlike a sorority, is an AMS service organization but they have close ties with the greek community. Phrateres, with approximately 190-200 members, is larger than a sorority and is open to any female student.

Rush week is the time for people interested in joining a fraternity or sorority to drop in and check out the houses. Everybody is free to drop in and the individual houses will explain what their particular house has to offer.

Then each house invites individuals they like to join their organization. Once a person chooses a house they are pledged and then they must prove themselves to the house. Once the appropriate tests are passed, pledges are accepted into the house. Then comes the infamous secret initiation rite so wonderfully satarized in National Lampoon's Animal House.

For those people interested in joining, try it out, ask questions and see if fraternity and sorority life is what you are after.

Nuclear winter demands smaller global arsenals

By JAMES YOUNG

A recent graduate of the University of British Columbia has developed teaching materials on nuclear winter, in order to help Canadian science students think more critically about nuclear weapons.

"Ultimately the objective is to provide students with enough information to understand and evaluate the claims made about nuclear winter and assess the uncertainties involved," said Al Banner, who developed the materials for the B.C. chapter of Science for Peace, after completing a master's degree in forestry.

In preparing the course material, Banner compiled information from over 50 highly specialized articles into a 71 page book.

"Nuclear winter is a good topic to be covered because the subject matter has a strong science component to it as opposed to political science," said Banner, a former member of UBC's Students for Peace and Mutual Disarmament.

Although political science courses in Canada now routinely use textbooks describing nuclear war scenarios, these materials are the first in a series designed to make nuclear issues more accessible and relevant to science students.

The series, coordinated by UBC microbiology professor George Spiegelman, will include additional units on topics such as radiation and verification technologies.

The materials developed by Banner give background on the climatic, ecological and agricultural effects of nuclear winter, as well as looking at special concerns for Canada.

Banner, who would like to apply his knowledge of remote sensing to improving arms control technologies, said scientific models of nuclear winter have become increasingly sophisticated since the theory was first advanced in a December 1983 issue of Science magazine.

The original articles argued that the smoke resulting from cities burning in the aftermath of a nuclear war would significantly block the amount of sunlight reaching the earth's surface, with temperatures in the northern hemisphere plummetting to minus 15 or 25 degrees centigrade, followed by months of subfreezing weather, and the possibility of human extinction.

Some later studies, however, support the concept of a "nuclear fall" with less severe temperature drops.

But even the less severe effects of a nuclear fall could still be disastrous for Canadians, said Banner.

"A drop of slightly more than two degrees centigrade over the growing season could end up making wheat production virtually impossible in most of the prairie provinces—a four degree drop could virtually eliminate barley production," he said.

The material also examines the vulnerability of other crops, noting that without agricultural production, between 90 and 99 per cent of the world's population would die.

"Recent studies have argued that theimage of a post-nuclear world is not so much a Hiroshima or a Nagasaki on a global scale, but rather something similar to Ethiopia or Biafra," said Banner.

The resource booklet ends with an examination of policy implications of nuclear winter theories.

The American scientist Carl Sagan, for example, asserted the only logical political consequence of the theory was the drastic reduction of global nuclear arsenals to levels which could not precipitate nuclear winter.

But the US think tank, the RAND corporation, responded by supporting targetting scenarios designed to reduce city fires and smoke, thus arguing in favor of high altitude airbursts, neutron bombs and detonating weapons upwind of cities to rely on the destructive effects of radiation.

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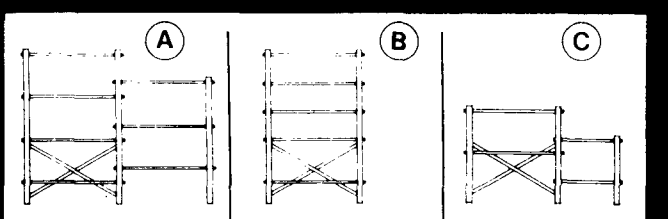

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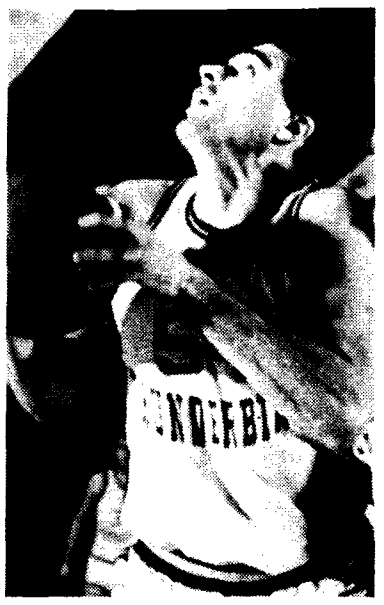

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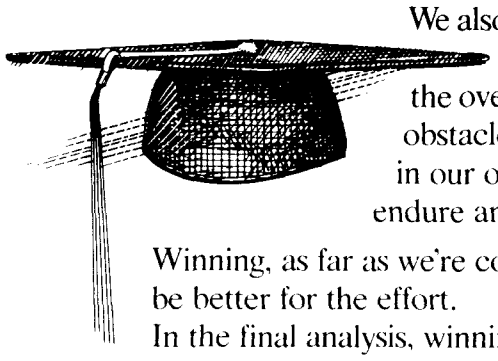

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UBC Women's grass hockey battles UVIC in 1986. Watch for similar action this fall

SPORTS

Thunderbird Athletes Lace-up for Another Season

By VICTOR CHEW WONG

An iron echo of a tackling dummy yielding to 230 pounds fury, the crisp crack of a field hockey ball sent on its way, fresh turf spun airborne by cutting cleats. The UBC sports machine is stoking the coals and grinding itself up to full speed and it's all yours for free - well, almost.

The $37.50 student activity fee that is donated by every full-time student goes toward funding two major programs: UBC athletics and UBC intramurals. Because students fund these programs, AMS card holders are admitted to all CIAU events free.

If you weren't a UBC student last year then you missed some of the most thrilling moments in Thunderbird sports history.

Some highlights include the UBC women's soccer team capturing their fourth consecutive Canada West title, back-up quarterback Eric Putoto's fourth quarter drive that led to a Vanier Cup victory, the UBC men's soccer team's third consecutive national title, and the UBC men's basketball team's resurgence from anonymity to qualify for the national final.

But don't fret if you weren't there — athletics for 1986-87 promises to be just as exciting as last year.

If cross town rivalries are your bag, then slap an "X" on September 30th.

Topping this year's list of hits is the Thunderbird football team. Despite the fact that head coach Frank Smith lost President's trophy winner, Mark Norman, the C.F.L. number one draft pick, Leo Groenwegen, and three starting linebackers, the team was ranked number one in the first top ten poll of the season. The high ranking can be attributed primarily to the 'Birds depth at the running back position - returning are both Matt Pearce and Mark Petros.

Football fans can also look forward to the revival of the fall classic "Shrum Bowl". The 'Birds will lock face guards with SFU on September 12th at Swanguard Stadium in Burnaby — bring your wallet, 'cause admission is six bucks.

If cross town rivalries are your bag then slap an "X" on September 30th. The UBC soccer 'Birds will take a break from their defense of the national crown to host SFU at Thunderbird Stadium for the Diachem Bowl.

While the men's soccer team is trading crosses, corner kicks, and throw-ins, the UBC women's soccer team will be mounting an assault on the first ever national title for women's soccer. Look for national team member, Mitch Ring, to figure heavily in the statistical columns for the womens side.

The third and final cross town confrontation will feature the UBC men's basketball team facing SFU in the Buchanan classic. The traditional three game series will be reduced to just one meeting this year at SFU's west gym on November ninth.

The young basket 'Birds should fare well this year, but whether they'll be able to duplicate last year's national final performance is questionable. The loss of UBC men's basketball all time leading scorer and All Canadian, Paul Johansson, and starting point guard Kevin Hanson to graduation leaves the team without proven leadership.

But head coach Bruce Enns can take solace in the fact that returning are junior national team members Mike Clarke and J.D. Jackson.

The UBC women's basketball program witnessed the end of an era last year with the retirement of head coach Jack Pomfret. New head coach John Ritchie should provide a new direction for the Thunderbird women.

Hopefully last year's hiring of head coach Terry O'Malley will mean the end of the men's ice hockey team's losing era. Thought of by many as a financial black hole, the varsity hockey team proved they could win and be marketable as they qualified for, and played admirably in the Canada West play-offs.

With the return of Mark Trotzuk, Keith Abbot, in addition to tier one recruits, Grant Delcourt, Mike Nottingham, and Jerry Johanson, the hockey 'Birds can only continue on their winning tangent.

And winning is something the men's varsity volleyball team has consistently experienced this decade. This season should be no exception with a low turnover rate from last year's team. Matches to watch for at War Memorial Gym include a touring squad from China, and the mighty Bruins from UCLA.

If the aforementioned sports have had recent winning track records, then this year's big loser without question is the gymnastics program. Funding for both the women's and men's program has been cut off this year.

While the funding for a national championship for men's gymnastics has been granted by Sport Canada, the same generosity was not bestowed upon the women's program. This year there will be a Canada West championship for both the men's and women's teams, but beyond that the future is uncertain for women's gymnastics at UBC.

So remember, your $37.50 activity fee goes toward subsidizing UBC athletics and intramurals. Take a date to a ball game. It's all yours for free. Well, almost.

Boot Camp? No, it's "Storm The Wall", only one of multitudes of intramural events students are encouraged to join.

New Challenges for Intramural Jocks

By VICTOR CHEW WONG

If you're a weekend athlete and feel inspired after watching UBC's elite corp of athletes, then all you need do is get your Reebok's down to Room 66 in the Lower Concourse of the SUB and sign yourself up for some of the numerous intramural events.

Participation in UBC's nationally renowned intramurals program is a must for any student who claims to be active. The ol' "I'm shitty at sports" excuse doesn't wash here. There is a wide enough variety of team and individual events, and skill levels, to suit anybody.

Aside from the ever popular leagues (basketball, volleyball, and soccer) and special events (Storm the Wall, Arts '20 Relay, UBC Triathalon) the boys and girls of room 66 have added some tasty new items to their menu — some interesting ones include:

1. Day of the Longboat. Where 12 person teams paddle in Voyageur canoes from Spanish Banks to Vanier Park and back.
2. Spanish Banks Downhill Derby. Soap box cart racing makes a comeback. For all the "kids" on campus.
3. Mad Melvin's Mountain Bike Challenge. An obstacle course for mountain bikes around the SUB plaza.

Aside from providing premium activity for your hard belabored dollars, the intramurals program also provides opportunities for you to make some bucks. Members of the referees club make between six and nine dollars per game hour w hile the staff of more than 85 is compensated by way of honoraria.

There are far too many events and leagues to list so get ye down to room 66 and investigate.

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Overture, to the tune of The Sound of Music:

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With despair and fury
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I want to express
All the rage that I feel right now,
About AMS abuse of space
To bitch and compalain
that they've got fucked brains,
(But present a balanced case)

To write for the press that the masses read,
and tell all what I want.
I'll interview some students,
I might even meet R. Nevraumont.

The Ubyssey rag
Is my destination,
I'll walk through their filth
And apply witin.

Their pages will be blessed
With the rage of reason.

Eager new staffer (hereinafter referred to as ENS, looks a lot like Julie Andrews, but with larger breasts than those displayed in S.O.B.) comes hesitantly into the Ubyssey office (SUB 241k, it's really easy to find), and walks up to what appears to be the central desk.

ENS: Excuse me, I'm an eager new staffer, and you guys need my help. I'd like to write a story.

The editor behind the desk appears about to answer, looks around the room, receiving only awkward looks from the others in the room.

(big dance number, involves much of the staff — mainly those skipping class — mainly the entire staff)

Editors sing (five of them, but who's counting?). To the tune of Doe, a Deer:

Let's start with our complicated structure
An idiotic place to start
The staff has no hierarchy,
Decisions are all made collectively, collectively
We can't give you an answer unless we agree
Collectively, collectively ...

hmm ... maybe we can make this all a little bit easier
We know ....

Fuck, the staff, the voting staff
Vote, their tool, their useful tool
Fair, what voting makes us be
Staff, the workers really rule

Left, a thing what we're sometimes called,
Bright? (afraid you're out of luck)
Class, a thing we don't have much
That will bring us back to Fuck.

At this point no one is paying any attention to the so-called editorial collective except for the ENS. The Collective goes into a quick conference, and turns to the new staffer.

The Editors (only four now, one quit because his contribution was going unrecognized, and all the other editors were "fucking usless"):

You didn't pass the English Comp did you?
ENS: well ... no ...

Editors (three now, an ugly incesutous love quadrangle in the group having forced one to abandon the paper in favour of brooding): You're on. What do you want to write?

Big grin on ENS. Blackout.

Lights up on office set again, the staff is in a chorus line, (there are only two editors left, one got a job on an important daily newspaper, and left without even saying goodbye).
To the tune of My Favourite Things:

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Alma Mater execs who spend unapproved cash
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Angry club members demanding a story
Thunderbird teams on the journey to glory
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When our proud Board of Governors makes secret decisions
When the Zalm does dumb things that require derision
When Rebecca approves fee boosts and needs to get bashed,
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When the readers bitch,
When Council complains
That the writing's weak,
We humbly suggest that they join our great staff
Or shut up and go back to sleep.

Wild applause
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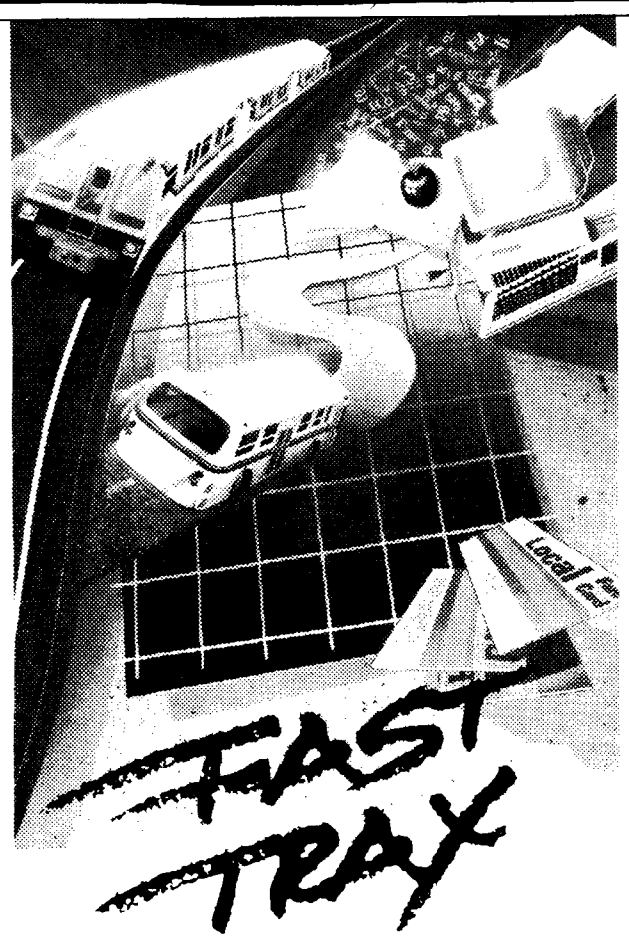
-by Michael Groberman, former Ubyssey editor, currently a publicity hack for the Vancouver Playhouse



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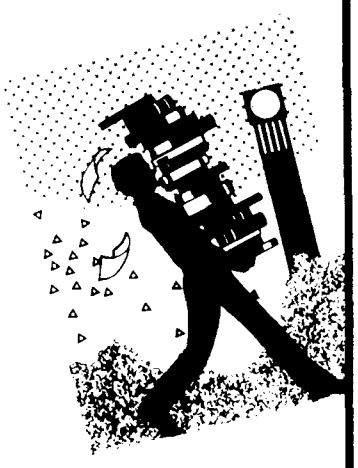

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Student paper ceases operation

Kelowna (CUP) — The student newspaper at Okanagan College is dead.

After a year and a half of wrangling with its student society, publishing off-campus and without the funds entitled to it, the Goliard has ceased operations.

The Goliard Publications Society has been struck from the B.C. Register of Companies, and had its assets seized by the Kelowna Campus Student Association (KCSA) executive.

The Goliard was dealt its final blow when the present executive, elected this April, learned that staff members failed to renew the Goliard Publications society's incorporation with the B.C. Registrar.

The KCSA executive were then able to take possession of the paper's equipment in the name of the Goliard Publications Society's members, the students.

Throughout the entire dispute, the Goliard maintained that the KCSA owed the paper a $4 per student levy. The paper was otherwise autonomous and did not share the same editorial views.

Ian Case, a former Goliard board member and staffer, said the paper suffered through last years executive's withholding of paper funds, a lack of cooperation from news sources within the college community, the trashing of virtually the entire press run of two issues, and the physical and verbal abuse of staffers.

The loss of the Goliard's society status marked the staff's last solid ground in its bid for financial autonomy from the association through collecting its own a seperate student levy.

The executive intends to carry out its plan of starting a new student paper, said KCSA co-chair, Thal Poonian. The new paper will most likely exist as a sub-committee of the executive, pending a change in the student association's constitution later this month, said Poonian.

But Case says the new paper's relationship to the KCSA executive worries him.

"The executive say they want an 'entirely fresh start,' which sounded quite familiar to me," said Case, referring to a similar phrase used by Premier Bill Vander Zalm in last fall's provincial election campaign.

Case said the paper will likely be run by an editor hired by, and directly answerable to the executive — a set-up he believes would seriously hamper the paper's editorial freedom.

Poonian confirmed Case' description of the editor's role, but says that "there will be more than adequate autonomy (from the executive)."

Case said the new paper will be less likely to cover education and global issues, something for which the Goliard was noted.

Poonian said that while considering the new paper's structure the executive has taken Goliard staffers' opinions seriously, meeting with them twice over the summer.

Goliard staffers have also cooperated with the executive, helping in the transfer of equipment and records from the paper.

"We've tried to give them everything they'll need to start up a paper," including a revised form of the Goliard's constitution, said Case.

The fate of the new paper lies with the students at Okanagan College, as the necessary change to the KCSA constitution goes to a general vote at a General Meeting this month.

The Goliard was started in 1979 as the Catalyst, adopting its most recent name, meaning a wandering student in Chaucerian England. the next year.

In the following years, the paper bought typesetting and camera equipment, and joined Canadian University Press, a national cooperative of student newspapers.

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After gaining their independence from Portugese colonial rule in 1975, the people of Mozambique were very successful with national health, educational and economic development.

But since 1980 they have been locked in a bitter war against an insurgent army of South African-sponsored 'rebels,' or the Mozambique National Resistance (MNR).

Now, after a two-month trip to Southern Africa, two UBC students, and three others at Dalhousie, McGill and York universities are setting up a national network to mobilize student support for the people of war-torn Mozambique.

"Southern Africa is the most pressing international issue right now," said UBC student Mary McAlister, coordinator for Students Support Mozambique .

"And right now as we're working, people are being killed," she said. "It's just incredibly urgent."

McAlister, UBC student Kevin Halsey, and the three others were chosen from a group of 30 Canadian students travelling in Zimbabwe this summer, to go on a special tour of Mozambique. The tour was co-sponsored by World University Service of Canada and the Mozambican government.

"The government sponsored us so we would go back to Canadian campuses to educate and mobilize people for support," said McAlister.

"Hopefully, what they will get back will be a good investment of their time and money," she said.

McAlister said that the situation in Mozambique is critical. A country of about 15 million people, most of whom are peasants, Mozambique is ravaged by poverty, malnourishment, and a drastic cut in production due to the war.

As a vital trade link to the neighbouring states of Zimbabwe, Malawi and Tanzania, Mozambique poses a major strategic target for the regional destabilization aims of the South African regime.

"Bandits are hitting on key targets — ports, railroads, roads — to try to bring the economy to a halt, and in doing so force the other frontline states to use South Africa," said McAlister.

Because the MNR is active in much of the countryside, said McAlister, government officials would not let the group travel outside the capital city of Maputo.

But McAlister said the group's powerful impressions did not come only from contact with government officials, teachers and international volunteers.

"We met with two survivors of the July 18th Homoine massacre where 400 people were killed (by the MNR)," she said.

"We met street kids who come into the city from rural areas — their parent's killed by bandits — and live and sleep on the streets, eat out of the garbage, who wear rags and beg for money."

Canadian students can play a vital support role for Mozambique, says McAlister. "This is an issue that Canadians don't know about."

"I think that students have enough time and resources to put into solidarity work," she said. "They can really have an impact."

McAlister said Students Support Mozambique has several objectives. The most immediate is a petition to be presented to Prime Minister Mulroney at the Commonwealth Conference happening in Vancouver this October.

The petition demands that the Canadian government: 1) send bilateral aid to Mozambique; 2) impose full economic and diplomatic sanctions against South Africa; and 3) take a leading role in providing aid and support to Mozambique.

The group's other objectives include speaking/film tours on Canadian campuses, fundraising for non-governmental organizations (NGO's) working in Mozambique through cultural events; and networking with other Anti-Apartheid groups to expand their focus to include all of Southern Africa.

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Get A Degree For UIC

by Mike Gordon
Canadian University Press

They're engineers, biologists, teachers and nurses, and they all have one thing in common — they are out of work, or working outside of their chosen field.

The Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training, so renamed under Premier Bill Vander Zalm's first cabinet, contains more than a note of irony for B.C. students.

Unemployment in B.C. is more than three per cent higher than the national rate, at 11.7 per cent, according to Statistics Canada figures for July 1987.

But of the 178,000 people out of work in B.C., almost 14,000, or roughly eight per cent, hold post-secondary degrees or diplomas, compared to the national rate of 5 per cent.

"And those are the people who registered (for unemployment benefits)," said Joan Vincent, director of the Centre for Non-Traditional Unemployment in Vancouver.

"There are many who are simply not bothering to register any more."

Vincent said that high unemployment in the province has created a growing number of 'underemployed' people — those taking low-level, low-paying jobs outside their qualified field in order to pay the rent.

"One reason is the incredibly poor economic performance in B.C. in the last few years," said Moran, linking high unemployment in the province to the Social Credit government's costly business exploits, such as Expo '86 and other mega-projects.

"We're not convinced that that kind of economic development is creating employment for students coming out of universities," she said.

"The government's priorities are ridiculous," says Amoure deCosmos, a geography graduate from Simon Fraser University six years ago, who now works in automotive restoration supplies. "We just don't exist," he said.

DeCosmos said he looked for long-term employment for 18 months after graduating, while supporting himself with temporary work. Now, tired and frustrated, he is applying for a master's program at UBC in hopes of eventually entering his field.

"We have a great number of highly educated people in this province," said Moran, "but we're not necessarily training them."

But Moran said that the CFS fears the Vander Zalm government will respond to the unemployment situation by putting all the emphasis on job training, at the sacrifice of advance education.

"We have concerns that the comprhensive community college system will be turned into vocational and applied technology institutions."

"There's no real solution happening," said Neil Trainor, director of the YMCA Employment Initiatives program.

Trainor said that youth unemployment has been a serious problem since 1982, but now because the same number of people are still out of work, the program has shifted its age range from 15-24 to 17-30.

"It's upping the anty," said Vincent. "People are at the job entry level for longer periods now, whereas four or five years ago people 30 years old would have been in their chosen field for a couple of years."

Trainor said one problem is that university and college graduates are among the most disadvantaged because they have been out of the job market for a few years, and hold unreasonable job, moeny and status expectations.

"Can you bank pride, eat it? No," said deCosmos.

"Ultimately, you will find a position," he said, "But you have to have realistic goals — don't hold your breath, you have to take what you can get," he said.

And if a master's degree doesn't get his foot in the door, muses deCosmos, "There's always a doctorate."

Summer Not Hot For Jobs

by Mike Gordon
Canadian University Press

Students seeking employment this summer in B.C.'s increasingly privatized economy struck a wall.

According to the B.C. Public Interest Research Group, 19 per cent of students looking for summer jobs came up empty.

But the summer job vacuum only reflects a greater trend ranking youth unemployment in B.C. amongst the worst in the country. The NDP recently announced figures of 64,000 unemployed youths in the province, up 10,000 from June.

Almost 16 per cent of full-time, returning students between the ages of 15 and 24 in B.C. are unemployed.

That means returning students comprise 11 per cent of B.C.s unemployed population, according to July 1987 Statistics Canada figures.

Though the number of unemployed returning students in B.C. is down from 20 per cent last year, Ontario, which has roughly four and a half times the number of B.C.'s student labour force, shows a figure of 8.1 per cent, while the national rate is still lower at 12.5 per cent.

Given the Social Credit's penchant for privitization, millions of dollars in federal-provincial job creation schemes, such as the Challenge '87 summer wage-subsidy program, only leave students with dead-end, low-paying jobs, says Canadian Federation of Students-Pacific Region researcher, Rosanne Moran.

"Challenge '87 wages are pathetically low," said Moran. "Even with work of 16 weeks in the summertime, students can't afford to go to school."

Moran said that the money to programs like Challenge '87 go to private sector jobs which would have been created anyway.

"Money is being taken out of the non-profit sector, and put into the private sector," she said.

Some universities offer the alternative to work and study. Programs such as those at UBC or Simon Fraser University's work co-op allow students to work one semester to afford studying the next.

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Socreds play favorites in education policies

Welcome to UBC. Welcome to the education factory. This is where you will be prepared for your future career. You may or may not learn to think. But that is not important; thinking is not a marketable skill.

When the ministry of post-secondary education was renamed the ministry of advanced education and job training last year, it reflected a trend in B.C. education policy that had been developing for several years. Funds for basic academic programs were cut while money poured into specialized job training programs. Education's emphasis shifted from academic to vocational and technical programs.

Training programs qualify people to do jobs to make money, and deserve to be well funded. But job training is not, and should not be, the primary goal of post-secondary education.

Academic courses do not train you for a specific career. They do encourage you to learn to think, to be flexible and apply your knowledge to any job. They help you develop problem solving and communication skills that will be invaluable as you enter the jungle of the real world. But the Socreds apparently consider these qualifications too intangible to be useful.

Allocations from the Fund for Excellence provide a dramatic illustration of the government's vocational and technological bias. Former premier Bill Bennett, who created the fund in 1986, let us know its orientation when he said it would help institutions "respond to economic development opportunities." Applications for money from the Fund were approved by cabinet.

Today's government continues to fund education around the needs of the marketplace. They hope to develop skilled labor for new industries in B.C. But in these days of rapidly developing technologies we need education emphasizing adaptation and flexibility if we want to compete. It is not a good time to focus on technical training for specific jobs that will likely be obsolete in a few years.

Today's shortsighted education policies seem designed to develop a province of followers, not leaders — and certainly not thinkers.

B.C.'s education system has been compared to a fast-food outlet. You are now part of the factory.

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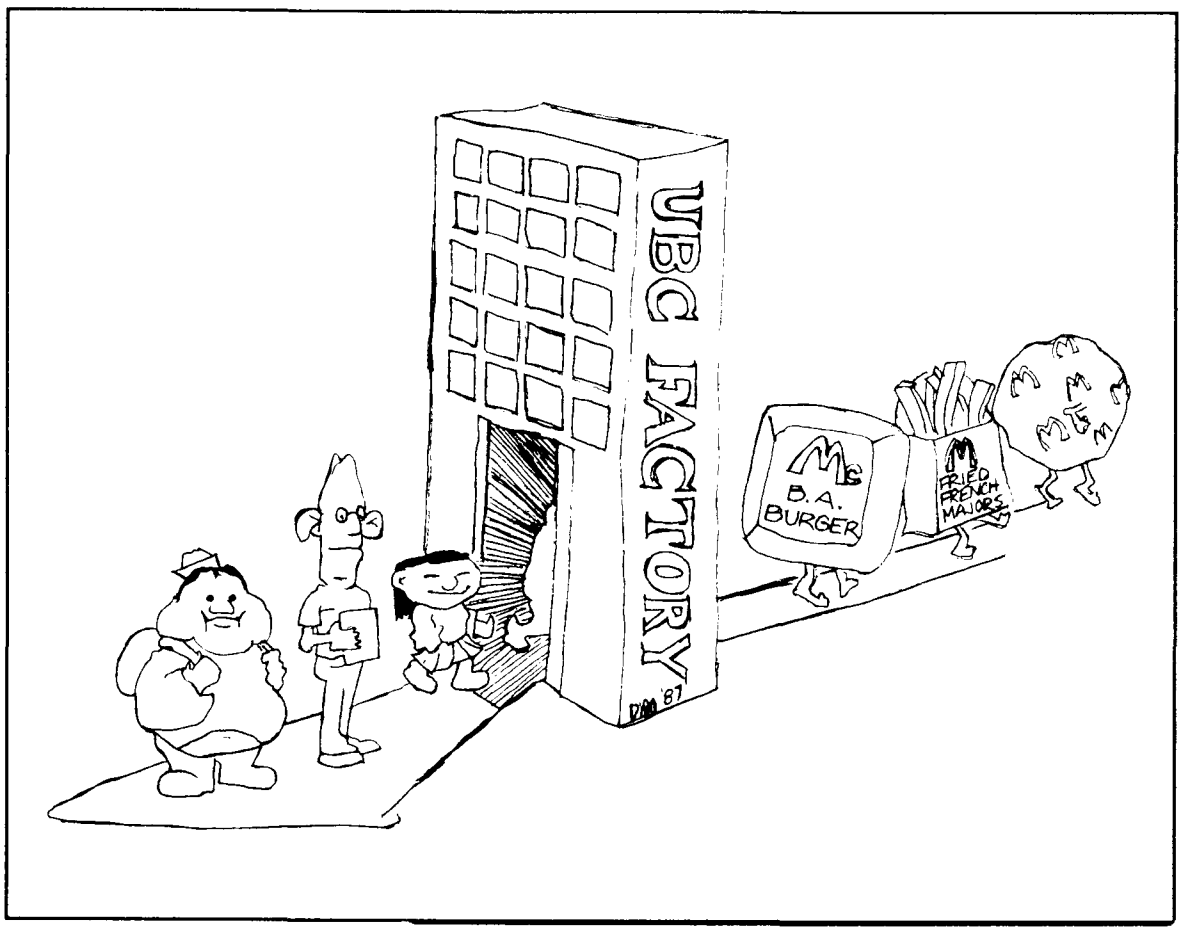

STOP FEE WAIVERS

By KURT PREINSPERG

Is tuition taking a hefty bite out of your savings? Then it will probably amuse you that UBC has just given free tuition to children of faculty members. This perk, on top of a five per cent salary increase, is a nice shot in the arm for professors whose average annual salary used to be a paltry $50,000.

I am not worried about the obvious injustice of waiving tuition for already privileged faculty kids when kids of welfare recipients face a tuition increase. Nobody in their right mind believes in justice any more. My worry is, however, that faculty kids may now choose UBC for the wrong reasons: not because that's where they really want to study, but because it's free - and because they can use dad's or ma's office and Faculty Club account.

Let me therefore make a modest proposal. Since free tuition for faculty offspring is a widespread practice, it only stands to reason that universities all across North America should agree to let faculty kids pick the university of their choice, free of charge. Not only will this further smooth the path for kids who, by blood and noble birth, deserve to inherit superior positions in society, but it will also promote social stability by helping to ensure that the best jobs continue to go largely to offspring of academics and other well-to-do members of the upper crust.

And why stop at tuition waivers? Why not give the faculty other benefits for their kids as well, like free student housing, free use of computing facilities, free graduate tuition, faculty mentorships and other privileges? Indeed, the next logical step for the self-proclaimed owners of our university is to negotiate with dentists and lawyers (and perhaps government officials), offering the kids of these people privileged treatment at university in exchange for services rendered.

About 90 per cent of all faculty kids attend university. For that reason alone they deserve to be treated better than ordinary students. Let us congratulate UBC faculty on securing a free university education for both their smart and not so smart offspring. The respectable gentlemen who make up the faculty have shown themselves to be fine parents who look after their brood. The example of nepotism they have set again shows how, in our society, entrenched power and privilege entitles you to grab what you can. Truly heartwarming and inspiring.

"CHALLENGE"

Tuition waivers for faculty offspring are discrimination on the basis of family background - a clear-cut, ugly example of it. Many faculty members I've talked to agree. I wish to invite any concerned faculty member who thinks otherwise to a public debate on the question: "Are tuition waivers for faculty offspring fair?"

-Kurt Preinsperg

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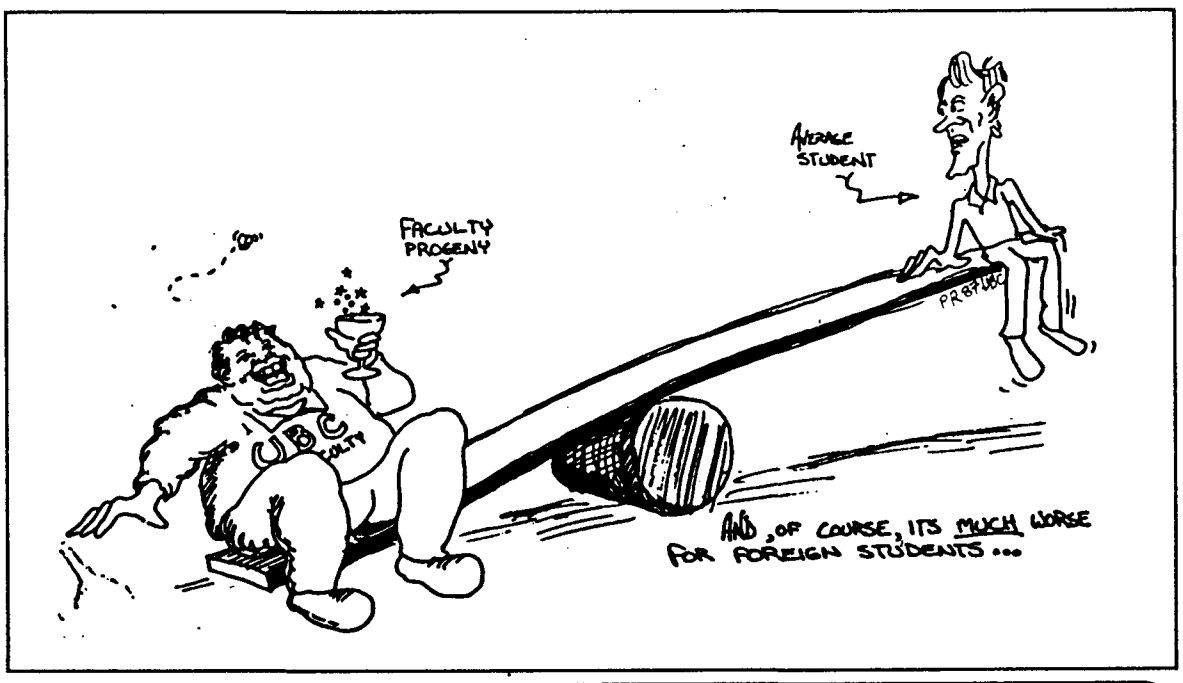

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CAMPUS CRUISING
One student's story

By STEPHEN HUNT

You have no idea where anything is, but off in the distance there's smoke and umbrellas, so that's where you go.

You've discovered the Student Union Building (SUB). You go inside. You discover a darkened corridor, some couches, a newstand - nothing remotely familiar.

You locate a bathroom and relieve yourself of the bus trip. You tell yourself again that cars really aren't necessary, they were just some industrialist's bright idea of how to make a few billion.

Back in the darkened corridor, you look right, then left, then straight ahead into a bar. It's 11:10 AM. A strong dose of Protestant Guilt smothers your desire to go and get drunk, despite the fact that you're not Protestant. OK, no beers yet.

Perspectives

You decide instead to do Lunch.

In the Subway Cafeteria, there is an area full of kiosks, at which there are many different foods representing different cultures or at least food groups. There is even a kiosk that sells gourmet coffee to those who cannot stomach University Horsepiss. Although you have never been an avid drinker of Krona or Bolivian Marching Powder or Bowel-Blower or whatever, you intuitively recognize that a significant advancement in the Academy has been made. Things just get better, you think, as you bypass all those cultures and food groups in order to get to the area where they sell cellophane-wrapped tuna sandwiches, which you pick up and squeeze to see if the bread is stale yet, the way you always did at the University of Winnipeg, when you notice the deli counter person staring at you as if you were squeezing her young infant's head, not a tuna sandwich. You retreat to the cashier to pay.

After Lunch.

Washed and fed, you are now ready to conquer the big, unfamiliar University of British Columbia.

You re-enter the darkened corridor, hopeful that someone might offer to show you around. You haven't got a place to live, no proof that you have been admitted to this institution - nothing except a paperback in your knapsack, a bank card and your wits. Just as you are about to inflict your wits on someone, you notice those couches again and - SUPRISE - another kiosk that sells gourmet coffee and chocolate chip cookies that taste JUST LIKE MOM'S.

Coffee break.

After Coffee Break

The couches, you have learned, are really comfortable. So, a nap.

After a Nap

It's close to two. You get that sinking feeling that comes with the understanding that you are getting dick-all done today. You have read the Province from front to back, and discovered what everyone who's lived in Vancouver for more than a week already knows: the Province sucks. After everyone bought a car, you think, those rich industrialists decided to start tabloid newspapers.

The Smile of the Day is 31 years old, her name is Leslie, she's a travel agent whose likes are L.A. and her boyfriend and dislikes are 'non-spiritual people'. You reflect that if they printed that in the Winnipeg newspaper, people would assume Leslie was a Moonie.

Inertia overwhelms you. Your body rejects the couch. (It's that Protestant Guilt again.) You locate a board that explains all the buildings on campus and locate the Buchanan Building, where you have to go. You are going to get something done today.

On the way to the Buchanan Building

Having made an extremely close inspection of the map, because God knows people take one look at a map, think they know it by heart and then proceed to get completely lost, you set off for the Buchanan Building only to learn, through the muddled interpretations of a half-dozen strangers you meet along the way, that you have indeed gotten completely lost.

45 minutes later, sweating again, you arrive at the Buchanan Building.

They greet you warmly. Everyone reminds you that you are a grad student and makes you feel important. They have documents that say you are a student. They are full of suggestions as to where you might live. They remind you of a cocktail party three weeks hence.

You are remembering now that this is B.C. A professor comes sprinting into the office and yells 'everyone to the window!'; the secretary bolts from her chair and does it, the professor does it and so of course do you.

You are thinking there is a sniper in the bell tower or else a fire is gutting all those gourmet coffee kiosks, it was foolhardy to think of a winter passed without drinking University Horsepiss. The professor is pointing at the sky. "The clouds," he says, "they're in the most wonderful formation. I followed them all the way in from the parking lot."

You receive instructions to the Housing Registry and, feeling renewed, leave the Buchanan Building in search of shelter.

On the way to the Housing Registry

You started towards the Housing Registry because that was the most important thing to do - find a place to live. You can't continue to commute from Surrey. You would rather by a reporter for the Province, or car salesman, or divorced.

But somehow you got lost - it's a hot, sunny day, August is almost over, the cloud formations really are beautiful and there's a breeze blowing away the heat.

How this happens you're not quite sure, but the next thing you know, you're naked and there's a lovely beach out there. An Arab with blue eyes named Nick is handing you a really cold beer, your third since you got down here an hour ago. There's driftwood to lie against as you read your paperback and big rocks for people to sun themselves on, like sea lions, or penguins in Antarctica. To your right lies Jessica, who is a dancer. So you haven't got a place to live. No biggie. You try to remember what you were worried about in the first place, but you can't.

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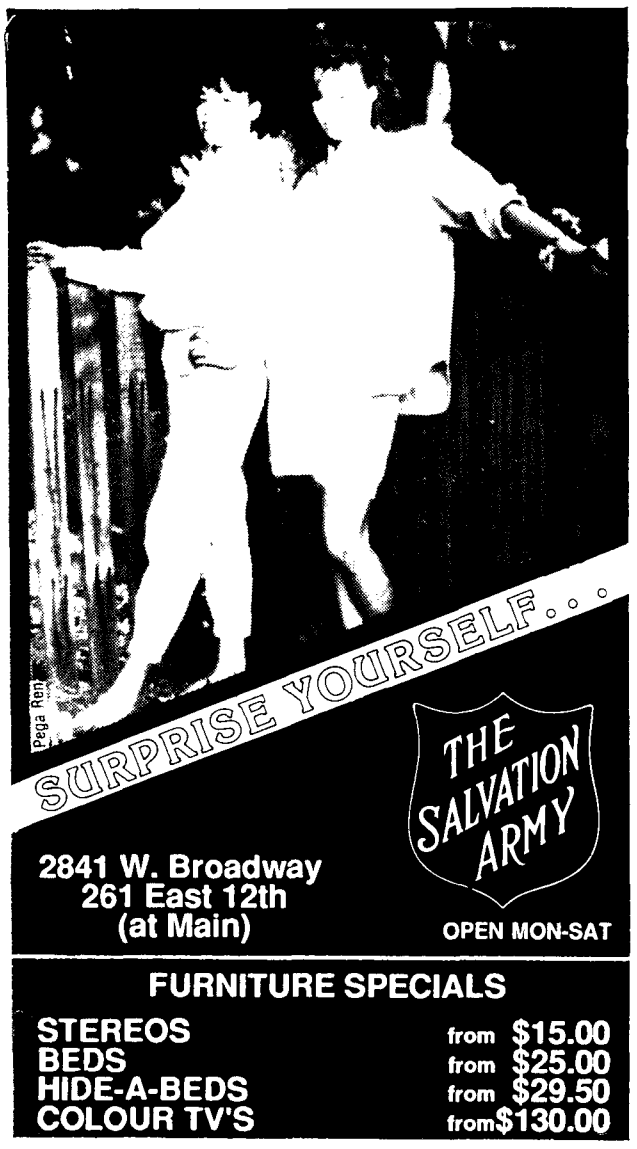

Student aid 1987

Improvements fail to help ex-grads

By JENNIFER LYALL

BC's new student aid program represents a dramatic improvement over past years but students are still finding cracks in it that need filling.

The new program revives a grant system, making loan debts over and above $12,000 non-repayable for students who successfully complete a degree within five years.

But loans are not remitted to those who graduated in the years without a grant program, many of whom accumulated debts in excess of $20,000.

AMS president Rebecca Nevraumont thinks the provincial government is shirking its responsibility to past graduates.

"If the government is now recognizing the problem with the system why can't they accept the problem of a few years ago?" said Nevraumont.

"There's no recourse for those people (with high debt loads). What the hell's supposed to happen to them?"

The average debt load for 1986 B.C. graduates with loans was $15,000, up $12,000 since the elimination of the grant program in 1984. The 1986 loan default rate was 20 per cent.

Graduates fared better in 1984 and 85 because they were able to take advantage of the old grant system in their first years.

Advanced education minister Stan Hagen offered sympathy but said his ministry couldn't afford to offer past graduates assistance.

"I don't think there are enough funds in the program (to cover retroactive remission) and if we were to do that it would have to have an impact on the people in school now," said Hagen.

UBC director of awards and financial aid, Byron Hender, said the new program represents such a great improvement over recent years that it is unreasonable to complain.

"I think it would have been nice if the province could have made it retroactive but things don't always work out that way," he said.

Byron Berry was hired by the AMS to spend the summer reviewing student aid in BC and Canada. Berry said the program is overwhelmingly positive, but since his study he is "a little less enthusiastic about that program than I was at first."

Berry thinks it is unfortunate that past graduates receive no assistance. He wants something to be done to alleviate the difficulties they often have with repayment.

"One of the things I'd like to see done about (past graduate debts), given that it's unlikely the government will forgive any part of the loan retroactively, is increased flexibility in the payback program."

Berry said that many loan defaults could be avoided if the payback system were more sensitive to individual student situations. "Seeking alternative repayment schedules...may be a good idea," he said.

The BC payback schedule is less rigid than the Canada Student Loan program, Berry said, but he would like to see more flexibility across the board.

Berry also has problems with the guidelines restricting eligibility for loan remission. In order to qualify for a grant students must work, study, or volunteer during their summer holidays.

"I think that should be loosened to allow for documented job search," he said.

Nevraumont said she objected to the personal responsibility clause on principle.

"It's the only province in which to get a loan you have to prove your worth on a moral basis as well as on a financial basis," she said.

Although she thinks volunteer work is a great option for those who cannot work, Nevraumont said, "I'm not sure it's a judicial call (the government) should be making."

But Hagen disagrees. "I don't think it's a moral question at all," he said.

Since taxpayers subsidize students with loans they should expect students to try to earn money towards the cost, said Hagen.

"Education doesn't only benefit the individual who's getting it, it benefits the society as a whole," said Hagen.

Nevraumont said another big problem with the new student aid program is completing a degree within the five year limit, while remaining eligible for loan remission.

She said exceptions should be made for single parents or students who get involved in extra-curricular activities like student service organisations and student council.

"They've denied you that opportunity to broaden your experience," she said, adding that such initiatives should be encouraged as an important and fulfilling part of an education.

Hagen said his ministry is "not unsympathetic to individual cases," but he didn't see the value of extending a degree to allow more time for extra-curricular activities.

New student aid program

You still can't finance the BMW

Some of the highlights of the BC government's new and improved student aid program are that it:

*Reduces student loan debts to $12,000 for students who successfully complete a post-secondary program - every cent you borrow in excess of $12,000 is considered a grant. To be eligible for loan remission you must work, study or volunteer during summer vacation and complete your degree within five years. The ceiling is $16,000 for a second degree.

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There's more to Student Assistance than just Student Loans

Student loans are the foundation of student financial assistance in British Columbia. A number of other programs to supplement these loans are also provided by government, post-secondary institutions and private sources. These programs put money directly in the hands of students with demonstrated financial need.

The basic student loan

The provincial and federal governments provide yearly loans to post-secondary students with **demonstrated financial need.** No payments or interest are due until six months after leaving school. In British Columbia both the federal and the provincial programs are administered by the B.C. government. Application forms are available from all public post-secondary institutions.

Work Study

The provincial government funds part-time employment for students who need to earn extra money. Generally these jobs are related to some type of campus service (such as the library) or to a student's field of study. This program is administered by the Financial Assistance Offices at each participating British Columbia post-secondary institution.

Adult Basic Education Student Assistance Program (ABESAP)

Direct financial assistance for students completing high school level programs at a community college.

Bursaries and Scholarships

A variety of bursaries and scholarships are administered by post-secondary institutions in British Columbia. As a rule bursaries are awarded on the basis of financial need and scholarships on the basis of achievement. Funds for these awards come from private donors, foundations, corporations, service organizations, government, and from individual universities, colleges, and institutes.

New programs to reduce student loan debt

Last spring three new programs to reduce student loan debt were unveiled by the British Columbia Minister of Advanced Education and Job Training, Stanley B. Hagen. These programs, which are **based on financial need,** include:

Loan Remission: reduces student loan debt of new graduates to a maximum $12,000 — regardless of the amount borrowed. This limit is raised to a total of $16,000 after a second degree.

Supplemental Funds: provide direct assistance to Adult Basic Education college students preparing for post secondary training. This assistance helps reduce the level of student debt by reducing the need to borrow.

Equalization: provides direct financial assistance to students in their first year of post secondary study. This program is targeted **at those students whose financial needs are the greatest.** In August 1988 this will be extended to also include students entering second year. Like the Supplemental Fund, Equalization reduces the level of student debt by reducing the need to borrow.

These new programs require students to make a personal contribution during the summer* by working, studying or volunteering in the community.

*summer or any pre-term break longer than thirty days

Find out more!

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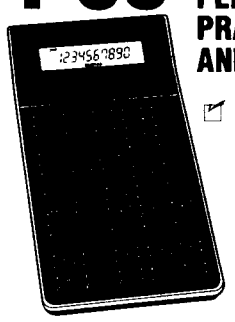

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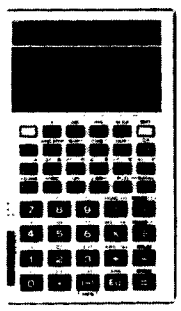

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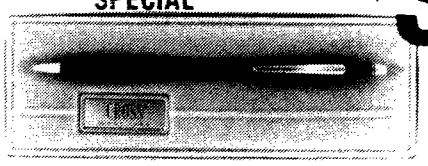

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