

UPEI Math major joins international show

By Sharon Leighton

Kimberly Hendricken, a second-year mathematics major at UPEI, is radiant.

On Dec. 17, 1983, immediately following exams, she received a letter telling her she had been accepted as a cast member of the international youth group, UP WITH PEOPLE.

UP WITH PEOPLE performs musicals all over the world.

"I'd sooner sing than eat," says Hendricken, "and I love to eat!"

She also loves meeting people, which is the real point of UP WITH PEOPLE.

"UP WITH PEOPLE can be compared to a bridge," Hendricken explains. "They're trying to bridge the gaps between generations and between cultures."

During her year with the group, from July, 1984 to July 1985, Hendricken will live with between 80 and 90 different host families.

She will tour a number of cultures. She does not yet know where she will go, but Eastern Europe, North, South, and Central America are the possibilities.

Each year, UP WITH PEOPLE's five casts divide that area among themselves. Each cast spends up to six months on one continent, then moves on.

Sometimes special appearances are made as well. In the past, they have sung in Peking's Royal Conservatory of Music and at the Munich Olympic Games.

The fact that performances must be given in the language of the host country adds a special challenge. Hendricken says, "I've never even learned French! Oh, it should be fun!"

Roughly 10,000 applicants are considered for UP WITH PEOPLE every year. These applicants come from all over the world. Of these, only 550 are chosen as cast members.

For Hendricken, the whole thing started last summer. She met, on a one-week temporary job, a girl who had been a cast member. She told her all about it, and, says Hendricken, "I wrote to Arizona the next day."

Tucson, Arizona, is group headquarters. She will spend a month there at the beginning of her year, learning the songs and dances and meeting over 400 other young people. This will be an intensive training program, twelve hours a day, six days a week.

The University of Arizona offers correspondence courses for cast members. Hendricken will be taking these: "Just enough to maintain the interest-free status of my student loan!" She doesn't expect to do too well on the courses, but that does not concern her.

"I'll learn more in one year than a university education can give me," she says.

The only problem for Hendricken is money. Her parents are farmers and while they offer a lot of emotional support, they cannot contribute financially to the adventure.

The costs began last October, when she had to fly to Montreal for an interview.

This did not include an audition; the interviewers were more interested in her ability to talk with people than her ability to sing. She was also invited to join in the group's activities for a day, including a scavenger hunt through Old Montreal.

In addition, she saw the performance given in Montreal. "It really lifts people up," she says. "They give off so much energy, so much laughter."

Now she is involved in raising a whopping fee — \$7300 Canadian money — to pay for travel costs, tuition, and the expenses of host families. She also needs between \$4500 and \$5000 for expenses on the road.

"Some people," she says, "sell their cars, or they hold down two jobs for a year to raise the money."

Hendricken intends to raise money any way she can. She plans dances, card games, bingos, car washes. She is also seeking sponsors, who will be shown a slide pre-

sentation of her trip on her return.

She has already had some success. A dance raised \$1400. A friend Mary Power, held a bottle blitz which earned \$150.

Hendricken is impressed by the amount of support she is receiving. "It's unbelievable the number of people who take the time to send a letter, congratulating me," she says. Others drop by her home or call to express their good wishes. Some even send small donations.

Hendricken does not look on the experience as just fun. Even the educational value is not the primary benefit she expects.

Each UP WITH PEOPLE cast member is a goodwill ambassador for his or her country, sowing fellowship across the world.

Hendricken glows with enthusiasm and pride, as she explains this. "I will be a goodwill ambassador for Canada and for P.E.I."

Grit Campus Club rejected again

Well, one out of two ...

By Ruth Edgett

The Sociology-Anthropology Club of UPEI has been granted sub-organization status by the Student Union, but the Liberal Campus Club remains out in the cold after its second attempt to be recognized by the SU.

Both groups applied for status at Sunday night's regular council meeting, but before either made its request, President Jack Keefe recommended a new system for approving sub-organizations.

He suggested clubs which represent faculties — such as the Sociology-Anthropology Club — be given one type of status that would automatically entitle them to the traditional \$75 grant from the Student Union. Clubs which

represent political views and not faculties could be granted another type of status that would require them to justify their need for the \$75 grant before they got it, said Keefe.

Keefe said he would like to see the new structure for sub-organizations approved in time to write it into the first draft of the new Student Union constitution, but most councillors said they would like to see the proposal better defined before they vote on it.

As a result, the Liberal Club applied for recognition under the same conditions as it applied at the last meeting. The club was again turned down because many councillors said they were wary of recognizing a group with

political affiliations for fear of appearing partisan.

Club President Robert Hanf stressed that the club is primarily a social organization and is not an organization within either the federal or provincial Liberal parties. However, he said, its members share Liberal party beliefs and the club will provide easier access to the federal and provincial parties, MPs and MLAs.

Keefe pointed out to councillors that most universities do recognize political clubs as sub-organizations. He said it's not a matter of sharing any political belief but a matter of recognizing an organization which meets the requirements for sub-organization status.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Love talk

The English Student Society will be presenting a love debate on St. Valentine's Day.

The love debate was a popular form of entertainment in the courts of Europe during the Middle Ages. After the troubadours had popularized courtly love, it became fashionable for members of the court to discuss matters of love and the application of the code of courtly love. Court poets of the period often wrote love debates for St. Valentine's Day; an example is Chaucer's "Parlement of Fowles".

The love debate will be held in the English lounge, Main Annex, on February 14 at 3:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served, and everyone is welcome.

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Come and find out what the acronym means.

"The person who gets hired is not necessarily the one who can do the job best but the one who knows the most about how to get hired." — Richard Bolles, author of *What Colour is your Parachute?*

Hear a tape of Mr. Bolles relating to job-hunting and career changing on Tuesday, February 21 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 01 of Main Building.

Spa Draw organized

The UPEI Model United Nations delegation is holding a Spa Draw. Tickets for the free membership are \$1 and are available from delegation members.

The draw will be held on March 15.

Read progeny welcomed

We hear congratulations are in order to Mike Read, the Residence Manager at UPEI.

His wife Ellen gave birth to a fine 8 lb. 6 oz. boy early Friday morning. Rumour has it the father will allow his son to wear no colours but green and white, with an occasional yellow sweater.

After an understandable period of irrepressible joy, Mr. Read says he's doing fine. This is the Reads' third boy in three tries.

SU elections near

Here's your chance to be a student leader, to fight for student rights against government injustice and underfunding, to represent the students of UPEI at cross-country student gatherings, to be revered and notorious! (Ask this year's executive, if you know who they are).

Nominations are now open for the Student Union executive positions for 1984-85.

The positions are: SU President, Vice President External (in charge of the yearbook, newspaper, and radio station), Vice President Internal (in charge of the Barn operations and social events), Treasurer, all council positions excluding class representatives and two Senate positions.

Nominations close February 16. The elections have been slated for March 7.

Apply for degrees

All full-time and part-time students who expect to graduate in May, 1984 are reminded that they must make application for a certificate, diploma, or degree.

Application forms are available in the Registrar's office and must be completed before March 15. The graduation fee of \$10 for a certificate or a diploma, and \$35 for a degree, must be paid by Monday, April 16.

Needed: student reps

The Nominating Committee is looking for faculty and a student to serve on the newly-formed Ethics Committee to aid the Research Committee in dealing with ethical concerns. One student and a faculty member from each of Arts, Science, Social Sciences, and Professional areas, will be needed for a total of five.

Submit names to Roger Black, chairman of the Nomination Committee, or to the Registrar's Office before Monday, February 13, 1984.

