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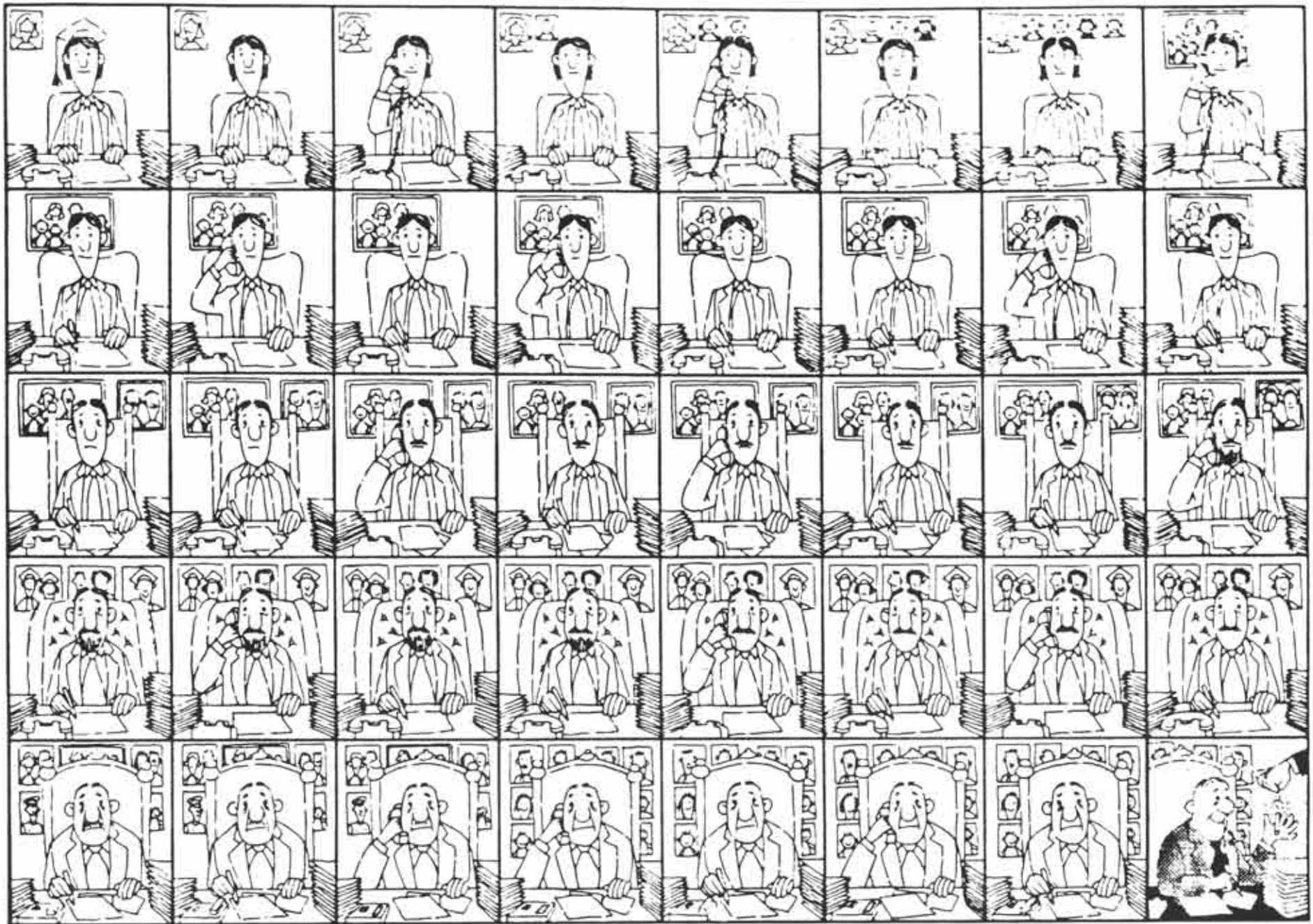
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IN THE NEWS...

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New Chancellor for WLU

Judge Willard Estey takes over the helm

Tim Sullivan *The Cord*

WILLARD Z. Estey will be Wilfrid Laurier University's new chancellor.

What is the chancellor? you ask. He or she is the ceremonial head of the University; they're the one responsible for handing out the degrees at commencement. But more than that, "the chancellor is a member of both the board of governors and senate, and a respected adviser to the president".

Estey is a well known and respected man in judicial circles. A former chief justice of the

Ontario Supreme Court, he was also a former justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. With regards to his University experience, Estey was a professor of law at the University of Saskatchewan, where he received one of his degrees, and lecturer at Osgoode Hall Law School. He does have connections at Laurier, too, having received an honorary doctorate of laws degree from WLU in 1977.

As well, Estey was head of a commission of inquiry into the tragic airplane accident in Gander, Nfld. in 1985. Only last week was he named a companion to the Order of Canada, a distinction

Canadians are awarded by the Governor General of Canada. "Willard Estey is an outstanding Canadian," said WLU president John Weir.

"an outstanding Canadian"

The announcement came Tuesday morning at a regular session of the meeting of WLU's highest governing body, the Board of Governors. Estey replaces Maureen Forester who recently completed her four year term. He is the sixth chancellor Laurier has had, and he succeeds distinguished Canadians like singer Maureen Forester, former cabinet minister Paul Martin, and former Lieutenant Governor John Black Aird.

Besides a distinguished career in law and education, Estey is a fan of baseball, Argonauts Football, and hockey. In fact, Estey played university level hockey and helped draft the legal scheme that led to the formation of Hockey Canada in 1969. He served as its chair for five years.



The new Chancellor, Willard Estey, in a contemplative pose. Perhaps contemplating which building will be named after him one day. Photo: Dublin G. Coyne

Wilf's furniture now up for grabs

Kim Dowds

The Cord

IF YOU have wandered into Wilf's lately you've noticed the latest renovations. New furniture and a new look have made Wilf's appealing to the eye as well as to the parched throats of WLU students.

The old furniture, cast aside during the renovations, has been selling like hot cakes this week. "All the old chairs and tables are up for grabs," said Tim Hranka, WLUSU Manager of Business Operations.

The old chairs are going for a mere \$15; while the tables are selling for only \$35.

Advertising was planned for the sale said WLUSU Executive V.P. Karen Gordon, but never became a reality because demand was high enough that word of mouth proved to be the best advertisement. Gordon said that the lack of advertising was not an intentional thing; the sale was an impromptu, last minute thing.

The prices of the furniture were formed around an average students budget, Gordon suggested. Fifteen dollars for a quality chair she opined, is a good student price.

"Pretty much anybody can come in to buy the furniture," Hranka noted, "but preference will be given to students."

Anyone interested in purchasing any of the furniture should see

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Take home a piece of history. Buy an old Wilf's chair. Photo: Tony Burke

Panty raids dead Tradition given proper burial

Mark Hand

The Cord

WHO AT Wilfrid Laurier University hasn't heard of panty raids? Now that you could get kicked out of residence and criminally charged for doing it, pretty soon the answer will be no one.

In the wake of last year's scandals, "panty raids have been given a proper burial," said to Dean of Students Fred Nichols. After being backed into a corner by nationwide media coverage -- including a front page story in the *Toronto Star*, several radio talk shows, and numerous other newspaper stories -- WLU President John Weir banned the tradition of residence panty raids last year.

There was considerable concern that trouble might arise if the incoming frosh decided to organize their own illegal raids now that officially sponsored ones are history. As a result, it was decided at Dons' Camp, an introductory retreat for residence dons the weekend before Frosh Week, that any panty raiders will be dealt with severely. Anyone caught doing it will be charged with break

and enter and theft, evicted from residence, and very likely expelled from school.

First year student and Little House resident Jeff Summersby agreed that the punishment will be an effective deterrent. "As soon as people heard the penalty nobody thought of doing it," he said.

The Dons discussed the issue at length, not only deciding what to do if there are any incidents of raiding, but also thinking up possible substitute events. The idea of hosting Open Houses in late September for the various dorms would introduce people to each other, and give people a look at the other sex's residences.

It was decided that if asked about it, Dons would play down the issue. "We're saying it was something we did in the past, but not anymore," said Mike Belanger, Director of Housing.

"But we won't pretend it didn't happen."

"I think the Dons are glad to see it gone," said Belanger. "It was a lot of work organizing it. And we're not sure it accomplished anything anyway. Just the thought of a guy breaking into a girls room

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"We don't pretend it didn't happen"

New dorm in the works

300 rooms ready for September 1991



Artist's conception of what the new residence will look like. It's nice, but so was the artist's conception of the Aird Building.

Photo: Woody Woodpecker

Norman E. Wood *The Cord*

IN SEPTEMBER 1991 there will be 300 new residence spaces for first year students on the Wilfrid Laurier University campus.

The un-named building will be located at 44 Bricker St. next to Bouckaert Hall. The house that was previously there has been torn down and two portables have been moved to make room for the new structure.

The decision to put the build-

ing on campus is a recently made one. It was up in the air for months as to whether it would be on or off-campus. When the plot of land at 202 Regina St. purchased by the University earlier this spring proved unacceptable for a new residence hall due to zoning by-laws, it was finally decided to build on Bricker St.

The site of the new residence is very small. Attempts to enlarge the location by purchasing the adjacent plot at 46 Bricker St. failed when the owners refused to sell to

the University. WLU officials did manage to get permission from the City of Waterloo to change by-laws which restrict building within 15 metres of a neighbor's boundary. They are now allowed to build up to 6 metres from 46 Bricker St. making the site larger.

The architectural firm of Fryett Shifflet Associates have completed the plans for the residence. There will be 75 apartment units each consisting of four single bedrooms, two four-piece bathrooms, a kitchen, a dining

area, a common living room, and a storage closet. There will be a total capacity of 300 students plus 8 dons and a head resident.

It will be built in a multi-level horseshoe shape. One arm of the horseshoe will be seven stories tall, the other ten stories tall. The first three floors will be common to all parts of the building running along the base of the horseshoe. The ground floor will house a head resident apartment, laundry facilities, common lounges, and reception area in addition to normal apartment units.

It will cost \$10.5-12 million

The price tag on the structure will be between 10.5 to 12 million dollars. It will be paid off almost entirely through revenue generated by the residence. The University is putting in no money towards the structure, although since WLU is providing the land to build, like the Student Union Building, they will own the residence.

No mandatory meal plan in new dorm

The Government promised a \$3.8 million grant towards the building. The grant will be given in declining amounts each year starting with \$1000 per room in the first year, \$960 per room the second year, \$920 in the third and so on until the full \$3.8 million has been given out over a period of 25 years.

Apart from the apartment style set-up of the structure, another unique aspect of the new residence is that the meal plan will be optional for students there. The meal plan is mandatory in all other residences at Laurier.

The cost of the plan for 1990-91 is \$1,640.

The fees for the students in residence in the new building have not been set yet but will be higher than in the other residences. It has also not yet been determined who will be allowed to live there but it will most likely be for first year students. It has been suggested that Euler and Leopold residences be turned into quiet residences for 60 first year students who specifically request a quiet area to live. The mature and graduate students who normally live in Euler and Leopold will be given the top three floors of the new building, a total of about 50 spaces. The remaining 250 rooms will be given to first year students.

Most new rooms will go to Frosh.

The appearance of the building is also still undecided. However, a newly formed aesthetics committee will be ensuring that the style be in keeping with the rest of the campus. This comes after the WLU Administration received considerable flak over the appearance of the recently built Aird Building. The committee is composed of the University President and Vice-Presidents.

The timeline for construction is very tight. Provided things go on schedule, the builders will have fifteen months from June 1, 1990 until the first residents move in in September 1990. Bouckaert Hall, currently Laurier's newest residence building, was built in five and a half months a few years ago.

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The last panty raid story ever

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in the middle of the night, and stealing panties of all things, would normally make me hit the roof. Call it a panty raid and it was OK. Not any more."

Once the Frosh arrived, it turned out that fears of trouble occurring were alleviated. Very few asked about panty raids. Sandra McTavish, a don in Clara Conrad residence, said "nobody cared. They'd never heard of panty raids. The big issue was recycling in residence."

Teresa Scaini, a first year student, said she heard about the raids last year. "I saw it was ruining Laurier's reputation, but I'd never heard anything bad about Laurier before," she said. "Most people don't care. Up to now they've been too busy partying."

Frankly Speaking

with Frank Morningstar



Games Room regulars will recognize this cheerful face as Brian, the super Games Room Attendant. If you don't know him, but want to meet him, he can normally be found in the Games Room (3rd floor S.U.B.) behind the big counter handing out coins in exchange for paper, playing pool or Klax, or harassing people who are playing WWF Wrestling. He's another face in your neighbourhood. Photo: Woody von Hammer



Don't mess with him. He hasn't kicken anyone out yet, but he doesn't just use that pool cue for games.

Frank Morningstar was unable to do his interview this week, he was unavoidably detained at the Canadian-US border because some sort of weird plant product found hidden in his socks. Woody von Hammer is filling in for Frank until he gets out of jail.

[Sounds of video games in the background.]

BRIAN: I'm kind of new to this thing.

WOODY: Don't worry about it. What's your favourite game in the Games Room?

BRIAN: Klax. I've got the best per credit average.

WOODY: Impressive. Say someone was coming up here for the first time. What game would you recommend?

BRIAN: Kind of a difficult question. I'd have to ask them what kind of game they like and then take a look around. There's some here that are new to me too. They change them a lot. Right now we have five pinballs and about twenty video games. Enough for the regulars. But new people, uh, Tetris is pretty straight forward and simple to learn. But it's difficult to...

UNKNOWN GAMER: Can I get, uh, \$2 worth of quarters?

[Brian exchanges cash for change.]

WOODY: I guess you handle a lot of coins here, huh?

BRIAN: About \$400 or \$500 a day in quarters. Something like that.

WOODY: Do you get any rare ones?

BRIAN: Not too rare.

WOODY: Oh. So, is working in the Games Room a good way to meet chicks?

BRIAN: [Blushes and looks at his feet.] I meet a lot of people.

WOODY: That's not the question.

BRIAN: [Blushes more.] Uh, I guess so. But I don't consider myself a womanizer, so, uh, I guess I'd have to say no to that question. There's not a lot of women come up here. Some of them come down from the Turret. There's just one playing pool over there right now at table four.

WOODY: Yeah, but she's playing with her boyfriend. What about single girls?

THIS WEEK: BRIAN, THE GAMES ROOM ATTENDANT.

BRIAN: You'll have to ask them.

I don't blame them. I've never really asked them. You do see a lot more guys than girls, even though there's a 3 to 1 ratio of girls to guys at the school. That's a good question.

WOODY: Do you ever have to kick out any drunken Turret goers?

BRIAN: Never. I've never kicken anyone out.

WOODY: So you'll take anyone here?

BRIAN: No no no no. I've just never had the opportunity to kick anyone out. [Looks disappointedly at his pool cue, but doesn't threaten anyone with it.]

WOODY: Too bad. Do they pay you well?

BRIAN: [Shakes his head violently.] No, they don't. But no complaints.

WOODY: One thing I want to know, how come you're always playing pool when you're working?

BRIAN: One, I like it. Two, we don't have to pay. Everyone who works here gets to play for free.

WOODY: That's not fair.

BRIAN: So?

ANOTHER UNKNOWN GAMER: Can I have eight

quarters?

[Brian hands over two neat little piles of coins.]

GAMER: Thanks a lot.

BRIAN: Continuing from your last question, uh, I guess it could be unfair, or I guess you could call it a privilege. If we abuse it, we lose it.

WOODY: How come you're not wearing your Games Room shirt?

BRIAN: Laundry day. But we're getting new ones. They're supposed to be white with purple lettering. They're being made at the moment.

WOODY: Do you have to pay for them?

BRIAN: Definitely, of course. We had to pay for the last set.

WOODY: What do you do when you're not dishing out change?

BRIAN: I play squash. And I welcome a challenge from anyone.

WOODY: So you think you'll be working here all year?

BRIAN: Unless I get fired.

WOODY: Thanks a lot.

BRIAN: No problem.

WOODY: Can I have a dollar changed, please. I have to go play wrestling.

BRIAN: [Looking professional.] Sure.

Wilf's sale

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Hranka in WLUSU as soon as possible, as the furniture is being sold on a first come, first serve basis.

The money from the sale of the furniture will go to off-set the cost of the new furniture Hranka said. However, Gordon said the money will go into the W.L.U.S.U. general fund which pays for Wilf's new furniture as well as other things.

"It's a quick way to make money," Gordon said.

The new renovations to Wilf's not only make the school pub look better, but also make it more profitable.

"By putting in new furniture in here, we're increasing our seating capacity dramatically," Hranka stated.

That means the pub has more revenue to increase its entertainment package, Hranka noted. Wilf's will have something happening every Friday and Saturday. Hranka said that last year, the entertainment was sporadic at best, but the pub will be introducing Monday night football with free popcorn, thanks to the new popcorn machine. Tuesday nights will be movie nights.

Wilf's will be serving donuts and coffee as usual during mornings from 9:30 to 11:00. A new Wilf's service will be the introduction of walk-up bar service as well as the regular table service. New bar stools will be put around the bar as well, Hranka stated.

Gordon is the organizer and liaison for the furniture sale, so if you can't get in touch with Hranka try her in the WLUSU offices.

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Biofile: why the many colours of fall

Commentary by A. E. Rogan

FOR A long time, at least as long as anyone can remember, the Biology students of the University have taken leave of their voice in our student paper - The Cord.

Perhaps it is a result of our preoccupation with more lab-like pursuits, or an uninspired abdication to the penmanship of the Arts and Business students. Does this mean that biology as a subject is: innocuous, convoluted, blathering-boring-drivel to all but those possessing a size XL egg-

head? Absolutely not - we do some cool stuff up there. We're like sausages ready to explode with all the "hows", "whys", and possibilities that we stuff in on a daily basis. It would be a good

"Nature's prelude to...the Frozen"

thing to pass on these quasi-factoids.

Nature's prelude to...the Frozen...will be upon us soon. Yes, one final burst of action be-

fore everything is holed up under white death.

What inspires trees to get colourful, then naked, year after year? Whammy if you thought it was a mere drop in temperature - these babes are hardly so obvious. Trees "like" to prepare themselves slowly and thoroughly for their plant-hibernation; a freak freeze or a long summer would throw a mondo wrench into their rhythm. It's something consistent, century after century, almost exactly the same beat, which brings on the wintry change: the ratio of daylight to darkness.

Maples and oaks and aspens and all other deciduous (hardwood) trees possess a triggering substance known as phytochrome. Phytochrome comes in two types, one that reacts to "high noon sunshine" and one

Trees know when it's time to shut down

that reacts mostly to dimmer and nonexistent light. When the ratio of night to bright reaches a certain level, that tree "knows" that it's time to start shutting down.

The leaves of trees contain chlorophyll, the stuff that facilitates the conversion of light into usable energy. Chlorophyll is green - surprise, surprise. But leaves also contain other pigments that are usually overwhelmed by chlorophyll; reds, purples, and yellows.

As days become shorter and shorter, Joe Maple begins to "think" about its treelike equivalent to a large roll of fat necessary for the ensuing hell months. Those leaves have potential sugar in them, and thus are victims of self digestion. Certain hormones are cut off from the plant result-

A grim way to come about spectral beauty

ing in the breakdown of the chlorophyll (as well as other use-



ful materials), and the emergence of the other colours. What a grim way to come about spectral beauty, short lived as it is.

Leaf is connected by a meager thread

Mr. Maple has another problem however - how to ditch these hangers-on without losing a ton of tree blood (a.k.a. sap) and to remain invincible in the face of inevitable attack from scum pestilence. After the usable nutrients from the leaf are expropriated to the tree, the cells connecting the leaf stem to the tree die and harden, producing a scar. In some plants, super protective cells develop, adding to the effectiveness of the scar tissue. Eventually, the leaf is literally connected by a meager thread,

instead of its healthy vascular tissue. In the face of a breeze, it is blown off, doomed to join its fellows in the biomass grave of leaf heaven.

Interesting and useful tip. Even though that tree has done just about everything to conserve its lifeblood, there is usually a small amount of water between the leaf and the tree. As you all know, water expands when it freezes. This functions as a pretty good amputation device, pushing the stem away from the tree. Around October 10, when those overnight freezes begin to occur, take a look at the incredible amount of biomass accumulation that you may not want to be responsible for - get the sibs on rotation, re: raking the fallen ones.

This is a new feature all about biology and stuff written by ace biology student Alison Rogan. Watch for it on a regular basis.

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Another Shinerama success

\$38,000 raised so far and much more to come

Norman E. Wood *The Cord*

SHINERAMA, the traditional fund raising finale to Frosh Week, was called "an incredible success" by WLU Shinerama co-ordinator Annie Quong. So far this year, about \$37,000 has been raised by WLU.

Shinerama is an annual nationwide campaign which raises money for cystic fibrosis research. Held this year on Saturday, September 8, it saw over a thousand first year Laurier students infiltrated Kitchener-Waterloo shining shoes and cars, and asking for donations. The goal was to get 1,000 participants from WLU.

Quong was hoping to raise \$40,000 by the end of September. Once faculty donations, the proceeds from an all-Ontario press conference held earlier this month, and several other sources of revenue still uncollected are added to what has been gathered so far, this mark should be surpassed.

The Shinerama campaign began at WLU twenty-eight years ago. Since then it has been exported to Universities across the country. The University of Waterloo began shining four years ago.

Shane Carmichael, Shinerama Co-ordinator for the University of Waterloo feels that this year's event really put UW on track from their position over the last few years. "We've raised \$60,000 so far and between the two schools we hope to be the first city to break \$100,000," said Carmichael.



If you saw this face at your windshield I bet you'd give money to any cause just to get rid of it. This Shinerama keener was just showing that when he washed a

window, it was clean enough to smear his lips against without fear of infection. Wow. Now, that's job satisfaction.
Photo: Rambo

"Last year we had a football game going on the same day," Carmichael said. "Shinerama really gets the Frosh going but so does football. We finished early last year to satisfy both."

Carmichael, unlike Quong, was able to work with a large budget this year which was used for travelling to the fringes of K-W, branching out the Shinerama

network.

"The area is saturated," Carmichael said. "We spent a lot of money and time this year to institutionalize Shinerama in Frosh Week. Our goal was to give it money to get it going and do it right. You guys have a twenty-two year head start on us."

Yet Shinerama was not without its problems. "We always

get some overzealous frosh who jump on cars or lie in the road," Carmichael said. "This year there was one or two frosh who blocked an intersection but problems like that aren't too serious here." Quong said that WLU experienced a similar problem at the corner of University Ave. and Weber St., but one co-ordinators found out it was stopped immedi-

ately.

Along with Annie Quong, the other Shinerama organizers at WLU were Pam Fanjoy and Laura Kennedy. Organization this year was among the best. For the first time ever, there was enough paper towel to last all day.

Donations will still be accepted in the Students' Union offices until the end of September.

Shinerama cop-outs

LAURIER shiners made almost \$38,000 on Shinerama Saturday through the generous donations of Kitchener-Waterloo residents. But not everyone was willing to give. The top shiners, the

mysterious Yellow-7 team, compiled this list of cop-outs which outshined the other reasons for not donating.

TOP TEN EXCUSES:

1. "I give every year. I should get a plaque!"
2. "I've already voted."
3. "I've been accosted three times already."
4. "My wife just called from the drug store..."
5. "Sorry, we're on a pension."
6. "My leg hurts..."
7. "I have relatives to support."
8. "I always give in a different manner."
9. "Maybe tomorrow."
10. "Sorry, no speaka da Englysh."

GROOVY QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Compiled by Chris Skalkos

"Man, being reasonable, must get drunk; The best of life is but intoxication."

Lord Byron (1788-1824)

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Laurier's enigmatic Senate

Another unknown secret uncovered

Commentary by Joe Domenchini

The Cord

BEFORE I begin, I would like to thank Stephanie Tiffin for her assistance and for going easy on me.

This is my first article. I am a new name here, and the powers that be wanted to give me a nice easy assignment to begin with, so they told me to find out what I could about the Senate.

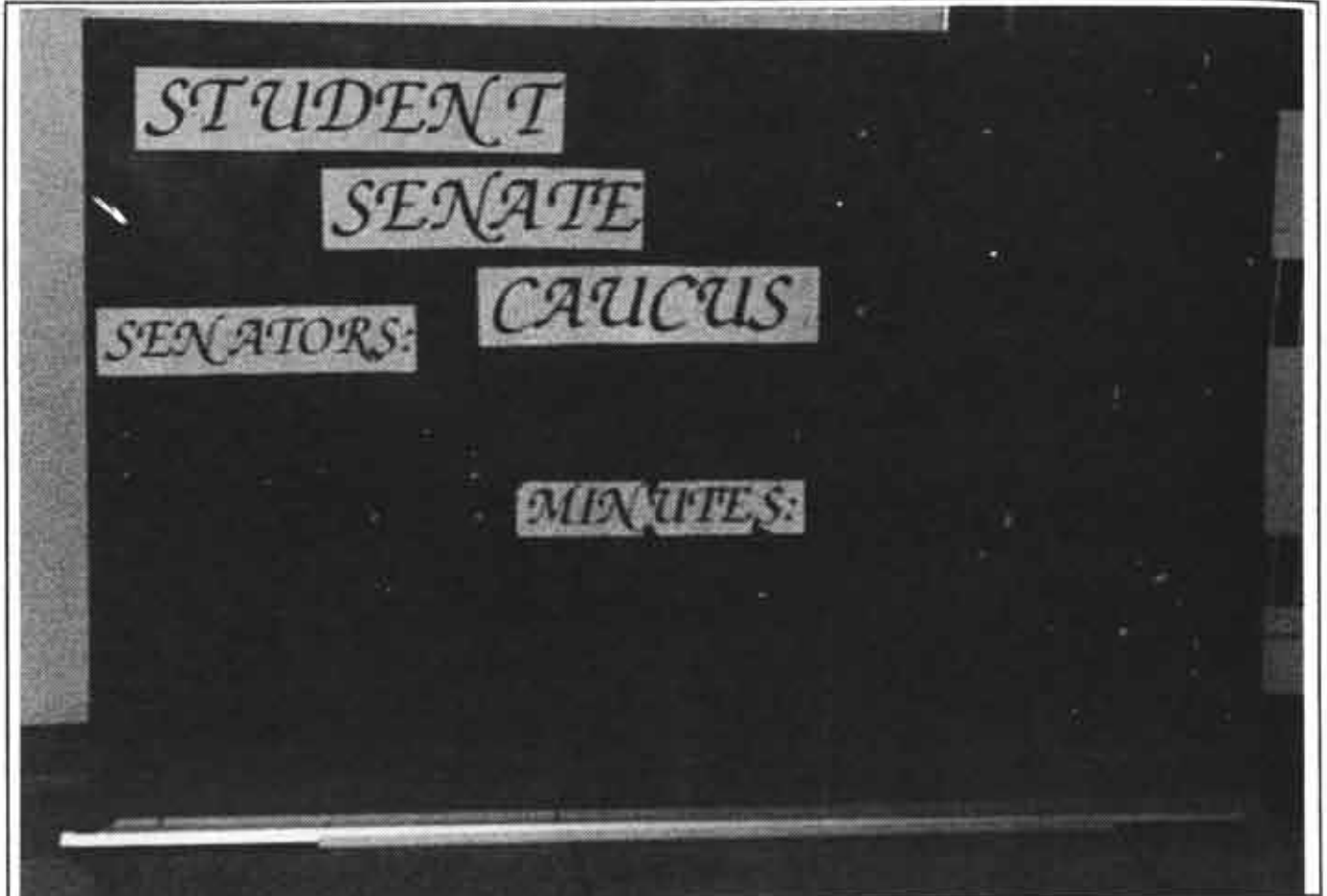
I didn't think it was so easy.

Being a first year student, I had never even heard of the Senate before I was assigned this story. They were not mentioned in the 100-or-so pages of literature I received throughout the summer nor were they mentioned in the frosh kit. The reason the Senate remains at this point largely (or totally) unknown to new students (or unobservant seniors) is due to the fact that the student elections (which, I've heard, are campaigned and publicized) are in March.

The WLU Senate as a whole is an administrative body formed of students and staff, who are divided into various committees which govern many areas of campus interest. Senate meetings are held in the Paul Martin center, and students not involved are invited to attend. The first meeting is on October 1, with meetings running every 3 weeks or so after that.

As for the students involved in the Senate, 8 were officially elected (see page 343 of the new undergraduate calendar) in, as I said before, March, and their term of office began at the end of last year's spring term and runs for a full year. The students are voted first to the Senate and then into the committees. As to what they do, they attend the meetings and participate, and they act as a link between the Laurier students and the staff, and they are available to answer questions about the state of affairs at the school as best they can.

There are many non-elected student positions, for all years, still available. If you are interested in getting involved in the school in any field, you can apply for a position by leaving your name, address and telephone number in the Senators' mailbox in the Student Union office.



This monster is the WLU Student Senate Board, but I guess you could read that already. Indicative of the way the Senate seems to work, it was never updated with names last year, and we never saw any minutes posted. We wonder if it's used anymore.

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Classroom claustrophobia

Crowded hall getting out of hand

Commentary by Jon Stover

Pravda West

I TRIED to go to class and a day-before-Christmas shopping crowd broke out.

I like people. I really do. But when I'm in the middle of a bunch of fellow students crushed together in the act of trying to pass through those three measly doors between the Concourse and the Central Teaching Building on the way to class, my love for large masses of people starts to drop quickly.

That love also wears thin when I'm trying to find parking before my Monday night class. Or when I gaze at the endless line-ups in the bookstore. Or when I take a peek into the Dining Hall or the Torque Room.

There's nothing wrong with more students coming to Laurier. The problem is that steps haven't been taken to keep the place pleasant and user-friendly as the enrollment swells.

WLU is a good case-in-miniature of demand outstripping supply. Suddenly, the friendly little university with the humble beginnings as an affiliate of UWO has become the not-so-friendly-university with one of the worst student-to-teacher ratios in the province.

Laurier could become a unique place, if the powers-that-be want it to. Build more facilities -- that includes everything from more places to eat to a lot more classroom space -- and hire more staff, and one could envision a university with a relatively large under-grad population (say, 8,000+) in which those under-grads attend relatively small classes. With more professors, more M.A. programs could be started. With the new contract signed last spring by the faculty union and the university, teaching wages at Laurier should allow the university to woo more and better instructors -- that is, if the facilities are there to house them. Which, unfortunately, they are not.

I like Laurier. I really do. But mixed in with my affection for this place is a fair amount of loathing as well. The ways in which this "small university" acts instead like a large impersonal institution are legion. Anyone who goes through registration procedures knows that. And while money is raked in thanks to government grants and tuition fees, the services offered to this larger student body seem to decrease rather than increase.

The library is third-rate, not due to any fault of its staff, but because the funding just isn't there. Students are packed into classrooms like world-record-seekers into phone booths. The Aird Building, once touted as the "savior" for music and social sciences stu-

dents, is a joke with its cramped classrooms and teeny-tiny windows. One music student has said to me that attending classes in the Aird building is a test -- that if you can survive classes in that building, you can survive anything, that the portables and the MacDonald House facilities which preceded the Aird building were far superior.

This isn't a bad university by any stretch of the imagination. But the claustrophobia, the ugliness of the campus, the university's benign indifference to cultural endeavors, the over-crowded conditions in the bookstore, the classes and the hallways -- all these things take their toll. The good feelings associated with attending an intimate university campus are squashed and squandered when confronted with the somewhat brutal reality of the Laurier status quo.

Solutions? There are several. Cut back on undergrad enrollment. Construct more facilities and hire more staff members. Or just ignore the problem and count the money. Which will be done?

The next few years will tell the story. I'm not too optimistic, however. Not too optimistic at all.



It's been a long time since the concourse was ever this empty. Now it's so crowded....I don't know. How crowded is it?

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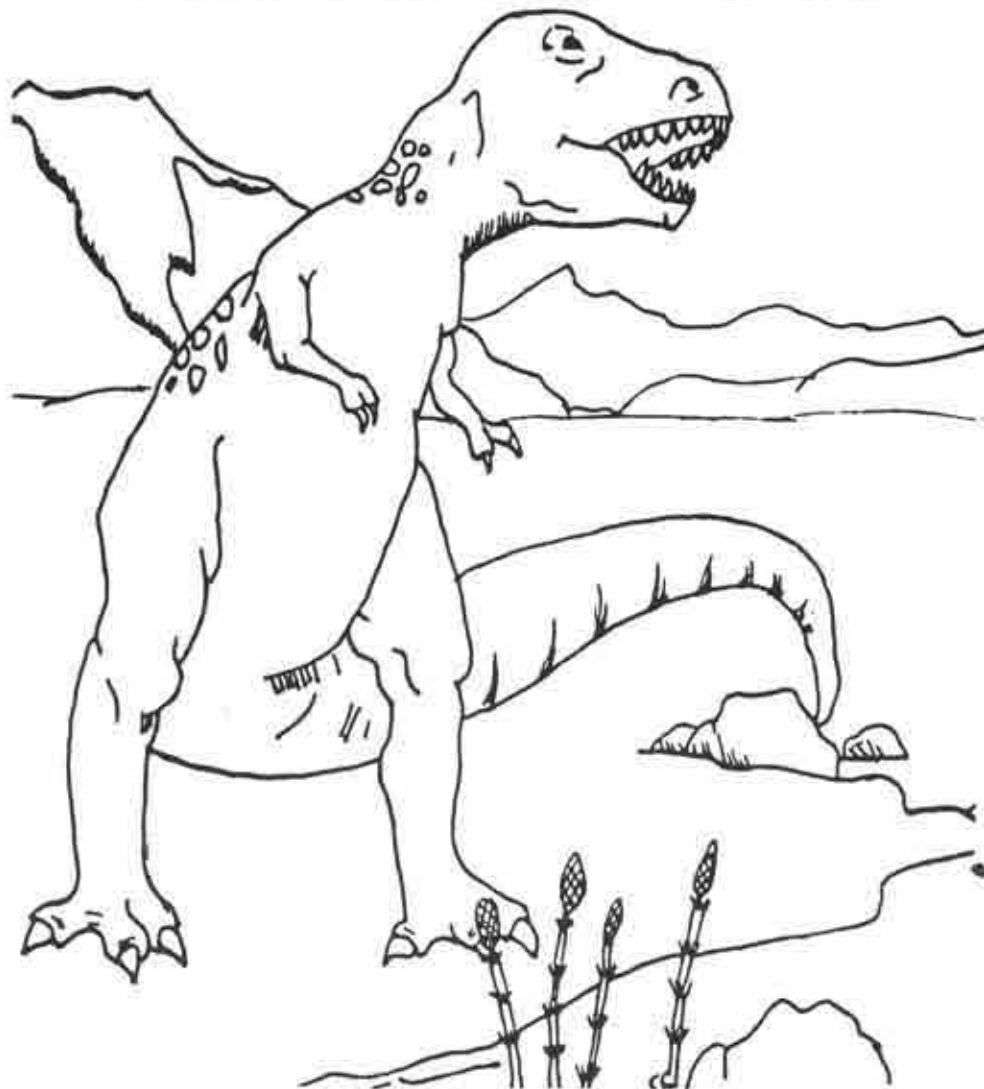
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Illuminating the issue

by Gail Cockburn

This year, the annual Take Back The Night march will be particularly poignant. When women gather together at Waterloo Park Thursday night to protest violence against women, the death of the women in the Montréal massacre will be remembered and mourned.

Although not recognized by everyone as a sign of society's daily violence against women, the massacre did raise the awareness of many. The connection between the images of women in popular culture and the attitude Marc Lépine developed may have escaped Barbara Frum, but to many the ties were painfully clear.

By dismissing Marc as a lone, crazed murderer, people fail to see where he learned his all-too-familiar belief that women should never be the actors, the ones in control.

The people who deal with the victims of violence are well aware of the prevalence of such attitudes. Daily they see battered women, courts which acquit rapists (saying women in certain types of clothing or who act in a certain way ask to be attacked), police who think domestic violence is a private matter. The belief that rape by a known person (which accounts for over 80% of rapes) is not 'real' prevails. Forcing or coercing women into sex is not seen as serious, even by some women.

Bombarded by a daily barrage.

Reinforcing the idea of women as objects, and subtly condoning the violence which results, are the media. We are bombarded with a daily barrage of women's torsos selling various products, movies in which men are the ones who



count, and other images which combined make for an almost impenetrable set of social norms. Those who will march together Thursday night recognize the effects of such messages. They see the connection between the images we are fed daily and events such as the massacre. These are people working for equal relations between men and women, where no one has more power due to biological sex.

The irony about the massacre is that a backlash against feminism developed. Instead of seeing the need to confront established ideas of male and female behaviour, some blamed the massacre on those who challenged stereotypes. This logic held that "if only women were happy with their status, no man would feel threatened

enough to resort to murder." Those involved in the women's movement believe that it is exactly because we have not been effective enough in breaking down archaic norms that events like the massacre, rapes, beatings, pornography and other forms of violence continue to occur.

Alienating men who are sympathetic to the cause?

A debate which arises every year at the time of the march is the participation of men. Men are asked not to walk with the protesters, but are welcome at the finishing rally. Some feel that this only serves to alienate men who

are sympathetic to the cause. It is pointed out that there are now men's groups to deal with the issue of violence against women. Here on campus we have a group of concerned men, and one Prof who actually felt so strongly that he paid a hefty fine for destroying sexist calendars. These men realize that they too are limited by codes of behaviour which, solely on the basis of sex, determine how they should act or feel.

A need for independence.

In response to the question, "why can't men participate?", the organizers explain the symbolic value of women marching alone. In our society today, women must rely on men to keep them safe from other men. Women's freedom is limited because they must constantly worry about being attacked. Rapes on campus may not be publicized or talked about, but they happen with alarming frequency. Attacks in the Waterloo Park and in areas surrounding the two campuses are a common occurrence. It is frustrating and maddening that a woman must depend on others, especially male friends to ensure their safety. In marching alone, women are showing the desire to have a society without the need for such dependence. It is not a slight on the support of the men in their lives but an expression of a need for independence.

During the past year, campuses have reached a low point in gender relations. At Queen's University there were comments such as "No means give her another beer" in response to a rape awareness program. Panty raids and the Bill Needle

Bill Needle shows WLU is sexist

THE NIGHT

of violence against women

column (which was intended as satire but ended up sounding like sexist, homophobic tirades) here at Laurier drew national media attention and created divisions in the school. Some thought that the incidents were harmless fun, while others saw them as a sad reflection of society.

Laurier in the past has been particularly regressive in the area of women's issues. There hasn't been a women's centre, a sexual harassment policy, a safety van or a very active safety and equality commission. There has been no recourse for women who have experienced problems of sexism in the classroom. Even in the wake of the Montréal massacre, the publicity over the panty raid and the Bill Needle article, the majority of people on campus and the administration felt that a "women's centre" was too radical.

Last year the pervading sentiment was that the media blew the incidents out of proportion, that we had no real problem. Anger was directed at the reporters who exposed the situation at Laurier and the people who felt offended by the incidents. It may be true that the papers went into a feeding frenzy over the situation at Laurier, however the problems were and are real, and one wonders if anything would have been done if the reporters hadn't been called in.

In the face of attack and bad publicity, the university drew together to deny or downplay the problems without actually admitting, discussing or solving the issues properly. Panty raids were stopped and the Bill Needle

column ended but few really understood why they were so offensive in the first place. Neither side was sufficiently able to communicate their anger and explain their reactions to the incidents.

Queen's mocks anti-rape slogan

It may be premature and optimistic to say that things are looking up, but it does seem that finally Laurier is addressing some of these issues. Dean Nichols arranged for an excellent presentation on acquaintance rape during frosh week. Unfortunately only half a dozen people attended. The problem is to reach a wide audience and encourage discussion; plans are currently underway to bring a presentation to the residences. A number of psychology profs have decided that the issue is important enough to devote a portion of class time to it, however such a component is not yet obligatory.

Although a safety van is considered too expensive, a safe walk home program might be an option. If sufficient numbers of people express an interest, Laurier might be able to set up a system similar to that at other schools.

As a result of the new faculty contract, a sexual harassment policy is being set up. Instead of only being able to chat with the Dean about harassment problems (such as occurred this summer when a WLUSU person was accused of harassment), an actual committee will deal with the allegations.

After an entire year of debate and feet-dragging, a women's centre has been given the go-ahead and will be open in about a month's time. The centre will be a resource and referral centre open to all to discuss and learn about women's issues. There will also be a quiet space for private conversation.

In the community, the K-W Sexual Assault Support Centre is available 24 hours a day to help women deal with sexual assault. They offer information and provide women with all possible options following an assault. They will not push a woman into pressing charges or taking any action with which she may feel uncomfortable. The centre can be reached at 741-8633.

Another excellent community service is Anselma House. This shelter for battered women has been in operation since 1977. It offers a safe place for women and their children, counselling services for women and children, legal advice and help in seeking medical services as well as other services.

Much still remains to be done to address the problem of violence against women. It will likely take many more marches and information sessions and discussions to reverse the current situation. If the local and campus efforts are any indication, we may be well on our way to healthier, more equal relations between men and women.

Panty posters
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WLU recycling must grow

Residents of the WLU community last year were present to see the institution of a recycling program for the two biggest areas of waste on campus: newsprint and beverage cans. Though quite successful and rapidly growing, the program is ripe for expansion into other areas.

The university has begun the recycling of fine paper -- i.e. photocopy paper, loose-leaf paper -- yet bins are only available to offices. Professors, administrators, staff, and Student Union volunteers may use them to their heart's delight but students are left to toss their recyclable paper into the garbage.

A solution is available. Simply drop into your favourite prof's office and deposit your material into his blue box. All essays and confidential matter is still shredded by the school's service, just in case you're a little paranoid about things like that.

Unfortunately, only white fine paper can be recycled. All university faculties and departments should help preserve our forests by reducing the amount of coloured paper products they use. The Religion & Culture Department and the Political Science Department are notorious for such waste. We can also try to use both sides of the fine paper before we throw it into the recycling bins. It's a little thing, but it can make a difference.

Many students complain about the plastic cutlery in the Torque Room but, when people constantly walk off with the silverware, the expense is too great to keep replacing it. If you don't want to wait for the university to research the possibilities of selling personal cutlery sets, the best way to remain environmentally conscious as you mow down on some Food Services goodies is to bring your very own set of silverware to use. While you're at it, bring your own cup too or purchase a re-usable plastic mug from the Book Store or Torque Room.

More barrels for pop cans are said to be in the process of production for the A.C. and Aird Building while there is also talk of moving the barrels around to events so that waste can be reduced off-campus. During Frosh Week this was done when BACCHUS sold soft drinks to thirsty first years, but the effort was neglected at other times. Oversights like this cannot happen if we are to be considered truly environmentally conscious.

The recycling of bottles is currently being done by the on-campus pubs, Wilf's and the Turret, and may also see light in the Torque Room, Dining Hall, and the Concourse pending approval.

All of this stuff takes a great deal of work. There is an Environmental Co-ordinator working within the university to create new avenues where recycling can be employed and carting off the material which is deposited in the bins. The job can be a lot easier if we all pay heed to exactly what can be taken. If you wish to recycle newsprint, be sure that all flyers, glossy covers and staples are taken out and thrown away. Tying the papers in bundles with strong twine will speed up the process.

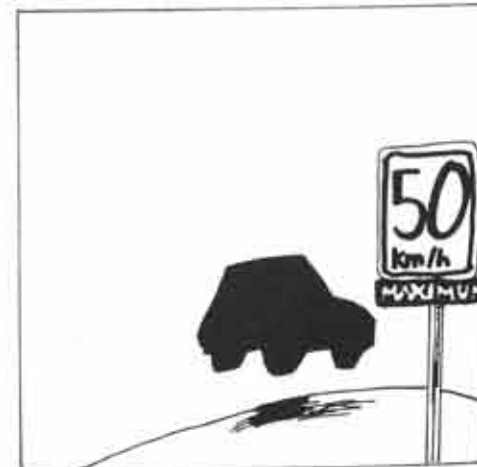
It is clear that what we need most for recycling in the community is education. Students, faculty and staff need more knowledge on the materials that can be recycled or reduced, reused, or refused if it is too environmentally unfriendly (like the plastic bags from the bookstore) and how they go about doing it. Half of the problem with people not taking advantage of recycling programs can certainly be attributed to laziness but there are many who might really want to contribute to the effort that simply are not aware of how they can get involved.

Go to that extra trouble to discover how your input can help to conserve our planet's dying resources. We are only doing it within Laurier but the first step is to clean up our own back yard and the world should fall into place.

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The University Blues

by Kevin Matchstick



LETTERS: Calendars stimulating

Rob Mann

Re: September 6th Interview
of P. Eglin

Sociology Professor Peter Eglin, after a thought over dinner, decided to leave his house and rip up some of the stuff that he had had enough of. Yet another reason for tighter gun control?

Sex, when it's done right, is one of my favourite things. I've had enough of people like Eglin or Michelle Landsberg of the *Toronto Star* telling me that calendars and beer commercials are filled with demented photos of degraded women. Enough! I don't own a "Determination" calendar but I'm damn tempted to buy one.

No more apologies or guilt. No more appeasement. I like looking at pictures of well-clad, scantily-clad or just plain clad women with full la-lips and dainty la-ear lobes, I do not think of a beautiful woman as a piece of meat. I've been in the intimate company of both and there is a great deal of difference.

Violence to and the repression of women are terrible realities of

our society but I don't seem to have any innate (?) thoughts to beat women or to deem them inferior as people because they are women. Still I read daily that all these things are related.

Sexually I am stimulated by women. If I find an attractive woman who I know nothing about sexually arousing, is this somehow degradation?

Why is it degrading if a sweaty pair of breasts in a photo turn me on? Is this not a normal reaction? If a photograph is of a sexual nature is it unnatural? If I buy a calendar and I like to look at these posing women and daydream is it wrong? Is it wrong to make these calendars? I hope not.

Freedom of Speech Eglin? How about freedom of sexual expression? How far doesn't it go? I've got a few magazines lying around you'd probably love to rip up...perhaps after a few glances at the contents just to make sure it's sexist and filthy. Please Peter what's good for me? What should I see? What should I think?

T.N. Sullivan

I would like to comment on the

great Frosh activity held last Friday night -- Bingeman Park. I enjoyed myself last Friday, but only when I finally got in. Then it occurred to me that those responsible probably never waited in line to get in. First they were frosh, and got in first. (I have no problem with frosh getting in first, and in fact support it).

Then they were most likely icebreakers, and they got in without waiting in line. The next step would logically be Orientation Committee, or B.O.D. So for the three or four years at W(e) L(ine) U(p), no lines for those who plan Bingeman (or any other frosh event).

Next year, lets have a line up system so those there first get in first, and the rude budinski's wait outside for their turn, like other WLU mortals.

Jonathan Stover

Good work, Cordies, on putting out a 36-page paper during Frosh Week. Not many people around campus realize the work that goes into producing Laurier's only official student newspaper. Yee ha!

Tackling a university year

Another year of university -- another year of broadening our intellectual horizons and developing our minds. But is this process of developing our minds unified with personal and spiritual growth?

New ideas and perspectives are part of the challenge and fun of the academic life. Yet with so much to consume and absorb in the typical textbook-packed year, it's hard to find the time to question what effect these ideas are having on the set of beliefs and viewpoints that we had coming here.

Perspectives on Faith with Julia Brenndorfer

For any person who wants to integrate faith with learning, it can be an uphill battle to find a steady link between beliefs and the educational experience.

We can examine Platonic to nihilistic considerations of the universe throughout the week, without feeling that it's affected our emotional commitment to faith and created doubts about the relevance of faith to life. But it's only by harmonizing what we learn in our university experience with what we know and believe, that we can challenge the view that Christians are "otherworldly" and irrelevant in the twentieth century.

The bond between Christians who are actively striving to make their faith the focus of their thoughts and actions might seem to be as tenuous a link as that between education and faith. But is the bond therefore irrelevant? Not when it's a bond that can draw people who barely know one another

to confide without hesitation their personal experiences and struggles as they attempt to live out their faith, even when confronted with rough situations and the valid arguments of skeptics.

Christ intended to build a church of believers that they could be strengthened in faith together, rather than flounder on their own against skepticism and hostility.

Christ desires that His followers be unified, as clearly evidenced by Biblical insistence that every person is gifted with abilities which contribute to the growth of the whole group and that all members share together as servants of Christ. Christ didn't build a monument to Himself, but instead built His church in ordinary people with the hope that they would use their talents, grow in faith, grow closer to one another, and challenge each other to confront doubts and problems with a firm grip on Biblical assurances.

It's an undeniable fact that His ideal has been tarnished by denominational conflicts and divisions among believers which oppose the nature of Christian love. But the ideal remains, and so does God's promise that we can turn to Him for wisdom to wade through apparently irreconcilable ideas.

It's clear that Christ wants us to turn to each other as well as turn to Him for answers to the conflicts we face in juggling secular experience and viewpoints with our Biblical understanding and beliefs. We have to recognize, as the apostle Paul did, that we will never fully understand and know God in this world, but we can know Him in part and love Him in full. The Christian way to tackling a university year is to unite heart and mind in faith.

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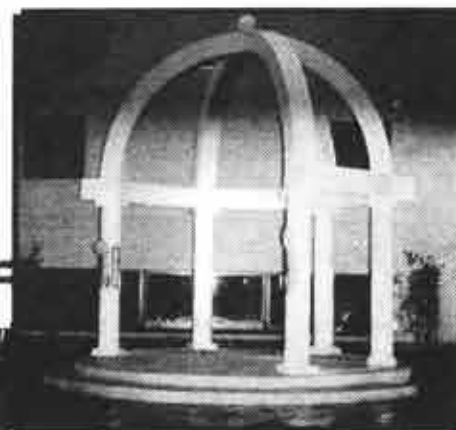
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What is the object in this picture?

by Stefan Latour and Tom Szeibel



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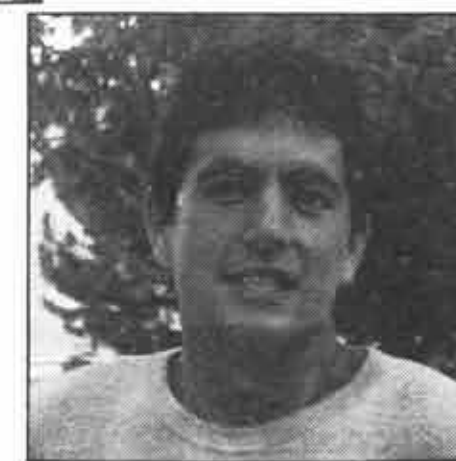


From the women's washroom (2nd floor Aird Building) it looks like the top of a tall-wacker.

Evelyn Greenridge
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Looks like a soap bubble.

Kevin McCaul
Year 1 Commerce



A shelter for a vodka fountain.

Shawn Currie, and Chris Racher

It's the "Beam me up, Scottie" transporter.

Megan Benjafield
Year 2 Honours Music



The Massacre at Oka, Quebec?

Comment by Peter Eglin

Will we remember the summer of 1990 for the "Massacre at Oka"? Will September 1990 reverberate in the memory like December 1989?

Will tourists to Montreal, having stopped at l'Ecole Polytechnique to sense the ghosts of fourteen murdered young women, head out to Oka to take in the "Mohawks' last stand" and commune with the ghosts of the fallen red and white warriors?

As the taxi driver said to me a week ago, "We'll just have to see what happens". He wasn't thinking of the significance of his words. But unless ordinary non-native Canadians stop watching -- that Canadian fatal disease -- and act, "massacre", atrocity, and "civil war" may yet intrude in their lives in

ways they imagined happened only in places like South Africa, El Salvador and Wounded Knee.

During the morning of August 29 Patti Ruel, Arlene Smith (of the Native Support Group of K-W) and I, three ordinary citizens (with the help of Mary Savage, making four), put together a press conference for noon of that day, and got CKCO-TV to cover it, to try and stop people from being killed at Oka. None of us is an expert on native issues, but that may be a help in seeing the simple things simply.

(1) An oppressed people is standing up to claim what is undeniably rightfully theirs.

(2) Why do some members of oppressed peoples pick up arms, and then their brothers and sisters, despite doubts and differences, line up behind them? Be-

cause after decades, in some cases centuries, of patient efforts to secure their rights -- while their "communities" rot, their young people die from economic and cultural deprivation, and the racist injustices open their dumb mouths and scream for redress -- they finally say "enough".

(3) At that apocalyptic moment, heralded for Canadian Indians by Elijah Harper, and inhabited now by native people from Oka to Nitassinan to British Columbia, shooting them down, on whatever pretext, would be a monstrous crime against humanity.

The Prime Minister's calls to restore "authority", "public order", and the "rule of law and order" completely fail to address what is a stake here. What is a stake is the integrity of a people. Do we learn nothing from the "pyramids of sacrifice" (Peter Berger) still being constructed from "Indians' bones in parts of the Americas (for example, in Guatemala)? Or is our government's response to the Mohawk nation of a

piece with its and its predecessors' military, economic and diplomatic support for the genocidal slaughter of East Timor's first nations by our partner Indonesia?

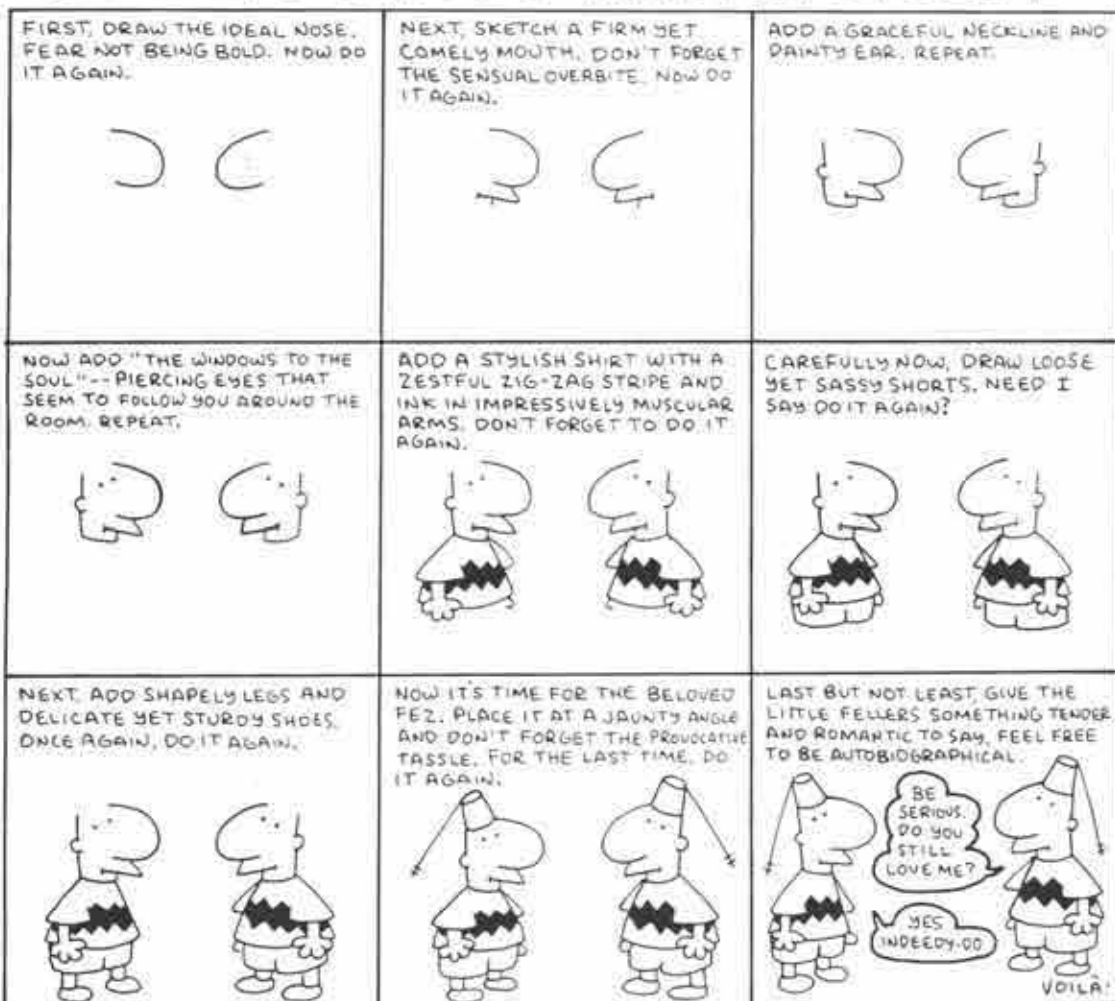
I sent a fax to the Prime Minister -- FAX: (613) 995-0101; PHONE: (613) 957-5613 -- and to Premier Bourassa -- FAX: (418) 643-3924; PHONE (418) 643-5321. I said they should call off the army, enforce the law against white racist vigilantes and start talking seriously. If we -- that's us -- do not act, and the worst happens, how will we explain to our grandchildren on trips to Montreal that we did nothing to stop the "Massacres at Oka, Quebec in the late summer of 1990" that started the Indian Wars?

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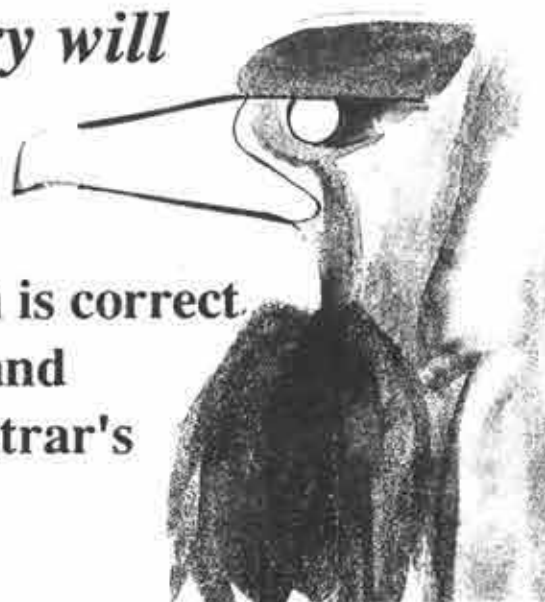
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PERSONALS

To the Icebreakers (Jen Heard, Judy Addo, Chris Cornwall, Tim Brown). Thanks for making Orientation Week the best for us. You guys are great and are welcome back anytime! Have a great year and the best of luck to ya's. Your friends B3 Willison. It's gettin' kind of Blue.

HELP! My name is Pete and I have nothing to do. I could go to your classes for you, I could do your home work for you, and I will pay you. If you think that I am a loser for writing this, you are probably right. Ask one of my room mates.

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More food for thought

Annoying people aren't fit for humanity

From the Asylum

By
Mark
Hand

SOME people are just so damned annoying.

Everywhere you turn you see stupid people. Driving down the highway you see stupid people in pick-up trucks and Z-28's blaring shitty music, and the idiot behind the wheel just reeks of stupidity. All you can do as an intelligent motorist is lean on the horn and audibly express your displeasure at their bone-headedness. It's really darn frustrating.

In the line at McDonald's you see stupid people all standing behind the same cash register like sheep without realizing that there's another one open. Like sheep with a combined IQ somewhere in the range of an empty Javex bottle, to be sure. They're so annoying it really burns my toast.

Fortunately we at University are in the tippy-top percentile of the population. I mean, over one third of high schoolers in Ontario

Earn the right to be labelled human

never graduate, and very few graduates ever make it to a fine institution of higher learning like Laurier. So we University-types, being the very best of the race, are free from stupid and mean people within our hallowed halls, and are therefore qualified to decide what to do about the problem created by these sub-humans. Doubly so since our more developed intellect is especially vul-

nerable to the annoyance and frustration caused by exposure to these lousy cretins.

I think Frank Herbert had it right in *Dune* when he suggested that people should have to earn the right of being labelled human. That's the way it should be. If you can prove that you have human traits like compassion, intelligence, ingenuity, and kindness, then you can earn the right to be called human and allowed to live with other humans.

What you should do is give everyone a 16 year grace period during which time they must prove that they're intelligent, thoughtful citizens. If, at the end of this time, they're judged to be inadequate by the standards of humanity (as determined by we superior people), then they should be eliminated from society.

Give them a retroactive abortion. Dispose of them somehow, maybe even by using them as cattle stock should humans

manage to evolve beyond cannibalism. Although it wouldn't technically be cannibalism since we just determined that they're

On par with eating pork or beef

not human, so it would be on par with eating pork or beef. The key thing is to not let them breed. Stupid people beget more stupid people. That cannot be permitted.

My News predecessor once proposed turning Australia into a big theme park for stupid people. A continental fun park where they can live out their useless lives in frivolous entertainment. Of course they'd have to be sterilized first, but other than that they're free to do what they like. And that way everyone's happy: the rest of the world gets rid of the undesirables, and the undesirables have no worries for the rest of their lives. Sounds utopian

to me.

I mean, let's face it, people are never going to be tolerant enough to fully accept all other people. Therefore clearly the best thing to do is separate everyone. That way you'd never be forced to calm yourself down or have to force yourself to be nice. We humans would never be placed into uncomfortable associations with people different than us. You could drive down the highway without getting pissed off at other motorists, and not have to argue with stupid people on the telephone when ordering a pizza or anything.

What a better world it would be if we didn't have to deal with things like that.

From the Asylum is the weekly column of the Cord's News Editor Mark Hand. What is written here does not reflect the opinions of the staff. In fact it might not even reflect the opinion of the writer. Don't believe everything you read, but think about it for sure.

upcoming events

Deadline Monday
at noon

MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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Kim Mitchell at Lulu's Roadhouse.

WEDNESDAY

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Effective Learning and Studying workshop 7:00 pm Paul Martin Centre.
Blue Rodeo, Lava Hay, and the Leslie Spit-Tree-o, free concert in the Village Green, U of W.

THURSDAY

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Rosh Hashanna

FRIDAY

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Cord staff meeting 2:30 pm, 2nd floor S.U.B.
Beach Party in Quad 2-8 pm.

SATURDAY

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The Love Cows play Wilf's at 8:00 pm.

SUNDAY

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CUSO Information session, 7:00 pm at the Kitchener Public Library.

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25th Anniversary celebration of the Library opening

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Career Fair at the Athletic Complex.

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"The Death of Meech Lake: A Post Mortem" 11:30 am in the PMC.

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WANTED: Political leadership

Aurora Borealis

By Tim Sullivan

...AND take that, and that, and stay out!

By now, everyone has heard that the illustrious and confident "Premiere" Peterson was turfed out from power in a big way by the socialist N.D.P.

In a certain way, that was a good thing. At least, that Peterson lost his seat in London. Could that have been because he was unable to vote for himself? Doubt it. So let's look at some of the reasons the Libs lost so much support in the short days of the election.

Not unique to Ontario, politicians are showing a definite lack of leadership ability. In fact, what leadership abilities they might have are abdicated to the luxury of power.

Peterson called an election in the sure hopes of winning another majority. This move was cocky at best, foolish at worst, and losing in reality. Peterson was the first of the Meech Lake politicians to fall. There will be more. In 1992, look for a new Prime Minister in Parliament, and a number of new Premiers in the provincial legislatures.

The point is, to call an election only three years into a substantial five year mandate is a cowardly way out of losing an election in two years. If Peterson had have stuck it out through the upcoming recession and national debates over the position of Quebec in Canada, Peterson could have become as great a hero as he thought he was when he called the election.

Taxes, housing, health, the environment, and education were commitments the N.D.P. and the P.C.'s said that the Liberals did not fulfill. Bullshit! While taxes went up, yes, so did the surplus in the treasury. And if the electorate did not want more taxes, they would not have voted for the N.D.P. Spending on education and health went up more than inflation, and more companies were prosecuted for environmental rule breaking than under most governments, and the previous Ontario P.C. government in particular.

The mandate that was taken from the Liberals and given to the N.D.P. was one of leadership. What Ontarians told the Liberals was "we did not want a summer election, and only three years after the last one, to boot!" The N.D.P. were not elected, the Liberals were defeated, but the results are the same. And let this be the warning to all other first ministers and their political peers--lead this country and its constituent parts or the electorate will throw you out of power.

And what else are mainstream political parties' for?

Aurora Borealis is the weekly column of the Cord's Associate News Editor Tim Sullivan. The opinions expressed here are his, so don't try and pin it on the rest of the staff too. Or else.



On the Green with Sarah Welstead

PHOSPHATES. A word in common use today -- on Tide boxes. But what are they? You know that less is better, but do you know why?

A phosphate is any salt of phosphoric acid, which contains phosphorus, a highly poisonous element that occurs naturally. It can be used in fertilizers, matches, dishwasher or washing machine detergent.

The problem with phosphates is their prevalence -- in small quantities, as with anything else, they would do very little harm; they occur naturally, and therefore the environment can cope

with some phosphates. In large quantities, however, they leak into the water supply (lakes, streams, ground water, etc.) and promote the growth of algae.

This sounds good, the fact that they promote the growth of something. But imagine your fish bowl when you have no snails and don't change the water for a few weeks -- the sides start to go kind of green and pretty soon the goldfish start spending all of their time at the top of the bowl, trying to get some air. If you leave the fish long enough, they'll die. This is what can happen in lakes or ponds -- the algae takes over, not only stealing the air from the fish and other creatures, but also from other plant life, which needs oxygen as well in order to survive.

The result is that all life in the water dies, and only the algae remains, leaving a crystal clear, greenish looking pond or lake. The phosphates, in combination with acid rain, have left many northern lakes looking pristine, but a closer examination proves them to be "dead".

There are a few things that you can do in order to reduce or eliminate your use of phosphates: primarily, don't use commercially prepared fertilizers (okay, so you probably don't anyway, but fertilizers are the major source of phosphates). Use phosphate-free washing detergent, and in fact, you should stay away from most "leading brand names" altogether. Use Borax, a completely biodegradable and safe product. If you do buy Tide or Cheer, buy a huge box and share with house mates, so at least you are saving some packaging waste -- you can also use less than a cup and a quarter that they suggest on the box. Three-quarters of a cup will do the wash fine and save you money too.

As for cleaning products, baking soda and Borax, both of which have been relied on for years to do a good job, are very easy on the environment. A trip to the natural or health food store might prove rewarding in finding household and personal cleaning products that don't damage the environment.

Realistically, you probably won't do away with phosphates altogether, but think about what you're doing to the local water supply the next time you pick up a box of ABC.

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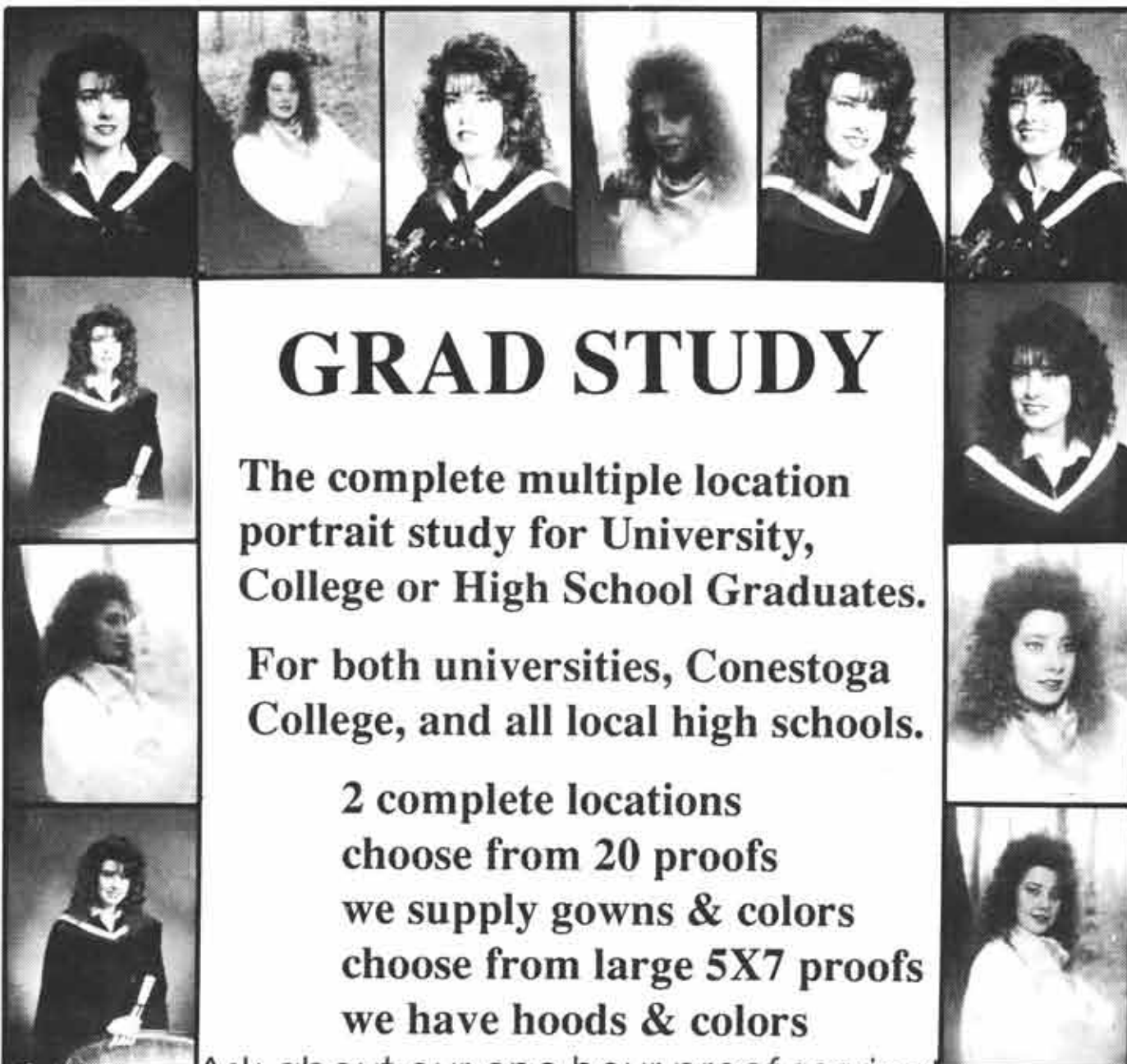
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