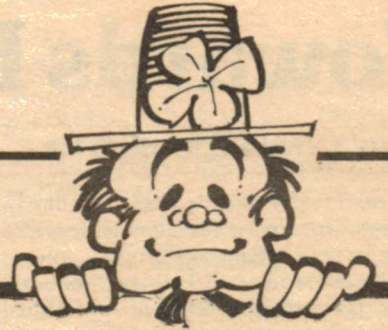


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Sarah Hauser has her face painted at the Frankland Winter Carnival.

Ward Celebrates at Local Festivals

BY DENNIS BROWN

The Great Cake Auction was the highlight of the Frankland Winter Carnival, held at the Frankland School and Community Centre on 2 March.

There were lots of cakes: fruit flan, mo-

cha, cherry shortbread.....but the chocolate log cabin donated by Rebekah Houston definitely stole the show. It came complete with wafer fence and striped candy pillars.

There were two floors of activities for kids and parents alike. Madam Morrigh

was there to do tarot reading. There was a Monte Carlo hallway with blackjack, Crown & Anchor and variations such as the 'Sesqui' game. Face painting was definitely 'in' at Frankland as were snowcones, popcorn and balloon animals.

Games of skill and a pinata-breaking contest kept people busy in the gyms. Jim Houston, famous local artist, sketched portraits, and Luba Goy of Royal Canadian Air Farce fame organized games and sports with her son Nicky.

Merchants from the area donated goods and prizes to help the event go smoothly.

The Fifth Annual St. Jamestown Multi-Cultural Festival was held the same day at Rose Avenue Public School.

The event was sponsored by the Christian Leadership Council and presided over

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Gwen Haskell, of Bleecker Street behind Welsh display at St. Jamestown event

Baseball Place Strikes Out?

BY DAN McARON

It looks like Baseball Place located in the south east section of Ward Seven has just about struck out.

Demolition permits were issued February 21st for numbers 2 - 5 Baseball Place, Toronto City Hall officials say.

Baseball Place is to be demolished apparently to provide additional parking for Downtown Toyota Limited which surrounds it on the east and south.

Originally planned to be a major entrance to the Toronto Baseball grounds, the one storey stucco houses with gables were built in 1889. The location of the baseball grounds was changed to the Toronto Islands in 1890.

Ward 7 Alderman David Reville campaigned to save Baseball Place and its homes, but at a meeting held February 11th Toronto City Council rejected Reville's plea, and cleared the way for the issuance of the demolition permits.

There was no community activism to save Baseball Place, some individuals did call to express support, says Barrie Chavel, executive assistant to David Reville.

City council received a report from the Fire Chief and Deputy Commissioner of Buildings and Inspections recommending demolition permits be issued. They noted in their report, "Although the buildings are in no danger of collapse, a considerable amount of time and money would be required to place them in conformity with all applicable By-Laws and regulations."

They went on to say, "There are no basements in 1 - 6 Baseball Place and the wood foundations show signs of deterioration."

Chavel says the poor condition of the buildings is a result of recent vandalism. "I was in them when the tenants were in them. Three of them were in terrific shape."

The only community group that made representations to Council on the issue was the Queen Broadview Business Association. Peter Meier, secretary of the association, sees Downtown Toyota as "a tremendous asset to the business community in the area." He sees the cost of restoration as outweighing the historical value of the houses, "due to the deterioration which has already occurred...it is quite inconceivable that there is any possibility of finding sufficient funds."

Bob Rae, former MP for Broadview Greenwood and Provincial Leader of the NDP, said in a letter to the Executive Committee of City Council, "They do represent working class housing in Toronto...without intervention from interested

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Playter Residents Elect Executive

Members of the Playter Area Residents Association (PARA) have chosen their executive for 1985/86:

The President is John Kolar, the Past President is Mardi Noble, the three Vice Presidents are Gayle Metson, Richard Chartash and Karen Madrick. Geoff Cricmay has been elected Treasurer and Anne Powell is the new Secretary. Karyn Garland has taken over the position of Corresponding Secretary while the new Social Convenors are Elin Graholm and Marty Moore. Lillian Salter is the new Membership Secretary.

Photo by Lisa Horrocks

Towards Economic and Social Equality

BY LYNN McDONALD MP

International Women's Week is a time to celebrate women's achievements. It is also a time to review Canada's progress toward equality-for women. A look at three areas shows the progress and the unfinished tasks.

After a long campaign, legislation to prohibit the broadcast of degrading programmes has been approved in principle. The amendment to the Broadcasting Act will require all programming to "respect and promote the equality and dignity of all individuals, groups, or classes of individuals regardless of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability."

The question is now one of enforcement. The law must be taken seriously by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission in its review of applications, and if necessary, through the prosecution of offenders.

Women celebrated when their rights were guaranteed in the constitution. Instead of implementing those rights, the Minister of Justice has referred the most important ones to a committee for study. Women want action, not more study of issues that have already been thoroughly studied.

The real gains women have made toward equality in the workplace are fragile. They need special attention.

Unemployment is higher among women. More women are being forced to accept part-time work without benefits. Government cutbacks threaten the gains women have made in the public sector. For example, the Canadian Wildlife Service had begun to hire women biologists when budget cuts forced the service to fire them, because "last hired, first fired."

Cuts in public services hurt the whole community, but especially women. Many women hold service jobs, such as nurses, teachers, day care and social workers. Cuts mean lost jobs and difficult working conditions, as classroom sizes increase and caseloads double. Through volunteer work at food banks, churches, and service agencies, many women end up doing the extra work that results from these cuts.

The government must ensure fair treatment for women. Fair treatment for part-time workers means pro-rated benefits, pensions, and holiday time. Laws requir-

ing equal pay for work of equal value must be expanded and enforced. Affirmative action programs and training programs are needed more than ever. Child care services and provisions for parental leave need improvement.

'Mein': Good, Funny yet Tragic

BY PHYLLIS JENSEN

'Mein', the 1984 Dora Award Winner now playing at Toronto Free Theatre is good. It's a funny, yet tragic insight into the psyche of a corporate person. An IBM friend who attended the performance said he felt exposed - for 'Mein' is a realistic portrayal of the mixed emotions of decisions taken in the road to 'The Top.' It's not the actions of the characters which are the main focus of the play, but the internal responses or the psychological stresses of moral dilemmas.

Five nattily dressed actors in navy pinstriped suits: Mark Christmann, Denis Forest, Elizabeth Hanna, Maggie Huculak and Bruce Vavrina take turns playing the

In all these areas, solutions have been proposed by government-appointed studies, such as the Abella Commission, the Task Force on Part-time Work, and the report on pension reform.

The problem is that governments lack

face to the world and opposing parts of the individual conscience. As the character climbs higher and higher up the ladder the more humane responses begin to fade and all the conflicts centre on impression-making and sheer survival.

The set designed by Doriam Clark is a symbolic cage in the clouds intended to represent an office in the TD towers. Susan McKay ably choreographed this complex interweave of dialogue, dance and masks.

Using modern dance techniques and collective contributions of the company the new play was created in which the physical, verbal and unusual are integrated. In the performance a gesture carries as much meaning as any spoken words.

the political will to do what they know to be just. As International Women's Week becomes a memory it is a good time to strengthen our resolve as men and women to keep working for true economic and social equality.

'Mein' is playing Upstairs at Toronto Free Theatre at 8:00 p.m. on weekdays, two performances on Saturday and PWYC on Sunday afternoons. Discounts are available to seniors, students and groups. Tickets at BASS and the TFT Box Office at 26 Berkeley Street. Call 368-2856.

Baseball Place Controversy

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parties, this piece of Ontario Labour history will disappear."

Rae goes on to say, "One idea for the site is restoration and renovation of the units to their original state and their use as a museum, depicting the life of Toronto workers at the end of the 19th century. While Metropolitan Toronto has a number of restored nineteenth century houses, all of these museums represent the lifestyle of the Toronto elite."

Work orders against 1-5 Baseball Place list 101 items of disrepair from "The window glass is broken" to "The siding of the exterior wall is missing."

A visit to Baseball Place recently revealed all entrances to the area completely boarded up. The entrance to the street itself being blocked by a sheet of plywood nailed from the adjoining building to a telephone pole.

Through cracks in the plywood barrier the buildings could be seen, apparently in great disrepair, with doors missing.

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There was only one indication of past human inhabitation, a plastic sign pinned to the side of one of the buildings warning: "Beware of Dog".

Winter Festivals

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by chairman Ken Bhagan. Mayor Art Eggleton and Susan Fish, Minister of Citizenship and Culture were guests at the event. There were performances by a steel band, Greek and Hungarian folk dancers, Vern Harper, a Native Canadian traditional storyteller and other groups.

Face painting was big here too. The Police were on hand to give community awareness displays to the guests.

Both of these events seemed popular and were well attended. Our staff were there to cover the events, and we had a great time and we'll be back next year.

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Volunteer Profile



Guylaine Spencer

Guylaine Spencer discovered Seven News in December when she picked up a copy at the Pape-Danforth library. She had recently moved to Toronto after finishing her studies in Communication in Montreal. "I was looking for a way to gain some media experience. I had checked out some of the other local papers but none had struck me as the kind of paper I wanted to work for. Then I found Seven News and it was well-written, informative and interesting, so I knew it was for me." Guylaine is one of our layout persons and has recently started writing for us too.

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FEDERAL BUDGET '85 — OLD RECIPES OR NEW DIRECTIONS?

Will the upcoming Federal budget be one more example of government backing into the desensitizing, obsolescent growth cycle which clearly isn't working anymore, except for the powerful? Will the budget continue to promote a system which inherently promotes the domination of capital and technology over persons? Are you willing to be judged

on how our society treats its weakest members? Are those who have completed their ascribed productivity and those with no marketable skills to be handed more illusory programs and promises that lead nowhere? Or will the budget give us the tools and resources to promote housing, conservation, co-op training programs.

full employment and other socially useful objectives?

You be the judge!

Please post March's Action of the Month in a prominent place. For more information on how Federal budget '85 could be the same old recipe.....

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Viewpoint

Some are Heard More than Others

by Dennis Howlett of GATT-Fly

The new Conservative government in Ottawa has launched a major public relations campaign designed to make it appear that they are consulting with all sectors of the population about the direction government policy should take in the future. In November Finance Minister Michael Wilson unveiled a policy statement entitled "A New Direction for Canada" and invited response. In the New Year discussion papers on housing, trade and elderly and child benefits came out and discussion papers on defense and foreign policy are expected soon. A major media event will be orchestrated soon when the government meets with leaders from business, labour and community groups at the National Economic Conference on March 21-23.

What should we make of all these discussion papers and other gestures the government is making to consult the people? Are they acting in good faith? Do they really want to know what the people think? Or even if some of us may suspect the government's true motives - do these gestures represent opportunities for popular groups, such as labour unions, poor people's organizations or community groups, to make their views heard?

Using the discussion papers or other consultation events as a way to get media coverage may be a worthwhile strategy for certain groups to pursue. But we should be under no illusions. Simply informing the government of our views will not result in any significant changes.

We need to be aware of the various ways in which the cards have been stacked against the interests of the marginalized in the so-called consultation process.

The first thing to be wary of is how the government attempts to set the agenda in the way it frames the questions. For example, posing the issue of universality of social benefits as a question of affordability or the fairness of handouts to bank presidents earning \$500,000 a year is an attempt to avoid debate on the need for fundamental tax reform or whether or not cutbacks on government spending is necessary. We must not let ourselves be confined to debating only what is the government wants us to debate.

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY — ORGANIZED BUT NOT SATISFIED

International Women's Day was successfully kicked off this year with a support picket for the workers on strike at Eaton's Yonge and Eglinton store. The strike, a major focus of this year's International Women's Day activities, has been going on since last November. Over 400 strikers and supporters of the workers gathered to listen to spokeswomen from the labour movement and to actively show solidarity with the strikers, 80% of whom are women. Because of this the strike is a concrete example in our Toronto community of women's continuing struggle to gain fair and equitable working conditions. The picketers chanted, "What do we want? A contract! -When do we want it? Now!" as they spontaneously entered the shopping mall forcing Eaton's to shut its doors for over 20 minutes.

As "Issues & Actions" goes to press, it seems that the high energy of the picket will be carried throughout the week's activities of educational and cultural events. Plans for the week include a forum on "Strategies for Reproductive Rights; a multi-cultural women's evening as well as an appearance by well-known activist and feminist Angela Davis.

Scheduled to culminate the week's activities is a mass rally and a feminist walking tour of downtown Toronto. The tour will point out different institutions in Toronto which uphold or enforce policies detrimental to women. The role of the Ontario legislature on abortion clinics and not making affirmative action programs a priority; the hospitals on University Avenue as institutions representing a male-dominated medical profession; City Hall's choice to fund the dome stadium vs. much needed daycare centres and the pornography shops on Yonge St. are but a few of the places which will be pointed out. To show further support for the Eaton's strike, a special stop is planned at the Eaton's Centre. All in all, the week's activities were important in highlighting the struggle and achievements of women around issues of racial and economic equality.



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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 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, Andy McKay, Leslie Robinson and Erma Stultz.

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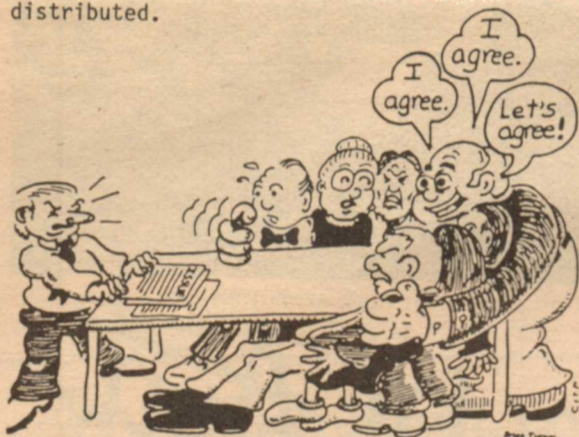
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Secondly, we must be critical of the consultative process itself. Who actually gets a chance to meet with government ministers? Who gets invited to events such as the National Economic Conference? Certain groups, mostly notable, business people, get consulted far out of proportion to the percentage of the population they represent. The resources necessary to prepare briefs, lobby government, do the research, and so on are also unequally distributed.



Perhaps the most serious handicap of all is the ideological orientation of the government which predisposes them to give more weight to views from business which confirm with their own. The "New Directions for Canada" document provides a valuable insight into some of the articles of faith which act to filter the government's perception of reality.

It all adds up to a system of unequal representation. We may be a democracy, but some people in effect have more voting power than others.

In the end the proof of the pudding is in the eating. The remarkable similarity between the brief presented by the Business Council on National Issues (perhaps the most influential business lobby) and the government's "New Directions for Canada" statement is one indication of what the final results of the consultative process will be. This does not mean that the outcome is predetermined and there is nothing ordinary people can do about it. Public defence of universality has forced the government to back off its original plans. Other victories are possible. But we should not be naive about the consultative P.R. game. And we must be prepared to go beyond the narrow bounds the government would have us confined to.

Counterpoint

By Francis Lopez and Michael Meraw. Francis Lopez was instrumental in starting the Edmonton Food Bank and the first French food bank in Paris. He has acted as a catalyst to people starting the World Food Bank. Michael Meraw, responsible for distribution of Bridgehead Trading products in Toronto, is active as a volunteer for a variety of Christian social service agencies in Toronto.

(Note: This is in response to a Viewpoint by Maria Ociecka of Mother's Action Group in February's "Issues & Actions". She felt that the poor needed the finances and resources to organize on their own behalf and that poverty will be their motivation.)

There is a growing body of thought among senior management of several of Toronto's "skid row" social agencies that holds that any increased efforts on their parts will take pressure off governments who are responsible for the level of unemployment and inadequacy of social service payments. This thought has become so widespread that it seems to be becoming "conventional wisdom".

Like much conventional wisdom, it is subject to serious questioning (or complete revision) when examined from a New Testament point of view.

We are all prone to blame the other guy and this may be what is happening.

We are in the early stages of the greatest technological changes that have occurred in history. With quantum leaps in productivity accompanying a proliferation of breakthroughs in electronic technology, employment dislocation is certain to increase. The fundamental economics of every industry have changed and no one (including governments) can alter that. If the new economic enterprises made possible by this same new technology do not blossom quickly enough, unemployment will rise from present levels.

The bewildering "grab bag" of aid and incentive programs launched by governments have been costly, ineffective and neglected by most of the private sector. The financial restraints affecting social welfare programs are, among other things,:

- admission that government involvement in the social sector has been costly and inefficient (the problems are still with us despite horrendously high expenditure levels) and
- opportunity for the agencies and individuals of good will to do the job right - on a person-to-person basis with love being the essential ingredient.

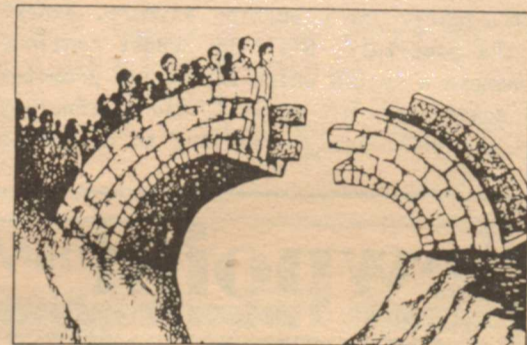
Many of the agencies whose leaders decry the inaction of governments are located in facilities that are rundown and badly in need of repairs and renovation. Many bemoan the costs of operating these facilities, particularly the costs of energy (heat, light).

Yet, they are loathe to pick up the gauntlets that have been placed before them by various levels of government. There have been and are programs available to renovate, enlarge and modernize these facilities, largely at government expense. Some, like energy retrofit, are designed specifically for churches. These can be employment creators and present opportunities for training people in various skills. (One skill that is in constant short supply is apartment superintendant - we could be providing training in the required skills at the same time maintaining and renovating

our own premises.)

Many of the available programs are being and have been utilized on a piecemeal basis by various churches and agencies. But much more extensive use of them can be made. Dixon Hall has set a good example by developing, financing and offering diverse programs reflecting the needs of its community.

There is an urgent need for a central, comprehensive source of information on these various programs. Also, ongoing information (freely available) on programs in action - which organizations have used them, what the effects have been, and so on.



But we have to start at the beginning. Of the most basic needs, food, shelter and clothing, food is the most fundamental. We believe that the food bank concept is a concrete tool never before available to fight and eliminate hunger by doing it first at home.

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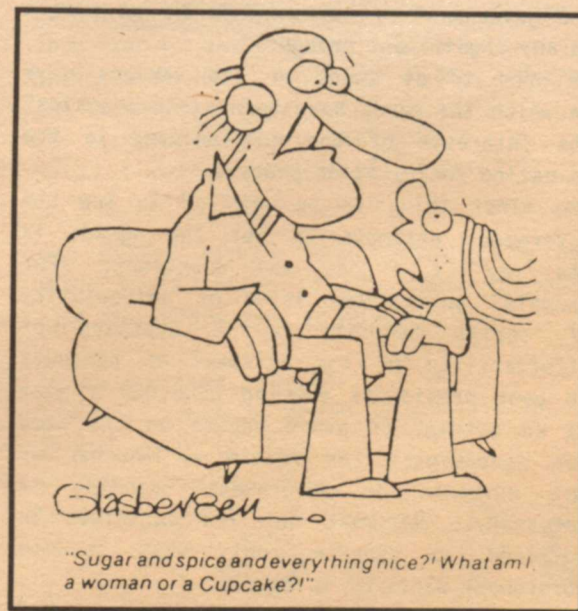
It is because of lack of money? No! The world in 1983 spent \$550 billion on arms - twice as much as was spent on food!

Technologically, we can send men to the Moon and return safely.

Why are people hungry? Because we are expecting others to be our brother's keeper. As every one of us has part of the solution, it is a must that we join together to eliminate the problem.

What is needed? We must ALERT the people of the City to the problem. We who are members of the poor and those of us who work in the agencies are aware of the problems. The people of Toronto are ready, willing and able - look at the response to the Ethiopian crisis where public response pushed governments to increase their activities. Look what Dr. Simone is doing... Here at home, people can get directly involved. We must follow the ALERT with the vehicle for them to get involved. The food bank is such a vehicle.

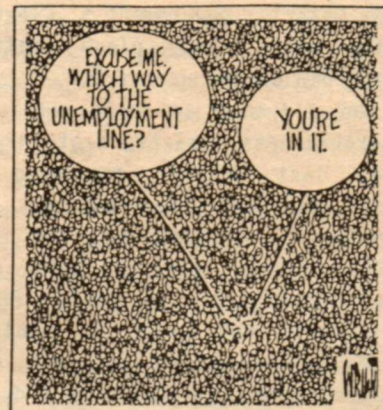
"...Give us this day our daily bread..." or give me this day my daily bread.



Action of the Month

MARCH ACTION

Is there any concern for the unemployed in the upcoming Federal budget?



Poverty is getting worse in Canada. The P.C. Government promises that the May Federal budget will set a "New Direction" for Canada: jobs, economic recovery and a reduced deficit. But the outline and agenda for the "New Direction" announced in November 1984 made no mention of improving the support available to the increasing numbers of Canadians below the poverty line. To move in this so-called "new direction", the government will rely on the private sector to create jobs with increased grants, reduced regulations and lower tax rates.

This strategy is far from a new direction: it is the same Liberal policy of past years shifted into high gear. And the results have been disastrous for low-income Canadians primarily because instead of investing extra money to create jobs in Canada, the corporate sector has invested outside of Canada to increase profits. Middle and lower income Canadians have been taxed at higher rates to partially compensate for the corporate welfare programs. If the government moves in its May budget to implement the strategy of job creation by putting more money into corporate hands, the likely outcome will be a larger deficit, more unemployed, more Canadians in need of welfare and increasing pressure to dismantle the welfare system as the deficit increases.

Instead, **Citizens for Public Justice** believes the government should be urged to:

- Reduce public funding available to the corporate sector and high income Canadians so that government will collect more revenue.
- Increase direct job creation funding for low-income categories. In addition to providing more adequate incomes, this will contribute to economic recovery, as the poor spend close to 100% of their income.
- Announce direct job creation projects in areas where social objectives will also be met: preventive medicine, day care, public transportation, education, culture, environmental enhancement and native self-reliance. Expenditures in these areas are job intensive, socially responsible and contribute to an economic recovery which will reduce the deficit.

Growing poverty and persistent high unemployment are just two elements of an economy, and a society, in deep trouble. All indications are that the P.C.s want to take us further down that road in their budget — a road that is unjust and bound to fail in its economic goals because it has no sense of purpose other than more materialistic growth for the few.

Citizens for Public Justice (CPJ) believes that a radically different strategy is needed. CPJ is an ecumenical Christian citizen's movement with promotes just social and political policies for Canada. Native people's issues, the environment and Canadian social policy are just a few of the areas which CPJ's 1500 members are involved with. CPJ also publishes its own newspaper, **Catalyst**, focusing on Canadian social justice issues.

**For more information call
Citizens for Public Justice at 979-2443.**

The P.C. Government is talking about limiting social benefits at a time when Canada's social crisis is deepening.

Consider these realities:

- Since 1981 the number of Canadians below the poverty line has increased 23% in two years.
- Unemployment has increased from 7.1% in 1976 to 11.2% in 1984 and real unemployment is estimated at 20%.
- All this is happening while there has been a tremendous growth in the after tax profits of banks: from \$278.3 million in 1971 to \$1.894 billion in 1983.

The P.C.'s blame the Liberal government for the economic crisis, but their proposals are essentially Liberal policies in high gear. If implemented in May, they will deepen the social and economic crisis for most Canadians while transferring more tax dollars to corporations.

Consider:

- From 1960 to 1974 major initiatives were launched in social spending such as the Canada Assistance program, Medicare and post-secondary education. After that period, Canada had no deficit.
- Corporate taxes as a percentage of total government revenue have dropped from 21.4% in 1950 to 6.4% in 1982. In that same time period, personal taxes as a percent of the same revenue have increased from 19.7% to 39.2%.

In initiating their review of social security programs, the P.C.'s say they want "to help ensure that our safety net remains one of the most comprehensive and fair in the world as well as efficient and well directed."

Consider that Canada rates very low (12th of 18 countries) in social spending to other western countries.

Prime Minister Mulroney:

Yes, I agree with Citizens for Public Justice that the government should give immediate priority to programs which benefit the unemployed!

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Mail to: Prime Minister Brian Mulroney
c/o Citizens for Public Justice
229 College Street
Toronto, Ontario M5T 1R4

This coupon will be formally presented to the Prime Minister and other appropriate government officials.

Issues

ECT Not Always the Answer

A big step forward has been taken for electroshock survivors: ECT (electroshock therapy) has become an issue. The next steps will be small but important ones as the Ontario government's Clark Review Committee will likely place restrictions, but not a ban on the use of ECT.

Those who did wish to speak publicly about their experiences were heard at three public hearings last October sponsored by the Coalition to Stop Electroshock. All but one recipient recommended the abolition of ECT. These hearings were scheduled because the Ministry of Health ECT Review committee did not agree to include this type of participation as part of their review procedure. The Ministry did, however, receive a 200-page documentation from the hearings and will respond this fall.



Shirley Johnson, one shock recipient, says a self-help group sped up her recovery after she had begun to take care of herself. She is also concerned that doctors research the medical history of the patient before relying on drugs and shock. She says, "It [shock] made me worse. I wouldn't encourage anyone to use it. But I would encourage them to seek alternatives...We had no control over the situation...I've lost memories and the treatment triggered physical imbalances where my physical state was already sensitive."

Coalition Co-chairperson Dr. Bonnie Burstow views ECT as a strange way to go about helping people deal with problems. "In terms of what human beings are about and how they go about working things through, ECT, as a "therapy" which destroys brain cells, is open to criticism."

There is little follow-up done on ECT recipients when they re-enter the community. They have a difficult time at best piecing their lives together because many thoughts and details of their lives are gone and problem solving is not easy for them.

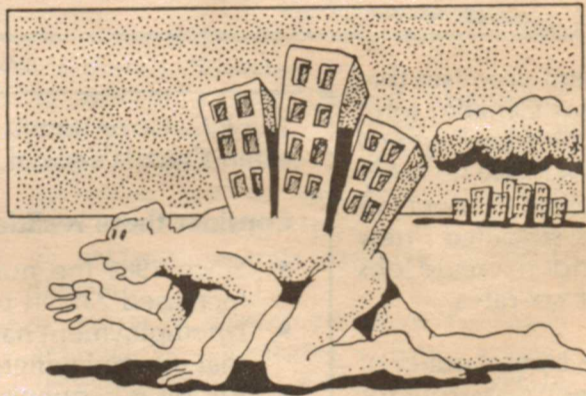
In Search of Housing Policy

The new Federal Government has very quietly released a "Consultation Paper on Housing", which is intended to be an opening discussion paper in the development of federal housing policy. While tenants in Metro Toronto are facing a crisis situation characterized by all-time low vacancy rates, deteriorating maintenance and rising rents (notwithstanding so-called "rent controls"), while Municipal non-profit housing programs, such as Toronto's CityHome, and non-profit Co-op Development groups are ready and able to build thousands of affordable housing units, but are starved for funds, the "Consultation Paper on Housing" is preoccupied with unleashing the private sector. This would reduce government expenditures and, at the same times, provide supply side (the private developer) stimulation.

Using the Minister of Finances' Economic Statement as an agenda for housing responsibility, the consultation paper bases its discussions on four economic issues:

- government fiscal responsibility;
- ways of removing obstacles to growth for the private sector;
- ways of encouraging entrepreneurship and risk-taking; and
- ways of targetting social support to those genuinely in need.

The discussion paper makes some questionable premises. It puts forward that the private rental market, if unimpeded, can work will on its own, that "there is (in Canada) an adequate supply of suitable accommodation at prices most people can afford", and that rent controls are a major factor contributing to the lack of activity in the housing development market. The paper then goes on to suggest that freeing the private market will create more housing for those who need it.



The paper makes a not-too-veiled threat to provinces with rent control programs: "Government assistance has been provided because investment in rental accommodation has become uneconomic...If the problems arise from matters under provincial jurisdiction, such as rent controls, then the appropriateness of federal assistance must be questioned."

Groups representing the interests of tenants have not been included in the long list of those with whom the Federal Government intends to consult about housing. Obviously omitted are groups representing Natives, handicapped and the elderly. Some national social organizations are also missing as is any consumer balance in the consultation process.

Those wishing to receive a copy of the consultation paper should call the local CMHC office (781-2451 in Toronto), and are encouraged to write and submit a response by March 8. Even after this deadline, we must actively encourage the new minister responsible for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Bill McKnight, that consumers of housing must be consulted about their needs and opinions. If the private market has been unable to provide housing to date, why are they singled out as being the target of providing appropriate housing in the future? We must support co-operative and municipal non-profit groups who are willing to build affordable housing. The Federation of Metro Tenants' Associations will have its response to the consultation paper available by March 8 for any groups or individuals who wish to read and/or endorse it. For more information on this issue call the Federation of Metro Tenants' Associations at 364-1564.



Exploring U.S. Intervention

A week of activities, from April 13 to 20, is being planned for all individuals and groups concerned about the situation in Central America and the Caribbean and in support of the following demands:

- Self-determination for the people of Central America and the Caribbean: Stop U.S. military and economic intervention.
- End Canadian government complicity with U.S. military and economic intervention in Central America and the Caribbean.
- Money for jobs and human needs, not war: No more Canadian weapons testing and production for the U.S. military.
- End Canadian aid to Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras and increase aid to Nicaragua.

This week is supported by over 130 activists representing 40 anti-war, solidarity, church and community groups who gathered in December at the Toronto Anti-Intervention Conference. Among events scheduled for the week are

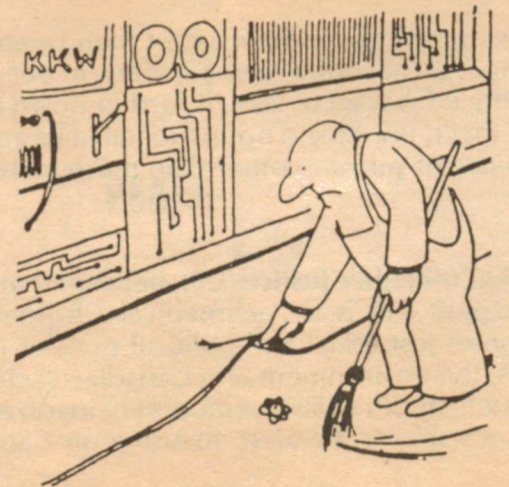
- A fast at Litton Systems to help make visible the connection between Canada's ongoing support of U.S. militarism and consequent complicity with U.S. military intervention.
- A Cultural Day of Resistance featuring a benefit show at the Rivoli Cafe on April 19. If you can perform, contribute or loan artwork for that day, call Scott at 537-8022 or 532-6720.
- A march and rally on April 20 at Moss Park arena at noon ending at Convocation Hall.
- Other groups planning events are Development and Peace, Centre for Caribbean Dialogue, Youth Corps, Canadian Action for Nicaragua, ArtNica and Witness for Justice and Peace.

This has been a traumatic time for Central Americans. The deteriorating situation in the region, the growing toll in peoples' lives and national sovereignty, demand that we show our solidarity and move into action now!

For more information call Ann at 537-3520.

Nuclear Inquiry Needed Now!

During his election campaign, Tory leader Brian Mulroney promised, if elected, to hold a national inquiry into Canada's nuclear industry. Now, six months after Mulroney's successful election campaign, the promised inquiry has yet to materialize.



Federal Energy Minister Pat Carney says that other priorities have precluded the government from addressing the question of whether a national inquiry would be advantageous at this time. Carney says she is "considering" some form of public inquiry, but says she wants to consult with the provincial governments and the industry itself, first, to get their views on whether an inquiry is needed.

Norm Rubin of Energy Probe says that the much-needed inquiry would, in fact, "be deciding the fate of some of Ottawa's most sacred cows--and its most expensive ones--including Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd., Eldorado Nuclear Ltd. and the Atomic Energy Board." Rubin says that as it stands now, any consultation with the industry would be largely kept secret. He wants Energy Probe, among others, to be a part of any consultation. Because of the proposed inquiry will be the first national examination in the 40-year history of Canada's growing commitment to nuclear energy, the committee's composition must include both pro and con viewpoints. Rubin is disappointed with the lack of progress on the inquiry, but he's still optimistic. He says all levels of government are potential targets for the public to address letters of concern and urges people to "ask their M.P.'s, 'What gives?'" For more information, Norm Rubin can be reached at 978-7014.

Day Planned Against Racism

March 21 has been declared by the United Nations as the International Day for the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination. CIDER, the Committee for the International Day for the Elimination of Racism, was formed three days ago to hold a public event each year.

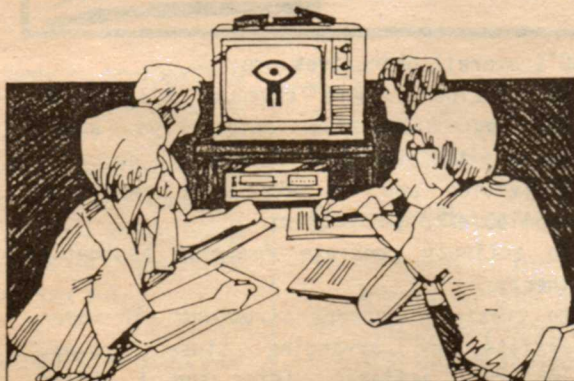


March 21 also marks the 25th anniversary of the Sharpsville massacre in South Africa and the 40th anniversary of the United Nations. The celebration now being planned will "act as a symbol of the ongoing struggle against apartheid and support the international movement against racism--towards justice and equality for the peoples of the world."

Activities for this year's event are scheduled for March 23. Featured speaker will be Louis Valencia Rodriguez, Chairperson of the United Nations Committee for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination as well as Yusef Saloojee, the Canadian representative of the African National Congress and Lil Laforte, Quinte Labour Council and Native Women's Oriented Association. Cultural performers will include Kitchen Jam, a reggae band, and others. The place is Harbord Collegiate and the starting time is 2 pm. For more information on CIDER, call Dominic Bellissimo at 534-0449 or Lester Green at 461-7033.

Support a Canadian Youth and Children's Channel

As a result of letters of intervention sent by groups and organizations from across the nation, the CRTC has scheduled Hearings throughout the country to give all those who wish to speak to the question of a new TV channel devoted to children and youth, an opportunity to do so. After the National public Hearings are completed, the National Film Board is prepared to present its application for licence to the CRTC submissions committee. The NFB is proposing a new channel, to be called Young Canada Television/Tele-Jeunesse Canada, devoted to children and youth (ages 2 to 24), which would contain programs that are non-racist, non-sexist, non-violent, with production and programming input from youth and owned and programmed by a newly created nationally representative independent non-profit foundation.



This is a rare opportunity for you to have a voice in determining alternatives to current TV programs for children and youth, reflecting a Canadian perspective. The Commission would be impressed by the broadest representation from the community at the hearing and you are invited to attend on Monday, March 25th at 7:30 pm., rooms 103 A & B; Rooms 104 A & B, Metro Convention Centre, 255 Front Street West, Toronto M5V 2W6. If you wish to speak at the CRTC Hearing, write to the address below and state that you support the need for a predominantly Canadian youth and children's channel and that you would like to address the Commission in order to express your views. Write to: Fernand Belisle, Secretary General, CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2. If you are not in a position to write but would like an opportunity to speak at the Hearing, simply appear an hour prior to the Hearing and register your desire to be heard with the secretary. For further information call 369-3305.

INFACT Finds More Violations

A recent review by INFACT (Infant Feeding Action Coalition) Canada found many violations by Mead Johnson, the Canadian subsidiary of Bristol-Myers. This review, based on the World Health Organization's Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes, found the following:

- the subtle promotion of infant formula in violation of the spirit and aim of the Code--to promote and protect breastfeeding--in Mead Johnson booklets for new mothers. The books imply over and over that breast milk and infant formula are equal.
- Brand names of infant formula occurred 123 times in the six booklets reviewed.
- Dissonance-saying that breast milk is superior but showing the opposite in photographs.
- Coupons for formula attached to booklets. The WHO Code prohibits the use of promotion devices to induce sales of infant formula.



These booklets are distributed through prenatal classes, hospitals and doctors' offices in Toronto and across Canada. "Clearly, our health care systems are being used to promote sales of infant formula," says Margaret Bennet-Alder, National Coordinator of INFACT Canada. INFACT is planning an in-depth review of the activities of other companies in the infant feeding field in Canada. This is in keeping with INFACT's goal to work in solidarity with Third World groups for social justice for infants. For further information contact Margaret Bennet-Alder at 595-9819 or 488-3368.

NFB NEWS March 1985

The free screening series **THIRD WORLD, OUR WORLD** continues Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. this month at the NFB Theatre (1 Lombard Street), featuring **DREAM OF A FREE COUNTRY: A MESSAGE FROM NICARAGUAN WOMEN**, **ABORTION: STORIES FROM NORTH AND SOUTH** and other films.

The NFB has proposed a new TV channel to be called **YOUNG CANADA TELEVISION/TELE-JEUNESSE CANADA**, devoted to children and youth and containing programmes that are non-racist, non-sexist, non-violent with production and programming input from young people. The channel would be owned and programmed by a newly-created, nationally representative independent non-profit Foundation. If you wish to support this initiative, please attend the CRTC hearing scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 25 at the Metro Convention Centre. Call 369-3305 for more information.

IT'S HARD TO GET IT HERE, a new film from the NFB's Winnipeg Production Studio will soon be available from our library. This moving documentary, filmed over a period of a year, traces the movements of three Native Canadians and their families as they cope with urban life. It makes apparent the white system's indifference to the native reality.

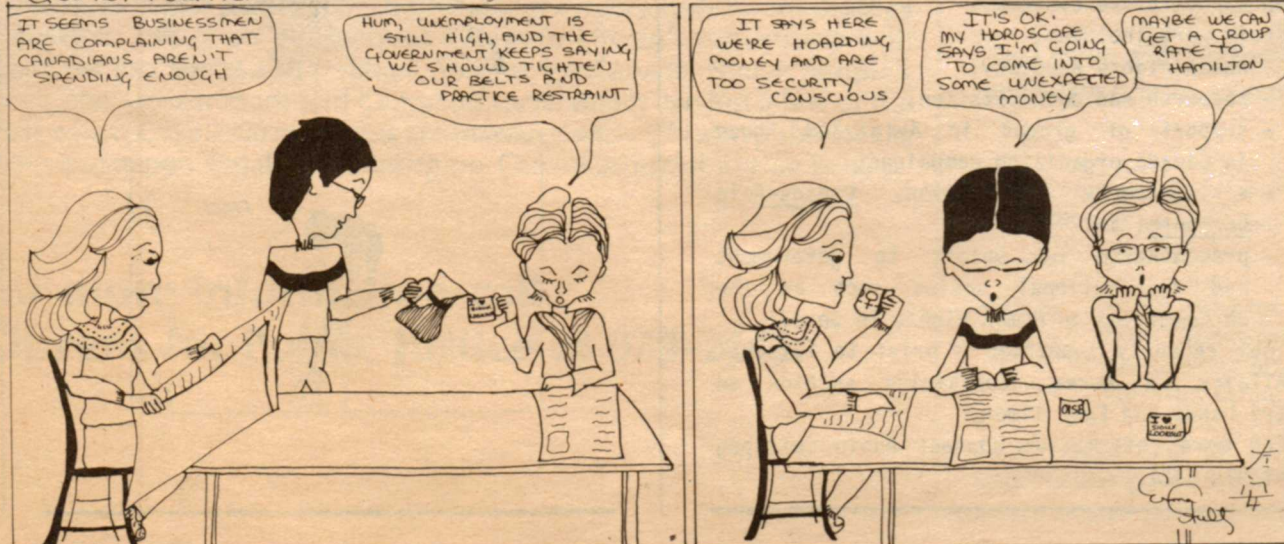
For general information on NFB events and services, pick up a free copy of **NFB FILM CLIPS**, or call 369-4094. To borrow films, call 369-4093.



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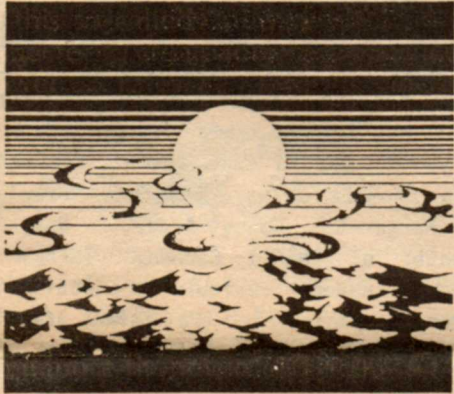
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Profiles

Environmental Network Encourages Public Pressure

The Ontario Environmental Network serves as a clearing house for information among various environmental organizations in Ontario. Previously known as the Ontario ENGO Network (Environmental Non-Government Organizations) the new title reflects a name change at the national level. With regular contact between 170 environmental organizations in Ontario, the importance of the network becomes evident in the diversity of work which groups cover while still being able to support each other. Some groups were formed to work on one specific issue such as toxic waste disposal in their area. Others have both human and material resources to deal with a wide variety of issues from acid rain to energy conservation. There is usually more of a focus on research and advocacy in the latter groups while the former spend a lot of time familiarizing themselves with sets of documents so they can defend themselves against government and industry.



At a recent provincial meeting in Toronto was an example of the Network's ability to share information and to initiate co-operative action in the fight for environmental protection. One topic discussed was forestry, one of importance, but one without a high profile. Discussing this issue fostered support and co-operation between northern and southern groups, a welcome element in the Network. Some groups are co-operating to secure "intervenor funding" from government for participation in court cases.

The meeting also saw the birth of the Ontario Pesticides Action Coalition (OPAC) and beginning discussions for the Project for Environmental Priorities whereby candidates will be canvassed on a riding by riding basis to both teach them more about environmental concerns and provide for the electorate more information about where candidates stand on environmental issues. For more information, contact David Orfald at 978-3032.

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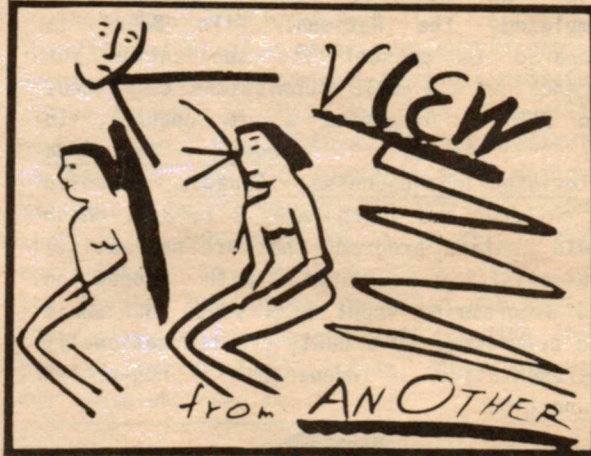
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WARC for Women's Art

The Women's Art Resource Centre (WARC) is a new organization that began out of the need to document women's cultural work and to actively generate feminist aesthetic theory in Canada. The centre will publicize women's art and feminist art criticism in the art world, the women's community and the general community. They are funded by an Explorations Grant from Canada Council.



WARC's overall objectives are:

- to develop a more thorough history of art by collecting information about women artists and women's cultural activities and to make these resources available to the public;
- to actively generate feminist aesthetic theory;
- to create a support structure for women artists by arranging study groups, lectures, artists' visits and a skills exchange;
- to facilitate debate and discussion about feminist art practice; and
- to encourage contact between women's art groups and other community organizations thus educating and expanding an audience for women artists.

Central to their function is a registry of slides and other types of documentation of women artists' work. (They are asking for donations of slides, photographs, cassettes, and so on.) Another service will be a skills exchange which will assist women in finding freelance, art-related employment. They are also sponsoring public talks by artists, reading groups and a networking group.

For further information please call 593-0058, 10 am to 5 pm, Mondays and Tuesdays. WARC is located at 455 Spadina, Room 215.

Working Group Explores Economic Links

The Canada-Asia Working Group is an inter-church coalition for Asian concerns and is interested in working for human rights and social justice. In showing the economic links between Canada and Asia, they try to discover whether Canada is helping development or actually propping up exploitative systems.

Their work includes:

- human rights advocacy;
- research and documentation;
- support of groups in Asia and those in Canada organizing campaigns;
- a quarterly publication, Canada-Asia Currents; and
- presentation of briefs to government and international bodies such as the UN Committee on Human Rights in Geneva.

They recently submitted a brief to External Affairs on Korea, containing section on Sri Lanka and East Timor.

For more information contact Rubin Cuisapag at 924-9351.

OPIRG Student Awareness and Links with the Community

Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs) were originally founded by consumer advocate Ralph Nader in New York. They are intended to provide students of the university community with a socially meaningful outlet for their research skills and a hands-on lesson in participatory democracy.

Public interest research, such as the kind conducted by OPIRG Toronto, seeks to break the "knowledge monopoly" of the academic, government and business communities through:

- Exposition - bringing into the open information which otherwise might remain hidden or partially revealed.
- Documentation - compiling and presenting evidence gathered from facts, figures and human experience always maintaining a high degree of integrity and reliability.
- Analysis - placing information in an analytical framework, examining underlying political, economic and power relationships.
- Motivation - uniting research and action allowing individuals to become actively involved in issues which affect their lives.



OPIRG Toronto began in 1982. Its current projects include an investigation into the pharmaceutical industry, a study into Toronto's urban sprawl, work within a Coalition to establish a Women's Centre at U of T and a survey of Niagara Falls residences regarding the placing of a toxic waste dump in their community. All projects contain a strategy to include research, education and action. They are always open to new project ideas. Please contact OPIRG for more information at 978-3032 or write them at 2 Sussex Avenue, Room 302, Innis College, U of T, Toronto, M5S 1J5.



FOCUS ON...

Events

From Social Planning Council...

THE CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS: RIGHTS TO SERVICES is an April 19 working conference designed to consider the effects of the Charter on human services and the access to these services. It will cite case experiences with the Charter and opportunities and limitations on its use. How the Charter may be used in practical ways for the human services will also be discussed. Featured luncheon speaker will be Jean Chretien, M.P. and former Minister of Justice, Government of Canada. Registration fee including lunch is \$50. Deadline is April 4. For more information contact Robert Doyle or Suzanne Olson at 961-9831.

From Physicians for Social Responsibility and University of Toronto and McMaster Faculties of Medicine...

WAGING PEACE IN THE NUCLEAR AGE: A Family and Community Affair is the subject of a national PSR conference on April 12 and 13. The occasion will provide medical and non-medical people an opportunity to participate in a dialogue encouraging "a mutual move away from the insanity of nuclear confrontation toward co-operation that will ensure a future for humankind." For more information contact Physicians for Social Responsibility at 593-6628.

From Energy Probe...

SPOKESPEOPLE: A Conference on Bicycle Advocacy is an event scheduled for April 26 and 27. Keynote speaker June Jacobs will explore the common interest in the quality of city life shared by cyclists and other activist groups. Workshops on such topics as the Auto/bike Relationship, Wooing the Media, What's Being Done Elsewhere, Bicycles and City Hall and Lobbying will offer an opportunity to learn from experts and to exchange information and share strategies. Registration fee is \$10. For more information contact Kate Sutherland at 978-7014.

From Social Planning Councils of Metropolitan Toronto, Ottawa/Carleton, Ajax/Pickering, Brant, Kitchener/Waterloo, Oshawa/Whitby, Peel...

CHILD POVERTY IN ONTARIO will focus on the timely and important issue that some 400,000 children in the province are living in poverty. Organizers feel that there is a pressing need to make child poverty a public issue; identify needed policy and program changes; and plan a program of advocacy and action at the local level. The conference dates are March 29 and 30 and will cost \$35. Some out-of-town travel subsidies will be available. For more information call 961-9831.

From the Ontario Federation of Labour...

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION - a conference sponsored by the OFL will take place on April 25, 26 and 27. This conference for trade unionists will help build necessary skills to achieve affirmative action in such areas as equal pay, universal childcare and skills training at the bargaining table, in the political arena and in the community. Registration fee is only \$30. For more information call Janis Sarra at 441-2731.

Interchange

New Directions at the Trojan Horse

Beginning in March, on Friday evenings, the Trojan Horse will offer a new program of community-based culture around four main themes of interest:

1st Friday--Third World Solidarity

2nd Friday--Women's Issues

3rd Friday--Canadian Social Issues

4th Friday--Peace and the Environment

Each month will see a different focus with the four areas, (depending upon actual circumstances at the time) much like "Action of the Month". This program will involve many people already active in the social change community; and, hopefully, will encourage others to become involved, as well.

Saturdays, the Trojan Horse will continue to stage a wide variety of excellent social change artists.

Also at the Horse, the Toronto Union of Unemployed Workers holds a drop-in centre every Wednesday from 1-6 pm. Beginning in March, the Emily Stowe organization will operate a cultural program on the third Thursday of every month.

Want to get involved? Want more information? Call 461-8367. The Trojan Horse is located at 179 Danforth Avenue.

Einstein — Now a play

Nephesh Theatre Company, in association with Toronto Workshop Productions, presents Einstein, a new play by Gabriel Emanuel at the TWP Theatre, 12 Alexander St. Starting March 21, performances are Tuesday through Thursday at 8:30 pm; Sunday at 2:30 pm.

Einstein traces the life of this century's greatest scientist, from his early childhood through the years in which his genius was to make its mark upon the world. The play examines the conflict between Einstein's own responsibility in the development of the first atomic bomb and his subsequent dedication to preserving a world free of nuclear weapons.

Einstein is being directed by Jack Blum and stars Peter Boretski who was recently seen in the role of "Paul Trefius", the diamond merchant in Charlie Grant's War.

For ticket prices and information, call TWP at 925-8640 or Nephesh Theatre Company at 927-7804.

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From Quaker Committee on Jails & Justice...

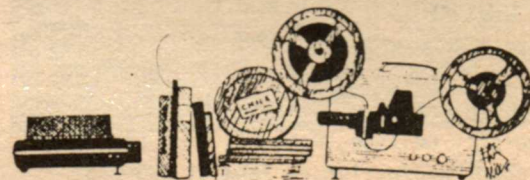
Policing, Punishment and Prisons is a one-day film festival on March 30 from 10 am to 10 pm. It hopes to provide people with an accurate understanding of the workings of the so-called criminal justice system and its effects on people of colour, Natives, women and people in mental health units and prisons. Films will be followed by discussion sessions and be shown at Friend's House, 60 Lowther Avenue, Toronto. For more information call Jake Friesen at 922-6128.

From Physicians for Social Responsibility...

Curing Nuclear Madness by Dr. Frank Sommers and Tana Dineen is a prescription for personal action. It offers a way out of individual paralysis and, in that process, offers a direction for taking the first steps toward the psychological and social transition required to bring about a collective change of mind. It is available for \$9.95 through the PSR office, 100 College St., 5th floor, Toronto or call 593-6828.

From DEC Books...

Gift of the Devil: a History of Guatemala is the first full history of Guatemala to appear in several decades. It traces the sharp contrastss and violent conflict between an oppressive elite and the majority Indian population. Gift of the Devil reveals that Guatemala's current traumas are bitter, but logical expressions of its past. The book is available for \$12.95 in paperback or \$25.95 in cloth from DEC Bookroom, 427 Bloor West or at bookstores around Toronto.



Action Training Events

for Community Workers and Social Activists

The Action Training Network of Ontario, a centre of the Canadian Urban Training Project will offer 2+1 training events beginning April 15-26 and Oct. 28-Nov. 8. They will consist of a residential two weeks regular meetings over a three month period around participant back home projects and a final week. Action training is an experiential learning process designed to increase the abilities and satisfaction of people involved in planned social change and service for a more just and humane society. Methods used include simulations, direct encounters with social actors, plunges into unfamiliar subcultures and group planning and values clarification. Taking place in groups of about seven, skills in social issue analysis, organizations and systems are enhanced. Attention is given to developing and integrating personal and social change goals.

For further information on 2+1 contact Wally Brant at 481-7574 or 51 Bond St., Toronto M5B 1X1. A Summer Student Training program using Action Training methods will be offered. Contact Andrew Murray at same address or call 469-2399.

Calendar

March 13

WAME-Benefit for North York Women's Shelter
Limelight Dinner Theatre, 2026 Yonge St.,
\$35/person, dinner at 6 pm, show at 8:15
For more information -- 635-9630

March 16

COFFEE HOUSE

Guests scheduled to date -- Nancy White, Izalco

Sponsored by Committee of Solidarity with the People of El Salvador

Cafe 414, 414 College St., 8 pm., \$5/\$3 students

For more information -- Pippa at 651-6068

COMMUNITY VIGIL marking U.S. President Reagan's visit to Quebec City

U.S. Consulate (at 6 pm) and then march to Peace Gardens

Sponsored by Emergency Reponse Committee of Toronto Anti-Intervention Coalition

For more information -- 537-3520

March 19

THE PERSON BY THE PERSON - a videotape dealing with the gap between immigrants' expectations and the Canadian reality

by Shalhevet Goldhar and Meg Thornton

Sponsored by A Space

204 Spadina Ave., 8 pm, \$4/\$2 members

For more information -- 364-3227

NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN CANADA: WHO DECIDES?

Speaker: William Arkin, Nuclear weapons analyst

Sponsored by Toronto Disarmament Network

Trinity St. Paul's Church, 427 Bloor St. W., 7:30 pm., \$3 at door

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ANSWERING EINSTEIN'S CHALLENGE: IMAGES FOR SURVIVAL

Speaker: Andrew Pakula

Sponsored by Psychologists for Social Responsibility

University College, Room 85, 7:30 pm.

For more information -- Tana at 929-5737

March 23

WHAT THE SYSTEM DOES TO WOMEN'S HEALTH-
a forum

Panelists: Joan Bodger, Gestalt therapist; Anne Brunelle, socialist-feminist; Nikki Colodny, socialist-feminist; Vickie Van Wagner, practicing midwife

Sponsored by Socialist Workers Collective International Student Ctr., 33 St. George St., 7:30 pm., \$2 donation

For more information -- 535-8779

March 24

ECUMENICAL SERVICE FOR PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA: on the 5th Anniversary of Oscar Romero's Assassination

Sponsored by Christian Committee of COSPES Trinity St. Paul's Church, 427 Bloor St. W., 7 pm., free

For more information -- Andrew at 469-2399

STOPPING THE GROWING WAR IN CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN-A Panel discussion

(Panelists unconfirmed at press time)

Sponsored by University of Toronto Anti-Intervention Coalition

OISE, 252 Bloor St. W., 8 pm.

For more information -- 979-9629

LATIN AMERICAN CULTURAL AFTERNOON to commemorate the anniversary of the death of Camilo Torres

Featuring Grupo Taller, Grupo Izalco and others

Sponsored by Columbian Committee

Loretto College gymnasium, 387 Brunswick Ave., 4 pm., \$3 donation

For more information -- 964-1347

March 26

FROM SHARPVILLE TO NOW-audio/visual presentation

by Norman "Otis" Richmond

Sponsored by Toronto Public Library

Parkdale Library, 1303 Queen St. W.

For more information -- 532-6548

SELLING THINGS TO RAISE MONEY

Sponsored by Brown Bag Forum

519 Church St., noon, bring your lunch

March 27

SHOULD WE HAVE MANDATORY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION?

Speakers at press time, Francis Henry, author of "Who Gets the Work?"

Sponsored by Urban Alliance on Race Relations and CentreStage Forum

St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E., Free, 8 pm

For more information -- 362-7041

March 28

FEMINIST FILM SERIES

Sponsored by Ryerson Women's Centre -- Benefit for University of Toronto's Women's Centre

March 28--"Awakening of Christina Klaus"

April 4--"Balance of Happiness"

April 11--"Marianna & Julianna"

Location to be confirmed, 8 pm., \$4 or 3/\$10

For more information -- Paula at 978-3032

March 29

CANADIAN ECONOMIC STRATEGY AND THIRD WORLD DEVELOPMENT

Speakers: Gerald Helleiner and Abraham Rotstein, Dept. of Economics, U of T

Croft Chapter House, U of T, 2 pm.

POETRY ABOUT WORK

Tom Waymon and others

New Trojan Horse Cafe, 179 Danforth Ave., 8 pm., \$4

For more information -- 461-8367

March 30

PEÑA-Latin American music, dancing and food

Benefit for tuberculin for political prisoners in Peru

Sponsored by Peru Support Group

24 Cecil St., \$3 donation, 7 pm.

For more information -- Diane at 255-5622

April 12

DR. HELEN CALDICOTT

Sponsored by Toronto Disarmament Network and Toronto Nuclear Awareness

Convocation Hall, U of T, 7:30 pm., \$5/advance or \$6/door

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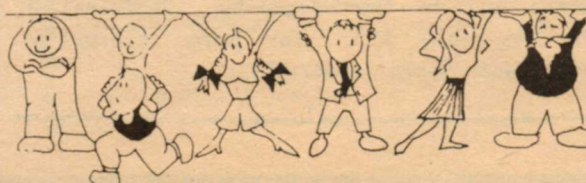
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Note: A retreat is planned for April 13.

Any social justice group wishing to have their event listed in this Calendar should send the information by March 30 to:

Issues & Action Calendar
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COMMUNITY FORUM ON SHARED RESPONSIBILITY
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday

March 8

Art Programme for senior citizens: an introduction to watercolours, chalk, pastel and drawing techniques for the beginner. Group meets every Friday morning. Fee is \$6.00 for 10 weeks. Call 863-0498.

Saturday

March 9

John Howard Society is holding an open A.A. meeting tonight and every Saturday night at 8:00 p.m. 168 Isabella St. Call 925-4386.

Sunday

March 10

From 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today a workshop entitled "How to Love This Planet" is being held at Castle Frank High School. Call 598-9838.

Monday

March 11

The Citizens for a Safe Environment is holding a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Ralph Thornton Centre (735 Queen St E). Everyone is welcome to come and find out more about the City's plans to build a garbage incinerator at the foot of Cherry St and Lakeshore Blvd. For details call Marilyn Churley, 465-1231.

Tuesday

March 12

Queen/Saulter Library presents Wild Animals From The Endangered Animal Sanctuary. Bill Valliere will bring a boa constrictor, or skunk, or marmoset, or another wild surprise! 765 Queen St. East. 465-2156.

Wednesday

March 13

Toronto's Rooming House Newsletter, "Rumours", is holding a meeting today at 5:00 p.m. in the Christian Resource Centre, 40 Oak Street. Everyone welcome.

Home movie making, an exhibition of amateur motion-picture equipment c.1900-1970, opens this evening and runs through Saturday at the Funnel Film Centre. Hours: 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday to Friday and from 2 to 10 p.m. on Saturday. Admission by donation. 507 King St. E. 364-7003.

Friday

March 15

The Fallout Shelter Peace Coffee House presents David Donnell, winner of the Gov. General Award for poetry 1984 at 9:00 p.m. tonight. 370 Queen St. East (at Parliament). 362-0354.

Saturday

March 16



Bake Sale and St. Patrick's Day Tea today from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Wood-Green United Church. Yummy home made scones - hot from the oven - baked right there in the kitchen by Bella and she is even Irish. Scones served with butter and home made jam - Cakes and/or cookies. Home made. There is also a boutique table with gift items and crafts. 875 Queen St. East. 461-1105.



St. Patrick's Day Adult Dance, today at 8:00 p.m. Toronto Christian Resource, 40 Oak St. \$3.00, \$2.50

Monday

March 18

The Greenwood Greens are holding their nomination this evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Ralph Thornton Centre. 765 Queen St. East. Open to the community without pressure to join the Green Party. For more information call 589-7027.

Wednesday

March 20

St. Patrick's Day Luncheon at Simpson Ave. United Church (Simpson Ave. at Howland Rd.) today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bake table, White elephant, Books & Records.

Mary O'Hara, singer and harpist will be at the Roy Thomson Hall this evening at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.50, \$17.50, \$14.50 and \$10.50. Call 593-4822.

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Toronto Independent Dance Enterprise present a new work tonight at 8:00 p.m. which runs until 30 March at the Winchester Street Theatre. Tickets are available at the Box Office (596-8384) at Ticketron and at Five Star.

Thursday

March 21

The Funnel presents the world premiere of Eye of the Mask by Toronto artist Judith Doyle. She will be present at the screenings tonight at 7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m. During her travels in Nicaragua a year ago Doyle filmed 'Nixtayolero' (Dawn Star), a revolutionary theatre group, as they visited remote farms. 507 King St. E., 364-7003.

The New Trojan Horse Cafe and the Emily Stowe Shelter for Women will be presenting an evening of entertainment in support of the shelter and other women's shelters.

Community Calendar is a free community service. If you have an item for the next (March 22) issue of 7 News, please have your material in by Friday March 15. Events between March 22 and April 5 should go in this issue.

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COURSES

The Kiwanis Boys' and Girls' Club, located at the corner of Sumach and Spruce will be holding a **Computer Day Camp** during the School March Break (March 11 - 15 inclusive). Classes are three hours each day for children between the ages of 6 - 18. Recreational programs are also available so that your child may spend the entire day at the Club. For more information and/or to register for the Computer Camp, call Michi Kobayashi at 925-2243. Cost is \$15 per student for 15 hours of Computer time. Register early, limited availability.

DANCE

Daytime Dancercise Classes at the Ballodolce Dance Studio. Mon - Sun 11:00 - 12:00, 1:00 - 2:00. Instructor Enrico Coppola. Located 93-1A Parliament St., N/E corner King, Parliament. 360-5321.

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Grindstone Co-op is accepting summer staff applications for the Grindstone Island Centre—an educational centre on issues of peace, justice, and development, located in Big Rideau Lake near Portland, Ontario. Six positions are for cooking staff and one is for maintenance. The maintenance and four of the cooking positions are from May 12 to September 30; the other two cooking positions are to August 31. Applicants should have co-op experience and/or social change background in their work history. Cooking applicants should have experience in large-scale food preparation. Experience in maintenance is required for the maintenance staff position. Salary is \$440 per month plus room and board. Applications are due March 15. For information and application forms contact Juliet Huntly, Grindstone Personnel Committee, 253 Major St., Toronto M5S 2L5. Phone 923-4215.

People needed for opinion surveys. Usually \$20.00 for 2 hours. For more information telephone 922-0338.

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.

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Meals on wheels volunteer drivers and runners are wanted to deliver hot meals to the elderly and disabled in East Toronto. Contact Gloria, Meals Here and There, 466-0587.

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.

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.

Experimental program in **computer-assisted learning** needs volunteers to assist with computer education of children. Experience with personal computers preferable—call Cindy Frewer at WoodGreen Community Centre 469-5211. Financial assistance for expanding the software library is also welcomed.

Dixon Hall is accepting applications for volunteer positions in the **Big Pal program**. This is a program which matches an adult volunteer with a child from the community for a one to one relationship. Must be 21 years or older and make a one year commitment. We are in special need of male volunteers for boys from single parent families. Please call Dixon Hall for details. 863-0499.

Arts & Crafts Volunteer needed—Central Neighbourhood House is looking for a volunteer to run an Arts & Crafts program for women every Wednesday night, 7-9 p.m. Do you love to knit, macrame, make things out of odds & ends? If so, please contact David at 925-4363.

WANTED

Children are wanted to form **Cabbagetown Community Children's Choir**. Mondays at 4:30 p.m. at Regent Park Church (40 Oak St.). Call 925-7222.

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

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.

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.

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