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Alderman Joanne Campbell and Federal M.P. Lynn McDonald listen to concerns of local resident at environment meeting.

Environment hot topic

At a meeting and panel discussion held at the Ralph Thornton Community Centre on Thursday, January 25, activists and the public met to discuss recent initiatives taken on environmental issues in the Ward 7 - Riverdale area. The meeting, sponsored by Lynn McDonald, M.P. for Broadview-Greenwood was orderly and informative insofar as those unfamiliar with the issues were concerned. It brought together the Head of the Environmental Health Committee of the South Riverdale Community Health Clinic Jim Webb, with the aldermen for Ward Seven, David Reville and Joanne Campbell. Also present were Mr. John McConnel of the Federal Department of the Environment; R.F. Boyd of the Provincial Ministry of the Environment, and Michael Evans of the East End Environmental Committee. John Hilbourn of Woodgreen Community Centre chaired the panel discussion.

Jim Webb led off the evening noting that environmental issues had been of long-standing concern to many of the residents of the South Riverdale area. The construction of the Leslie Street Spit; the dredging of the Keating canal; dust and odours, were all subjects of attention and action by interested and involved citizens for many years. Of greatest immediate importance however, was the problem of lead pollution, recently given city-wide profile by the issuing of a report on Blood Lead Testing in the South Riverdale area conducted in 1984. It indicated that 18% of 216 children (ages 1 - 6) tested for blood lead had levels greater than 20 micrograms per decilitre, a level considered dangerous by many health officials. As the most comprehensive to date, the study tends to confirm the findings of previous research done in South Riverdale. As one audience participant pointed out, and as the panel members confirmed, the problem of lead in South Riverdale area is not so much one of identifying the problem as it is of taking remedial action. Many of the past and on-going initiatives undertaken on behalf of improving South Riverdale's natural environment were then highlighted by panelists.

Michael Evans, an activist whose child is one who has been assessed as having high lead levels in his blood, noted that agitation by local residents was one of the main factors behind Colgate's decision to put scrubbers at its plant in Riverdale. Joanne Campbell noted that as alderman her role has been one of advocacy, notably for soil replacement in

high soil-lead areas, and in opposing the construction of a Refuse Steam Plant slotted for the Riverdale area. Her concern for this plant centered on dioxin emissions, and the release of hazardous chemicals in general.

David Reville, the other alderman and Candidate for nomination for the NDP in South Riverdale, spoke of the activities of the Board of Health, of which he is a member, on the lead issue. Under his sponsorship, several motions on lead pollution were passed recently by the Board including one which asked for the advisability of introducing a milk program in schools as a way of fighting the effects of lead poisoning in young people. Mr. Reville also drew attention to the proposed Refuse Steam Plant. He was optimistic that his and others' efforts will succeed in preventing or severely modifying the plant.

The representatives of the Federal and Provincial Ministries of the Environment noted their long involvement in lead issues. Nevertheless, the focus of discussion quickly shifted to the political and administrative road blocks which have impeded effective action. Mr. McConnel, the Federal representative made reference to the powerful lead lobby in Canada some of which is based in Sarnia, the home of the former Minister of the Environment. Provincially those agitating for action have been faced with an unsympathetic government and bureaucracy which questions not only the seriousness of the problem (arguing

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Rent Increases

Landlords dissatisfied with Ontario's ceiling on rent increases tried to raise their rents an average of almost 20 per cent and succeeded in getting more than 10 per cent in the past fiscal year, government figures show.

Landlords of single-family and duplex buildings demanded and received much higher increases than landlords of high-rise buildings. Average increases for the smaller buildings were 19 to 29 per cent, while the figure for large complexes was 9.9 per cent.

The report, by the Residential Tenancy Commission, also noted growing delays in scheduling hearings on rent increases, as the commission took an average of seven months to issue an order after an application was filed.

Daycamps Endangered

BY DAN McARON

Day camps, which have served children and parents of Ward 7 for many years, are threatened with cancellation because of the elimination of the Federal Government's Summer Canada Works Program.

Canada Summer Works has been used by local community centres to employ summer students, who ran the day camps. A replacement program is expected to be announced soon, but massive cut-backs are rumoured.

'I don't think there is an alternative service available,' says Eric Burton, Executive Director of the Downtown Boys' and Girls' Club, located on Dundas East. What will the kids do without day camps? 'Most will hang around the streets and drive their parents crazy,' says Burton.

Not only is Burton concerned about the kids in the area, but he is concerned about the students, who were employed under the program. For them, he says, 'the possibility of getting employment elsewhere is nil.'

He estimates the number of children affected in the city at 2,000, which he says is 'a conservative guess'.

Last year Central Neighbourhood House hired 13 students, and provided day camp services to 275 children, in Cabbagetown and Lower Cabbagetown. 'We've been offering this program for fifteen years,' says Dale Rodgers, co-ordinator of children's services. 'We charged five dollars a week if the parents could afford it.'

'You can appreciate the concern of working parents in the neighbourhood,' she says, and adds, 'It's the person-power we don't have anymore.'

'The majority of us don't have alternative plans,' says Coreen Gilligan, Dixon Hall co-ordinator of child and youth services. She says some of the community centres have been trying to arrange a meeting with Employment and Immigration Minister Flora MacDonald. Some have received letters from her saying she was sympathetic, and would be replacing Summer Canada Works with a similar program.

Recently Howard McCurdy, NDP MP

for Windsor-Walkerville, released a government document stating the replacement government program for the cancelled Summer Canada Works would massively reduce federal government funding for the summer employment of students.

Gerrard Resource Centre Services

The Gerrard Resource Centre (GRC) is a community-based support service funded by the Ministry of Community and Social Services, and affiliated with Ryerson Polytechnical Institute and George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology.

Initially funded under the Day Care Initiative Grants, GRC opened in October of 1982 in space donated at 270 Gerrard Street East in Toronto. Services are currently being provided from a second donated location - Ryerson Polytechnical Institute - as the search for an affordable, permanent store-front location continues.

GRC provides services five days per week from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. It is staffed by two trained Early Childhood Education teachers, and administered under the aegis of a policy-making Board of Directors comprised of representatives from Ryerson, George Brown, Ministry of Community and Social Services, Toronto Board of Education, and locally-based legal and social agencies.

The Centre's services are designed to be comprehensive within a particular frame of reference: educational and social supports to families and agencies. Specific services include: assistance in obtaining daycare information and placements; teaching and developing child management skills; aid for parents and care-givers in planning developmentally appropriate play activities; and emergency care for children during family illness, job-search, crisis, court appearances etc., as well as parent relief.

Other services include: after-school care for children from the Metropolitan Toronto School for the Retarded; services and consultation to informal care-givers; assessment and programming workshops and consultations for daycare agencies; and practice for Early Childhood Education students in addition to the networking service the Centre offers, families, services and the daycare community.



photo by Jim Houston

Nolan Patrick of the Tea Olive Company and Keith Davis of 'Toys for Big Boys' are displaying some of Steve McQueen's toy collection. The toys were part of the late Actor's collection of cars, planes and motorcycles auctioned recently in Las Vegas. The display continues at 812 Queen Street East.



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Riverdale meets Parkdale in Intergenerational Project



Phyllis and Julie, two of the participants in new Intergenerational Project

BY GUYLAINE SPENCER

Instead of watching videos, students at Queen Alexandra Senior School will be making their own next month, with the aid of an Ontario Arts Council grant, a professional video artist, and three 'Project School' co-ordinators.

'Project School' is an on-going experiment involving thirty-three sixth graders and special programme kids from Queen Alexandra and the residents of Parkdale Nursing Home on Elmgrove Avenue. It was designed to promote better understanding between the generations and to 'prove that learning can take place outside of the four classroom walls,' says project co-ordinator Lois Eisen.

The project began in October when the students visited Parkdale Nursing Home for the first time. In December, twenty residents returned the visit, partaking of a Christmas luncheon (prepared and

served by students) at the Broadview Avenue school. Communication between the groups continues. Small groups of students visit the Home weekly to see individual residents and to participate in Home activities such as bingo, sing-along, bowling and dancing. The students have been recording their observations in journals since October. These journals form the basis for the video script now being prepared by students and project co-ordinators. The documentary video will be shot at the Parkdale Nursing Home by video artist Wendy Watson.

In addition to the video, plans are in the works to publish a book based on the edited journals.

The two projects will enable the students to share what they have learned from the experience and, through example, to promote inter-generational communication.

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Environment Concerns

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that soil lead counts of 2700 p.p.m. or below is acceptable, whereas many, including those locally involved argue 1000 p.p.m. is a more realistic measure) but advocates further study to 'prove' lead is a health hazard! No proof is needed, said panelists, as the ban on leaded paints and lead in children's toys confirms. At this point the audience began to raise its concerns and suggestions.

One local resident asked why Canada does not put a ban on the sale of cars which use lead-based gasoline. Canada has been slower than the U.S. on this front he argued. Mr. McConnel answered by suggesting that action on this may occur soon. One other resident was concerned that the conflict between residents and industry over environmental issues might lead to a loss of jobs as industries leave the city. Others argued the 'loss of jobs' argument was a false one in that both industries and residents would benefit from and welcome a clean environment. Joanne Campbell suggested that one way out of the dilemma was to zone a non-residential function around industrial areas. On this note, one participant perhaps best reflected the mood of the meeting when he emphasized that in Canada to-day economic issues taking precedence over environmental concerns was short-sighted and unacceptable.

The meeting concluded on a harmonious if somewhat anti-climatic note as the final item of the agenda, proposals for action, were solicited from participants by Lynn McDonald. Following Ms. McDonald's suggestions of a petition

and/or letter to the Minister, the meeting decided in favour of support for the on-going activities of the South Riverdale Community Health Centre. The Centre through Jim Webb, and the Environmental Health Committee has submitted a number of recommendations to the Local Board of Health including one inviting the Federal Minister of the Environment, Ms. Susan Blais Grenier, to meet with the Board and community and church representatives. Other recommendations have included introducing regulations to remove lead from gasoline and changing the tax structure to reduce the price of unleaded gas relative to leaded. For the general public, the actions of the Centre can be supported by writing to the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Andrew Brandt, requesting a soil replacement program for affected areas. (Further details are available by contacting the South Riverdale Community Centre at 461-2494.)

The Riverdale area is fortunate in having both the individuals and institutions willing to commit themselves to these important issues. The South Riverdale Community Health Centre is to be particularly congratulated on its persistent and noteworthy accomplishments in this regard. Nevertheless the battle for a cleaner environment in Riverdale is far from over. Particularly discouraging has been the unresponsiveness of the Provincial government. With an impending provincial election, however, not just Riverdale, but now the Province as a whole may seek a government which displays greater sensitivity to environmental issues.

SPEAKING OUT

Share the News

Is anything happening with your community or service group, in your church or sports team, in your bingo club, or on your block, which you think other people in Ward 7 might like to know about? Then why not send us a paragraph or two, or just call us on the phone and let us know what is going on. That's 7 News, 249 Sherbourne St., Toronto M5A 2R9, 921-2548.

Letters

Editor:

Although I do not live in Ward Seven, I sometimes pick up a copy of your paper when I shop on the Danforth. It's a fine community paper and you are to be commended.

What's often forgotten is the amount of volunteer time that goes into publishing such a paper. It might be a good idea to feature a profile each week of one of the volunteers behind the scenes. They deserve credit for their articles and their legwork.

Regards
C. Franks

Westmount Avenue

Editor's Note: Thanks for your suggestion. We always like to receive letters such as your's complimenting our hard-working volunteers. We agree with you that they deserve recognition. Please watch upcoming issues.

Editor:

If this name conjures up memories for you, you are invited to the Port Morien re-union being held this year from August 2-5. The theme is 'the Good Old Days' and there will be lots of preparations and festivities for former residents who attend.

If you'll have a warm spot in your soul for Port Morien this summer, contact organizers at the following address to receive a program on the festivities. The town hopes you can make it in August to rekindle old memories and to start new ones.

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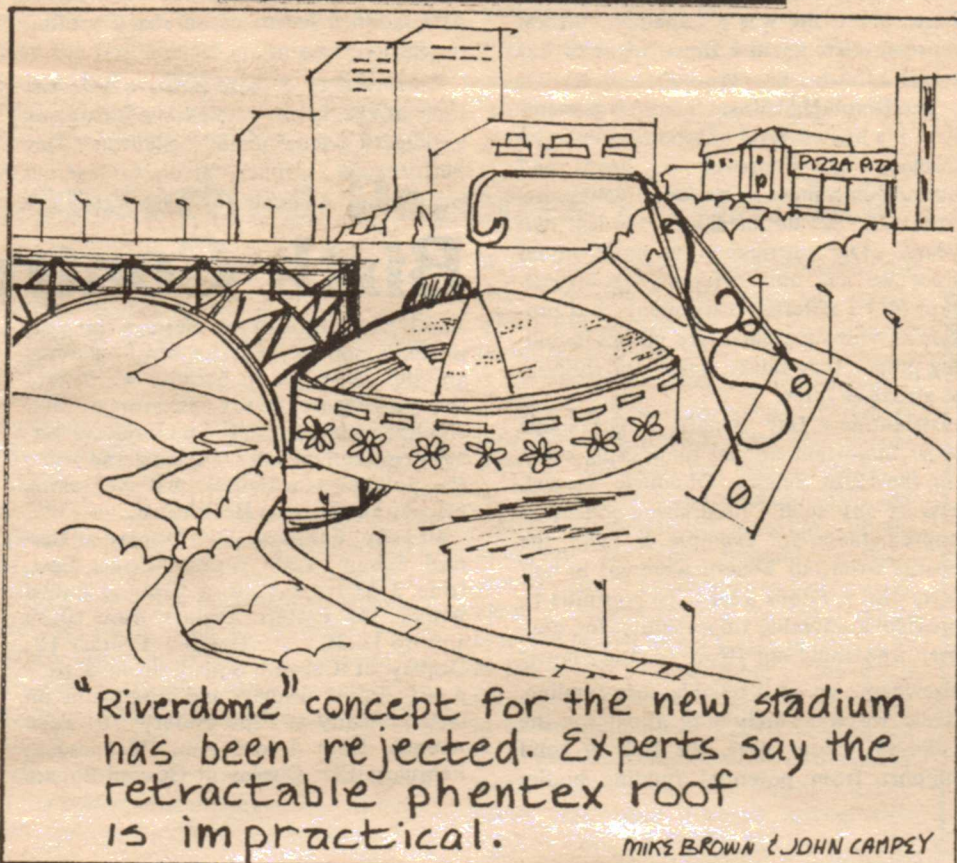
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"Riverdome" concept for the new stadium has been rejected. Experts say the retractable phentex roof is impractical.

MIKE BROWN & JOHN CAMPEY

CNH Board Positions Available

Central Neighbourhood House is currently looking to fill vacant positions on its volunteer Board of Directors. CNH is a private non-profit social service agency that has been established since 1911 and now serves the Gerrard/Parliament area. The agency offers a wide variety of programs to people of all ages who live within the neighbourhood. CNH stresses com-

munity participation in its services and administration. It invites interested individuals who live or work in the area to learn more about the agency, with the view of possibly volunteering to join the Board. Please contact Liz Moffat at 349 Ontario St. (phone 925 4363) for further information.

The Thom Commission

BY SUSAN FISH MPP

Since my election to the provincial legislature in 1981, I have worked with St. George residents on a regular basis to assist them with their housing needs, including matters relating to the rent review process.

One method of providing this assistance has been to sponsor a number of Tenant Advisory Clinics over the past four years. These have been held throughout the riding to allow tenants the opportunity to speak with trained lawyers and accountants about the rent review process.

As a consequence of this ongoing work, I have become aware of the practical problems experienced by everyone affected by the Residential Tenancy Commission.

An appropriate opportunity to address these concerns came up in the spring of 1983, when I appeared before the Thom Commission. The Commission has now tabled a first report.

Headed by Mr. Stuart Thom, this Commission was set up in November, 1982, to examine the rent review system as it currently operates, and to make recommendations that would improve its operation. The Ontario Government in setting up the inquiry, publicly confirmed its strong commitment to continuing rent review.

The Report made a number of very useful recommendations, which I am pleased to report to you.

One proposal is that there should be tenant and landlord representatives on the board of the Residential Tenancy Commission. This will help improve understanding and communication between all parties concerned with the process.

In addition, the Report recommends the establishment and maintenance of a Rent Registry, containing information on rents and supporting costs in all apartments under rent review.

The Ontario Government is committed to the general concept of a Rent Registry and its rent review legislation will be revised accordingly.

Another recommendation is that the level of rent increase permitted to a landlord without requiring rent review should be tied, by some formula, to the rate of inflation. This has received mixed reaction and is currently under further study.

The Report also recommends that the

five percent ceiling on additional rent increase due to financing costs on the sale of the property be kept in effect. This ceiling was due to end on December 31, 1984; however, Dr. Robert Elgie, Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations, has made the decision to extend this provision for another year.

Another recommendation is that provision should be made in the Residential Tenancies Act for tenants to initiate hearings by the Commission in order to correct rent where fifty percent of the tenants are in agreement. This will serve to help tenants improve their options for resolving potentially unfair rents.

The Report also suggests that the exemption of those rental units for which the monthly rent is \$750.00 or more should be modified so as not to exempt units that are now subject to rent review.

Dr. Elgie has stated that this recommendation deserves further consideration, including the suggestion that the recommendation be modified according to different sized rental units.

In the meantime, Dr. Elgie has stated that 'as a temporary measure, pending the further review of this recommendation by the government, the regulation implementing the \$750.00 exemption level has been revoked' (as of October 30, 1984). What that means is that any apartment rent that is not yet at \$750.00 but is due to go to \$750.00 or more, on or after October 30, will remain subject to rent review.

A frequent criticism of the Rent Review process has been the delay which can cause hearings to go on for months or even years. Accordingly, the Commission has recommended that fixed time limits be set for the completion of the successive stages of the review and appeal process. It has also been suggested that the necessary resources to achieve this goal be allocated immediately.

There are a number of detailed, but important, procedural improvements which I also recommended. These received favourable reaction from the Commission, as well.

These are just a few highlights of the 65 recommendations included in the Report. I was delighted to see many of my own suggestions for helping tenants included among them.

Cutbacks!

BY LYNN McDONALD MP

Broken Tory promises will make life more difficult for Toronto's large community of artists, writers, performers, and technicians. The Conservatives promised that federal funding for culture would be in line with inflation, that more jobs would be created in this sector of the economy, that agencies would be consulted before decisions were made, and that there would be no government interference in the arts. Within a few months all four promises have been broken, and I fear that the April budget may contain more bad news.

The arts and culture cutbacks were more severe, averaging over 5% of current funds, than those in other areas, averaging less than 3%, in spite of the fact that cultural agencies have had no increase in real dollar terms for the last decade. As the Canada Council, the CBC, the National Film Board, and the Secretary of State cultural programs absorb major reductions in their budgets, there will be fewer opportunities for the more than 100,000 people in Toronto who receive some of their income from employment related to the arts. The city of Toronto will lose some of the \$250 million subsidized organizations alone contribute to the local economy.

The cuts, which I strongly protested in the House of Commons, do not make economic sense. The small dent they make in the deficit will be more than offset by the costs of increased unemployment in this sector of the economy. Cultural enterprises are labour-intensive, and because individual wages are low, many people benefit from investments in this area. When 11% unemployment is our major problem, this is not the area to cut. Individual artists, whose average income was \$9,000 in 1983, are subsidizing Canadian culture through low wages. They should not be the target for restraint. Cultural products can play an important role in the move to increase trade with other countries.

Arts and culture are a good economic investment. But even more important is the need to build a strong Canadian cultural presence. New broadcast and videotape technologies make it easy to flood Canada with mass-produced American programs. If we want to remain an independent country we need Canadian TV programs, films, and books that reflect the unique blend of ideas, abilities, and people that make Canada a rich country. The record of the NFB, the CBC, and Canada Council has shown that quality Canadian products have international appeal and are an effective way to increase awareness of Canada in other countries.

The majority of Canadian people, 80% in a recent poll, are in favor of public support for cultural activities. Strong public pressure may be necessary to prevent further cuts. I will continue to press for adequate funding and co-operation between the federal government and cultural agencies to provide more opportunities for people to participate in and enjoy a dynamic, diverse Canadian culture.

Big Spenders

The amounts spent by candidates in the last federal election have now been released. In both local ridings, Broadview-Greenwood and Rosedale, the incumbents spent the most money in winning re-election. NDPer Lynn McDonald in Broadview-Greenwood was the biggest spender, with \$34,291, while her Tory opponent Peter Worthington spent \$31,572 to come in second, with Liberal Ken Paige putting up \$21,327 to come in third. In Rosedale, David Crombie's campaign cost \$33,966, slightly more than Liberal Bill Graham at \$33,190. NDPer Dell Wolfson spent \$25,567.

Across Metro Toronto as a whole, Progressive Conservatives were the biggest spenders with campaigns costing an average of \$36,253 per riding, compared to \$34,841 for the Liberals and only \$22,499 for the NDP.

Dixon Hall Music School holds gala evening

A great deal of hard work and careful planning by our Music School Fundraising Committee will culminate in an exciting evening of song on St. Valentine's Day.

The featured performers for the evening are two of Canada's greatest vocalists, Maureen Forrester and Rosemarie Landry, accompanied by pianist Derek Bampton. We are proud to be presenting such internationally renowned artists and are thrilled that, because of their generosity, all proceeds from the event will be donated to our Music School.

Maureen Forrester is not only a world-famous contralto. She has long been dedicated to furthering Canadian cultural causes, in such capacities as her current Chairmanship of the Canada Council of the Arts and as a frequent performer of benefit concerts for charities and grass roots organizations such as our Music School.

Rosemarie Landry has established herself as one of Canada's leading sopranos. She recently returned from a triumphant international tour, which literally took her around the globe. Recitals were in

the United States, Europe, and the Far East, where she was a Canadian cultural representative for the Department of External Affairs.

The Dixon Hall Music School is presently at its highest level of vitality ever. The program has improved by 'leaps and bounds' recently. Our enrolment, now over 120, has doubled over the last two years. Our curriculum is more varied since we not only offer private instruction on 17 different instruments, but provide several supplementary classes including preparatory music classes for children as young as three.

Valentine's Day Benefit is the single most important annual fundraising event for the Music School. Of course, the success of any such a fundraising concert is unpredictable, for example, in 1983, the profits from our Benefit were cut in half from the previous year. To continue to provide a valuable opportunity for children who could not afford to study music elsewhere, we need reliable core funding. While we will surely stay afloat for the 1984-85 school year, the lack of solid support from potential funding bodies

such as the United Way and the Ontario Arts Council leaves us on shaky ground for future planning.

To return to a more positive note and look at the bright immediate future, we anticipate a fabulous St. Valentine's Day performance. Upper Canada College has once again donated the use of Laidlaw

Hall for the evening. Prior to the concert will be an 8:00 p.m. champagne reception. Wine, dessert, and coffee will be served after. The tax deductible ticket price for the evening is \$50.00. Tickets and further information can be obtained by calling 863-0499.

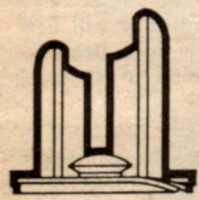
Birth Control Week

The Birth Control Week message this year is 'sex is not a four letter word'. Parents are the target group because we believe that parents are the sex educators of their children whether they communicate verbally or non-verbally. During the week the following activities will be taking place in the Eastern Health Area.

Monday, February 11: Display at Gerrard Square, 1000 Gerrard Street East, from 3 to 7 p.m.; also a display at Public Works, 343 Eastern Avenue, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 12: Display at Gerrard Square from 3 to 7 p.m.; also a display and discussion on teen sexuality at Pape Library, 701 Pape Avenue, from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, February 13: Display at Gerrard Square

from 3 to 7 p.m.; also a display and discussion on teen sexuality at Riverdale Library, 370 Broadview Avenue, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, February 16: Starr Youth Troupe Performance will take place at the Harbourfront Theatre at 7 p.m.

Throughout the month of February there will also be lunch-hour displays at all local high schools, community centres, libraries and recreation centres. Materials which are available this year free to the community are: parents' pamphlet, menstruation pamphlet, bookmark, and clinic cards. To obtain any of these materials please phone the Family Planning Community Workers: Selma Savage at 463-5977 or Chari Sadinsky at 694-3258.



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WEEK TO HIGHLIGHT WOMEN'S COMMITMENT TO CHANGE

February's Action of the Month focuses on an event in early March -- International Women's Day. The week of activities will highlight the struggle and achievements of women around issues of racial and economic equality. The week's program includes forums and workshops, rallies and picketing,

entertainment and a fair and the appearance of Angela Davis. The March 8th Coalition hopes to emphasize the work of women who fought --and are still fighting for better working conditions, better wages, social improvement and the vote.

Please post this Action of the Month in a prominent, conspicuous place. For more details on the week's activities.....

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DARLINGTON RALLY HIGHLIGHTS ANTI-NUCLEAR ISSUES

About 100 supporters of the Campaign for a Nuclear-Free Ontario participated in the "Stop Darlington!" demonstration outside of the Tory Leadership Convention on January 26. Supporters gathered in the parking lot across from the CNE Coliseum around noon, just as many of the delegates began to arrive for the vote.

Now that the Progressive Conservative Party has elected its new leader, a spring election is likely. And so, in an effort to raise public awareness and create an informed electorate, the CNFO will begin a series of advocacy ads across the province. The campaign blitz will focus on the following:

- maintaining pressure to shutdown the Darlington Nuclear Power Plant.
- calling attention to the \$22 billion Hydro debt. Much of this money has been used to finance past and present construction of Darlington.
- calling attention to the likely sale of tritium to the U.S. for so-called



Photo by Amir Gavriely

- "peaceful" purposes. Tritium is a major ingredient in the hydrogen bomb. The CNFO questions how peaceful commercial use can be reconciled with military use.
- calling for a halt to nuclear power, because it uses uranium and creates large amounts of uranium tailings or waste

from mining and milling. The toxic wastes and low-level radioactivity produced as a result of open-ground mining are abundant in northern Ontario. If you would like to get directly involved in this campaign, or if you want more information, please call 537-0438.

Viewpoint

Poverty and Power

by Maria Ociepa of Mothers Action Group

Subsidized housing, food banks and shelters are not the answers of poverty, but rather the temporary solutions. These projects receive funds from governments and corporations because they help hide the devastating effects of poverty and they relieve our social conscience. They accomplish little more. As organizers of community groups we need to re-analyze our objectives in battling poverty. What is our primary goal and who in the community has the same goal? Do we want to abolish poverty or do we want to control it for the time being.

A good organizer should be feverishly working her/his way out of a job. To organize

around poverty issues, it is important to understand that poverty is one of the most "hot winded" issues in Ontario. It is always being talked about by politicians and "professionals", however, little is done about it. Millions of dollars are spent analyzing it and, again little comes from it. The poor are one of the most abused minority groups in our society. While they struggle for survival and are forced to beg for their most basic needs, politicians win votes by declaring that they will help ease the burdens of the poor.

As organizers, we waste a great deal of our time and money by becoming professional attenders at meetings. People assume that the poor need is what we want. We form coalitions in which we debate our next form of action...a petition, a brief, maybe even a rally. But, we accomplish very little. Only those who suffer the day to day burdens of the poverty can direct

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The Community Forum is a network of organizations and individuals who share a commitment to social justice and a concern for those who fall outside the mainstream of power. We want to encourage co-operative action, support others working for change and provide a forum for discussion of the broad spectrum of issues relating to social change. We realize whatever our single issue politics, that only through joining together can we deal with our concerns and move from analysis to action.

We hope to overcome the fragmentation, powerlessness and skepticism which our times evoke by welcoming people from diverse backgrounds to participate. Although we have neither absolute answers to the the problems, nor a clear blueprint for the future, we are encouraged by the many people and groups whose efforts are beginning to provide a foothold for a more just and humane future.

Other contributors to this issue: Barb Bator, Inga Belge and Erma Stultz.

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those of us who wish to help. But, when they form their own groups, the poor are constantly denied funding and are ignored by many professionals.

What is it that the poor want, you are probably asking right now. Well, of course, basic needs have to be met. So, first and foremost, the poor require adequate finances to feed, clothe and shelter their family. They should not have to beg for these items. As organizers we should be focusing our energy toward helping the poor obtain these most basic needs with dignity. How can you keep your pride while standing in a food line? How can you keep your pride while struggling to keep your family warm? So, what the poor need, what they want, is being overlooked by us all. Why don't the churches and organizers of charities get together and simply tell the government that they will no longer be used as pawns in hiding the financially disabled? Or, at the very least, government officials will have to see them every working day. Now is the time to act!

It is the philosophy of politicians and some community organizers which keep the poor poor. Many food lines question if the poor are really in need. Many community workers suggest courses on budgeting for the poor. But, how can the poor budget money they don't have? The poor are victims. They should be treated as such. For them, poverty is not a prosperous business and it never will be.

Many organizers shy away from jointly taking any kind of action against the government. The fear loss of funding for their group or even a loss of salary. Grass-roots poverty groups, however, do not hold that same fear. They have little left to lose. The problem, however, for these groups is a constant struggle for funds. Funding that continues to be given to groups with a professional core.

Coalitions are not the answer in helping the poor to organize. For the majority of the poor, coalitions are a scary thing. Sitting with a group of professionals who may or may not be condescending does little for one's self esteem. When the time comes for a group decision, the poor usually conform to the wants of the professional. Not because they are forced to, but rather the professional talks better, looks better,

so they probably know better. What the poor need is not a lot of brilliant answers, but rather the finances and the resources to organize on their own behalf. Poverty will be their motivation.



Counterpoint

by Richard Finlay

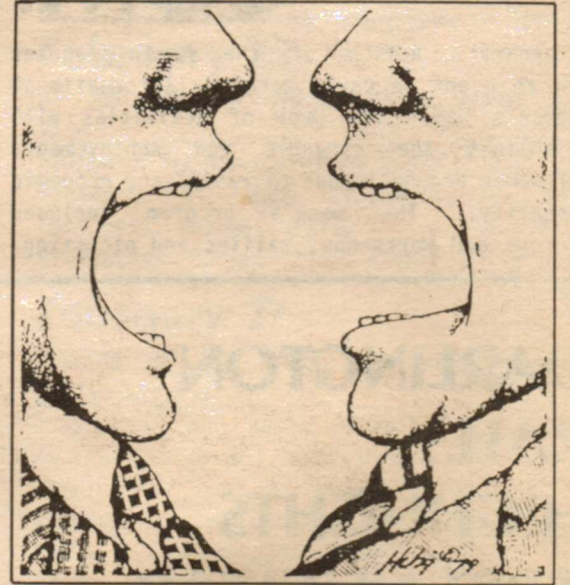
Richard Finlay is a Toronto-based management consultant.

There are two kinds of dough -- the type you eat and the type you spend. Peter Oliver is fortunate enough to make plenty of both. So it was indeed a rare opportunity afforded us by Mr. Oliver, himself, to peer into the mind of the successful entrepreneur to see the deep social insights that lay just beyond the shimmering croissants and exotic pastries.

Mr. Oliver offered his views in counterpoint to a previous article that graced these pages. Clearly, Mr. Oliver is a man who is less than enamoured with the accomplishments of liberalism over the past 20 years. He believes the emphasis must be more on the accumulation of wealth and less on how it is distributed. As a highly successful businessman (perhaps we should call him a successful entrepreneur, and thus coin a new word just in his honour) the creation of wealth is something about which Mr. Oliver is highly knowledgeable. And he has achieved what he has apparently in the face of such incredible obstacles -- liberal obstacles. We are only left to marvel at how much greater his accomplishments might have been without the madness of the minimum wage, the profligacy of the guaranteed income supplement for pensioners over 65 and the folly of medicare. Indeed, one would not blame Mr. Oliver for giving up the ghost entirely when he surveys the efforts of governments to reduce regional disparities by offering business all sorts of grants and incentives. He has found that the market works well at Yonge and Eglinton (a mere coincidence that it is one of the highest income levels in the country) -- why should it not work just as well in Manitoulin or Ungava.

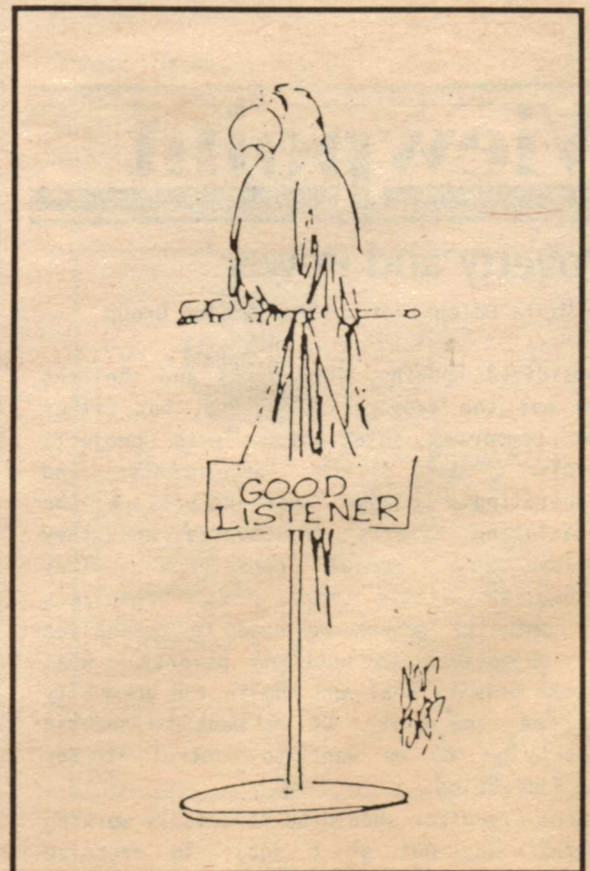
As Mr. Oliver gives us pause to reflect, our heads can only shake. But Mr. Oliver is nothing if not passionate in his views -- stating as he does that he would even be willing to work harder or pay more taxes to add to the creation of wealth. And you cynics thought noblesse oblige was dead. Alas, in this display of self-sacrifice, Mr. Oliver has sparked

an even greater idea -- what an entrepreneur! If only the doubters, the "do-gooders" and the liberals who are "dead in the water" (as Mr. Oliver put it) could have the opportunity to see the world through Mr. Oliver's eyes. Why, it would only be a few minutes before his burdens were ours, his concerns our concerns. Surely this is the path to enlightenment that Mr. Oliver has gained through his entrepreneurial toils. What worked for him can work for us.



So here is the deal--you see, already I am talking like a real entrepreneur. Mr. Oliver is used to dealing with line ups. Why almost every day, legions of Yuppies leave their BMW's to await his daily disbursement of pasta and muffins while doubtless equally eager for Mr. Oliver's latest musings on the evils of socialism or the decay of liberalism.

Mr. Oliver should make room for another line up. This will be slightly different than the usual -- perhaps a little less tanned, fashions more worn and dated, and bodies absent from the tonings of Nautilus. But these people are there for a different reason -- not to buy Mr. Oliver's baking, but to take his place instead. Think of it -- just for a few hours, the unwashed can experience the follies and profits of life just as Mr. Oliver does. Just think of the armies of converts that await to join Mr. Oliver and his campaign to accumulate more wealth. And the best thing is they get to start with themselves, just like Peter Oliver. It should be refreshing to be on the other side of the cash register for a change.



Action of the Month

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FEBRUARY ACTION

♀ Organize
for Change

The **March 8th Coalition** is a collective of women who come together each year to organize events for International Women's Day. This year, the collective is made up of women representing labour unions, peace and solidarity groups, disabled women, immigrant women and pro-choice activists.

International Women's Day: 75 Years of Women Organizing
International Women's Day began in 1910 to celebrate the militant working women who fought to achieve better working conditions, better wages, social improvement and the vote. The fight continues 75 years later while we celebrate our victories.
"We still ain't satisfied!"

Fair working conditions are still not guaranteed; Eaton's workers have been on strike since November for fairness in the working place.

Inadequate alternative health care facilities are demonstrated by the control hospitals have over reproductive health care, in doing abortions and birthing.

Survival of all living beings is threatened by a warmongering technology which brings daily annihilation. The women from peace camps around the world have shown us that there is a healthy sensible, nurturing way to live and we intend to live that way with one another.

And so, this year on International Women's Day we come together to:

ORGANIZE for better working conditions!
ORGANIZE for Choice!
ORGANIZE for peace and solidarity!
ORGANIZE FOR CHANGE!

WEEK'S EVENTS

Saturday March 2	EATON'S PICKET: 12 noon Eaton Centre MIXED DANCE: St. Lawrence Market Hall, 8 pm, \$15
Monday March 4	FORUM: Ontario Coalition of Abortion Clinics "Strategies for Reproductive Rights", Trinity St. Paul's Centre, 427 Bloor St. West, 7:30; \$2
Tuesday March 5	MULTI-CULTURAL WOMEN'S EVENING: Trinity St. Paul's Church, 427 Bloor St. West, Sponsored by Women Working with Immigrant Women.
Thursday March 7	FEMINIST CABARET: 1070 Queen St. West.
Friday March 8	ANGELA DAVIS "End of UN's Decade for Women: A Summary of the last 10 years of Struggle", Convocation Hall, U of T, 7:30, \$3
Saturday March 9	10:30 GATHER at CONVOCATION HALL 11:00 RALLY 12:00 MARCH: A Feminist Walking Tour of Downtown Toronto 2-7:00 FAIR: JORGENSON HALL, RYERSON WOMEN ONLY DANCE: St. Lawrence Market Hall, 8 pm
Sunday March 10	WORKSHOP: "How to Love This Planet" Sponsored by National Action Committee on the Status of Women, Castle Frank High School, 9:30-4:30

All events are wheelchair accessible. Attendant care provided. Interpreters for the hearing disabled. Child care provided by the Men's Childcare Collective.

For more information call The Ryerson Women's Centre at 598-9838.

Issues

Single People Most Affected by Housing Crisis

Poor housing can and does undermine family life. That was what the Social Action Committee of the Family Services Association concluded in their 1966 report on housing. It stated, "As long as the serious housing problem remains unsolved, this agency will continue to be seriously hampered in its efforts to strengthen family life in this community." That was almost twenty years ago. The problem, not only remains unsolved; it has worsened.



Aware of the increasing numbers of those people living at or below the poverty line, the Social Action Committee has prepared a new working document. The report, based on a survey conducted during last summer, was designed to identify and define more clearly housing problems encountered by Family Service clients.

The report highlights the following concerns:

- Many single mothers who rent accommodation are spending more than 30%, and in some cases 70%, of their incomes on housing. Furthermore, the accommodation, which is costing these clients so much, is often too small to accommodate their families.
- Many single people, particularly women, are remaining at home, or living with friends, because they can't afford to move out on their own. This trend was also identified in the 1981 census. Family Services and other agencies are identifying the presence of adult children in the home as an escalating source of friction.

As a result of their findings, the Social Action Committee has decided to give issues related to housing high priority in 1985. Particular attention will be centered on promoting the need for more affordable rental accommodation. For more information contact Susan Pigott at 922-3126.

On the Peace Agenda

From "New Options", January 14, 1985

People in the anti-nuclear movement are currently debating two questions, both of them essential to the future of that movement.

One is whether or not to become more centralized (and presumably, efficient). Various schemes for a "federation" of anti-nuclear groups have been proposed.

Another is whether or not to sponsor substantial acts of civil disobedience. The underlying question here has to do partly with image and partly with strategy: if we "bear witness" to our beliefs in a way that breaks the law, do we also destroy our mainstream credibility?

The federation vs. decentralization battle has raged in Nuclear Times magazine since last June, when Randall Kehler, coordinator of the Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign, fired the opening shot. The civil disobedience debate, long present at the local level, is certain to erupt this year as national organizations debate strategies for dealing with "Reagan" or "Mulroney" -- code word for the skeptical middle class.

Group Opposes EFW Plant

A group called Citizens for a Safe Environment has been formed in opposition to the City of Toronto's plans to build an "energy from waste" (EFW) plant east of downtown Toronto. The plant would burn garbage and reduce the City's landfill needs, but the group is concerned that too little is known about the pollutants from the project for it to go ahead. The plant will cost about \$150 million, and will burn 1270 tonnes of garbage per day. Exhaust from the plant is expected to contain dioxins, hydrochloric acid and heavy metals such as cadmium, mercury and lead.

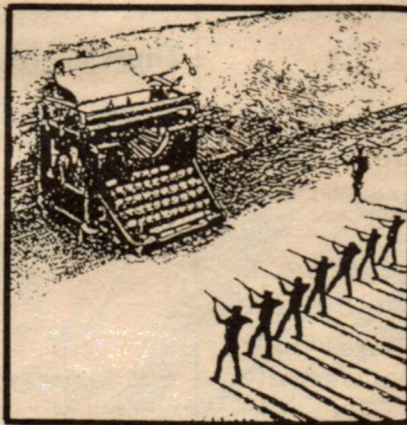
City plans for the EFW plant have been sent to the Ministry of the Environment twice, and rejected both times. Aside from the potential pollution problem, the Ministry's and the group's major concern is who is going to own and operate the plant. It has been well documented and supported by the group that plants of this nature are better if they are publicly owned.

At present the plans are being revised by the City. A public hearing will not be called until the proposal is accepted by the Ministry. In any case, Citizens for a Safe Environment maintains strong opposition to the plant. For more information on this group and their issue, contact Marilyn Churly at 465-1231.

Ocampo Still in Legal Limbo

"Today we struggle to make the media for the people; tomorrow the media will be of the people." These words are an excerpt from a statement made by Saturnino Ocampo on August 31, 1984 when he was allowed to speak in public for the first time during his 8½ years in prison. The occasion -- Press Freedom Day.

Saturnino Ocampo was the vice president of the National Press Club. Before his arrest he was a well-known journalist, having worked as assistant business editor of the now defunct Manila Times. He has never been convicted of a crime.



That changed in 1972 when Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos declared martial law and shut down the paper he was working on and jailed many of its editors on vague charges of subversion. Ocampo escaped and after four years in hiding was arrested by the military. Many of his co-workers have been released, but Ocampo is the only one of the many accused who refuses to sign a confession. He is in legal limbo.

The Coalition Against the Marcos Dictatorship/Philippine Solidarity Network (CAMD/PSN) is urging friends and supporters to write to President Marcos, Malacanang Palace, Metro Manila, Philippines, to appeal for Saturnino's release. For more information, write to Philippine Political Prisoners Resource Centre, CAMD/PSN, P. O. Box 5505, Station A, Toronto, Ont. M5W 1N7 or call 535-8550.

Crisis Care House Studied

The proposal for a Community Crisis Care facility and a Mobile Crisis Team has developed over the past year by a number of community agencies. This concept involves the establishment of a centre where four staff would be on duty at all times: three will be house staff and one a mobile team staff. The mobile team will attempt to aid the client in resolving a crisis in his or her home. A few physicians will be available 24 hours a day to provide psychiatric consultation as well as dealing with any medical problem. The staff at the Crisis House will work with the client to resolve the crisis as soon as possible and to facilitate a speedy return to the community.



This community service will offer a real alternative to hospital admission when it is not warranted or possible or desired, and will create strong links with existing agencies and medical services. It will meet human needs not responded to by the existing range of services. For further information regarding this project, please contact Joyce Brown at Nellies' Hostel at 461-1084. Letters of support would also be very much appreciated to Joyce Brown, Chairperson; Crisis Care Committee; c/o Nellies' Hostel; 275 Broadview; Toronto, Ont. M4M 2G8.

Domestics Step Ahead and Back

There is good news and bad news for domestic workers from the provincial government. The minimum wage for domestics will finally rise to the standard \$4 per hour. This ends a discriminatory differential of 50¢ per hour in effect since 1981.

Overtime pay has also been extended to live-out domestics who work over 44 hours per week and live-in domestics who work during their 48-hour weekly rest period. The concept of overtime and the right to time and a half is something that most of us take for granted, but for domestics, it is a long overdue gain.

However, the Ontario government has yet to regulate the hours of live-in domestics. Therefore, it is still legally possible for a live-in domestic to work or be on call for up to 120 hours per week. This, in effect, reduces their real wage to \$1.47 per hour and fails to recognize and pay for overtime during the regular work week.

INTERCEDE, the International Coalition to End Domestic Exploitation, decries the Ontario Government for its failure to take action on this issue. The lack of action will perpetuate the exploitation of this historically unprotected group of workers. INTERCEDE is calling for public pressure on the Ontario Government. For more information on INTERCEDE and on this issue, call Judith Rameriz at 363-5238 or 929-3240.

Clarion at the Crossroads

Staff of the Toronto Clarion newspaper have suspended publication until May. Despite chronic underfunding, the paper has survived to serve the activist community for the past eight years. It has provided news coverage from an independent progressive perspective in a readable style and attractive format.

Over the years, the Clarion has broken news stories and exposed wrongdoings on numerous occasions. Its history is impressive. The paper still has pending a sleeping lawsuit for exposing Myer Solomon's bachelorette scam in Parkdale. With the 1980 occupation of the Darlington Nuclear Plant site, only the Clarion reported the issues. The Clarion discovered and reported on secret plutonium shipments through Malton Airport. Sheltered workshops were questioned for payments below minimum wage for production work. The Church of Scientology's unpaid work deception was highlighted and some injured workers received fair compensation in part due to Clarion coverage.



Also notable was the Clarion's receipt of the Litton bombing communique in 1982 and the selective release of it to the mainstream media to obtain fair reporting. In the gay rights demonstrations following the 1981 bath house raids, Clarion photographs proved undercover police were acting as agent provocateurs. During police raids on the peace movement homes and offices, the Clarion was there, on the inside track.

There is a possibility that the Clarion may cease publication permanently and its tradition of insightful and probing journalism may not continue. But, during this break in publication, the directions, strengths and structure of the Clarion will be examined with a view to publishing bi-weekly.

The Clarion staff welcome support in the form of suggestions, energy and money. Phone 363-4404 and leave a message. Look for the next Clarion at the beginning of May for a further update.

Tour Planned for Salvadorans

The ten STECEL unionists (hydro electrical workers in El Salvador) who were arrested and illegally put behind bars for more than four years, were recently released by the Salvadoran government. They immediately left El Salvador and are residing in Holland. Their release was demanded by the revolutionary forces in El Salvador and their case was the focus of an international campaign.

The Salvadoran Mother's Committee have been also very concerned about the situation in El Salvador. Their concerns include:

- unconditional freedom for all political prisoners;
- honest dialogue between the FMLN and the Duarte government with a representative of the Reagan administration present;
- punishment and justice for political assassinations; and
- accounting for all "disappeared" individuals.



This committee is also asking the Canadian government to withhold future aid to the Salvadoran government, which uses the funds to finance its war.

Jose Arnulfo Grande, one of the ten STECEL unionists, and Carmen Aguilar, the Canadian representative of the Salvadoran Mothers Committee, are planning a Canadian tour for early March. The tour will be an excellent opportunity to bring the message of the Salvadoran workers to Canadians and to introduce their permanent representatives to the many people in Canada working in solidarity with the peoples of Central America. The objective of the tour will be to:

- Gain greater media coverage of the popular struggles in El Salvador;
- Focus attention on the positive role that Canada can play to promote peace and negotiations in the region; and
- Broaden the Canadian base for solidarity work.

The tour group will be in Toronto the week of March 4. For more information on the tour and on this issue, please contact Don Lee at 440-0089 or Nick Keresztesi of the Latin American Working Group at 533-4221.

People "Disappearing" in Peru

Amnesty International reports that more than 1,000 men, women and children have "disappeared" after being seized by troops or police in a remote area of Peru since it was placed under military rule two years ago. Hundreds of others are known to have been killed while in custody, often after torture. The true scale of such abuse in the mountainous southern area is not yet known.



Those "disappearances" started after the launch of a military campaign against the Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path) guerilla movement which itself is responsible for scores of execution-style killings and torture of civilians. Since then, killings of captives by government forces have become so established that relatives of the "disappeared" have learned to search roadside dumping grounds where bodies regularly turn up. Peru's Attorney-General and some judges have tried to protect the rights of the local people and have uncovered some of the abuses, but have been unable to stop them. Amnesty International has told the government that it condemns the killing and /or torture of prisoners by the guerillas, and recognizes the need to prevent further incidents and administer punishment--but that government action must be within internationally accepted human rights standards.

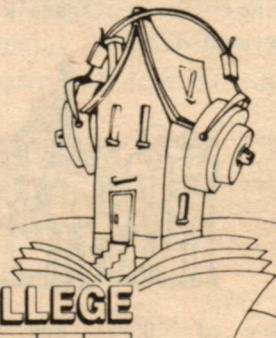
In Toronto, Group 18 of Amnesty International is participating and working on this campaign. For more information, contact Thade Rachwal at 961-4075.

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MAKING A MORAL CHOICE

A new radio series on Sunday evenings at 7. Repeated Tuesday afternoons at 2:30. Starts February 10.

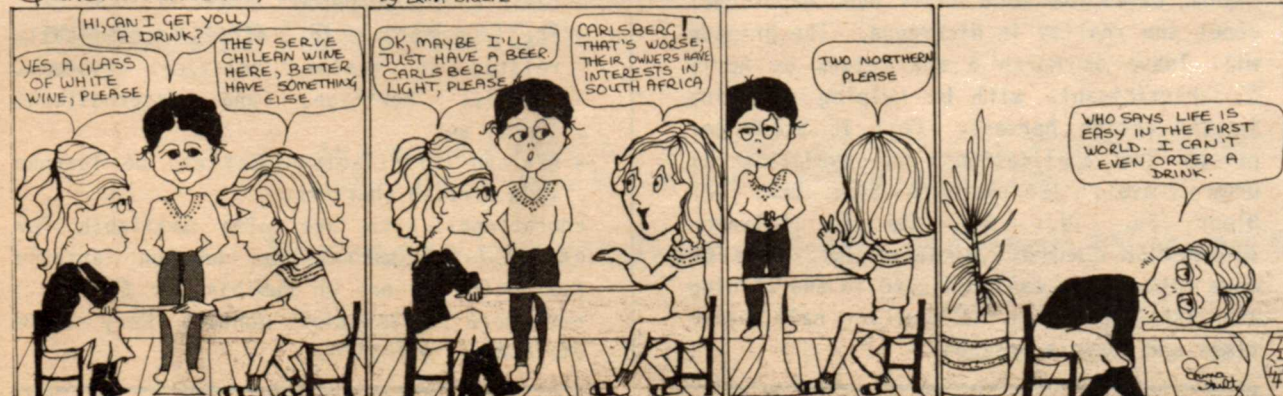
Programs include comments from listeners. Take part by joining a small group to discuss the moral issues included in these programs. Call Open College for details.



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Profiles

Toronto Peace Centre Planned

Citing the need for a community-based resource available to the general public, plans are being formulated for the establishment of a Toronto Peace Education Centre (TPEC). Centre planners feel that Canadians have become intensely concerned about the threat of nuclear war, but many have the perception that there is no option but to leave the understanding of the complex issue to the "experts". Even though the general awareness of the issue has grown in recent years by the formation of groups, distribution of material and development of the necessary resources, a centre could coordinate such projects and develop programs not offered elsewhere.



Some of the proposed activities and services of a TPEC could include:

- Development of a comprehensive collection of print and non-print materials
- Provision of a reference and information service
- Maintenance of a community-wide speakers' bureau
- Co-operation with other groups on the production of educational and information resources
- Development of educational programs and organization of workshops or conferences
- Initiation of experimental or pilot projects
- Information sharing and consultation

For more information on TPEC plans, call Joe Mihezc at 482-1613.

COSPES Supporting Salvadoran Solidarity

The Committee of Solidarity with the People of El Salvador's (COSPES) aim is to inform the Canadian public, especially opinion leaders, about the true situation in El Salvador. It provides support and encouragement of human rights work in El Salvador as well as material and moral support for the FDR-FMLN. They actively protest U.S. intervention and speak out calling for Canada's opposition to intervention.



Members of COSPES are presently focusing on outreach. They have a list of speakers available for community groups that are not familiar with the situation in El Salvador. For more information, contact Paul Millen at 654-3398.

CELA Examines Environmental Law

The Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA) is a non-profit, public interest organization established in 1970 to use existing laws to protect the environment and to advocate environmental law reform. It is also a free legal advisory clinic for the public, and will act at hearings and in the courts on behalf of citizens or citizens' groups who are otherwise unable to afford legal assistance. CELA's sister organization, the Canadian Environmental Research Foundation, has published or sponsored several books on environmental law. The bi-monthly CELA Newsletter and the Canadian Environmental Law Reports, as well as briefs on specific topical subjects, are published on a continuing basis.

Since 1980, CELA has been focusing its attention on the problems posed by toxic and hazardous waste and the legal aspects of their control. Specifically:

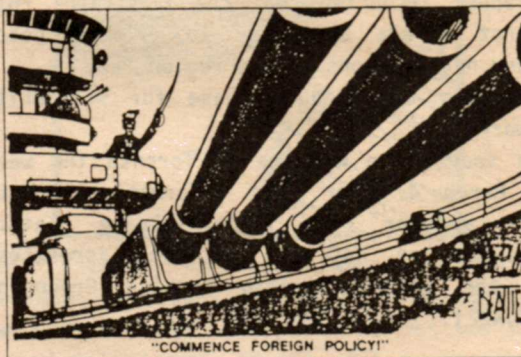
- legal action on specific cases of toxic waste disposal and/or contamination;
- research and publications;
- recommendations for new or improved legislation;
- public education programs;
- efforts to increase the public's role in protecting the environment against contamination by toxic chemicals, pesticides and hazardous wastes.

The results of CELA's work are documented and available to the press and public in a resource centre housed at their offices at 243 Queen St. West, 4th floor.

For further information about CELA's activities and publications, call 977-2410.

Another CAN Work Brigade Forming

Canadian Action for Nicaragua (CAN) is concerned about the alarming escalation of intervention and aggression against the people of Nicaragua. At a time when economic pressures are reaching a peak, CAN feels that the 40 years of dictatorship must be stopped so that Nicaraguans can rebuild their society and safeguard the social gains they have achieved against overwhelming odds.



CAN is presently organizing another work brigade. The purpose of the work brigade to Nicaragua is to express solidarity with the Popular Sandinista revolution and to expose Canadians to a first hand experience about the reality in Nicaragua. The brigade will leave on March 6 and return on April 5. Participants will be helping to bring in the cotton harvest. Cost is \$1200 per person and applications are available at Drum Travel, 121 Harbord St.; DEC, 427 Bloor St. W.; and the El Salvador Information Centre, 386 Bloor St. W. For more information call 534-1766 in the morning and ask for Lorna Hillman or call other times and leave a message.

Justice for Children Concerned about Youth

The Canadian Foundation for Children and the Law, otherwise known as Justice for Children, acknowledges that tomorrow's world will be shaped by today's youth. It is concerned about the establishment and protection of the rights of young people. Justice for Children:

- provides free legal representation for individual young people and their families who are in conflict with the law;
- provides information and assistance to the community so that they may understand the law and act as advocates for children;
- monitors current developments and proposed changes in the law and advocates for needed changes;
- maintains a resource centre on publications on children and the law; and
- develops briefs and publications for public distribution.

The focus of activity at the present time is on the right of Ontario students to an appropriate education (Bill 82). Staff outreach activities are centered on increasing student and parent awareness of their rights within the educational system. The Education Committee is preparing a submission for the Ministry of Education on education law. It highlights issues including the need to increase public awareness, procedural problems and the need for legislative change if the goals of Bill 82 are to be met.

For more information on Justice for Children, contact Marie Irvine at 920-1633.

ICCAF Urges African Understanding

The Inter-Church Coalition on Africa (ICCAF) was established to work in partnership with the churches of Africa. Based on information, insights and requests from Africa, the Coalition attempts to fill the need for a coordinated Canadian ecumenical response. It supports and/or initiates co-operative actions and provides opportunities where we can learn from each other. Their prime focus is to improve the capacity of Canada's churches and other concerned groups to accomplish their work of educating Canadians about Africa.

The Coalition's objectives include:

- to make known the requests for solidarity from the African churches;
- provide a forum to enable Canadian churches to strengthen their participation and solidarity action;
- provide a forum for sharing of information, analysis, strategies and priorities out of the churches' work in Africa; and
- assist the churches in common advocacy action around Canadian policies toward Africa.

Some of the issues touched by the Coalition are:

- Namibia--the acceptance of the UN Security Council Resolution 435 which deals with Namibian independence.
- The ungrowth in Africa--specifically related to famine, political systems, colonial heritage, and international trade; and
- African Christianity--what can be learned from African churches.

Educational kits are also available for parish or classroom use: one on Tanzania for \$3.06 and one on Namibia for \$7.

For more information contact Mary Bacon at ICCAF at 927-1124.

FOCUS ON...

Resources

From Urban Alliance on Race Relations and Social Planning Council...

Who Gets the Work: A Test of Racial Discrimination in Employment is a study that directly and systematically tested whether the colour of one's skin or accent affected access to employment. It clearly indicates that there is a considerable amount of discrimination in employment in Toronto and probably elsewhere in Canada and that blacks have three times as much trouble finding a job. The study is available for \$7 prepaid from Urban Alliance on Race Relations, 229 College St., 3rd floor, Toronto or from Social Planning Council, 185 Bloor St. East, Toronto.

From Ontario Public Interest Research Group...

"Hard Times Radio Help" is an OPIRG-Toronto sponsored radio program. The program is community-oriented and aims to be sensitive to community interests and needs. "Hard-Times Radio Help" was developed to provide self-help information to various community groups (i.e. tenants, unemployed, and so on). They are asking community groups/agencies for information regarding your needs and concerns. We want to know what you think the community needs to know. Suggestions for program ideas and so on can be sent to "Hard-Times Radio Help", OPIRG, 302 Innis College, 2 Sussex Ave, Innis College, University of Toronto M5S 1J5 or call 978-3032 and ask for Brit or Jim.

From Justice for Children...

Access to Services: A Handbook for Child Advocates is a valuable resource for professionals serving children in child welfare and juvenile justice contexts. The 225 pages contain a guide to gathering information about clients; assessments; service implication in child welfare proceedings; service information in corrections; and developing alternate plans. The price is \$19.50 (plus \$1.50 postage and handling) and is available from Justice for Children, 720 Spadina Avenue, Suite 105, Toronto M5S 2T9.

From Community Legal Education Ontario...

Getting Legal Help is a free pamphlet describing the role of Metro area community legal clinics in the legal system. It explains the difference between a legal aid certificate and community clinic services as well as describing the services available from specialty clinics in the system. It also contains a map showing the location of these services.

From Social Planning Council...

Unemployed Fathers: Parenting in a Changing Labour Market is an insightful report investigating the effects of father's unemployment on family life. Using in-depth interviews for research, the study found that unemployed fathers experience multiple and conflicting demands on their time, including job hunting, child care and other household responsibilities. Researchers discovered that these demands caused stress for the fathers and tension within the family. A copy of the study can be obtained by sending \$8 including postage and handling to Social Planning Council, 185 Bloor St. East, 3rd floor, Toronto, Ont. M4W 3J3.

Interchange

Connexions Needs Help on New Projects

Connexions, a quarterly digest of resources for groups for social change, is looking for volunteers and collective members to join them in their work. Two new publishing projects are being planned: a national annual directory of progressive organizations and an index of alternative Canadian periodicals. They need help with planning, raising funds, computerization, indexing, writing, design, mailing, filing and office work. If you're interested call Ulli at 960-3903. No experience necessary.

Local Foundation Funds Community Work

The Metropolitan Toronto Community Foundation will accept applications for grants from any registered charitable organizations serving "the social welfare, cultural, educational or health services and environmental needs of the community. Examples of groups which have received grants are Neighbourhood Information Post and Stop 103. Capital grants are available with certain exceptions. Grants will not be given to individuals, sustaining funds, operating or capital deficits, annual campaigns, publications, research, seminars, workshops, conferences, or promotion of political ideologies. For more information write Executive Director, Metropolitan Toronto Community Foundation, 1901 Avenue Road, Toronto, Ont. M5M 2Z9 or call 787-9802.

CCCC Job Opening

The Cross Cultural Communications Centre (CCCC) is an independent, non-profit community-based education and resource centre that pilots, develops, and implements new programs in multicultural education. They are announcing the opening of the position of Administrative Coordinator. The successful applicant would be responsible for providing a wide range of administrative support services to all of the Centre's programs and services, and for some part-time volunteer coordination functions. Qualifications include demonstrated experience in fundraising and report writing in a non-profit context; knowledge and critical awareness of racism, multiculturalism and immigrant settlement issues; and general administrative skills. Starting date is April 1, 1985 with two months training to be provided by current job holder. If interested, apply in writing by February 15 to Hiring Committee, Administrative Coordinator, CCCC, 1991 Dufferin St., Toronto, Ont. M6E 3P9.

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Events

From John Howard Society and Ontario Council for Community Alternatives to Prison...

CONFERENCE '85 -- "PRISON OVERCROWDING" is a response to a growing concern about the overcrowding problem in Canada's federal and provincial prisons. The purpose of the February 21-22 conference is to bring together people involved in the criminal justice system, corrections and voluntary agencies to explore causes and study possible remedies. The cost is \$35. For further information call the John Howard Society at 925-2205.

From Canadian Environmental Law Association, Ontario Environment Network, and Ontario Association of Legal Clinics...

HOW TO FIGHT FOR WHAT'S LEFT OF THE ENVIRONMENT is a day long workshop on February 22 for legal clinics and environmental groups on environmental law. Lawyers and citizen activists will give workshops on "Communities, Bureaucracies and the Law", "Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals", "Water Pollution and Hazardous Wastes", "Land Use Planning", "Air Pollution" and "Lobbying and the Media". There is no charge for this conference, however registration is limited. For more information call Sarah at 977-2410.

From Womynly Way Productions, Resources for Feminist Research and Canadian Hearing Society...

LANGUAGE: THE HEART OF COMMUNITY, a workshop by Susan Freundlich on February 23, is open to all interested persons. It will give a basic overview of different aspects of sign language: its history, structure, the deaf community and what defines it as a community, deaf education, other "sign systems", civic rights and political accessibility. During the workshop there will be a showing of the Academy Award nominated film, "See What I Say". The workshop will cost \$7 at the door. For more information call 925-6568 or TTY 964-2066. (Note: There is a concert by Ms. Freundlich on Feb. 22. See Calendar on page 8 for details.)

From Ontario Environmental Network...

ONTARIO ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS -Provincial Meeting -- is a three-day (February 22-24) conference offering skills development, information sharing and strategy discussion on current environmental concerns. Special guest will be Elizabeth May, environmental activist, reknown for her work against pesticides in Nova Scotia. For more information call David Orfald at 978-3032.

From Mothers Action Group, Toronto Union of Unemployed Workers, Vigil Group, Canadian Employment and Immigration Union, Ontario Public Service Employees Union and the Social Planning Council...

LINKING TOWARDS ACTION ON POVERTY AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN TORONTO is an all day event on February 16 to develop a common action agenda on poverty and unemployment. Using the "Ah-Hah" seminar approach developed by GATT-fly, it is hoped that participants from poverty, church, community and labour groups will define issues and actions. For more information call Patricia Lission at 922-8435; Kirk Roberts or Tim Maxwell at 654-7945; or Stuart Coles at 531-6214.

Calendar

February 12

CLEAN AIR AND LEARNING - 2 public discussions
Sponsored by Toronto Board of Education
Feb. 12 at Bloor Collegiate Inst., 1141
Bloor St. W., and Feb. 26 at Riverdale
Collegiate Inst., 1094 Gerrard St. E.,
Both begin at 7:30 pm.

TECHNOLOGY AND PEACE: WILL THE NEW WEAPONS LEAD TO A SAFER WORLD?

Sponsored by University Campaign for Nuclear
Disarmament
Debate with John Polanyi, U of T Chemistry
Professor and John Gellner, Editor, Canadian
Defense Quarterly
Victoria Theatre, Northrup Frye Hall, U
of T, 4:30 pm.
For more information -- call Bruce Baugh
at 533-4105

February 13

OUT-OF-HOSPITAL BIRTHING CENTRES: AN EXAMINATION

Sponsored by Toronto Birth Centre Committee
and CentreStage Forum
Speakers: Ruth Lubic, nurse-midwife; Dr.
Heather Morris, obstetrician; Karen Walker,
Toronto Birth Centre Committee
St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E., free
For more information -- 362-7041 or 444-8936
(eves)

February 15-16

BENEFIT FOR EMILY STONE SHELTER FOR BATTERED WOMEN

Two evenings of music and poetry
Line up to be confirmed
New Trojan Horse Cafe, 179 Danforth Ave.,
8 pm
For more information -- 461-8367

February 18

CAFE SANDINO - Benefit Cabaret for Canadian Action for Nicaragua

Various artists
New Trojan Horse Cafe, 179 Danforth, \$3
For more information -- Steve at 465-6438

February 20

FIGHTING BACK: CONSUMER RIGHTS IN SMALL CLAIMS COURT

Sponsored by Automobile Protection
Association and CentreStage Forum
Panelists: Phil Edmonston, consumer
advocate; Ellen Roseman, consumer columnist;
Judge Marvin Zuker, small claims court
St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E., free
For more information -- 362-7041

February 22

PHOTOJOURNALISM IN NICARAGUA

Coordinated by ARTNICA
Harbourfront Photography Gallery, 235 Queen's
Quay West
To March 31

SUSAN FREUNDLICH - Sign Language Artist

Presented by Womymly Way Productions
Trinity St. Paul's, 427 Bloor St. W., 8
pm.

Tickets \$6/advance and \$7/door
(Note: There will be a workshop by Ms.
Freundlich the next day. See Events on
page 7 for details.)

For more information -- 925-6568.

NANCY WHITE

New Trojan Horse Cafe, 179 Danforth Ave.,
8 pm

For more information -- 461-8367

AFTER THE TRIUMPH: Michael Mitchell

Photodocumentation of Nicaragua commissioned
by National Film Board
Harbourfront Art Gallery, 235 Queen Quay
West

To March 17.

February 23

ANDREW DAVIS AND FRIENDS

Sponsored by Performing Artists for Nuclear
Disarmament

Deer Park United Church, 129 St. Clair
W.

Tickets \$15 in advance -- \$20 at door

For more information -- 362-8752

MALE SEX ABUSE AND THE OFFENDER - workshop

Sponsored by Centre for Sexually Abused
Males

St. Peter's Anglican Church, 190 Carlton,
9-5 pm

\$100, students with I.D., \$75: space limited

For more information -- 964-9298

February 24

EL SALVADOR ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Commemorating the fifth anniversary of
the death of Archbishop Romero
Sponsored by Committee of Solidarity with
the People of El Salvador
Trinity St. Paul's, 427 Bloor W., 8 pm.

POLICE PERJURY IN THE COURTS

Sponsored by Citizens Independent Review
of Police Activities
519 Church, 7:30
For more information -- Fiona Chapman at
947-7903.

February 25

IN THE NUCLEAR SHADOW (Kids speak out)- film

Sponsored by Muskoka Peace Group
Speaker: Dr. Judy Caldwell, Physicians
for Social Responsibility
Gravenhurst Public School Library, 8 pm.

February 27

SECRETS OF THE MEDIA: Private Decisions, Public Effects

Sponsored by Media People for Social
Responsibility and CentreStage Forum
Panelists: Lou Appleby, Writer and TV
Producer; Cate Cochran, Art Director; Brian
Knoll, Photographer; Max Allen, Radio
Producer; Laura Sky, Film maker
St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E., Free
For more information -- 362-7041

March 1

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN TORONTO: Report on a field test

Sponsored by Centre of Urban and Community
Studies
Speaker: J.G. Reitz, Dept. of Sociology,
U of T
455 Spadina Avenue, 12:15
Bring Lunch -- coffee provided

March 3

THE FRONT LINE

CBC drama dealing with the themes of personal
faith and social activism within the context
of the peace movement
Telecast on "For the Record", 9 pm, CBC
TV

More events can be found in the Events
listing on page 7.

Any social justice group wishing to have
their event listed in this **Calendar** should
send the information by February 27 to:

Issues & Actions Calendar
Community Forum on Shared Responsibility
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"Reaching the critical mass"

New Cabbagetown Executive



Darrell Kent

photo by Robert C. Ragsdale

The Cabbagetown Business Improvement Area wrapped up a successful Christmas season with an Annual Meeting on January 8. The Executive for 1985 are: Darrell S. Kent: Chairman, Pat O.Dell: First Vice Chairman, Philip Unrau: Second Vice Chairman, and Sol Wayne: Treasurer.

'Business owners have told me that their volume in 1984 was up by 30%', Darrell Kent stated, 'Our association lobbies businesses such as the Liquor Control Board to improve their premises. We are naturally very pleased by the charming renovation to the store and also by the now beautiful C.B.C. building.'

'The business area here serves a very diversified market former Chairman Jim Renciris pointed out. 'We serve middle and upper income people from Don Vale

and the rest of Cabbagetown. We also serve the residents of St. Jamestown and Regent Park. What we're working towards is letting the rest of Toronto know about our many excellent and unique

shops and services. Where else would one find stores the equivalent of The Cabbagetown Bath Shoppe and Futon Aviva along with grocery stores, liquor stores and excellent specialty foods?'

Concerned Parents Organize

BY JOHN CAMPEY

A child becomes lost, is injured, or ill. Perhaps they are alarmed by strangers. Where can they turn? In a Block Parent community, children know that in an emergency, they can get help by going to a home displaying the block parent sign.

Such a program has been operating out of Withrow School since April 1983. Covering the area between Bain Avenue, First Avenue, Carlaw and Broadview, it currently includes some fifty volunteers who are acting as Block Parents. Forty parents recently attended a program on 'streetproofing' their children hosted by the Block Parents Association at Withrow School.

With increasing publicity regarding crimes which hurt children, there is more and more interest in programmes such as

Block Parents, which offer concerned parents and others with concrete actions which will increase the safety of children in our community.

The Withrow Block Parents program is looking for volunteers—people are needed both to act as Block Parents, and to assist with the organizational responsibilities of the program, such as arranging local meetings for Block Parents, assisting with the follow-up for the program in local schools, and contacting prospective Block Parents. People are also needed to represent the local Block Parents organization at the Metro-wide meetings of the Block Parent organization. Anyone interested in becoming a Block Parent, finding out more about the program, or in becoming more involved with the organization, is asked to contact Withrow School 465-5497 or Christine 461-7626.

Join the ZooSki Safari

Cross-country skiing season is underway as the Metro Toronto Zoo presents 'ZooSki '85'.

Tigers, Polar bears, elephants and giraffes are just some of over 4000 animals waiting to be discovered while skiing the spectacular 710 acre site. What makes ZooSki unique is that the skier who gets a little cold or tired can leave the trek to visit exotic animals and plants in the tropical temperatures of the eight pavilions housing over 240 species.

The zoo provides other amenities for the winter visitor such as free parking, restaurant and snack bar service, a heated monorail ride and camel rides.

The ZooSki Chalet offers complete equipment rental and private or group lessons. For information and reservations, please call 284-9781.

The zoo is open everyday but Christmas. Winter hours are 9:30 am to 4:30 pm with last admissions at 3:30 pm. It is located on Meadowvale Road in Scarborough just north of Highway 401. For information, please call 284-8181.



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Run of The Changeling extended

BY PHYLLIS JENSEN

'If you don't have tickets, you better hurry,' announced a friend about the Toron-

to Free Theatre's production of 'The Changeling.' 'It's a winner.' She was right.

The first thing that grabs you is the magnificent set of a medieval fortress de-

signed by Terry Gunvordahl and the peasant who wanders about feeding two real chickens in the purity of white feathers. It doesn't prepare you for what follows for this 17th century morality play by Middleton and Rowley is about evil. It portrays it grandly.

Rosemary Dunsmore plays Beatrice-Joanna, the daughter of a noble who is about to marry her off to a man she does not love when along comes Alsemero. It's instant passion and now only the fiance stands in the way of their happiness or so they believe. Beatrice-Joanna once a pious maiden decides to take things in her own hands. She plots to have De Flores, the hateful servant played most villainously by R.H. Thomson, to murder the fiance. In that way she figures she will get rid of two undesirables in her life. De Flores agrees to the murder, but bargains for a price higher than, Beatrice-Joanna could even have imagined. Heightening the intensity of the action is the music of John Mills-Cockell and the labyrinth passages of the castle.

To the modern audience the madhouse scenes detract from the main story, but they had an important place in the original writing with a lesson or two of their own. The madhouse does offer relief from the terrors of the central story, but it's disappointing that the characters are only vaguely integrated in the end. That's not something Toronto Free Theatre director Guy Sprung could have done much about without re-writing the play. Still in 'The Changeling' Toronto Free Theatre has produced a classical piece full of gruesome horror, love and mayhem. It's a winner.

The Changeling runs until February 24th. Showtime starts at 8:30 p.m. from Tuesday-Friday, 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday evenings and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoons. Tickets are \$11 and \$14, with a pay-what-you-can rate on Sundays. Tickets available through BASS and the Toronto Free Theatre box office, 26 Berkeley. Call 368-2856.



Players cavort in medieval madhouse, in 'The Changeling'.

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WILDROSE

A Film by John Hanson and Sandra Schulberg

Friday, February 22nd 7:00 pm

Medical Sciences Building
University of Toronto

WOMEN'S CAUCUS



ETHIOPIA: A Public Forum

Monday, February 18, 1985, 8:00 p.m. at East York Community Centre (Pape and Torrens).

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday

February 9



The Black Perspectives 'Music Group Mystique and Company' will be performance at 8:00 p.m. at the Trojan Horse Cafe, 149 Danforth Avenue.

Communitimages: The Black Community of Regent Park Through the Camera's Eyes. The photo-exhibit will be displayed at the Parliament Street Library (Parliament and Gerrard Streets) and opens at 2 p.m. and will focus on families, cultural activities, community activism and community geography. There is a poetry reading at Black Perspectives Studio, 8:00 p.m. at 334 King St. E.

Tonight there is a **Valentine's Dance** at the **East Toronto Seniors Centre** from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. There will be entertainment, dancing and refreshments. Admission is \$5 per person. The Centre is located at 2029 Gerrard Street East, for further information call 690-3877.

Sunday

February 10

Craft Studios: Demonstrations in ceramics, metal, fabric and glass, featuring a different medium each hour, by the professional residents of the Harbourfront Craft Studios. Noon to 4 p.m. at the York Quay Centre.

Monday

February 11

The **Greenwood Greens** are holding the following meetings at 7:30 p.m. in the **Ralph Thornton Centre**-765 Queen St. East (at Saulters) every Monday through February and March; tonight: **Networking Meeting with Against Cruising Testing representative**. Next Monday: **Green Forum and Social**. Please call 589-7027 for details.

Gallery 940, A gallery for women's art located at 940 Queen Street East is holding a **Members Meeting** at 8:00 p.m. Members and those interested in membership are invited to attend this general meeting. For further information call 466-8840.

Woodgreen Seniors Friday Club have been invited to visit the **East Toronto Seniors Centre** (2029 Gerrard St. E.) on Monday, February 11th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments and entertainment. If you plan to attend please let Connie know a.s.a.p. 469-5211.

Tuesday

February 12

Reading Series: Toronto poet James Deahl, author of *No Cold Ash* and *In Lost Horn's Call*, reads at 8:30 p.m. at the **Brigantine Room**, York Quay Centre; admission is free.

Rendezvous for Seniors: A regular program of socializing and gentle exercise. Tuesdays, seniors disco and ballroom dance; Thursdays the focus is on international folk dancing. 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the York Quay Centre.

Actor's Lab Theatre, whose Dora Award nominated *Richard III* was an important contribution to the 1983/84 Toronto theatre scene, will open their season with a unique interpretation of Shakespeare's *MacBeth*. Performances will be less than 2 hours long, sans intermissions, and will feature eleven performers. Opening tonight through March 17 at **Actor's Lab Theatre**, 155A George Street, *MacBeth* is directed by noted Polish director, **Zygmunt Molik**, co-founder of the world-renowned Polish Theatre Lab. Call 363-2853 for details.

Wednesday

February 13

York University's Faculty of Fine Arts and Department of Dance will present the first **Dance Lab** of the new year. The Dance Lab begins at 4 p.m. in Studio I in the Fine Arts Building on the York University campus. Admission is a pay-what-you-can donation to the Dance Department's Scholarship Fund. We would be delighted to accommodate groups from schools or community organizations. 4700 Keele St., Downsview, call 667-3243 for details.

Gallery Opening: Winners of the **Berol Prismcolour Art Scholarship Program** are represented in an exhibition today at 5 p.m. through February 26, at the **York Quay Centre**.

An information meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at **Withrow Public School**, 25 Bain Ave. to discuss **Early French Immersion** (starting in Sr. Kindergarten) at **Jackman Ave. School**, and possibly at **Withrow School**. For further information please call **Helen Gough** at 461-9251.

Windows can account for 20% of your home's heat loss. If you are considering window improvements and the terms thermopane, R-value, air-sealing, glazing or moveable insulation mean little to you, this seminar is a must. Learn how to eliminate window drafts, how to upgrade old windows (for a fraction of the cost of new ones!), what to look for when purchasing new ones and how to substantially reduce nighttime heat loss. The seminar will take place at **Howland House**, 16 Howland Road from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. For more information call 461-7577.

The **John Howard Society** presents this evening **Jeanette Brown** on **'Handling Unemployment'** at 7:30 p.m. The **J.H.S. Club** is located at 168 Isabella Street. For more information call 925-4386.

Thursday

February 14



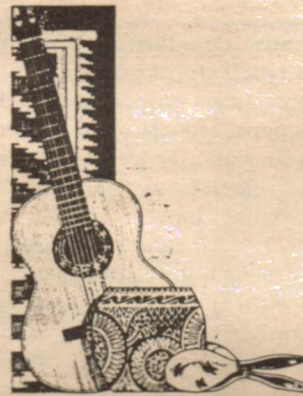
The Sweetheart Murders: Help solve the mysterious murder of a prominent playwright on the opening night of his new play, with the help of the improv pros from **Theatresports** and a few clues to the suspects. 7:30 p.m.; \$15. Call 869-8415 for details and registration.

There will be a **Valentine's Party** held this evening from 5 to 10 p.m. at the **John Howard Society Club** located at 168 Isabella Street. For more information call 925-4386.

Looking for the perfect Valentine? May we suggest a **St. Valentine's Day Musical** with **Maureen Forrester** and **Rosemarie Landry**. Ms. Forrester and Ms. Landry are joined in a Valentine's Day benefit concert by pianist **Derek Bampton**. Tickets to this fund-raising evening are \$50 with all proceeds going to the **Dixon Hall Music School** serving children in the South Cabbagetown area. Enjoy **Maureen Forrester** and **Rosemarie Landry** in a evening of song and entertainment tonight at 8 p.m. at **Laidlaw Hall**, Upper Canada College. Call **Dixon Hall** at 863-0498 for more information.

Friday

February 15



The **New Trojan Horse Cafe** presents tonight and tomorrow night a **Special Benefit Concert for the Emily Stowe Shelter for Women**. Two evenings of music and poetry to support the **Emily Stowe Shelter** and to launch a regular program at the **Horse**. The Cafe is located at 179 Danforth Avenue. Doors open at 8 p.m. Admission is \$4, \$3 with friends card, half price for children. For more information call 461-8367.

Woodgreen Seniors Friday Club presents a **Valentine's Party**, 835 Queen St. E. (at Empire) 469-5211.

The **Cabbagetown Arts Centre** presents a **Valentine's Dance** for kids 13 to 17, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the **Toronto Christian Resource Centre**, 40 Oak St. A disc jockey supplies the music. \$1.50...\$1.00 for members of the **Cabbagetown Arts Centre**.

Sunday

February 17

The **Russian Community** in co-operation with **CBC Stereo's Arts National** presents: **The Fold Inspiration: The Music of Russia**. Soloists: **Steven Staryk**; violin, **Vladimire Orloff**, cello; **Helena Bowkun**, piano, and **Peter Daminoff's Folk Ensemble** with **Leonid Karpinsky**, baritone singing Russian and gypsy folk songs. Tickets: \$6 in advance, \$7 at the door, \$5 for seniors and students. Advance sales: **Klara Kazillo**, 924-2657, **A. Gladkoff**, 534-8927 and **N.A. Ivanchenko**, 763-5820.

Tuesday

February 19

The qualified accountants at the **Dixon Hall income tax clinic** intend to see that you get all of the money back that is owed to you. The clinic continues until April 30, and is located at 58 Sumach St. (just S. of Queen, 1 block west of River St.). Call 863-0499 **Helen** or **Elizabeth**, for an appointment.

Wednesday

February 20

The **East Toronto Seniors Centre** is organizing a luncheon at the **Variety Dinner Theatre**. The show is *'No Sex Please We're British'*, starring **Barbara Hamilton**. The price of \$15 includes the show and your lunch. There is a \$10 deposit required for this outing. For further details please call 690-3877.

Garden Festival '85 at **Exhibition Place**. There will be a **Flower and Garden show** and **Pool and Spa show**. Both shows are available for the price of one. Adults \$4, children 10 and under free, students (11-18) \$2, and senior citizens \$3. Call **David Proulx** 862-8070 or **Jonathon Grant** at 485-3301 for further information.

The **Royal Conservatory of Music Noon Hour Series** presents: **Sharon Krause**, piano at 12:15 today. Admission is free. **Royal Conservatory Concert Hall**, 273 Bloor St. W. Program: **J.S. Bach**, **Schumann**. For more information call 978-3771.

Thursday

February 21

Woodgreen Community Centre is sponsoring a **Foot Clinic** at 835 Queen St. E. today, February 21 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Please call for an appointment 469-5211.

Saturday

February 23

The **Fallout Shelter Peace Coffee House** presents **Bob Jensen**; folk of the 80's. 9 o'clock, 370 Queen E. (at Parliament). Call 362-0354...

Ongoing

Saturday Night Special! An in-club **A.A.** open meeting at 168 Isabella St.; the **John Howard Society** 8:00 every Saturday night. Club open: 5 - 10 p.m.

Skating Rink: Free skating on this 32,000 square-foot artificial ice surface, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week. **South of York Quay Centre** overlooking the lake.



Free Income Tax Clinic--Child Tax Credit Forms. Daily Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and evenings from 7 pm. to 9 p.m. at different locations. For information on locations please call 469-3984.

Every Saturday from 12 to 4 p.m. the **Eaton's Strikers** welcome you to join their picket outside the downtown store, at the corner of **Yonge and Dundas**. Ask for **Nick**.

Community Calendar is a free community service. If you have an item for the next (February 22) issue of **7 News**, please have your material in by Friday, February 15. Events between February 22 and March 8 should go in this issue.

Classifieds

Seven News Classifieds — reach Ward 7 for only \$7 for up to 30 words. Classifieds for the next issue must be received by February 15. Send them, with your payment to Classifieds, Seven News, 249 Sherbourne Street, Toronto M5A 2R9.

ACCOMMODATION

Luxurious, two storey, two bedroom to share. Carpeted throughout, sundeck and parking. \$350. Available Feb 15 — Mar 1. Call 925-0080.

Retired, Christian lady needs small apt. or rooms in country near transportation. Must have good water. Call 463-9859.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Be creative! Earn extra income teaching Tri-Chem Decorative Hobby Crafts. No experience necessary; advancement opportunity. Call Grace 463-2148 or Peg 293-0579.

CHILD CARE

This is for you, moms and dads. Wouldn't you like a weekend off? But, there are the children and no-one to leave them with. I'll take care of them for you. Before you hire me I'll come and see you and your child a couple of times so your child will get to know me, and me your child. Parents do need a day off too. Call 465-6907.

The Home Helpers Childcare Service is a non-profit United Way member. The service is intended to provide short-term emergency childcare in your home. Twenty-five helpers, trained in childcare and St. John's Ambulance can provide same day service before 8:30 a.m. Call Helen Cooper at 482-3748 or 925-3419.

COUNSELLING

Experienced therapist available to help individuals and couples with personal and sexual problems. Please leave message at 535-9818. Bill Sanders, M.S.W., certified sex therapist.

Living with Cancer - Groups led by health professionals working in a volunteer capacity, discuss misconceptions of the disease and its treatment. Practical advice and support is given in coping with the emotional and social problems often associated with cancer. Four different group locations meet twice monthly. Patients, family and friends call 961-7030.

COURSES

Aged 16-24? Out of school at least three months? If so, the Ontario Career Action Program can provide you with help. Get paid while you receive on-the-job training. Jobs are available in the Scarborough and East York areas now. Call Centennial College, OCAP office, 752-4444, ext. 315 or 316.

Going it alone. Education in reality of Being alone. Share your journey with others. Sessions cover: Decision making, loneliness, saying goodbye, sexuality, anger. Thursday evenings, February 7 to March 28; \$160. Gestalt Institute, 37 Cecil Street. For brochure call 977-0844.

Learn how our city evolved, from its colonial beginnings to its present-day management role, through a mixture of talks, slides, maps, photographs and group discussion. Co-sponsored by George Brown College and the Enoch Turner Schoolhouse, this fascinating talk/workshop is given on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Historic Enoch Turner Schoolhouse, 106 Trinity Street, Toronto, and runs from February 9 to March 8. Course fee is \$40. For more information, call the Schoolhouse at 863-0010.

HEALTH

Morning Fitness For Moms. Bodycorps introduces a moderately paced fitness class to trim...tone...strengthen. Ideal for the pre or post natal woman and of those who need a gradual and safe introduction to exercise. Enquire about our next 8 week session. Bodycorps, 91 Danforth Ave. (at Broadview). 469-5225.

HELP AVAILABLE

I am a seamstress in Ward 7. If you need a new dress or alterations, call Rézi at 368-0444.

HELP WANTED

Director for small community agency in downtown core. Requires dedication and the ability to work with people. Fundraising ability an asset. Mail application with the resume to Hiring Committee c/o 70 Pashler Ave., Toronto, Ont. M5A 3T5.

Administrative Coordinator: The Administrative Coordinator is primarily responsible for providing a wide range of Administrative support services to all of the Centre's programs and services, and for some part-time volunteer coordination functions. Starting Date: April 1, 1985. Salary: \$23,812 for the 85/86 fiscal year plus OHIP and a full Health Benefits year. Apply in writing to: Hiring Committee, Administrative Coordinator, Cross Cultural Communication Centre, 1991 Dufferin Street, Toronto, Ontario M6E 3P9. Deadline for application is February 15.

Cee Cee's Health Service. For professional nursing care. Available 24 hours. Wanted. RN's RNA's, Healthcare Aides, Male attendants, homemakers, housekeepers, laundry aides. Call 656-0872 or 652-1832.

Part-time homemaker, Carlton/Parliament area, light housekeeping, and some babysitting. Live out, references. 925-8203.

Part-time home help worker. Experience with seniors helpful. Phone Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4 pm. 923-4641.

INFORMATION

Canadian Summer Resort Employment Opportunity Information offered across Canada. Age no limit. Send name, address, phone number to I.E.S., Box 429, Lumby, B.C., V0E 2G0.

MISCELLANEOUS

'Dental Receptionist'. With/without experience. We train. Earn \$300/week. 288-1262.

SERVICES

Morrison Contracting—Additions, renovations, bathrooms, kitchens, remodeling, basements, and carpentry. We offer technical advice & permits when necessary. For all your home and office improvements call 298-6914 or 746-2625. Metro Licence B-2776.

Are you having trouble doing your annual income tax return? Seniors can get their tax return done free at the East Toronto Seniors Centre, located at 2029 Gerrard Street East (basement of Glenmount United Church). This is a free service through the Institute of Chartered Accountants. Make your appointment now by calling 690-3877.

VOLUNTEERS

Help! Connexions, a magazine that is a 'readers digest' of grassroots work for so-

cial justice and change, needs volunteer help with office work, writing, layout, indexing, et cetera. New collective members always welcome too. Call Ulli at 960-3903.

East Area Schools Together (EAST) need people who are interested in the following areas to act as resources to the people on these committees: T.O.P.I.C.S. (Toronto Parents Involved In Curriculum & Staffing); C.I.P. (Curriculum Implementation Plan); the nominating committee (to nominate candidates for E.A.S.T. Executive), and the executive committee (to assist the EAST Executive).

They also need people to assist with the C.H.S. (Comprehensive High School); Adult Literacy Advisory Committee; the Thinking and Deciding In a Nuclear Age Committee, and the Business and Technology Education Committee, as well as with W.O.M.P. (Workgroup of Metro Parents).

If you are available please call Margaret Smith at 461-9251.

East End Literacy is a community project based in Wards 7, 8 and 9. We train volunteer tutors to work with individuals and small groups. We are urgently in need of dictionaries and thesauruses (new or used) for our students and tutors. For more information call 968-6989.

The 519 Church Street Community Centre is looking for accountants who are willing to volunteer some of their time to help individuals with their Income Tax return forms, and to give a group lecture/demonstration. If you are interested please call 923-2778 and speak with Elaine Tam.

Interesting activities in a friendly environment. That's what we can offer you if you can spare some time to volunteer at Seven News. You can have your choice

of tasks, large or small, and you can set your own times. We need help with office work, writing, layout, taking and developing pictures, typing, fundraising, delivering newspapers and lots of other things. Join the team! Call the 7 News office at 921-2548 or Ulli at 960-3903.

Volunteer drivers wanted for Meals on Wheels route Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drivers with cars preferred but not essential, transportation costs provided. Call Gay Peppin at 469-5211 ext. 130.

WANTED

Times Change Women's Employment Service is facing a funding crisis. CEIC budget ceilings and a decrease in private sector donations over the past year threaten the necessity of layoffs in the new year. Donations are tax-deductible and receipts will be issued. Times Change, 22 Davisville Ave., Toronto M4S 1E8.

Lamps.... Tall lamps, short lamps, hanging lamps, floor lamps — Seven News needs lamps to brighten our office. Call 921-2548.

Two professional women want two bedroom flat. Self contained with private entrance. Up to \$575 incl. utilities. For 1 March or 1 April. References available. Call 921-2548.

The Elizabeth Fry Society needs volunteers to help provide services to adult women who have been in trouble with the law. Volunteers may help in many different ways: visiting jails on a once monthly basis, helping in the provincial courts, serving on task oriented committees, helping in the office, etc. For further information please contact Brenda Somers, 924-3708.

Church Directory

Little Trinity Anglican
425 King St. E.
Church Office
367-0272
9 a.m.
Holy Communion
10:30 a.m.
Morning Prayer
7 p.m.
Evening Prayer

Saint Luke's United Church
Corner of Carlton & Sherbourne
10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship
Nursery and Sunday School
Fellowship Hour
A welcome to all
Enquiries
924-9619

Professional Directory

Optometrists

Telephone 466-6670

Dr. Albert S. Y. Ng.
Dr. Archie Chung
and Associates

318 Broadview Avenue
(Broadview and Gerrard)
Toronto, Ontario M4M 2G9

DR. T. MCGARRAGLE
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Wed. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thurs. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Fri. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tues. & Thurs. evgs 6-8pm