

Dosal and Senate take action

By TERRI DAVIS

President of the Student Body, Paul Dosal, "outraged by the entire incident," called an emergency Senate meeting on Thursday, November 12th in regards to the administration's decision to revoke Ross Bannister's housing contract and to place every member of suite two Granville on social probation.

Dosal's outrage stemmed from feelings that "Dean Crossley and Mike Salmon violated the fundamental rights of Ross Bannister and the rest of us in suite two by giving sentences without granting any of us a trial." "I called an emergency meeting of the SGA because I felt it had serious implications for the future of student government at St. Andrews," says Dosal.

At this meeting Paul relayed to the Senate that his feelings on this case were strong enough to make him consider resigning his office as president if the administrators are not willing to plug the case back into the student judicial system. He also called for the entire student government to consider resigning as a display of being worthless as an apparently powerless organization.

"All during the visitation hours fight I was wondering if what I was doing would mean anything," says Paul. "Student government exists only within the boundaries established by either the faculty or administration. The process by which this decision (the Granville situation) was reached shows us just how much power we really have. The system was completely bypassed. If this is going to continue, I'd rather not operate under the facade of a student government system. I could be more effective outside the system—that's where the decisions are made anyhow."

Dosal referred to several places in the "Saltire" where he believes Bannister has a case for appeal - stressing, however, that the SGA was not concerned at that point with the particulars of the case. "We question the process by which this decision was made," says Dosal. "It is up to the judicial system to decide who was guilty."

Dosal cited a quote from the St. Andrews Code of Responsibility (p. 62, Saltire) which states that "Members of the College community have the right of due process in matters involving disciplinary action." Also in the Code of Responsibility (p. 59, Saltire) the Preamble states "To honor these commitments of St. Andrews, this Code is subscribed to and honored by the entire College Community: Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and students."

However, on page 24 of the Saltire one of the college regulations is that "In exceptional cases, the President has the right to ask a student to withdraw from the College, through the office of the Dean of Students." It is this point that Paul and other members of the SGA question as to why Bannister's case was determined "exceptional." Neal Bushoven and Dick Prust then pointed out that at no time in the history of the College has such severe penalties been given to someone for an offense of this nature without due process of law.

In summary, Dosal's main concern is that the student judicial system not be bypassed in this case. "We've been working very hard with the administration on the visitation hours policy to make sure that, as administrators have said, we go through the proper channels to make things work," says Paul. "I consider this a direct slap in the face as we feel that the proper pro-

cedures have been overlooked here."

Three student representatives, along with Dick Prust (parliamentary advisor to the Senate) were sent to discuss this situation with President Perkinson, and Dean Crossley. They were: Denise Dalton (CUB secretary), Dave Saunier (Senator from Winston salem) and Mary Dom (Senator from Wilmington).

The Senate passed the following resolution on Monday, November 16, to be sent to all of the involved administrators:

Resolution II

The Inter-Dormitory Senate of St. Andrews recognized the right and responsibility of the Administration to enforce the policies of the College. However, all members of our community have subscribed to the principles and procedures enacted in the Student Constitution and the Code of Responsibility. We find the decision rendered in the case of Granville, Suite 2 represents a reprehensible divergence from the established procedures of St. Andrews College.

Whereas, no resident of Suite 2 Granville was granted a just trial by the constituted court of their peers,

Whereas, the right of a just trial is a fundamental right of Americans guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution and instituted in the SGA Constitution and Code of Responsibility,

Whereas, the SGA Attorney General was and still is prepared to file charges before the Student Judiciary Board,

Whereas, the Student Judiciary Board is empowered by the SGA Constitution to try violations of social regulations and College policy,

Whereas, the Student Judiciary System was completely bypassed,

Whereas, this arbitrary and authoritative action threatens to destroy the foundations on which our community rests,

Let it be resolved, the Inter-Dormitory Senate of St. Andrews Presbyterian College denounces this gross violation of procedure and fundamental rights,

Let it be further resolved,

The Inter-Dormitory Senate declares it the inalienable right of students to a fair trial during the deliberative process and requests punishment rendered withheld pending the outcome of proper judicial procedures.

Submitted by,
Megan Casey
Vice-President, Granville

Concord announces Christmas dance

Concord Hall has recently finalized plans for its sponsored Christmas Dance to be held on Saturday night, December 5th from 9:00 p.m. til 1:00 a.m. at the Country Club of North Carolina in Pinehurst. Students, administrators, faculty, and staff members have been invited to attend this event for a cost of \$5 per person.

The evening will be highlighted by the musical entertainment of the Jimmie Farr Orchestra. This sixteen-piece band is composed of 4 saxophones, 5 trumpets, a 3 piece rhythm section, 2 singers, a trombone, and a piano. The orchestra specializes in swing, rock, and disco music.

Cocktails will be available before the dance from 6:30 p.m. til 7:30 p.m. Students desiring mixed drinks must present a driver's license for identification at the door, and may purchase bar beverages for \$2.35. Draft beer will be sold for \$1.14, and wine will cost \$1.25 per glass. Heineken beer will be available for \$2.10 per bottle. Although no "brown bagging" will be permitted,

individual drinks will be served throughout the dance.

An optional sit-down dinner will be served at the Country Club prior to the dance at 7:30 p.m. The price for the dinner will be approximately \$15 per person, and the menu for the meal will include: Cream of Chicken Cordon Bleu on Rice Pilaf, Mushroom Wine Sauce, Green Beans Armandine, Lettuce with Lemon Dressing, Rolls, Cheesecake, and beverage.

The Country Club is fully accessible for wheelchair students, and transportation to and from the dance will be provided by the college for all interested students. Dinner for the occasion will be formal, with men wearing suits and tie, and women wearing pantsuits, short, or long dresses.

Dinner tickets will be sold during lunch and supper until December 1st, and dance tickets may be purchased through December 4th. Anyone having further questions pertaining to the Christmas Dance is urged to contact Paige Jonas (ext. 483).

Food credit for winter term

If you are going away for winter term, but not on one of the regularly scheduled courses, you are entitled to a food credit. To obtain the credit you must complete a request form and give it to Kay Cavendish in the business office by December 1. Blank forms are available on the bookcase outside the cashiers office.

sixties revisited Rolling stones

By MAUREEN INGALLS

The Rolling Stones, with special guests the Kinks, the Guess Who, The Doors, the Beatles, Iron Butterfly, and other famous bands of the 60's, will be the theme of a nostalgia party to be held on Saturday, November 21st at the newly renovated Farrago.

Sponsored by Orange dorm, this "5-keg" affair, will award a case of Budweiser to the "best-dressed" 60's person and a

six pack of Lowenbrau will go to the second place winner in the costume contest. The cost will be \$1.50 at the door and will begin at approximately 10 pm immediately following the basketball game and the Highland Players production of *The Glass Menagerie*. So plan to attend this 60's party on Saturday evening and relive the classic days of early Rock 'n Roll!!

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