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A T T E N T I O N !

" An Adventure In Chinese Cuisine "

At The Cafeteria
October 28, 1974
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

C.L. Hawley

READING AND STUDY SKILLS (English R01)

If you have not already registered, you may register now for the next six weeks reading and study skills course.

The classes will begin as follows:

Section C - M/W : 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. - November 4, 1974
Section D - M/W : 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. - November 4, 1974
Section F - T/TH: T.B.A. - November 5, 1974

L.R.C. NOTES

S I L E N C E , P L E A S E

That's what one student, lobbing a Bricklayer in our direction, recently asked us to provide.

It was a fair comment. Noise in the Learning Resources Centre is something we've been concerned about for some time.

We've taken various steps to reduce it: we've moved secretarial typing behind the scenes, muted telephones, dispensed with the photocopier, greased the turnstiles, discouraged people from conducting classes and other group sessions in the open areas of the L.R.C., reminded ourselves and faculty about the problem, and considered ways of isolating the noise inevitably to be found in the area of the checkout desk.

In short, we've dealt with virtually every noise source except one: the hundreds of people who enter the place daily.

If we papered the walls and pillars with "SILENCE" signs, and sprinted back and forth across the floor cautioning everyone about breathing too loudly, we wouldn't get anything else done, a lot of perfectly legitimate learning situations would be curtailed, and some of you would object, as you have in the past. We feel that it should be permissible for people to converse in low voices if their neighbours aren't unduly distracted.

So what's left? We encourage people to ask their neighbours politely to tone things down a bit, and will act on complaints, if the neighbours don't comply. And we'll continue to look for solutions while trying to make everyone aware of the problem.

If you have suggestions, why not write them out and zip them into the book return slots at the checkout desk?

Too much noise? We're listening.

Almost all of the 36 students enrolled in the Rehabilitation Counselling Program at Red Deer College have had working experience with the handicapped, says Sandra Cameron, one of the program's three instructors. Either they worked for Alberta School Hospital, Deerhome or other organizations, or they have had more personal involvement with handicapped friends or relatives, she said.

"A lot of the students came to us with advanced credit from other colleges. They range in age from 18 to 50."

"All of them have thrown themselves into their studies with especial enthusiasm because of their working background," she said. "We're especially impressed with their willingness to get involved with the work."

Later the students will go out in the community to work directly with handicapped persons. Miss Cameron and her two colleagues in rehabilitation counselling, Ron Joudrey and Ken Honeychurch, have set up film and tape lectures and guest visits by representatives of various organizations to vitalize their program. Tours of various facilities are also being set up.

The program is divided into three modules, each of them being headed by one of the instructors. Mr. Joudrey is in charge of social factors, Mr. Honeychurch of communication skills and Miss Cameron of behavior self-management.

"We concern ourselves not only with the mentally handicapped but with the physically handicapped as well -- including the blind and the deaf," said Mr. Joudrey. "Our whole program is geared towards helping the handicapped reach their maximum potential."

The responsibilities of all three instructors include planning and shaping the program as they go along -- keeping in mind the guidelines of the program approved by the Department of Advanced Education.

"This is a new program," said Mr. Joudrey. "We have basic guidelines to follow, but within those guidelines we have been given a lot of flexibility by the college."

CALGARY 'Y' ROAD RACES

Red Deer College Cross Country Runners, Dave Irvine, Clara Bergstrom and Lynne McNalley competed in the Calgary Road Races on Saturday, October 12, 1974. Dave Irvine placed a respectable 4th in the Junior Men's 5 mile Race. Clara Bergstrom and Lynne McNalley placed 11th and 12th respectively in the Open Women's 1½ mile run, against some very strong competition from the U of C, U of A, Calgary Spartans, and Edmonton Olympic Clubs. For Red Deer Runners, the Calgary Race is in preparation for the A.C.A.C. Championship Meet coming up on Saturday, October 19, 1974 at Camrose.