



## Rhinos Promise Solid Student Grant Program

By Chris Lawson

**MONTREAL (CUP)** - Senior year students must get a \$100,000 grant to study the effects of increased income on their life-style, according to the leader of Canada's fastest growing political party.

International Rhino Party Humble General Secretary Charles McKenzie says he is "100 per cent committed" to his student study program.

McKenzie and co-leader Francois Gourd say originality gives the Rhinos the edge in the promise race.

"They steal from each other. Turner comes out with something and then a day later Mulroneys comes out and promises the same thing," he said.

McKenzie said the Rhinos have hunted down 83 candidates

across Canada. One of them is 23-year-old John Jagiellowicz, a third year McGill student running in Montreal.

"I won't lie," he said, "I'm in it for the money."

Jagiellowicz promised if elected he would float the island of Montreal down to the Caribbean for the winter. "After the hurricane season, of course," he said. "Think of all the heating costs it would save, not to mention saving on road salt."

He also promised a 24 hour-a-day all-Barbara Frum news channel and an eight day week, with the extra tacked onto the weekend.

Jagiellowicz is a veteran of the 1984 election where he ran as a Rhino in his hometown of Cambridge Ont. He's hoping the student vote will whisk him past the conventional competition.

## EDUCATION UNDERFUNDING ISSUE IN ELECTION

**WINNIPEG (CUP)** - A group representing most of the nation's universities is hoping to make education underfunding a major issue during the federal election campaign.

"The next government of Canada will guide the affairs of a nation confronted by important challenges requiring urgent attention," said Dr. Arnold Naimark, president of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada. "The extent to which Canadians meet the challenges will in large measure be determined by how well educated they are."

The quality of the country's higher education is in jeopardy because of the federal and provincial governments' constant

cutbacks, Naimark said at an October 5 press conference in Winnipeg. The AUCC, which counts 87 universities and colleges among its members, held its annual general meeting the first week of October.

Naimark, also the president of the University of Manitoba, said that while enrolment in Canadian universities has increased over 30 per cent in the last 10 years, grants have only increased by three per cent.

The country goes to the polls November 21.

Naimark said that the AUCC was not supporting a specific political party, but rather trying to make the underfunding issue one which all parties should be concerned about.

When asked if it could compete with the free trade debate as an election issue, Naimark admitted, "I think it's naive to believe that."

The AUCC is hoping for a larger percentage of Canada's GNP to be spent on research, an increase in funding, and much more co-operation between the provincial and federal governments.

The Manitoba Association of University Students (MAUS), which represents the 40,000 post-secondary students attending Manitoba's four universities and colleges, is also tackling underfunding.

The association sponsored a student demonstration against tuition fee increases October 14.

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## Closure of College Pubs Upsets Students

By Cosmo Vecchiarelli

**TORONTO (CUP)** - Shouting "Crandles is a vandal", about 60 York University students marched September 29 to Provost Tom Meininger's office to protest a one-day closure of college pubs.

Seven bar-related incidences of vandalism occurred the night of September 22. York administrators say that over the last five years, vandalism has cost the university over \$1 million.

Citing a pattern of increasing vandalism on Thursday nights, which a student security offi-

cer characterized as the rowdiest time of the week, Food and Housing Director Norm Crandles and Meininger decided to close the pubs for September 29, "to send a signal to the (York) community that this (vandalism) is a serious problem."

Two college student councils sponsored the demonstration.

Vanier College student council president Phil Downes told the protesters that "students are not the perpetrators of vandalism (on campus). Closing the pubs will increase violence on campus."

The provost eventually ad-

ressed the protesters, saying "yes, the administration of this university is floundering about what to do about this problem. We don't know."

In a pamphlet distributed by Downes, York security was called "inadequate... Some people have witnessed events where (regular) security have not acted properly, have let the suspects go."

While agreeing that more security was necessary, the provost said that an obsession with security matters would not be welcome. "You don't want six cops standing around every time you have a dance. That's not right."