

TOWN TALK

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FAIR-HAIRED BOY ... As for **Jonathan Swift** in the 1990s, UBC philosophy professor **Louis Marinoff's** recently published and appropriately discomfiting satire on political correctness, *Fair New World*, updates the Lilliput and Brobdignag of *Gulliver's Travels* as the gender-extreme nations Femi-*nia* and Bruteland.

Marinoff is also executive moderator of the Canadian Applied Ethics Research Networks.

After excoriating the Canadian

Philosophical Association's allegedly anti-white male hiring and tenure policy, Montreal-born Marinoff — who writes as **Lou Tafler** after mother **Rosalie Tafler** — will leave in July to join the faculty of New York's City College.

The Lower Canada College classmate of Vancouver architect **Blair Williamson** and Hongkong Bank senior V-P **Martin Glynn** still jokes about the outcome when he took another job, in Jerusalem: "I came back with a Viking."

That would be Marinoff's wife, the fair-as-can-be painter-sculptor **Liv Thorsland**.

NOT SO SWIFT:
(Below right) Liv Thorsland and husband Louis Marinoff launch the latter's satire, *Fair New World*, at UBC

