

Toward 2000...

comfortable amount of students didn't hinder us any."

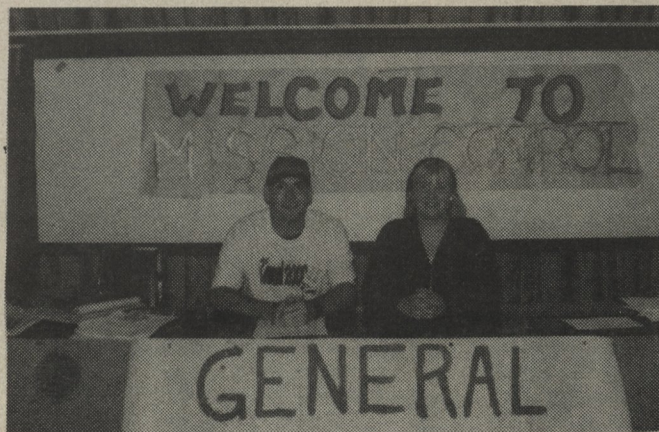
Reasons for the drop in registration are up for debate, but one reason is surely the high cost of attending the events. Each student was required to pay a forty dollar fee in order to participate. McCrady hopes that the next Orientation Committee will look into the matter seriously and try to decrease the fee.

"If I was to change anything, I would reduce the direct cost to the student through the registration fee and ask for the university to contribute something to its own future. The university community should absorb some of the cost because Orientation is key to the

retention of students, and students are where the university derives a large part of its income from."

Reflection and pizza now finished, team Uranus was ready to disband. But before the students and leaders went their separate ways, they gave one more shout of their now famous cheer.

Go Uranus, go, go,
Uranus! GO URANUS, GO,
GO URANUS!! Shake
Uranus, shake, shake,
Uranus! SHAKE URANUS,
SHAKE, SHAKE
URANUS!! Bump Uranus,
Bump, Bump, Uranus!
BUMP URANUS, BUMP,
BUMP, URANUS!! GO
URANUS, GO, GO,
URANUS!!!



Jim Hancock Named to Internet Hall Of Fame

Jim Hancock, Director of Computer Services at UPEI, was named to the Canadian Internet Hall of Fame, at the tenth annual Canadian Networking Conference, Net'96 held recently in Montreal.

Honoured for his contribution to computer networking in Canada, Hancock has represented UPEI on the NB/PEI Educational Computer Network since 1975, was a member of the executive for the Canadian university computer network, NetNorth, and was a founding member of the CA*net Board, which oversaw the construction of the Canadian Internet.

In 1989, long before the media popularized the Internet, UPEI along with other universities and the National Research Council,

worked to bring the Internet to Canada. UPEI hosted the node which linked Prince Edward Island to the Internet and offered service across the Island until 1994, when the technology was transferred to PEInet as a commercial service.

Hancock points to "the efforts of UPEI Computer Services staff and especially to David Cairns, who provided the technical expertise and hours of effort that made it all work. This was new technology and there was much for all of us to learn in using it."

ACOA and the PEI Department of Industry provided a major portion of the funding and shared the risk in getting PEI connected to the Internet. Other supporters included Holland

College, the Computer Services Division of the Provincial Government, the National Research Council, the Agriculture Research Station and local businesses. Hancock recalls, "This was at a time when few understood the Internet or the potential we saw in wanting to be connected. What we did was to ensure that PEI did not fall behind in the race toward the information highway and more importantly, we were among the first provinces to move toward commercialization and province-wide access. Seeing PEI as a full and equal participant in using the Internet today is gratifying to all of us who helped make it happen."

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Sciences and Engineering Research Council's undergraduate research program.

During the Awards ceremony, Dr. Singh was commended for his ability to present complex and complicated material in a sensible and understandable manner and for his concern for the future of his students.

Among other criteria, recipients of the Excellence in Teaching Award must have a comprehensive knowledge of the subject area, must set a high standard and be able to motivate students to reach that standard and have enthusiasm for the subject they are teaching.

Robb Among Distinguished...

of a century. An outstanding scholar who has distinguished himself in the Canadian context, Robb is acknowledged as being in the vanguard of development and of research in courses dedicated to improving the skills of first year students.

Robb succeeded in promoting interdisciplinary

studies long before the idea was well accepted, first in Canadian Studies, then in the Freshman Experience course and was instrumental in the establishment of the UPEI Senate Committee for the Enhancement of Teaching. He continues to be an active participant in regional, national and international conferences.