

For different reasons, Fred Lowy agrees.

"I have trouble with active euthanasia... There have been instances not too long ago in our history of physicians slipping over the edge, and for a variety of reasons not being respectful of life. Now I'm not saying a physician who wants to help a person out of his misery is going to turn into one of the Nazi doctors, but that's the end of the slippery slope.

"Can you imagine if it became common that a physician or nurse was allowed in our society to actively dispatch people who are suffering? Isn't there a danger that they might dispatch people who don't want to go?"

A sign of the changing times is the growing tolerance for euthanasia in North America. A Gallup poll this year found that 77 per cent of Canadians approved of some forms of euthanasia, up from 66 per cent in 1984. Still, we are cautious.

In Germany, anencephalic babies - born literally without a brain, in fact without the top of a skull, and doomed to a few hours or days of life - are arbitrarily declared dead at birth. Their organs may be harvested for transplantation without the usual wait for "brain death." In France and Switzerland, the state grants doctors the right to an adult's organs after death, even if the deceased or his/her family wish otherwise.

Some physicians don't see these measures as extreme. Every day, patients on transplant waiting lists die because there are not enough donors. Surveys show that fewer than one third of those who say they are willing to donate organs after death carry a signed donor card. Doctors are frustrated by the passivity of society, by the waste of transplantable organs.

In a recent article in the Canadian Medical Association Journal, Lowy proposed a radical, though "ethically defensible" solution to this problem. Those who agree to donate would be given preferential status should they ever need an organ transplant themselves.

Ethicists agree that reaching agreement in such problems won't be easy, especially in the multicultural mix that is Canada.

"What do you do in a society that's no longer a homogeneous culture politically and theologically and ethically?" asks Meslin. "Do you treat according to your own cultural beliefs, which is in direct violation to theirs? On the other hand, treating them according to theirs may contravene

every code of medical ethics that was ever constructed in North America."

"In China or India or Japan we would not be having the same kind of discussion. [In those cultures] there's no reason to respect the individual; the individual is not a crucial feature."

The Donald C. story has an interesting outcome. Donald tried to get his discharge through the courts, but the wheels of justice turn slowly. As the process wore on, Donald accepted treatment for his burns, and eventu-

ally became well enough to leave the hospital on his own.

He is still alive, and newly married after his discharge. But he is thanking no one. Donald is adamant that he was wronged when his wishes to die were not honoured. He doesn't think there is any inconsistency in his almost paradoxical situation: now that he is alive, he wishes he weren't. It is not that life isn't now worth living, but that the pain was not worth enduring.

Who should judge for Donald C.?

## You Can't Get Too Drunk At Bishop's

LENOXVILLE (CUP) Staff at the pubs have been told to refuse to serve patrons who are drunk.

"Our purpose here is not to spoil people's fun," said Bruce Plaskett, assistant pub manager. "We want to students to think about the dangers of over drinking and drinking and driving."

Plaskett said the university's two student-run bars don't have serious problems with overdrinking. He said the new policy is a preventative measure.

The largest bar on campus, The Pub, seats about 850 people and has eight to 10 bouncers working every night, he said. They patrol the bar looking for excessively drunk students.

Deciding who is too drunk to continue drinking is "obviously going to be a hard call," Plaskett said. "They will have to be way over the limit for a bartender to refuse to serve them."

"Some of the employees are a little worried about (the new policy)," Plaskett said. "If there's a small bartender telling a 6'-tall drunk football player that he can't have another beer, it could get dangerous."

But Plaskett said he is not worried about violence erupting because most of the bouncers are also big football players.

The death of a student who had 16 drinks in three hours at a University of Guelph bar last September has focused attention on the problem of overdrinking on Canadian campuses.

An inquest into the death heard figures about student drinking that some found startling. According to the Addiction Research Foundation, almost 12 per cent of Ontario university students who drink consume at least 29 drinks per week. Another 18 per cent consume between 15 and 28 drinks a week.

The report recommends shorter operating hours for campus bars, a graphic alcohol abuse awareness program, the monitoring and control of alcohol consumption in student residences, sanctions including expulsion and reduction of academic credits for students violating alcohol policies and raising the drinking age to 21.

## Friday, Nov 24th

In aid of Big Brothers/Sisters of PEI

Mike Read, Noreen Gillan, Vincie Mulligan, Barry Quensed, and many other "faces" on campus will be donating their time and FACE for you to throw a chocolate cream pie (topped with whip cream of course) in thier mug! How much is it worth to you \$\$\$ Tickets on Sale, Thursday, Friday - see Jo-Anna Murphy for further instructions.

## 50/50Draw

Held at the Engineers pub:

Winner (an anonymous engineer) most graciously donated their winning to the UGLY Bartenders contest -

- Understanding
- Generous
- Lovable
- You

So far the Panther Loung has raised over \$200.00 for Big Brothers/Sisters of PEI.

Thanks UGLY  
Jo-Anna Murphy  
Student Union  
0530

## Chairperson Needed

Are you looking for a fun, challenging, and educational opportunity? Here is your chance to get involved at UPEI. The Student Union needs volunteers for the following 1990 positions:

**Winter Carnival Chairperson** - in coordination with the VP Operations plan the 1990 Student Union Winter Carnival.

**Winter Carnival Assistant Chairperson** - assist the Winter Carnival Chairperson.

**Frosh Week Chairperson** - will become a member of the UPEI Orientation Committee starting January 1990.

-organize the Frosh Week Committee and call meetings during the summer.

-in coordination with the VP Operations and the Student Services Department, organize Frosh Week 1990 activities. To fulfill these duties you must be in the Charlottetown area during the summer of 1990.

**Frosh Week Assistant Chairperson** - to assist the Frosh Week Chairperson.

To apply please fill out a Volunteer Bank file card and drop it off at the Student Union Office, or call Betty Johnston, Student Union Administrative Assistant, 566-0530.



## Specials

5pm Till Close

**Monday** Order a 6" pizza with 2 toppings recieve a free draught

**Tuesday** Order a large portion of wings recieve a free draught

**Wednesday** Try our new tacos or a large order of "Mama & Papa" Nachos and you guessed it; recieve a free draught

## Shooters

Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays  
11pm Till Close

\$1.99 + Tax

Special Prizes

## Happy Hour

Mondays and Tuesdays

ALL Night!!

"Want a break from studying" or bring the books with you

Join us at  
And Relax!!

