

The vast food machine is losing money to the tune of \$50,000. No, not Canteen Canada (heaven forbid!) but Food Services. For the benefit of our frosh readers this means that the university owned kitchens seem to be in financial trouble. Thus was the start of a campaign by this arm of the administration to win the accounts of Engsoc and Mathsoc. The idea was to supply the coffee and donut stands of these societies with sandwiches. An evaluation of the operations showed this to be a good business to get into. Dollar signs glowed in the eyes of this fiend, and sales presentations were soon set up through our Fed Prez between the various parties involved.

Before continuing here is some

information...

Both societies have the same sandwich supplier who I will refer to as Sub. Sub has had the society accounts since the summer of "74".

The coffee and donut stand for math is not run by Mathsoc. Mathsoc set up the stand and gave it definition; hire a manager to run the stand and a salary is given for this position, and will pay all debts incured. The manager is in complete control of the stand. Engsoc runs their stand through one of their executive and hires a cashier. Mathsoc employs about 20 people with their stand; Engsoc employs only one.



To continue, samples of Food Services product were sent to the societies and they were asked for an answer in a counte of days. Mathsoc had a variety of tasters to compare the two sandwiches and after debate it was decided that the manager of the stand should stay with Sub. Our fall manager was not available for the tasting but comfirmed his choice of Sub as his supplier. Thus Mathsoc is to continue to operate reasonably priced quality food stand which is non-profit. (the donut sumplier for the stand has always been Donut Queen) Engsoc took a different attitude. They were interested in quantity so that if there was a lot of it who cared about the taste. They chose Food Services cared about the taste. They chose Food Services as their supplier. Who were they? The person who would be handling their stand was also out town. Well Sub was worried because the society accounts represented 90% of the business and this business barely supported a family. This family business would be finished. Sub replied to Engsoc's announcement by offering them the same sandwich, an exact duplicate of Food Services. They then pointed out that they would be glad to produce this poorer sandwich It would be simpler to make. Engsoc was chosing an inferior sandwich in order to have a little more on the sandwich. It was no go. Only Food Services could supply this bad sandwich. Well it was finally decided to stay with Sub and to hold them to a contract stating they would deliver a quantity sandwich for a higher cost and would in turn sell it to the students at a higher price with the purpose to make money for the society.

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SECURITY

At the request of the Deans of several Faculties the night-time security guards are being released. This was supposed to happen at the end of August. This action was delayed because the new security plan to be put into effect when the guards left could not be emplemented on such short notice. The new security plan is still a well kept secret. So mathNEWS will speculate a bit. Sometime this term you might discover that:

1)Everyone is kicked out of the math building and the doors barred at an early hour of the

evening.

2) Guard dogs partroling the halls waiting for a chance to chew on any hacks or students who happen to be near.

3) Cameras installed to track every suspicious move you make.

4)Snarky, nasty guards hired from an off campus firm(just like happened with the math cleaning staff, except they are not very nasty or visible).

5)Surprise!!!!!!

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To those students who missed the special mathNEVS FROSH ISSUE III (mainly those who are not subscribers or freshpersons), I'd like to welcome you back to Waterloo. In my first FED REPort of the fall term I'd like to give you an outline on the state of the Federation as we head into this new term.

Things are looking better for the Federation this year. Still the facts will decide things over time and we still have to eliminate the abundance of student apathy. The last 2-3 years have seen improvement with the organization. The presidency of Andrew Telegdi from 1973-75, though often stormy and controversial, brought increased awareness of the Federation. On the University Senate, Telegdi made gains for the students and what were once poor Federation-Society relations were improved to a workable level.

The current Federation President, John Shortall, was elected last February with the second highest popular vote total in Federation after serving as Vice-President under Telegdi. The main thrust of Shortall's campaign and presidency has been the improvement of the student housing situation. As well John has, through the efforts of former president and current External Education chairperson Shane Roberts, gotten the Federation involved in the workings of the Ontario Federation of Students and the National Union of Students. These organizations work for students' rights and interests on many campuses. In a sense, John is a double President being chairperson (president) of OFS as well as Our President.

Circumstances have forced the Federation to get involved in the battle against provincial cutbacks to the universities. Student leaders hope that students, out of their own threatened self-interests, will shake off their apathy and get behind the Federation to fight the cutbacks. These cutbacks are just taking effect now and are likely to get worse if the Davis government is re-elected as expected. These cutbacks may at first "cut off the fat" but could in the long run ruin the educational system in universities throughout the province. Lack of funds will force the curtailment of many valuable services and the reduction of learning materials, causing an overall decline in the quality of education.

Though many problems face the Federation, in terms of unity and respectability, it may be in its best position since 1970. In a contrast to

the divided councils of the past two years, Shortall has the backing (on most but not all issues) of all but 3 or 4 of the 25 council members. So unless the council tries to support things that I feel are not in the best interests of the students in the Federation, we could have a very good year (ie. the blimp people). Federation-Society relations have never been better and the Federation boards, especially Education, are in good functioning order. The new Campus Centre Pub under Art Pam's management is doing well and even the Chevron is starting to become respectable. The year is starting out well with a well-balanced and multi-faceted orientation program, directed by Doug Maynes, a program which is perhaps the best in 3 years or more.

Now if you want to talk to any fed persons about any problems or wish to get involved in the organization, visit Room 235 of the Campus Centre (corner near the P.A.C.) or phone University extension 2405 or 885-0370. As for your Fed Rep, you can reach me in the Fed office, Math Society office or at 884-3968. I hope you've all had a good summer. Have a better

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First impressions start on Computer Science Day. The Math & Computer building is 38 stories high, with very few doors. The computers are kept in a large pit in the basement, from which they cannot escape, and visitors are allowed to feed the system computer cards and take home the toilet paper on which the meal eventually is deposited.

After selecting Waterloo, you begin to receive packages of forms and information, including newspapers: the Gazette, concerned mostly with the inane side of university politics; the Chevy, the voice of the feds, who still can't get used to being part of the Establishment; and something called mathNEWS, containing little of either math or news but by far the best of the three.

Finally, you arrive on campus, with 3,000,000 other students. You spend long hours counting specks on the floor of PAC while waiting in line, choke on your first taste of Campus Center food, get lost without being told, and become convinced that you are the one student whose problems are insurmountable.

Of course, my story is slightly different from most, because I showed up for mathNEWS.

A final word to frosh computer science

students and would-be hacks: the 'bun is FAB! It takes only 4 hours to learn to type, edit, file, and roff a story (This is the first one on which I have not needed help.).

More next issue,

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P.S. Some of my facts and figures may be distorted bybeing unaccustomed to living in a land of glow-in-the-dark intestines and roving packs (herds?) of wild n-jineers.



Presents

Anti-Cal

Keeping up an ancient tradition, mathSoc's antiCalendar will not be published until after the last ADD day in the term. (The last day to ADD classes is September 26th). Student comments are currently being typed into the Honeywell from the cards. There are still 2 boxes to be typed in. With a bit of luck you may be able to get a copy in time for Christmas.



WANTED: Mathletics director. Please apply to the Mathsoc office, MC3038 or phone ext. 2324.

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One coat or two?

Early in May mathSoc was informed by Dean Forbes that they would be able to have MC3038 painted any colour they wished. This offer was made because Physical Resources is repainting the math building. Unfortunately, Physical Resources had other thoughts on the subject. They will paint a wall any colour that covers in one coat.

MathSoc was then told that it will have one wall painted brown and the other white. MathSoc wants both walls painted white. According to Physical Resources one of mathSoc's walls is yellow, which can be covered by white in one coat. According to people who have actually looked at the wall the colour is pink, which requires two coats. Which will it be, one coat or two?

Counting Pennies









Scrooge would be proud of the past Summer MathSoc council. They managed to spend only half of the money summer students entrusted to them. \$1837.50 in fees were collected. During the term, the net expenditures amounted to an estimated \$1033. (This may be reduced to \$922 if a mathNEWS moneysaver works.)

The summer council probably was reluctant to spend the money because it remembered the example set by the previous council which seriously overspent its budget.

(NOTE: The above figures are not official MathSoc figures since the treasurer has not made an appearance yet.)



For those of you who were around last winter a visit to the mathSoc offices will reveal many changes. The wall dividing mathSoc offices departed in the summer leaving a large mathle office. MathSoc also acquired a crt to join the 2741 terminal. To aquaint the mathSoc members with the advances of the past and with the uncertain thrusts of the future there will be a mathSoc meeting on September 9th in M&C3038 at 4:30pm.





Mathsoc lockers will be given out on Sent. 9 starting about 9am in front of the math lounge. To obtain a locker on this first come basis you must have a stamped ID card or proof of registration if you don't have your card yet. He have about 400 lockers.



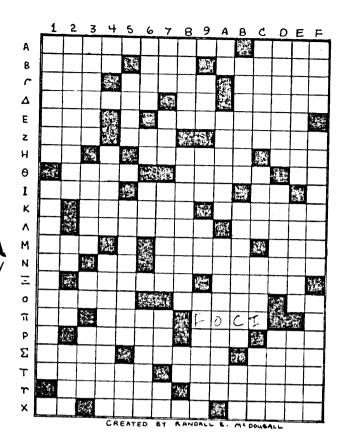




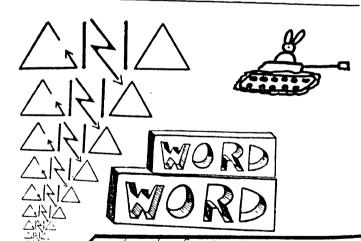




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Since the Frosh Gridword deadline is next Wednesday (Sept. 10) we won't give the solution or pick the winners. Instead we go way back to issue 8.6 and give you that outcome. MSERADER and David Taylor submitted the only correct solutions that were on time. Owen also beat the clock but since he was playing baseball when the murder happened, he got it wrong. After the Frosh issue went to press 7 more correct solutions flooded in from the pens and pencils of Jo Ann Hartley, Roy Corka and the P.O.O.R. Consortium.

This week's Grid comes from ever-lovely, ever-smiling Randall S. McDougall and is due September 16th. Submit your solution via the usual methods: mathNEWS mailbox, campus mail (to M&C3038), or in person at the beginning of the next production meeting. Subscribers: mail solutions to M&C3038 if the Federal Posties aren't out on strike. If so we know of a place you can get carrier pigeons wholesale.



MaTHeatre \

MATHEATRE is a program of films presented this year by Mathsoc for your enjoyment. This schedule contains the same information as in the orientation schedule with one exception: the room numbers. The room numbers in this schedule are the rooms in which the films will actually be shown. Do not go to M&C2065 unless you want to be eaten alive by a pack of MAD N-JINEERS!! This room is in use as a temporary dungeon while the pits under the n-jineering lecture hall are being hosed out.

SEPT 09 King Kong Kellys Heroes in EL103

SEPT 11 A Funny Thing Happened on the
Way to the Forum
Can Hieronymus Merkin Ever Forget
Mercy Humpe and Find True Happiness
in PSY 2083

SEPT 10 Matchless Topkapi in PSY 2083



Due to the fact that N(1)=3 and N(2)=16 the following frosh can pick up their free math T-shirt at the Mathsoc office; A.S. Sophi #75145784 and A.M. Sayons #75111989. For others our small supply of shirts are being sold for \$2.25.

For those who missed the frosh issue of this paner, 10 numbers have been chosen represented by N(i), i=1,10. The N(i)th frosh who comes to the Mathsoc office and has their card stamped will receive a free math T-shirt. N(i) is a number from 1 to 900.

\$5,000 HEADSTONE



Some of you may have noticed a strange object blocking your way on the way from the PAC (the place where you register) to the campus centre pub. This is in memorial to all those poor souls who perished each winter while trying to find their way from the CC Pub to their place of domicile (the village?) after a hard night of drinking. Notice the carvings of students suitably attired for winter weather.

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BURLOAF::

... and so begins another term at Waterloo. item on the list of enjoyable first activities this term is getting your timetable straightened out. You never bothered to register by mail, so now you have to stand in some long lineup to pay your money and then another long line to get your id card. Then there's your sechedule. It's full of conflicts that have to be straightened out. Naturally, all the courses you really wanted to take conflict with each other, whereas the courses you don't really care that much for and wouldn't mind changing were scheduled beautifully. all you have to do is go and look at the master timetable and try to find some courses you can take. All the worthwhile alternatives conflict with courses you already have, or are full year courses offered by some obscure faculty which you can't take because your in co-op, or aren't availale until the winter term. Finally you get some course selections that look good and so you go to get the form signed by a faculty advisor and after standing in a line for half an hour you can go on over to scheculing to give them the white form. After a few days you go over to pick up your new schedule. Now you look at your schedule and notice how the computer failed to get rid of the courses you were dropping, or decided that because you were dropping a physics elective, you probably didn't want any math courses either and only left you with two computer courses. If your lucky you'll only have to worry about how the only section for a course which you added that you could take is already full. You won't be depressed though because you realize that in getting your schedule, you've fought the carefully scheduling centre and found what you wanted amid the carefully layed out design of confusing signs, long lineups and obscurely located desks which have extra coffee facilities to allow more workers to take coffee breaks when the rush of students starts.

To bide your time while waiting for your new schedule to be printed by the computer, you mosey on over to the bookstore. There's a huge lineup outside and you only wait two hours to get inside. Once in you start to collect all necessary books. You can only find some of them, which of course are at ridiculous prices. The rest, you are told by a friendly bookstore person, are on order and the publisher won't be able to deliver them until the middle of October. Later on in the term, you'll probably find out that half the expensive books you bought you never look at, or you only use them about three times for something you could have probably found in a book in the library.

By now, it's a week and a half into the term, and you're all straightened around. You look over your timetable and see all the eight-thirty classes you have. You have your other courses all spaced out in such a way that there's not enough time to go home or do anything interesting, so you get to sit around the math lounge or somewhere wasting your time. Classes end for the day at a pretty good time except on Friday when you have a class scheduled from four-thirty to six-thirty. Your classes

have an even distribution when you consider the way you have only two hours of school on Tuesday and Thursday and six hours on Wednesday and Friday.

As you start the school year, you notice how you can never get a light lunch at coffee donuts because just before the mid-day supply of fresh donuts arrives, you have to dash off to the first of a couple of classes that come in a row, and after the last one finishes, you get back to the lounge to find out that they've just sold the last donut they had. Being a good planner of things, you leave computer assignments to the last day. You've noticed how quick the service is, and you plan your time accordingly. When you arrive to do your assignment the system is not running because of hardware problems and won't be up again until tomorrow when some guy arrives from Chicago with a needed part, which is five hours after the class in which the assignment is due and you know the assignment only counts twenty per cent towards your final mark.

But amid this never ending stream of disasters you take heart in the fact that you could do worse.

It could only happen in the United States (well actually it could probably happen in a number of other countries but it would be less likely to): Someone opened up a computer mating service for dogs. It has apparently worked well, there are 200 customers currently, with fourty-four successful matches. There have only been problems with one pair of dogs who where (mis-)matched. They never stopped fighting from the moment they were introduced.

Noting the devotion of some people to their dogs, a reporter once did a story on a chapel set up to allow people to have their dogs married. The wedding the reporter attended was between two poodles, of which the female was obviously pregnant.

It could also be noted that someone, with the aid of a computer, has come to the conclusion that intercourse (between humans) burns up 250 to 400 calories of energy, depending on how energetic you are.

For those of you who are worried that one day computers will take over, stop worrying. They already have. (There won't be a "one day" when suddenly man will lose control and machines will take over. The change is a gradual one happening all the time.)

For Honeywell people away for the summer, we are on a new release of the operating system. There's a number of nifty new features available including the ability to sign on nonexistant terminals. (This is useful because you can go away and no one will steal or turn off your terminal (because it doesn't exist.).) Also, banners now can be printed in upper and lower case letters. However, the lower case letters look a little silly, but they can be gotten used to.

You may also have noticed an intercom outside of the machine room door. This is intended to let you talk to the operator. The last comment I got from an operator about the thing was that he coudn't find the intercom he was supposed to use. The intercom is from Radio Shack, of all places. It's been rumoured that no one will be allowed to talk to the operator during the school terms of Fall and Winter. During the summer months, it will be permitted because then they can get free batteries to run the thing every Wednesday at Radio Shack.

There is a feature now that allows you to recapture yourself if you get disconnected. For two minutes (I think the limit has been increased) after you get disconnected (you turn your terminal off, type control Y or @0, or something similar) you can sign on to another terminal and then get back to where you were by typing "CONN" followed by the line id from which you got disconnected (Login tells you what lines you have hanging). This feature allows you to get back if the Datanet crashes. If the Datanet dies, TSS hangs on to everyone until the system comes up, no matter how long it takes. If TSS goes away, you're beat, because nothing is saved then.

There is also a new mail system at the disposal of users. It is loaded with lots of nifty features the old mail system never had. One undocumented (probably because it shouldn't be there) feature is that you can unread a memo. Normally, fresh mail is unread until you read it. Once read, you can make it into a memo which is more permanent than regular messages. Unreading a read message puts it back into the unread state. Unreading a memo makes it a registered mail message, which means if you try to read it, a message is sent to the sender acknowledging whether you recieved or refused to read the message.

The Arts Library plans to convert the room in its basement, currently used as an exam room, into part of the library. This meant a new exam room had to be found. Not to fear, some enterprising people have found a room in Village

?mathNEWS?

On Tuesday, September 09 we will hold a <u>special</u> to decide various aspects of mathNEWS in future issues.

It has been suggusted that drastic changes be made For example:

---switch to newsprint
---use photos
---sell advertizing
---more like enginews

If you have any opinion in this matter please write us or better yet come out Tuesday the 9th for a minutes. We will be in M&C3038 at around 7pm. Feel free to drop in.

Our address is:

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MATH MUCKS

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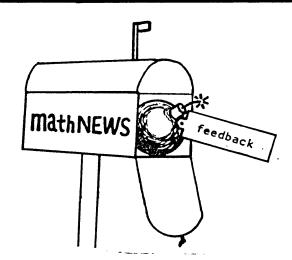
Would all those guys who are in Waterloo this fall and have played for the MATH MUCKS, please call GREGG ANDREWS at 745-3079. If you're not planning on playing please call me anyway so that I know the score.

We would like to practice this month before the season opens in October. Please call me by September 12 and if I'm not in leave your name and phone number (or an address if you haven't got a phone).

Basketball registration will take place later on in the month for anyone else unless you

care to organize your own team now.

Dan and Harold Hugel please call me as well. I will also try to contact you all.



mathNEWS welcomes your criticisms, comments, suggestions, etc. All letters should be signed, but if requested, a pen name will be used. Put your Feedback articles in our MAILBOX on the 3rd floor outside the lounge, or mail it to us on the 'Bun (userid mathNEWS), or take it to M&C3038 and have it put in our mail slot or put it in the mail addressed to mathNEWS, M&C3038.

Letter to the Editor

I am much impressed with your (infamous) Frosh Issue -- but I want to protest one thing you say in it, namely your labelling of the Gazette as "the faculty's weekly".

The Gazette is not intended only for the faculty. It's aimed at the whole campus -- what we like to call "the university community".

True, the Gazette has an orientation more towards academic affairs, and less towards social activities and "student affairs", than the Chevron or mathNews (sic), but it really isn't aimed only at faculty. If it were, we'd print a lot fewer than 10,000 copies.

Have a good August.

Chris Redmond Editor, Gazette



mathNEWS will print your Ads FREE of CHARGE. Just jot them down on a piece of paper and put It in our mailbox on the 3rd floor across from the C&D lounge, or take it to MathSoc and have them put it in our mail slot, or put it in the mail addressed to mathNEWS M&C 3038, or send them in the mail subsystem on the 'Bun to userid mathNEWS.



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- Calculus Elements of Modern Mathematics 4) Economics 101 Text and Study Guide. Physics and Astronomy texts also available.
 7 Phone 884-6659. Ask for Gary.

FOUND IN MC3011: a Stanford Applied Engineering, Inc., Santa Clara, California - Thumbwheel Switches Cross Reference List if you want this list please come to the next mathNEWS production meeting in MC3011 on Sept 16

SEEN outside the window of MC3011: a pigeon nest with two eggs and a pigeon of course

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IT CAME FROM

MC 2066

All you freshmen who read the special Frosh edition of mathNEVS will have learned many interesting(sic) things. For instance, K. D. Fryer and the proofreaders can't definitely. You have learned that representative is J. J. Long. But things aren't all bad here, as you will find. You will learn that 45% of the mathie population is first year and this may lead you to deduce that not everybody who comes here graduates. You will learn to ask the questions, "Do you really do any work there?", or, "What about all those wild parties?". You will learn to reply, "Where? Where?".

You may have heard of rare instances of dead people being elected to office. Waterloo, such people are acclaimed.

There are many facts to learn in class. For instance, an odd number of people shake hands an even number of times. You will learn the fascinating methods of finding a potato's volume. If you are diligent, you may learn to awaken at 8:25 and still make your 10:30 class. And probably (excuse language) you will learn to find a job in November.

Welcome to the first masthead of the season. mathNEWS is sponsered by mathSoc but we try to remain independent of said body. Thus the staff of mathNEWS are responsible for the contents herein. This issue was published at Graphic Services. It is our 81st issue. We make a regular attempt to appear as a weekly, but occassionally have problems. This issue of 8 pages has 1000copies.

Now for some rumours and other assorted tidbits.....the exam room under the library is to be moved to Village 2!!!!?.......MC3008 has been taken over as a UNIX lab.....The janitorial staff in the math building was swapped with the enjineering cleanup staff....apparentally the engineers were not statisfied with the job their staff were doing....so math is now blessed with them....two tutorial offices and 2 grad cubbieholes on the third floor have been demolished to make way for math's new model train.....security has an interesting value system..... MC3011 which has little of value in it was locked up....while MC3008 was left unlocked with \$1000's of equipment inside.....Kentucky Fried Chicken Snack Boxes will be on sale for only.... ..85¢....Monday afternoon in the PAC courtvard....or you can listen to the music show.... a FED/KFC venture....as for the worm near the Arts Library....its rumoured that it came out of a box of cereal....one article we didn't put in this issue was titled..."KATHY-X and the (IPP"

At the present time(0720hrs) the glow of sunshine is flowing into the mathSoc office..... where 4 bodies in various states of slumber are spralled....we abandoned MC3011 at 0645hrs as MC3033 was more comfortable.....we kept the staff awake??? with chocolate, coffee and after someone dumped sugar in the hot water urn--->hot sugar-water......jjlong was on his best behaviour as he was only in for 4.78minutes....we kept statistics on our staff.we had **\B** show up....we had our first staff showup Tuesday nite(the wrong nite!)....we reached a peak at 1115pm after which we slowly declined to 4 bodies at 0730hrs on thursday morning....if someone wakes up we can finish the front page.....

Our staff on this first issue of the term were: the MILKSHAKE kid; CATHY POTTERED around with grid squares; in the dark of night was PETER RAYNHAM; RANDY MORRISON and DAVE GILLETT were our rookies learning the ropes; MPDILLON(may he rest in peace); and now the final foursome.... ANDREW C. PALIDWOR the graduate who couldn't resist coming back one more time; for the two people who are sleeping despite my typing...RANDALL S. MCDOUGAL and GARY PRUDENCE; and finally DENNIS MULLIN(i think i'll have breakfast before i start filling in the blank spots on the front page). Our next production nite will be Tuesday Sent 16 unless the oganizational meeting on Sept 09 in MC3038 at 7pm decides otherwise. Good nite!!