Glendon se prépare pour son 35ième

Julie Gauvin

Afin de coordonner les activités entourant la célébration du 35ième, un comité a été créé sur lequel siègent des membres de l'administration, des membres de la faculté ainsi que deux étudiants:دانه Palm и وینج-مارک داگوی.

Plusieurs événements sont prévus au calendrier des activités (tous en étant pas officiellement annoncés): des rencontres honorifiques et soupers bénéfiques auxquels seront invités tous les membres qui ont participé de prêts ou de loin à l'émancipation de Glendon au fil des ans. Mais il n'y a pas que cela. La célébration de 35 années d'existence, c'est aussi la célébration de l'avenir. Histoire de répondre aux recommandations formulées à la suite du document sur la vision stratégique de la principale Diane Adam, un forum pour révaliser la pertinence de l'appréciation du Collège Glendon est prévu pour l'an prochain. Pourquoi changer de nom ? Simplement pour l'adapter à l'exigence du maintien de notre réputation académique. Ce volet a déjà soulevé plusieurs débats, mais devra être abordé de nouveau au cour de la prochaine année.

Du côté étudiant, pour prendre part à l'organisation du 35ième, il s'agissait simplement d'en manifester l'intérêt. La logique du processus de sélection pour la mise sur pied d'un tel comité veut qu'un membre de l'AECG soit représenté. Dans de telles circonstances l'AECG fait normalement appel au directeur des affaires extérieures. Ainsi, il apparait pertinent que la future présidente du Collège soit impliquée au sein d'un tel événement. Par ailleurs, la présence de Jean-Marc Duguay est justifiée par le poste qu'il occupe au sein du Collège. Le fait de coordonner l'album du 35ième. Étant le seul à avoir manifesté l'intérêt escompté, il a donc hérité de cette fonction. Il sera appuyé dans ses fonctions par Nancy Pelletier, coordinatrice des activités étudiantes, qui est présentement à la recherche de plusieurs autres étudiants intéressants à collaborer à la conception de l'album.

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À l'heure où Glendon se prépare à célébrer ses 35 ans d'excellence, il y a de ces études dont l'éclat s'assombrit et qui justifient l'exercice d'une introspection nécessaire à l'intégrité d'une telle célébration. Les ombrages de la voie lactée ne sont nullement tributaires de la tradition glendonienne, qui a su se conserver malgré les rumeurs et débats corsés qui voilent, par moment, le passage de la lumière. Les causes des remises en question des priorités et des acquis de notre institution sont hors de notre contrôle, mais la formulation de solutions responsables par le biais de consensus constructifs et coopératifs ne peuvent que justifier une meilleure intégrité du 35ième anniversaire. Et si Glendon profitait de ce moment propice de son histoire pour réconcilier les vieux démons qui ont pourtant entretenu, toujours selon le président, des affaires extérieures. Ainsi, le comité, sous la présidence de Nancy Pelletier, pour faire également partie du groupe.

Bref, 35 années d'excellence ça se fête! Mais comme l'excellence n'est pas éternelle en ce monde, il sera intéressant de constater comment elle pourra être préserver.

Acadia Students pay to join Information Age

Michael Plato

TORONTO (CUP) — The information age is coming to Acadia University — and students are paying for it.

The university has plans to upgrade their computer system by providing each student with a IBM personal laptop computer. But to pay for the program, Acadia students will see a $1,000 to $1,200 increase in their tuition fees in mandatory computer leasing costs. "There has been no case of that much [tuition fee increase] in one shot," said Mike Mancinelli, deputy chair of the Canadian Federation of Students.

"Acadia already has one of the highest tuitions in the country," Tuition at Acadia currently costs $3,495. Acadia's student union president Kate Jenkins says all though the price of the program is a huge concern for students, a barter is being set up to help offset the cost.

And she says the students like the idea of upgrading the computer system at Acadia. "Students like a lot of it," she said. "Our present computer system is inadequate."

Jenkins adds she has not heard of any complaints from students about the plan. IBM Canada Ltd., Maritime Telelog and Telephone Co. Ltd. and Marriott Corp. are partners with Acadia University.
STILL IN THE DARK

Once again, Ms. Hinks is way off in left wing (and not the political one,...). With regards to last week’s shots in the dark “wing ding”, Ms. Hinks has completely missed the real story. Last week, a "quaintness" of Glendomites spent several days collecting money in an effort to find a cure to a horribly devastating disease, Parkinsons. As a result, this wing eating team, the Glendon community pledged more than $300 in support of this worthy cause. The story is clearly the generosity of Glendon students, faculty and administration, who at a time such as this with financial constraints, dug deeper into their pockets to help others.

Although it is clear that Ms. Hinks tends to over exaggerate, she does make several factual errors that need to be corrected by people who were actually present at the event. Firstly, although the Glendon community was overly generous in their donations, it is incorrect to suggest that “rowdy Glendon supporters showed up in force to support” the team. In fact, aside from our team members and coordinator, two other people came to cheer us on. Secondly, it was unfortunately true that we were deemed not to have eaten enough meat off the bones, however, if Ms. Hinks had been present she would have noted that we had managed to fit into Glendon’s official languages and promoting the college instead of “reflecting badly” upon it as Ms. Hinks suggested.

The Glendon community feels proud of its donation to Parkinsons research. Hopefully we will be able to participate in other charity events of the like. As for your suggestions Ms. Hinks, allow us to make one of our own. Many organizations on this campus (as well as individuals) have been working together to make Glendon known outside of our community, perhaps you would like to get involved in some events yourself and make your own contribution to this college instead of knocking down those of others.

Sincerely,
Dawn Palin on behalf of the wing eating team

LOST PACKAGE

I am currently a second year student, who up until just recently was moderately satisfied with the "systems" of things at Glendon. I have never really had any serious problems with York Telecom, Student Accounts, etc. (knock on wood). However, all this came to an end just this past week when I received a notice in my mailbox, on Friday March 15, notifying me that I had a package at the post office. Upon my arrival there on Monday, I was told that there was no package for me. I was then told that it may have already been taken to the residence and to check with the night porter that afternoon. I proceeded to do so but to no avail; the package was nowhere to be found.

After speaking to anyone and everyone who may have had some idea as to where my package may be, it turns out that it had been taken in to give you a bit of history, this package was addressed to a family member with the same last name, but with my address, so that I could receive it on his behalf. Now, I feel the need to add that in the Canadian Postal system there would be absolutely no problem with this arangement, but because we at Glendon go on a name basis only in our post office, I was told that the package was sent back to the company from which it came.

By "name basis" I mean that when mail is received at the postoffice, the person on the list is matched with a name on the list. If no match is found the item is automatically returned. My concern is such that I can receive a letter in the mail and everything is correct (person's name on it) with my room number on it, then why was my package sent back? The system was completely obvious that the last name on the package (and thus on the notice) and the name on the mailbox in residence were identical, so why was I delivered a notice and not a package? I should also note that the address on the package was a perfect Glendon address and so I feel that I can only look at this from my own common sense point of view. That being, if I was to look at a package for a name I could not help but see the address on it. After seeing the address I would then look into it. But it is evident, an unfortunate for me, that I have been taken advantage of.

Now it seems that the personnel at the post office would like me to call the company and ask them to make another shipment of what I was supposed to receive. How can they just shrug the guilt off of their shoulders and try to pass it on to us? I have spoken to others and they also find this disturbing (to put it lightly). As fellow students I can appreciate that I don’t need the extra stress that I already have, and I refuse to bear the burden of someone else’s mistakes.

MERCi!

Ce numero de Pro Tem étant le dernier pour l’annee 1995/96, nous tenons a remercier ceux et celles qui ont collaboré a la production du journal dans tous ces aspects. Un gros merci également a nos fidéles lecteurs. Nous serons de retour en septembre, plus fideles que jamais...

THANK YOU!

The current issue of Pro Tem being the last one for 1995/96 (we have essays to write, kudos to all of you who wrote-edited-photographed for Pro Tem or became somewhat involved with the paper. Zillions of thanks also to all of you who faithfully readers. See you in September, stronger than ever...
A farewell to thirty years at Glendon College

H.S. Saecculo

I first saw the Glendon Campus just thirty four years ago (at about this time of year). I came to be interviewed by the President, Dr. Murray Ross, for the position of Chairman of the Philosophy Department. York University was completing the second year of its existence (and the first on its own site). Everyone was then teaching the General Degree programme of the University of Toronto, while planning the curriculum for the new university.

Dr. Ross told me that it had just been decided that York University would have a large campus (with an appropriately massive enrollment) on the north-western edge of the City; I told him, that I was not interested in moving from a large University that was well-established (University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign having a 9.286 ratio of students to faculty) and the manner of its administration. What attracted me, I said, was the small College that would exist on the Glendon campus, when the "main" campus was established. So he knew from the first time that I wanted to stay here: and after he offered the post, and I accepted in a week or so to work at once to find a good chairman for the main Department, John Yolton was hired only a few months later, and I was "Chairman of Philosophy at York" for only one year.

When Escott Reid arrived with his plan for a small "National College" at Glendon, he was persuaded to include a Philosophy Department; and I became the first Chairman of Philosophy at Glendon. Two years later, he asked me to be "Academic Dean", and I took on that post for a strictly limited term of two years. That was an exciting period, because on the side of the students the Paris revolution of 1968 inspired an attempt to re-structure the curriculum with a programme of "Student-generated courses"; and on the side of the University Administration, an offer was made to buy the Glendon Campus for a Civil Service College. Luckily almost all students preferred the established programmes; and the sale of the Glendon site on terms that the protests made a difference; but I am convinced now that they were foreseen, and discounted.

After 1972, I retired from College and Departmental administration. Being a senior faculty member in a small college, I have been able to do very much what I like. Thus, for some years I taught Medieval Philosophy (first to myself, and then to my students). I would never have been able to do that in a larger department. In my own eyes, the most important teaching I have done has been on the boundaries of philosophy and literature. If I have opened a few minds to the intellectual adventures offered by Dante and Goethe, I can look back with satisfaction my decision to accept the offer that Murray Ross made to me.

Since the year that Escott Reid appeared (when I was away enjoying York's first Sabbatical leaves), I have never had the opportunity to think about the boundaries of philosophy and literature. If I have opened a few minds to the intellectual adventures offered by Dante and Goethe, I can look back with satisfaction my decision to accept the offer that Murray Ross made to me.

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Our Students Have Skills

Robert Goldkind

For weeks now, there has been an ongoing debate at Glendon, as to the future of the college. At the heart of this matter is the controversy over whether Glendon should remain a liberal arts college, or whether the focus should be on teaching marketable skills for the workplace. This is inane and ridiculous.

How can it be that through the course of a liberal arts university education, a student will not end up with employable skills? This seems to draw upon the irrational notion of the school world versus the “real world.” And, in this sense, the only thing a university education has to offer is a little bit of personal enlightenment and a lot of knowledge about things utterly useless. I find this argument personally insulting.

Having been in university for some time now, I find it quite hard to believe that I have no more employable skills than I did when I finished high school seven years ago. On the contrary, I have learned much in the past few years that will be directly beneficial to my getting a job. But, it was not the acquisition of work skills that led me to decide to enroll in university and stay there. No, it was for the sake of education—a personal fulfillment of my own self.

The fact that the skills most often desired in the work force, are not taught in university (the key word being “taught”), does not mean that they are not being learned by the students. This is not a paradoxical statement; we just have to get over that notion that everything learned must be taught outright. In fact, while much is taught in the course of a liberal arts education with no basis in a practical sense, somehow, university students remain a desirable asset to the work force. Somewhere or other, these students are gaining what their critics said they could never have.

How can this be so? Does the answer lie in the effects of the cafeteria food upon the student mind? Or, are these skills floating around in the smoky pub air to be absorbed by osmosis? Ridiculous? ... maybe. But, there is no reason that the answer should remain as obscure as the crop circles in a farmers field. Actually, the solution is so rudimentary that I feel nonsensical in pointing it out. And, not that I want to embarrass anyone, but I feel compelled to spell it out: these marketable skills are not taught, they are acquired through the course of a liberal arts education (key word being “acquired”).

Considering the severity of the debate at Glendon, perhaps I should spell this out even more. All these seemingly useless tasks that the professors ask their students to perform, are not necessarily for the purpose of a mark on a transcript. All this reading, writing, note-taking and researching is not in vain; this is what marks a university graduate a desirable asset. Prima facie, these tasks do not seem to involve much of anything. But upon closer inspection, these are the skills of critical reasoning and interpretation, the skills of clarity in thought and expression, and those of logical reasoning and articulation. It does not end here though; along the way, students acquire the further skills of organization, computer skills, and the ability to research and access information. Now, this may not be training in a particular field; instead, it is a wide breadth of adaptable skills, more likely to complement than restrict. Anyone can train to be an airline refrigeration mechanic, but it restricts a person to that field even if there is no work to be had. A university graduate, on the other hand, has the ability to adapt to any number of fields.

And, if these are not marketable skills, what else could they be?
McMaster Offers Retirement Package To Cut Budget

Stu Clark

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In January, 340 faculty and staff members accepted an early retirement package on the University of W as part of the university’s plan to cut a $19-million surplus in government funding. No. 115 faculty and staff members have accepted a similar proposal from Hamilton’s McMaster University. McMaster needed to cut staff to meet a $17.5-million reduction in government funding according to university president Peter George. With universities across the country trying to come to grips with government cutbacks, George says he expects other institutions will see voluntary retirement packages as a necessity. “I would expect to see early retirement programs offered to other institutions,” he said.

The McMaster plan, which was offered to 245 staff and faculty members, was originally budgeted to accept 80 retirements, but response to package was better than expected.

White George is pleased with the success of the retirement package, he does admit that the jobs cut will be felt in the classroom. “Obviously, one goes into a program like this presuming that not everyone will be replaced, and certainly not immediately. So there will be reduced number of faculty around the university next year.” George isn’t the only person worried about the reduced number of faculty next year.

Student council president Steve Mason says he is concerned with the ramifications of the retirements. “One half of me is glad that a certain number of professors around the university have opted to take the package because that helps the financial situation we are in at this university. The other side of me is concerned about the fact that we’ll be losing professors but not hiring on new ones. Inevitably class size will go up, interaction with professors will go down, and once again the quality of our education will be compromised,” said Mason.

When the University of Waterloo offered its retirement package, civil engineering professor Graham Farquhar didn’t hesitate to cash in.

Farquhar says his reasons for retiring were completely financial. “It was a good package,” said Farquhar. “It would take another five years of work to put on the tax, when the university put there.”

But George thinks there are other reasons behind the success of the two retirement plans. He says a loss of job satisfaction has made retirement an easier decision for some professors. “Loss be perfectly frank, the prospect of a university career, both financial and physical have deteriorated over the past few years.”

I know that when the Klein cuts [to education funding] were brought in in Alberta many people felt the government really meant that the contributions they had made in the past were not appreciated. They felt not only undervalued, but completely devalued.”

George, who says he is optimistic about the long-term prospects for universities, admits that if he were a little older, early retirement might seem like a good idea.

“If I were in my early 60s and seeing research funding being reduced, seeing class sizes increasing and teaching loads getting harder, I might reconsider my retirement goals and the litany of new government reviews of higher education, I might get worn down too."

U of A Students Don’t Think Klein Deserves Honorary Degree

JULIET WILLIAMS

EDMONTON (CUP) — Students at the University of Alberta are upset with plans to offer Premier Ralph Klein an honorary degree at this year’s spring convocation.

University administrators have been flooded with hundreds of calls and letters of protest from students and alumni in response to the University of Alberta Senate’s offer to commend the premier, who never had to go to university, for his “outstanding contribution to the province’s deficit.”

An “insult to anybody who’s actually worked for their degree,” said English student Jasmine Rault.

“Not only is he such a flop in his own work, but that he would make such a point of cutting back support for our education, and then that he should be rewarded for his own non-education is sick.”

Klein, who didn’t finish high school, has cut funding to postsecondary education by over $200 million since he’s been in office.

Earlier this year, he referred to university students who interrupted a government function as “jackasses” and accused others of supporting education cutbacks, due to the lack of eggs being thrown at himself and Minister of Advanced Education Jack Ady.

Klein has said that he may not accept the degree, “if students are not in favour of it,” but he hasn’t decided yet. “I don’t think Klein really cares [about the effects of the education cutbacks]. I mean, a guy with a grade ten education, no doubt about it, he doesn’t have to go to university... he’s not suffering right now,” said recent zoology graduate Aaran Freed.

Freed added that if Klein were the degree given the convocation address at his graduation he’d “be bringing along some tomatoes.”

“I think Alberta has a unique problem,” he said. “Let’s face it, there’s a threat of a disruption at spring convocation led the U of A’s student council to urge Klein to decline the degree, at least for now.

“At no other point in time as a student representative have I faced such extensive protest,” student council vice-president Matthew Hough wrote in a letter to Klein. “With the input I have received from students, many will be willing to actively protest your presence at the time of Convocation... This would be an embarrassment for yourself, for the University and for students.”

Chancellor of the U of A Senate and former Tory MLA Lou Hyndman said that the degree being offered to commend the premier for his community service in reducing Alberta’s deficit, and in promoting the so-called “Alberta Advantage.”

Hyndman added that it brings in the 1988 Winter Olympic Games to Calgary, Klein focused international attention on the province of Alberta.

However, the University of Calgary, in the city where Klein used to be mayor, has a strict policy which prevents the Senate from offering degrees to anyone involved in politics. This is a policy that many members of the U of A community feel the U of A should adopt, to prevent problems like this from occurring in the future.

“An honorary degree says a lot about a person. I don’t know if we want to be saying that about Ralph right now,” said second-year science student Shannon Qualls.

“If he does accept it, it will be seen as ‘You scratch my back and I’ll scratch yours’, even if it wasn’t originally intended that way.”

Some students, however, argue the point on purely economic terms. “He should be required like everybody else to pay his $20,000 that it would cost to get the degree,” said fourth-year engineering student Jason Crowley.

Some students who have not enrolled in university programs and there’s no reason it shouldn’t cost him.”

Happy 21st Birthday
Shanley Whitel

Happy Birthday to the Green-Eyed Pool Shark. All our love, Phoebe, Rachel, Joe, Lucy and his Assistant, and the Reeverand.

To all Grads & Friends
Grad Ball will be on April 26th at the Metropolitian Hotel Tickets are $35.00 and are on sale this week!

Aux Finnissants et Amis
Le Bal des finissants sera le 26 avril à l’Hotel Metropolitian Les billets sont à et sont disponible cette semaine
Succumbing to the bizarre magnetic pull of SXSW, an international throng of nearly 80,000 sonic junkies descended on Austin, Texas last weekend to toast the festival’s 10th anniversary. Encouraged by the gentle climes, the event had a loosely veiled Spring Break vibe with an alternative twist. And, Austin, the city that inspired the gen-X cult flick Slacker, served as the ideal backdrop for the extended Lynch moment that SXSW has become.

Yet, for all of the hoopla, SXSW was comprised of only two main venues. Venues were situated on the 6th Street corridor, a five-block cobblestone strip closed off to traffic (save for the odd horse carriage) that spilled over with tattoo parlors, my­riad vendors and an sea of imported bodies. Depending on the time of day you squeezed into SXSW, you could have offered laid- back charm or just as easily a se­verely accelerated pace, racing through up to ten concerts per night. Although SXSW could have offered laid­back charm or just as easily a se­verely accelerated pace, racing through up to ten concerts per night.
Oscar Predictions

Jane Gorley

Once again the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences puts itself on the back by honoring last year's best films in mundane categories like best picture and best actor. But, Susan Sarandon and Elizabeth Shue may collect their golden statues for Best Actress, some of the more interesting moments in the films of 1995 should be remembered.

In a more interesting world the categories would have titles like, Best Psychopath and Best Prostitute, rather than best actor and actress. And in the supporting categories, Best Portrayal of a Mentally or Physically Challenged Person or Religious Leader. Of course, Kevin Spacey in Seven would sweep the psychopath category, beating out Quentin Tarantino in From Dusk Till Dawn, Michael Rapaport and Christopher Walken in any of their movies, and himself in The Usual Suspects. In the prostitute category, the race would be between Mira Sorvino in Mighty Aphrodite and Elizabeth Shue in Leaving Las Vegas.

In order to create a more riveting ceremony, I propose the following new categories and nominees to the Academy:

Best Evil Villain - A bad guy who never wins Best Actor, regardless of the performance, and it is always the villains who give the most memorable performances. The nominees are: Tim Roth playing the rotten nobleman in Rob Roy, Kevin Spacy in either of his films, Jeremy Irons as an elated terrorist in Die Hard With a Vengeance, and those nasty wild dogs who tried to get the Border Collie in trouble in Babe.

Worst Picture - It is hard to make a good movie, but even more bard to make a good picture that goes beyond mediocrity to the orbit of truly bad contributions in the world of cinema. Imagine the challenge of having a multi-million dollar budget, a handful of professional actors, a script, etc., and still create a film so bad that it is crowded the worst of the year. The nominees are: Outbreak, which had the strongest cast of all those nominated, Congo, which came nowhere near Jurassic Park (to which it was compared), From Dusk Till Dawn - a film which might have finally capped Tarantino's career, and lastly the most outstanding showcase of misogyny coupled with a complete void of talent in all areas goes to the unfaithfully abysmally awful Showgirls.

Worst Actor - Actors who are paid millions of dollars per film and don't hire a speech coach also deserve to be recognized. The nominees are: Jessica Lange doing a Scottish accent with a Southern drawl in Mary Reilly, Jeremy Irons doing a German accent from the school of Colonel Klink in Die Hard With a Vengeance, and Tommy Lee Jones doing a Lucky Charms Irish accent in Blown Away.

Most Desolate Future - Predicting the future is a popular theme in the movies, with each future world more desolate than the next. The nominees are: Twelve Monkeys for its virus plagued underworld, Tank Girl for its cyber wasteland, Judge Dredd for its Mad Max rip off, and Waterworld for its endless ocean.

Other possible categories are Worst Hair (dominated by Mel Gibson in Braveheart), Best Tattoo (George Clooney in From Dusk Till Dawn). Most parlour of the same character, (A tie between Julie Lewis and Christopher Walkin), Best Kiss, (Nicholas Cage and Elizabeth Shue in Leaving Las Vegas), Best Accent, (Clueless for "As it"), and Most Unoriginal Plot, (Any movie with Chris Farley and/or Adam Sandler). Also, in the category of Academy Oversights, Get Shorty, The Usual Suspects and Devil in a Blue Dress should be nominated.

Since it is unlikely that the Academy will update its Awards any time soon, my predictions for this year are: Sean Penn and Elizabeth Shue for Best Actor, Kevin Spacey and Mira Sorvino for Supporting Actor, and Tim Robbins for Dead Man Walking for Best Director. Braveheart should win for Best Picture, but if beaten by Babe, I'll eat bacon for dinner.

CRTC Attacks Canadian Kids Shows

Magenta Ranger

The Canadian Radio and Television Commission (CRTC) launched a vicious attack on Canadian children's programming this week with the release of a scathing report. Concerned over the issues raised in the crusade against the "Mighty Morphin Power Rangers", Commissioner Noah Lot decided to examine Canada's Kids' shows.

Commissioner Lot described his findings as "...astonishing and unexciting." All in all the CRTC found three shows which "...negatively influence the younger generation". The three shows under assault in the preliminary report are: "Romper Room", "The Polka Dot Door" and "Mr. Dressup". "Romper Room" and "The Polka Dot Door" suffer the harshest criticism.

According to the Commission's findings, "Romper Room" promotes "a type of "Big Brother" syndrome" by regularly featuring "...a campaign undertaken, hopefully funded by physical plant, the GCSCU, and the Dean's Office, to promote wall awareness and safety."

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Ed Galle

In view of the incessant and determined resistance to her Vision Document released last October and to the upcoming budget cuts here at Glendon College, the Office of Principal Dyane Adam announced last week that Jo-Jo Savard and her famed Psychic Alliance have been hired on a five-year trial basis to assist the besieged Principal with future visions.

During her interview last month, Jo-Jo predicted that Glendon would become neither a business school nor a community college, but rather a national training center for stand-up comedians. Federal Fisheries Minister Brian Tobin, who also heads the scantly publicized Comedians Caucus, recently stated earlier this month that Canada "lacks the Seinfelds and the Degrassi of the world."

Last Wednesday’s comedic display at Café de la Terrasse, we all know that Glendon students could use a little training.

The decision to go with Savard’s Psychic Alliance has been generally well-received thus far by the big cheeses at the GCSU. "I am greatly in favour of Jo-Jo at Glend- don" claimed Vice-President Serge Boulianne. "She told me my love life would take off very soon, and it did! I love Jo-Jo!"

"Jo-Jo predicted I would win as President this year, and I did! Jo- Jo’s Psychic Alliance is a real peachy!" an excited Director of Communications Jean-Marc Duguy will instruct student newspaper per Pro Tem to produce a swimsuit issue and calendar by February 1997. President Chantal St-Onge was also informed that one of Jo- Jo’s psychics recently had a vision of the whereabouts of GCSU councilors Marshman, Waller, Zelcevic and Whyte, and Senator Ménard.

The AWOL student representatives were seen on an Antiguan beach lying beside Elvis Presley, Salman Rushdie and Jimmy Hoff.

The idea of another restaurant chain on the Glendon campus deep- ly bothered Cafeteria Manager Lou Salem, who would no longer enjoy the profitable business of a captive market here at Glendon. To com- mence a co-op venture, introduc- tions of various dead insects will be added to many dishes next year, and the long-awaited introduction of Squirrel Burgers, Squirrel Dogs, Squirrel Panzerotti, and Squirrel Shakes will be made official before the end of April.

No all of Savard’s preliminary predictions were so pertinent. It seems as though Dean of Students Jean-Claude Bouhénéc will lose extremely pleasant disposition and even stop smiling next year for about fifteen seconds after a first- year calculas student tells him that the inverse of hyperbolic co-tan- gent of ln3(x-5) doesn’t really matter in the real world. Glend- donites can, however, be proud as they’re wing-eating team, the Vege- tarians will mercifully change their name to the "Mad Frogs et Mau- dits Anglais" on their way to victo- ry in the Parkinson’s Foundation Wing Eating Contest next March.

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Wall’s Relevancy Called Into Question

Stephan Paape

Amidst talk of budget cuts, GCSU elections and the Cheddington Affair, a matter of extreme concern to many students has passed unnoticed. The wall erected next to Proctor Field House, at the end of the hairpin turn on the road to the hockey rink, has been the cause of many sleepless nights for me and several of my colleagues. What purpose could such a wall serve? Does it have an impact on the safety of the Glendon community? And is such a wall a waste of time and money?

I am now ready to move on to the bigger scene of world politics. How hard can it be? Rea- gan did it, and he didn’t even win an Academy Award. And besides, my wife Rita is twice as smart as Nancy ever was.” Reaction so far has been mixed. Many political analysts, while doubting Hanks’ political abilities, agree that the simple factor of name recognition on the ballot may serve to win a large share of the undecided vote. One thing is for certain though, with Hanks on board, Perot has guaranteed himself the 5000 votes from the members of the Academy Award voters.

Perot Chooses Running Mate

Oscar Contender

Eccentric billionaire Ross Perot has thrown his hat into the presidential ring yet again, but this time with a big name running mate. At a press conference last Thursday at Planet Hollywood in Los Angeles, Perot announced that Tom Hanks would be beside him all the way to the White House. Perot stated that, “He represents that down home common sense that this country needs in order to get back on the road to prosperity. He’s also representative of the ingenuity of the American people. An ingenuity that is capable of taking people to the moon and back, but which has been taxed out of them by an uncaring and overwhelming bureaucracy.”

Two time Oscar winner Hanks, was confident that he could get the job done for Perot and for the American people. “Washington, we have a problem,” Hanks stated, “and it’s about time that we fix it before we run out of oxygen.”

When asked why he decided to abandon his more than successful acting career for politics, Hanks responded that, “I think that I’ve gone as far as I can in this particular setting. I am now ready to move on to bigger scene of world politics.”

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