

THE UBYSSEY

Opposed!

Grads say no to Rec Fac.

By Deanne Fisher

The Graduate Student Society has said "no" to the proposed Alma Mater Society recreation facility in what AMS president Tim Bird calls "a really selfish move."

"If they're only thinking about themselves, and if they can't contribute \$30 a year so that the younger students can have a place where they can get their social education, they should sit down and re-evaluate their value system," said Bird.

"With this 'me generation attitude', society's not going to go very far under (the graduate students') leadership," he added.

The decision was made at last Thursday's GSS meeting, and comes just eleven days before the Oct. 31 to Nov. 4 referendum on the \$20 million project.

Graduate student president Robert Beynon said some members of the GSS council perceived the recreation facility as a "megaproject" and opposed it because, "for the cost, there's not enough benefit."

"They couldn't see that spending \$30 a year for this project had been justified," said Beynon.

Beynon said grad students at Thursday's meeting spoke of last year's Presidential Task Force on University Athletic Facilities, which outlined the problems of access to athletic space on campus and did not support building more facilities.

"Nowhere in that report do they advocate building new facilities," said Beynon.

Grad Centre House Director Chris Homes agrees that rec fac may be an alternative to a problem in management of university athletic facilities.

"It is probably easier to pursue this avenue than to fight against a bureaucracy that's really entrenched," he said.

But both Homes and Beynon said GSS council members were also concerned that the administration, which will fund part of the project, would have too much

control of the recreation facility.

"People do not trust the administration," said Beynon. "The stream of thought was that, in the long run, the administration will do what it wants."

Other arguments against the project included the preservation of McInnes field, the large scale of the facility and the possible use of funds for other purposes.

"People thought that if \$30 a student was going to be spent, it should be going to something else," said Beynon.

Beynon also said a lack of information may have added to the GSS's decision to oppose rec fac. "I will not claim that the AMS is trying to mislead people," said Beynon. "But the information that people wanted might not have been available."

Homes agrees. "It appears the only ones who know everything about it are the ones who sat on the (recreational facility) committee," he said.

But Bird said graduate students may have been less informed because Beynon was absent at many AMS council meetings where the project was discussed.

"I'm appalled that a project of this scale is not communicated from graduate student reps out to their constituency," said Bird.

GSS executive Kurt Preinsperg, who supports the project and has a "friendly disagreement" with fellow council members, said that GSS members "are not fools but they haven't been sufficiently a part of the project to catch the excitement of it."

"They have preconceived objections to it," said Preinsperg, adding that "people who take few initiatives always like to shoot down other people's initiatives to make them feel better."

Preinsperg calls the GSS's move "a case of one student society stabbing another in the back."

In the week that remains before the referendum, the 34-member GSS will campaign with posters that say "Save \$30. Vote No."



Dynamic Duo, Chris Homes and Robert Beynon dump on Rec Fac

Extra trolleys proposed

By Stefan Ellis

Students taking the number ten bus to UBC in the morning may get a place to sit if the addition of one bus per hour meets with B.C. transit approval.

Lisa Eckman, Alma Mater Society coordinator of external affairs, said B.C. Transit is most likely to approve the change, which should reduce over-crowding during peak periods.

Busses have not been able to keep to their scheduled time of arrival due to a calculation error in

the bus' running time.

"What's happening is that they're not sticking to the schedule," Eckman said.

"It's because the traffic route is too heavy and they're not getting there on time. So what they figure is that they can increase the running time and distribute it the way it's supposed to be distributed. Then there won't be any problem with overcrowding," said Eckman.

The proposal goes before the Transit Commission November 3rd. If the Commission approves

the proposal, changes would not take place until January 2nd.

The transit authority has already taken the needs of students into consideration by extending the number ten's extra service to 7:30pm.

While Eckman is encouraged by the changes, her focus remains the student concession cards. A closed-door meeting with B.C. Transit is being re-scheduled, after the last meeting was postponed by a disagreement over the presence of the media.

Greenhouse debate heats up

By Carolyn Atwell

"The greenhouse effect is good for you, but you can have too much of a good thing," says UBC chemistry professor Norman Basco.

If there were no greenhouse effect, the earth's average temperature would be minus 20 degrees Celsius—somewhat more uncomfortable than the present average of 15 degrees, Basco told the large audience attending the Environmental Interest Group Lecture last week.

Basco explained the greenhouse effect as the absorption and redirection of the sun's energy by water and carbon dioxide back onto earth.

"The earth receives a lot of energy from the sun, and to re-

main in an equilibrium, it must give off a proportional amount of energy," he said. "Water and carbon dioxide in the atmosphere absorb energy of certain wavelengths and direct it back to the earth," he added.

According to Basco, 70 percent more energy hits the earth's surface because of water and carbon dioxide "reflections".

But humans are upsetting the balance by increasing the concentration of carbon dioxide and adding synthetic freons, said Basco.

Freons are the manufactured substances used for aerosol spray cans and producing certain types of foams.

Freons are important, said Basco, because they reflect the energy with the wavelengths that

are not affected by carbon dioxide or water, and because they do not deteriorate.

In other words, by filling the atmosphere with these compounds, we lose the "atmospheric window" that was left for energy to escape through, he said.

Basco surprised some of his audience when he said that in order to take up the carbon dioxide produced by one percent of fuel burning, we need 100,000 square kilometers of forest.

Last year alone, 250 thousand square kilometers of South American forests were burned. Not only does this mean that less forest exists to convert the carbon dioxide, but it also means that the burning itself created 10 percent of the earth's carbon dioxide,

Basco said.

If we continue increasing carbon dioxide at this rate, the concentration will double in 175 years, resulting in a temperature rise of 3 degrees.

A three degree temperature difference may not seem like a lot, but it is something to worry about, said Basco. Different parts of the world will be affected in different ways—a five degree rise in this area and a nine degree rise in the Arctic.

The greenhouse effect would result in ten more growing days per year for most plants, and the tree line would move about 100 km further north, Basco said, adding that Canadian wheat farmers would also have to move progressively northward.

The environmental solution to the greenhouse effect is obvious, according to Basco—stop burning forests, plant more trees, ban

freons, and decrease our fuel burning habits.

It is the realistic social, economic and political solutions that are hard to fathom, said Basco. Natural energy sources are necessary as are industrial alternatives to freons and an awareness of deforestation problems.

He said many think that disaster is too strong a word, and that perhaps this is just part of a natural trend of temperature changes. But it is impossible to deny that humans are artificially increasing the concentration of carbon dioxide and freons in the atmosphere.

Basco said we do not yet have a runaway greenhouse effect. So pessimists who say that nothing can be done to reverse the damage are out of line according to Basco: "It is our grandchildren's grandchildren who are going to have to worry about the problems we are creating."

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TUESDAY

UBC Pre-Medical Society
Lecture: Radiation Oncology, with Dr. Olivotto. Noon, Lecture theatre #1, IRC building.

Jewish Students' Association/Hillel
Hot Lunch. Noon, Hillel House.

Amnesty International
"Urgent Action" letter writing. Noon, Buch D310.

UBC Personal Computer Club
APPLE Meeting. noon SUB 205 (note different room). AMIGA Meeting: Noon, SUB 111.

WEDNESDAY

Jewish Students' Association/Hillel
Discussion - Jewish topics. 1:30 p.m., Hillel House. Also: panel on "The Upcoming Israel Elections". Noon, Hillel House.

Amnesty International
Lecture by Mike Wallace: "Militarization and Human Rights". Noon, Buch B313.

UBC Personal Computer Club
ATARI Meeting: Noon, SUB 213 (different room today).

Master in Environmental Studies
A presentation on the Master in Environmental Studies program at York University with Prof. Paul Wilkinson. 2:30-3:30 p.m., Brock Hall Room 204D.

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University Christian Ministries
Everyone is welcome to come hear Rob Powell address the problem of evil and suffering. Noon, Brock Hall 302.

UBC Personal Computer Club
IBM Meeting: Noon, SUB 213 (note changed room). Mac Meeting: Noon, SUB 215.

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship
Guest speaker, Gene Thomas. Noon, Woodward 4.

UBC Pacific Rim Club
Lecture: "Teaching English in Asia," by John Redmond. Noon, Asian Centre Auditorium.

Stamp Club
Meeting/trading session. Noon, Angus 221.

Jewish Students' Association/Hillel
Hebrew Class. Noon, Hillel House.

Pre-Dental Club
Dr. R. Thornderson - College of Dental Surgeons. Noon, Woodward IRC Room 5.

Ayn Rand Club
Video of 1984 debate: "Capitalism versus Socialism: Which is the moral system?" 12:40 p.m., SUB 212.

Co-operative Education Programs
Information meeting for 1st year Engineering Students (all branches except Electrical). Noon, CompSci Rm. 200.

Chinese Christian Fellowship
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Maranatha Christian Club
General meeting: 1 p.m., north wing of Subway Cafeteria.

Hang Gliding Club
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Aqua Society
7 p.m., South Plaza, SUB Bmt.

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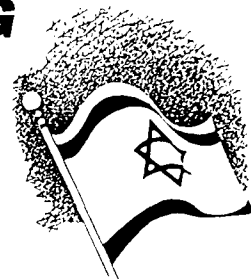
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Parties weigh finance for education



By Douglas Eastwood with CFS files

With or without free trade, the vitality of the Canadian economy depends on our university and college system providing the next generation of leaders and innovators. And according to the Canadian Manufacturer's Association, we may be about to enter into economic union with a nation whose better universities spend twice as much money on library books, laboratory facilities and instruction as do their top Canadian counterparts.

Since confederation, the provinces have had exclusive jurisdiction over education. The federal government has power over most areas of revenue generation, however, and transfers a large portion of the post-secondary education funding directly to the provinces.

In 1977, the federal-provincial cost sharing formula was replaced by block transfers of tax points and cash payments referred to as the Established Programs Financing (EPF). The combining of both post-secondary and health care contributions makes it difficult to tell how much of this money the provinces use to support universities and colleges. None of this money is "tied" and the provinces are under no obligation to use the money provided to them solely for education.

The provinces are supposed to make contributions toward education on top of the federal transfers but the 1985 Johnson Report pointed out that several provinces (including B.C.) are funding these institutions entirely with federal transfers. The federal government is now considering capping or reducing transfer payments. The current federal government's Bill C-96, passed in 1986, alters the complicated formula by which transfer payments are calculated—a change the Canadian Federation of Students estimates will mean a decrease of \$1.6 billion for post-secondary education between 1986-91.

It is against this background that the three main parties formulated their platforms on post-secondary education funding.



Progressive Conservative Party

The Progressive Conservatives say post-secondary education is an issue of significant national importance. The Conservatives do not, however, support any bill which would force the provinces to spend money transferred to them on the education system.

Instead, the government feels a non-confrontational approach could best achieve the goal of increasing the use of federal funds for their intended purpose and encouraging the provinces to contribute more of their funds to their intended destinations.

The Conservatives had no reply available when questioned by the Canadian Federation of Students earlier this year on the issue of rising tuition fees.

The Conservative government is proud of its record in the field of university research. Canada is ranked seventh in terms of research spending when compared with other Western industrialized countries.

In 1986, the Conservatives announced the first ever five-year plan for university research in science and engineering, medicine and social science and humanities which includes a \$200 million increase in the base budgets of these areas.

In addition to this program, the Conservatives announced this

year the creation of the Canada Scholarship program which would make \$80 million available to undergraduates in science and engineering.

The most recent big Conservative spending promise is a \$240 million, five-year program to create Centres of Excellence—designed to create areas of speciality at designated Canadian universities. The impact this program will have on students remains somewhat uncertain but will probably include the costs of new capital construction projects on campuses chosen to be centres as well as increasing research grants.

The Conservatives are making no promises to ease the burden of student debts. Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, in response to



Kim Campbell: PC candidate for Vancouver-Centre

last year's forum on post-secondary education, wrote "although there has been an increase of nearly \$100 million in loans received by post-secondary students between 1984-5 and 1986-7, there is clearly a need to do more, especially in the area of providing additional measures to help increase accessibility for less-advantaged groups."



Liberal Party

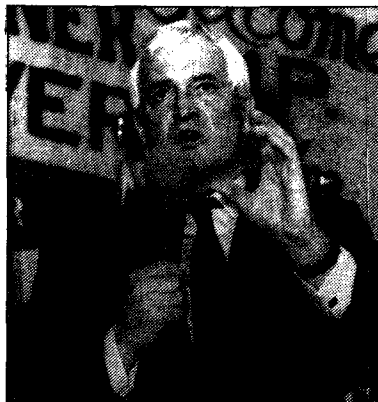
Post-secondary education funding is number 18 on the Liberals' 40-point platform.

While visiting UBC last week, John Turner said a Liberal government would work to change the Established Programs Financing system so the provinces would be held accountable for money transferred to them. The Liberal Caucus Task Force on Post-Secondary Education recommended that Federal funds be identified and strictly tied only to post-secondary educational funding and also that provinces be provided with incentive to provide more of their own matching funds in this area. The Liberals' propose, through legislation, that federal funds destined for universities will be spent there—representing a change from past Liberal policy.

The Liberals do not see the raising of tuitions past current levels as a reasonable solution to this problem and would discourage it.

The Liberals are strongly in favour of establishing a national advisory council on post-secondary education composed of the federal, provincial and academic sector. The Liberals introduced a Private Members Bill to this effect in the last session of parliament and feel such a council would be useful in the development of national strategy towards education.

In the area of research and development, John Turner committed his party to raising the level of public and private research and development. The Liberals feel that our current levels of research harm our long term economic growth and the competi-



Liberal leader John Turner

tiveness of Canadian business.

The Liberals support the Prime Minister's Advisory Board on Science and Technology and would adopt a policy similar to that of the governments' on this issue.

A program of loans and assistance, according to the Liberals, will allow access to post-secondary education to all deserving students. Their National Scholarship Program would guarantee grants to high school students with adequate achievement to ensure their ability to attend university or college. The Liberals would also press the provinces to provide a higher percentage of grants in lieu of loans.



New Democratic Party

The New Democratic Party's platform on post-secondary education includes greater access to those of lesser means, the ability for students to graduate without huge debts and healthy universities.

The New Democrats do not believe that the current Established Programs Financing system should be overhauled; they feel it should be discarded in favour of a return to a 50-50 federal-provincial cost sharing program. Part of this program would involve

the spending of "significant" new federal monies and a one time capital grant to make up for past underfunding of universities. The NDP has not determined the amount of funding to be made available.

They feel that the system of block funding now in place allows the provinces to divert funds destined for education without accountability and doesn't encourage funding participation from the province. The NDP introduced a bill in 1984 which would have forced the provinces to spend transfer payment on post-secondary education but the bill was defeated by the Conservative and Liberals. Critics of the NDP's matching grant policy say it could



Gerry Scott: NDP candidate for Vancouver-Quadra

lead to inequitable higher education standards between rich and poor provinces.

With respect to tuition, the New Democrats strongly believe that fees should not be raised as that would tend to discourage low income students from seeking higher education. In the long term, the NDP would like to see an end to all tuition fees.

Like the Liberals, the NDP supports the creation of a National Advisory Council on post-secondary education. They feel such a council should be at arm's length from both government and the institutions. Its role would be to provide funding for research into topics concerning post-secondary education and prepare annual reports to make Canadians aware of the state of post-secondary education.

The NDP does not believe Canada's present level of expenditure on research and development is adequate. They call for an increase in expenditures and support the Prime Minister's Advisory Board on Science and Technology's recommendation.

Gerry Scott, NDP candidate in Vancouver-Quadra, believes corporate funding can be unhealthy. "These are public institutions and the public interest must be met first. It should be a healthy relationship, not one driven by starvation."

In the area of student assistance, the NDP say their government would be prepared to study the possibility of moving to a system based more on grants and less on loans. They feel the system is faulted when students graduate with huge mortgages on their future.

Rob Clift, Pacific Region chair of the Canadian Federation of Students, believes that the issue of post-secondary education funding is not being addressed by the party leaders in this election due to the dominance of the free trade issue. He would like to see the issue become more prominent as he feels free trade will have an as yet undetermined effect on university education in this country. "The Conservatives as incumbents owe us a discussion on education and its role in the economy they are designing," says Clift.

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SPORTS

'Pandamania' strikes 'Birds lose title to Albertans

By Joe Altwasser

The Thunderbirds were cheated out of their sixth straight title in the Canada West Women's Soccer Association tournament last weekend by the University of Alberta Pandas.

The Albertans finished with 14 points to the Birds' 13.

The hosting Birds played well all weekend starting with a 1-1 tie against the suprisingly strong University of Lethbridge Pronghorns in their first match. But the game was a setback to the Birds because they lost the services of Zabeen Jan Mohammed—one of the three UBC All Canadians.

On Saturday the Birds played solid games, defeating the University of Calgary Dinos 4-0 and the Saskatchewan Huskies 5-0. But again the Birds were plagued with injuries as a second All Canadian, Mitch Ring, was bothered by her achilles tendon.

Coach Brian Thompson said he was concerned about the team at first, but was pleased with the result of the two matches Saturday. "The team really pulled together and spirits were good," he said.

The Birds' bell tolled on Sunday in their final match against

the Pandas.

The weather was bleak—endless rain with blustering winds, courtesy of the Strait of Georgia. The Birds fell behind early, 1-0, but regained their composure and, by the end of the half, controlled the tempo.

The second half was all UBC as they dominated completely, pressing the attack and forcing corner kicks. The Birds were rewarded with two goals for their efforts and it looked like they were on their way to a sixth straight Canada West title.

But as the rain fell, UBC lost two more players to injuries. Mitch Ring had attempted to play in the final game but finally left the match with less than ten minutes left. Ring was closely followed to the emergency room by the last of the UBC All Canadians, when Sarah James went down in a collision that resulted in a concussion.

With a minute left to play, the remainder of the injury-riddled Birds were caught by an innocuous play which turned into an Albertan rush for gold up the field, tying the game at two-all. One minute later the game was over, eliminating UBC from CIAU championship contention.



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FLOATS ABOVE

THE REST

By Gordon Clark

In the ranks of superstar violinists, Itzhak Perlman floats above the rest with his flying fingers and flawless technique. In addition, his humor, humility and obvious joy at making music, have pushed him into the ranks of the best violinists who have ever lived.

On Thursday, the Israeli-born artist backed up his reputation, performing to a sold-out audience in the Orpheum Theatre. Appearing with the master was Janet Guggenheim, a young American pianist who has performed in Vancouver on previous occasions.

Perhaps even more stunning than Perlman's playing was the interplay between the two performers. Perlman and Guggenheim, who have obviously performed together for some time, seemed to have a sixth sense for each others' playing. The pair quickened and slowed tempos, increased and decreased volumes, and volleyed musical phrases as if their minds were linked.

This interaction was particularly notable in the second piece of the evening, Beethoven's Sonata in G major. The work, whose magical opening movement evokes elves dancing in fields, gave Perlman and Guggenheim the opportunity to pass the opening theme of the piece back and forth. In the second movement, the adagio espresivo, the same interplay was

maintained despite the movement's slower, almost mournful, pace.

In the final movement, when the tempo quickens, Perlman and Guggenheim smash the themes at each other like finalists at Wimbledon.

This amazing interaction continued after the intermission during Stravinsky's Divertimento, a rare recital piece by the Russian master. The work's four movements offered themes ranging from the chaotic, moody and tense opening passages to the almost humorous and lively finale. Again, the two performers worked off one another very effectively.

The audience's most enthusiastic reaction to the recital came at the end when Perlman performed some lighter works, including several arrangements of Gershwin. The pieces, designed to show off the speed of Perlman's fingers, have become something of a trademark for the violinist and would fall into the category of "Pops". While they have popularized classical music and opened Perlman's repertoire to a wider audience—including children who watch Sesame Street—the works tend to trivialize the main body of classical music.

The standing ovation that Perlman by now must expect at all his performances, didn't come until after he'd performed these small, cute, pieces during the encore.

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Hamlet (John Moffat) and Guildenstern (Sarah Howard) face their public

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by Robert Groberman

The ghosts of Hamlet, Ophelia, Gertrude, Claudius, Polonius and the whole gang from Elsinore are haunting a theatre on Main Street, and Tamahnous Theatre's hard work in putting this show together has certainly paid off.

THEATRE
The Haunted House Hamlet
Tamahnous Theatre
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The Haunted House Hamlet is a rare piece of theatre—one which is interesting, exciting, and is able to involve its audience without threatening them. This is environmental theatre at its best.

The set-up is that we are in a haunted theatre house, and at the top of the play, we observe the house being broken into by punk east-end kid Jimmy "Spider" McKuen. Almost immediately he is met by the ghost of Prince Hamlet who, mistaking him for Horatio, takes the young Vancouverite into his confidence. In this way, adaptor Peter Eliot Weiss brilliantly carries the audience into a world which is at once real (Jimmy and his experience with the ghosts) and unreal (the ghosts themselves).

The action takes place in any one of three main staging areas in Heritage Hall. The audience assembles for the opening scene in which Hamlet meets Jimmy and his father's

ghost. At the end of the scene, when Hamlet exits, the audience is invited to follow him out of the room and into his next scene, or to remain in the room and watch Horatio, who plays his own scene at the same time. At times during the evening there are three scenes happening simultaneously in the house.

To keep running what are in fact three two-and-a-half hour plays going at the same time requires much addition of material to Shakespeare's original. Adaptor Weiss provides this material in the form of greater fleshing out of characters and additional subplots. In this version Gertrude has very real, verbalized anxiety about her complicity in King Hamlet's murder. We are shown Hamlet deep kissing his mother in the hallway, putting to rest any arguments about his Oedipal complex, and we are introduced to a brand new subplot—the Horatio and Ophelia love story.

Especially interesting are Jimmy/Horatio's appeals to Hamlet to kill the king. Hamlet's response of "What am I to say? I murdered on the word of a ghost?" connects us with this play in a new way. How often have we wanted to tell Hamlet just that?

Director Kathleen Weiss makes great use of the building in placement of scenes and characters. As I climbed the main staircase for my first visit to the Royal Bedchamber, I came upon the King, Queen, and Polonius lurking on the stairs, eavesdropping on a conversation between

Hamlet and Ophelia below. They seemed very interested, and so I joined them in watching that scene. The illusion of being an invisible observer to a real event clicked into sharp focus.

The performances are universally excellent. John Moffat gives us a playful Hamlet who, after asking an audience member to read aloud a sonnet, interrupts him, asking that he read it "trippingly".

Scott Bellis as Jimmy/Horatio is especially endearing as he courts Ophelia. He sings a song which includes the lyric "Ophelia, can't you see I wanna feel ya next to me?" His attempts to woo her, which include sending her a sonnet and confiding to her that he is a "rockin' dancer" are touching, and audience members following this story through the building find themselves hoping against hope that the story could turn out differently than they remember it.

With so many additions to the original, it is still possible to find Shakespeare in this play, and the story of Hamlet is in no way diminished in Weiss' adaptation. The "big speeches" are easily found, and if you can figure out how to use the timetable provided with your program, you can actually pick and choose specific scenes to watch throughout the evening.

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Messenjah rocks-steady with sweet reggae

Martin Chester

This past weekend, The Roxy rocked to the rock-steady beat of Canada's premier reggae band, Messenjah.

**MUSIC
Messenjah
The Roxy
Oct 21, 22, 23**

Messenjah played two long and enjoyable sets of their sweet brand of reggae, which is more reminiscent of the early days of The Wailers and Jimmy Cliff than of the overproduced and formulated product of today's artists.

This charisma was epitomized by the group's bassist, who wore a Cheshire Cat grin throughout the performance, and the singer-guitarist who controlled centre stage despite the occasional antics of other members of the band.

"Down in Jamaica (land of the Rastaman)" began with a little bit of Calypso and then grooved into a song which paid homage to the band's Jamaican roots.

One of the highlights of the evening was the song "Love is Summer in the Winter." The band explained that during the long, cold Toronto winters "only reggae music and love keep us warm."

The first set ended with Messenjah's new single "Cool Operator," which ends with all the members of the band at the front of the stage clapping, except for the percussionist who keeps the beat on a wooden block. The natural way the song evolved into this was cool and effective, showing just how tight the band is.

The highlight of the second set was the very moving "Message." A band calling itself

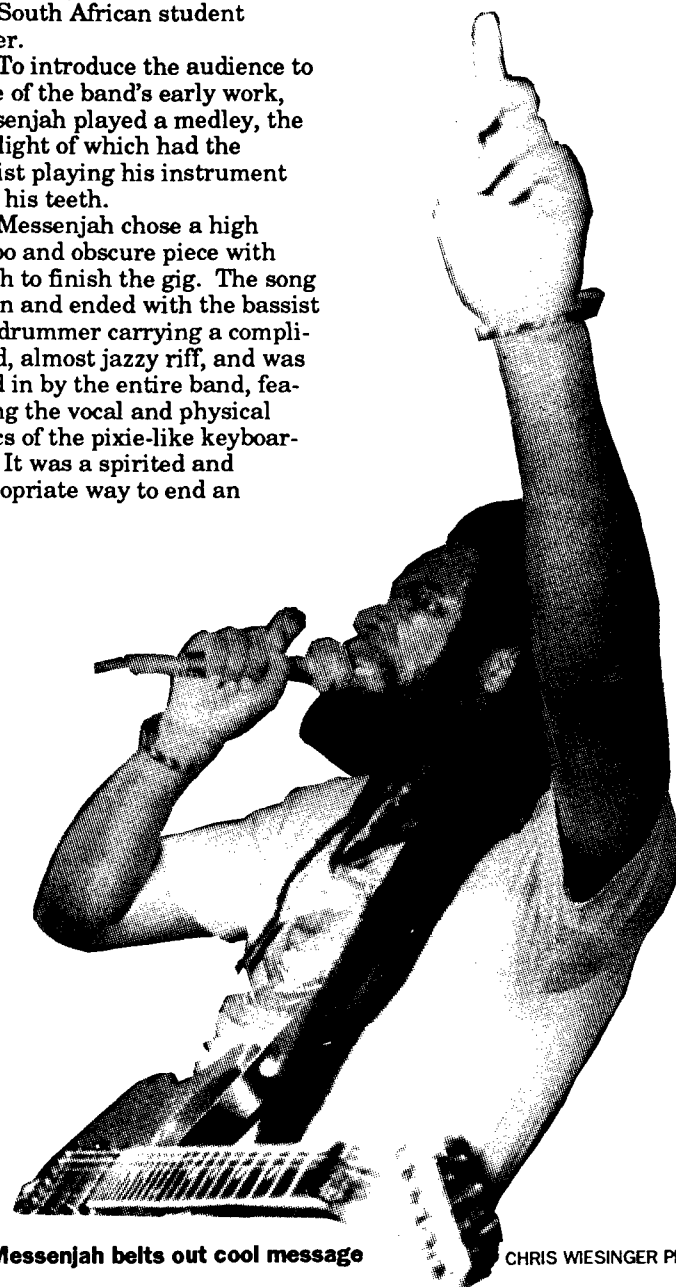
Messenjah, or messenger of Jah (God), should have a message, they explained. "Message", a slow ballad about love, racism, and apartheid, was dedicated to everyone in general, but more particularly to Steven Biko, the late South African student leader.

To introduce the audience to some of the band's early work, Messenjah played a medley, the highlight of which had the bassist playing his instrument with his teeth.

Messenjah chose a high tempo and obscure piece with which to finish the gig. The song began and ended with the bassist and drummer carrying a complicated, almost jazzy riff, and was filled in by the entire band, featuring the vocal and physical antics of the pixie-like keyboardist. It was a spirited and appropriate way to end an

excellent, energy filled evening of Messenjah's reggae.

For those interested in reggae similar to that of Messenjah, Redemption will be playing the Roxy October 30.



Messenjah belts out cool message

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Nursing market opens

By Marilyn Letts

There are not enough nurses to go around, according to health care specialist Eva Ryten.

Ryten estimates the minimum number of graduates needed across Canada is eight to ten times the number now graduating if they are to keep up with the demand. But even if the schools were able to expand that much, there would be difficulty attracting students to fill the spaces, she said.

As director of research and information services for the association of Canadian medical colleges, Ryten has insight into the entire health care system. And as this year's Marion Woodward lecturer, Ryten wants to educate people about the coming age in health care professionals. "The

critical area in the next few years is going to be nursing," she told a group of students at an IRC lecture Thursday.

Health care is the field of the future with the large proportion of people moving into the geriatric age group. Since 97 percent of nursing students are female, nursing must attract the women who are going into professions perceived as having a higher status in health care.

Another factor which affects the way people look at nursing is the small percentage of nurses that work full time—only 57 percent. The public may not see nursing as a real profession, or one that offers a high degree of job satisfaction, Ryten said.

Nursing aggravates its own

problem, according to Ryten, by requiring all registered nurses to earn their degree. By the year 2000 all nurses are supposed to have a degree, but because of the increased demand, Ryten said it is an unreachable goal.

Concluding, Ryten said nursing needs to heighten its status and image to attract more men and women.

Disputes should be aired carefully to prevent portraying the profession as dissatisfied, she added.

But what may be bad news for the goals of the profession is great news for the current students—nursing graduates, especially from degree programs, should have no trouble finding jobs in the foreseeable future.

Abortion clinic serves public

By Becci Colthard

A "killing centre" has been established on the east side of the city, according to Betty Green, president of the Vancouver Right to Life Society.

Green says she fears Vancouver's first free standing abortion clinic will perform abortions with such speed that women will be robbed of any opportunity to reconsider before making so "fatal a mistake".

To combat what she calls "misinformation," Green said she advocates a system of "sidewalk counselling" available to any woman entering the clinic.

Joy Thompson of the B.C. Coalition of Abortion Clinics calls Green's sidewalk counselling harassment. Protesting and lobbying would be most effective outside of Parliament, not on the door step of a non-profit medical facility, she said.

"These women (entering the clinic) are in a vulnerable position and are facing an emotionally difficult situation," Thompson said. "They must be allowed respect and dignity for a decision they are entitled to make as moral, auton-

mous human beings."

No amount of opposition will force B.C.C.A.C. to deviate from its mandate to provide superior health care in a supportive environment, said UBC professor and Coalition member Hilda Thomas.

The government's refusal to provide funding beyond the standard physician's fee is discriminatory, according to Thomas, since abortions performed in hospitals also exceed the physician's fee but are completely covered under medicare.

Everywoman's Health Centre Society, which operates the clinic, wants to be designated a diagnostic and treatment

centre under the Hospital's Insurance Act to obtain better funding.

And contrary to the claims of Health Minister Peter Dueck, the clinic has no desire to become a privatized medical facility—the Coalition is strictly opposed to extra billing.



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Editorial

Let not the Foole speak

An American sitcom called *Get Smart* used to have something called the "cone of silence" gag. A huge glass bubble would descend on top of the twit agent and his boss, rendering all communication impossible, because neither could hear the other.

Canadian politics looks more and more like an episode of *Get Smart*. Not only have we adopted an American format, but our leaders have fallen under the cone of silence.

The leaders have cocooned themselves into the silky threads of untouchability and see no reason to talk to the media in a real exchange, as it may hurt their gleaming image or deep six an already sickly persona.

The lower the politician's profile, it would seem, the better the polled performance.

Shhhhh...the electorate might hear you.

Be quiet, and everything will be alright.

Don't pick at that scab; it could get infected.

Mr. Vander Zalm was rubberstamped last weekend as leader of the Social Credit party without even the slightest shiver of hesitation. After two months of silence, we seem to have forgotten six months of pure controversy and upheaval.

As long as the politicians don't talk, they can't do any harm—or so it would seem. How else would one explain the fact that George Bush and his Alfred E. Neuman running mate will probably win the election. They are both void of charisma or substance. But then again, that's the States.

But the blame is not only on the de-dandruffed blue shoulders of the politicians, the burden of guilt can also be carried by the press.

The Canadian media has adopted the *laissez-faire* stance of the Americans just a little ahead of the game—free trade is not yet a reality. The American media allows the stars to take their pedestals and mesmerize the public into a state of intellectual immobility—political couch potatoes.

But in Canada, aren't we supposed to scratch away at the surface layer and find out what's underneath? Since when did we, the paranoid nation that we are, take things at face value?

Has Mr. Mulroney lulled us into an insipid era of Canadian politics with his 12 r.p.m. voice and heavy eyelids?

It is time to lift the cone of silence and find out what these politicians can do besides visit old folk's homes and dry river beds.

THE UBYSSEY

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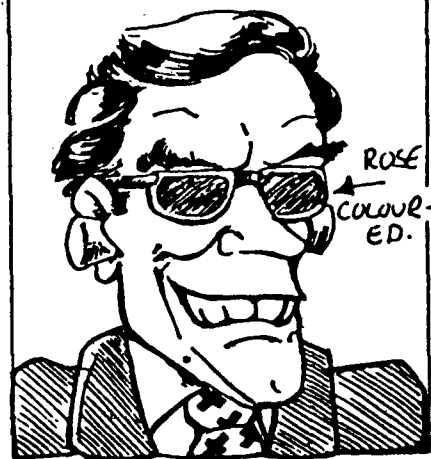
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It was a voodoo kind of thing. Deanne Fisher was hexed with reader's block. Mandel Ngan couldn't be shut up from screaming "Cut off them damn lumps on yer head!" Katherine Monk twitched...she was growing lumps on her head—it was only a matter of days before they would be discovered. Olivia Zanger was torturing Ted Aussem, whose neck was plucked bare before a theme was found. Chung Wong was making little wax figurines of Chris Wiesinger and sticking Xactos into them. Robert Groberman scurried away while everyone was distracted. So did Alex Johnson. Everyone pretended to think it was coincidental. Only Steve Chan dared voice the filthy suspicions on everyone's mind. Becci Colthard was having Nam flashbacks. Joe Altwasser was having LSD flashbacks. Doug Eastwood was having custard flashbacks. Remember the Alamo. Keith Leung's father called, leaving the message "Get a haircut and get a job, ya bum. Yir no son o' mine." Everyone thought Roger "Dutch" Kanno had a very macho name. It was agreed. Damn the torpedos. Heather Jenkins emerged dishelved from the darkroom. Gordon Clark and Martin Chester were grossed out. Totally. Eeeewww. Sic. Puke. Doug Bryson took it like a man. And swallowed. Laurie McGuinness had a gender neutral name. Cuz we're in Canada. Home of the Neutral. Marilyn Letts scratched. Those DAMN gnats again!

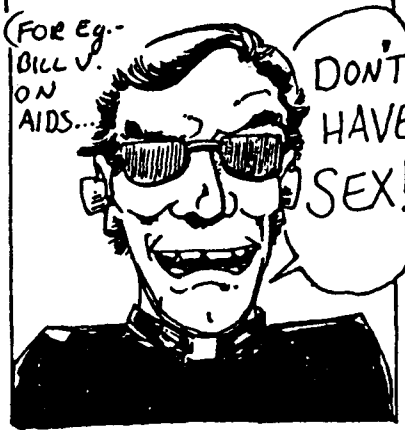
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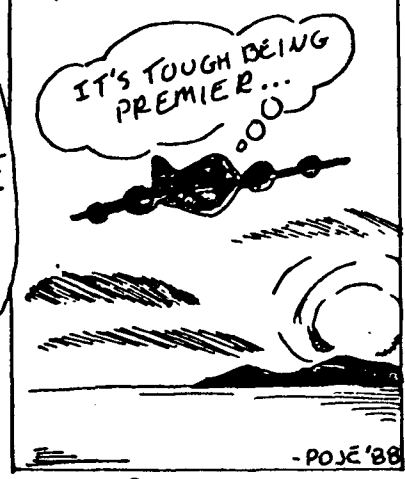
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Letters

Homosexuals seek publicity

What is the difference between a homosexual and your average heterosexual guy? They are both allowed to get an education at UBC, they are both allowed to join any club or organization on campus, and they are both allowed to participate in any form of organized sport on campus. Thus the only real difference between them is that they differ in their sexual practices. On this basis the homosexual wishes to have his own set of Olympic games. Now suppose that a third group that differs in their sexual practices from both hetero and homosexuals wants to have their own games. Where will all this lead to? The shoe-lovers bowling tournament? Or the beastophiliacs equestrian events? It is time for homosexuals to realize that they can only gain acceptance by directly interacting with the predominantly heterosexual society, and that by sponsoring events catered mostly towards their own needs they are showing highly HETEROFOBIC behavior.

Sep Farahbakhshian
Biochem 4

Stopped him cold ('n frosty)

I am not certain if I should congratulate Molson Canadian's marketing department of tell them to lay off the merchandise for a while.

While sifting through the Oct. 14 issue of the Ubyssy I happened upon the Molson Canadian math problem. This particular quiz recommended a one minute time limit to figure out a simple mathematical problem, or consider becoming an English major. Well, Lord knows I had no intention of transferring faculties, so I set out to prove my education was providing socially useful benefits.

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Here's where my praise comes. I spent at least three (and not just one) minute looking at the ad. In addition, I forced several friends to attempt this problem. I know they're getting a marketer's "chubby" because someone actually spent more time looking at the ad than you expected. Well relax, domestic beer is not my poison.

Instead, I formulated an alternative hypothesis (pretty impressive words, huh?). The marketing department had been sucking back a few too many cold ones and it was a taste that stopped their brains cold. Their simple mathematical problem works out to 93 and not 77 as they have listed. They'll get no song, no dance and no save the Artsies reputation plea from me. Instead a simple suggestion: do a little more homework and a little less beverage consumption.

Brian J. Heathcote
Commerce 4

Gay zealots too visible

Before Dr Strangway makes his decision about Gay Games III on the basis of The Ubyssy's October 18 editorial, I urge him to consider the following.

Whether there are moral principles involved here or not—and I believe there are—we shouldn't assume on account of a conditioned reflex that it is necessarily "wrong" to discriminate against homosexuals in this situation. I doubt that a majority of students, or Canadians at large, think it "wrong" to do so.

Most would agree that homosexuals must be free to enjoy themselves just as other Canadians are; Mr Trudeau's "bedrooms" line still applies. However these Gay Olympics are designed not just for them to enjoy, but mostly to show off: Homosexuals seek publicity. Thus they mobilize for parades and organize glori-

ous displays of their bent.

What Dr Strangway and society in general might keep in mind is that our generous tolerance must have limits - that if we find homosexuality reprehensible in itself, we may yet accept it in our midst, but we need not encourage its exhibitionism or abet its missionary zeal.

Christian Champion
Arts 1

Grads say No!

Last Thursday at the Graduate Student Society's October Council Meeting, the representatives voted to oppose the Rec-Fac referendum. It was a surprise.

Rec-Fac had not been added to the agenda, and the issue was brought up in the Other Business section of the meeting at the request of a number of councilors. And although the discussion started slowly, it heated up and the council voted strongly in favor of opposing the project.

People spoke from numerous viewpoints, but generally shared the view that the project was not in their interests and that the future of funds collected, or the future nature of any new facility, could not be guaranteed. Let me explain.

Some councilors argued that the facility must eventually be largely dominated by the university administration, just as the other athletic facilities previously built by students are. They say that a stable, centralized bureaucracy will over time exert control over a student society whose membership constantly changes, despite any agreement in the present.

Other councilors said Rec-Fac is an expensive mega-project presented to students by overly ambitious student politicians.

Still others argued that if a referendum passed, the student body will no longer have control over the funds which would accrue, or over

any future project that would actually be built. The only choice open to students is to provide the money to the student society or not to provide the money. After that the matter remains in the hands of student council and its executive, and they could radically alter the project and even potentially cancel it.

Some councilors said the problem was not the facilities now available, but the nature of their utilization. Sufficient facilities exist but students have little access to many of them. These representatives suggested that the university should reexamine its allocation of space, especially as a report issued last year said that the athletics department is poorly managed.

Many councilors resented the fact that they would be charged \$30 per year for a new facility that they did not expect to use much even if they remained at UBC.

Representatives said that if average students lost the right to time in facilities they presently use in exchange for no Athletics use of the new facility, there might actually be a net loss of time for student recreation. In other words, if students get a new facility but are increasingly pushed out of War Memorial Gym and other facilities, there may be no gain.

Some councilors said that the proposed all-weather field would be less accessible than the current field beside SUB and that that field remains one of the few places on campus that students can play baseball.

In total, the Graduate Student Society council lacked confidence in the student society being able to accomplish such an enormous project successfully and question the project's validity.

Robert Beynon
Grad. Student Society
President

Check your oil, then your figures

I think that any student who read and believed the fallacies in the letter written by a certain Mr. Katz should have "their oil checked." If you would bother to get your facts straight, you would discover that the students paid a very small percentage of the Aquatic Center. A part was funded by the community, hence the odd hours for student use. Besides, if you have any problems with free swim hours why are you knocking the Rec Center? Go to the management committee of the Aquatic Center which consists of 50% students and ask them to change the hours, or is this too tough for you? As for your concern about your having to pay to use it, I encourage you to look into the amount you are actually contributing and consider whether your student card is really worth all the whining.

To question your question of figures, I would like to know why you think you can derive your figures so quickly and simply. To bring to light two very obvious facts, the university has 26,000 full time students (part time students will only be asked for a small percentage proportional to the number of units they are currently enrolled in and intercession students will not pay at all) and I cannot think of any interest free loan in existence on the face of this earth. Perhaps you can find us such a loan or maybe you want to build it after we have collected all the fees in 1999. The committee was of the mind that taking out a loan would permit those of us paying for the facility to also be able to use it. As you can see Mr. Katz, there are many factors to be taken into consideration. If you wish to contribute your great library of knowledge, please feel free to drop by the meetings.

I would also like to direct a few words towards your fellow student, Mr. Wishow. The value of your "central greenspace" has not been underestimated for if you would look closely, you would notice that the field will not be sur-

rounded by a fence or bleachers. Fear not Mr. Wishow, you will not be barred from your beloved field; you will be free to wander in and out as you please. To address your final point Ed, allow me to inform you that the present AMS officers have little to do with the ongoings of the committee. As a matter of fact, the chairperson is a regular student just like yourself who has a little more insight into student needs than you have demonstrated. As for your desire for "continual notification" of the committee in the Ubyessey, it should appear rather plainly to you, seeing as you do read the paper, that the committee has no control over the Ubyessey. If you believe that this campus news has not been covered properly by the Ubyessey, say so. Or could it be a possibility that you were too far removed to hear of anything and if so, should you be the judge of what the rest of the student body needs?

Catherine Rankel
Science 3

Seeman wants to leave legacy

In 1964 UBC students voted for the Student Union Building; imagine if they hadn't. Let's show our appreciation by leaving our own legacy—A Student Recreational Center.

Bob Seeman
Board of Governors
Student Representative

Engineers up to usual antics

I was distressed to see the Engineers' latest show on my way into Sedgewick library Thursday. Public drinking, littering, destruction and abuses of UBC grounds are the charges of the day. Fine, these can all be easily corrected with money. However, the impending spinal injury to an unfortunate fountain-goer cannot. Have we no sanctions for such criminals? Think about it guys.

Nicole Liddell
Arts 4

New Rec Center favoured over old facilities


It seems to me that everyone writing in the Ubyessey to complain about the proposed new Recreation Centre hasn't been up to the Thunderbird Winter Sports Centre recently. Although it has its merits, the TWSC many faults including:

- ever increasing fees for use of its facilities
- limited space for the use of the many AMS clubs that are forced to use the facilities
- it's the only thing close to the infamous B lot, and therefore not very accessible on a rainy night if you live in Gage or Vanier
- often even the Varsity teams have a hard time getting the time and space they need for practice
- some facilities are not the 'standard for competition', e.g. the squash courts are North American style, not the proper International style.

Now if you should study the new Rec Fac, you can easily see that it is a vast improvement in ways such as:

- it is centrally located and accessible to far more students
 - its facilities will be clean and new
 - it will have a lot of club space, supplemented by what is already available in SUB—right beside it
 - the increase in the activity fee is less than what you would likely pay over a year if you were using the TWSC
 - you will be able to see exactly what you are getting from your activity fee (unless you are blind, or don't go near SUB), unlike the present fee whose benefits are often well disguised
 - the AMS clubs were surveyed as to the facilities they required.
- In short, you'll see me on referendum day in full support of the new Rec Fac.

Michael Glenister
Science 4



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Greens challenge system

By Keith Leung

The West German social movement that culminated in the formation of the Green Party has posed a serious challenge for change to the political system, according to visiting professor Kurt Sontheimer.

In his lecture on "New Social Movements and Ideas in West German Politics," the political scientist covered the evolution of what has been dubbed the 'new social movement', its opposition and challenge to the established political system and finally its incorporation into that system as the Green Party.

The Greens began with the student movement of the sixties, developing its base through the ecology, alternative and peace movements in West Germany during the seventies, said Sontheimer.

Comprised mainly of loosely-connected, issue-oriented groups, the political direction of the movement has been towards a restructuring of the society according to principles of "radical," direct democracy and ecology.

Sontheimer said the organi-

zation has been grassroots in nature, spontaneous, flexible and anti-hierarchical, rejecting the established political system in favour of extra-parliamentary activity.

By and large, said Sontheimer, the established West German parties—the conservative Christian Democrats, the Liberals, and the Social Democrats—were unable to respond to the issues raised by the new social movement, and by 1978 the two political cultures were in diametrical opposition.

Sontheimer said that although the movement favoured confrontation with the authorities rather than conciliation, which was politically sterile, they had considerable indirect influence on the general population, creating whole new political issues.

In 1980 the Green party was formed, turning the movement away from extra-parliamentary activity and into the boundaries of the political system. They channelled the protest movement into parliament.

In 1983, the Greens became the fourth party in the Bundestag,

the West German parliament, occupying 28 seats and gaining 5.6 percent of the vote.

Sontheimer said that while the Greens have been, as a whole, integrated into conventional politics, they have lost much public sympathy to a bitter internal conflict between the so-called "fundamentalists," who want to keep the party close to its grassroots ties and the "Realos," or realists, who want to get on with the business of politics and make the compromises necessary for getting power.

The government has opened itself up to reforms, changing policies concerning nuclear energy and the environment, instituting greater mediation between citizens and parliament at most levels of organization and allowing open access to protest groups to air their views.

Sontheimer concluded that the incorporation of the social movements into conventional politics was a tribute to the strength of the political system in dealing with serious challenges. The political establishment, diversified, had itself grown stronger through the discord.



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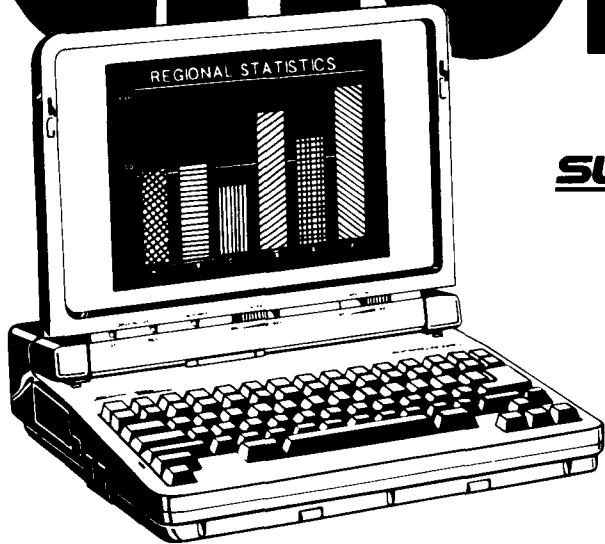
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