

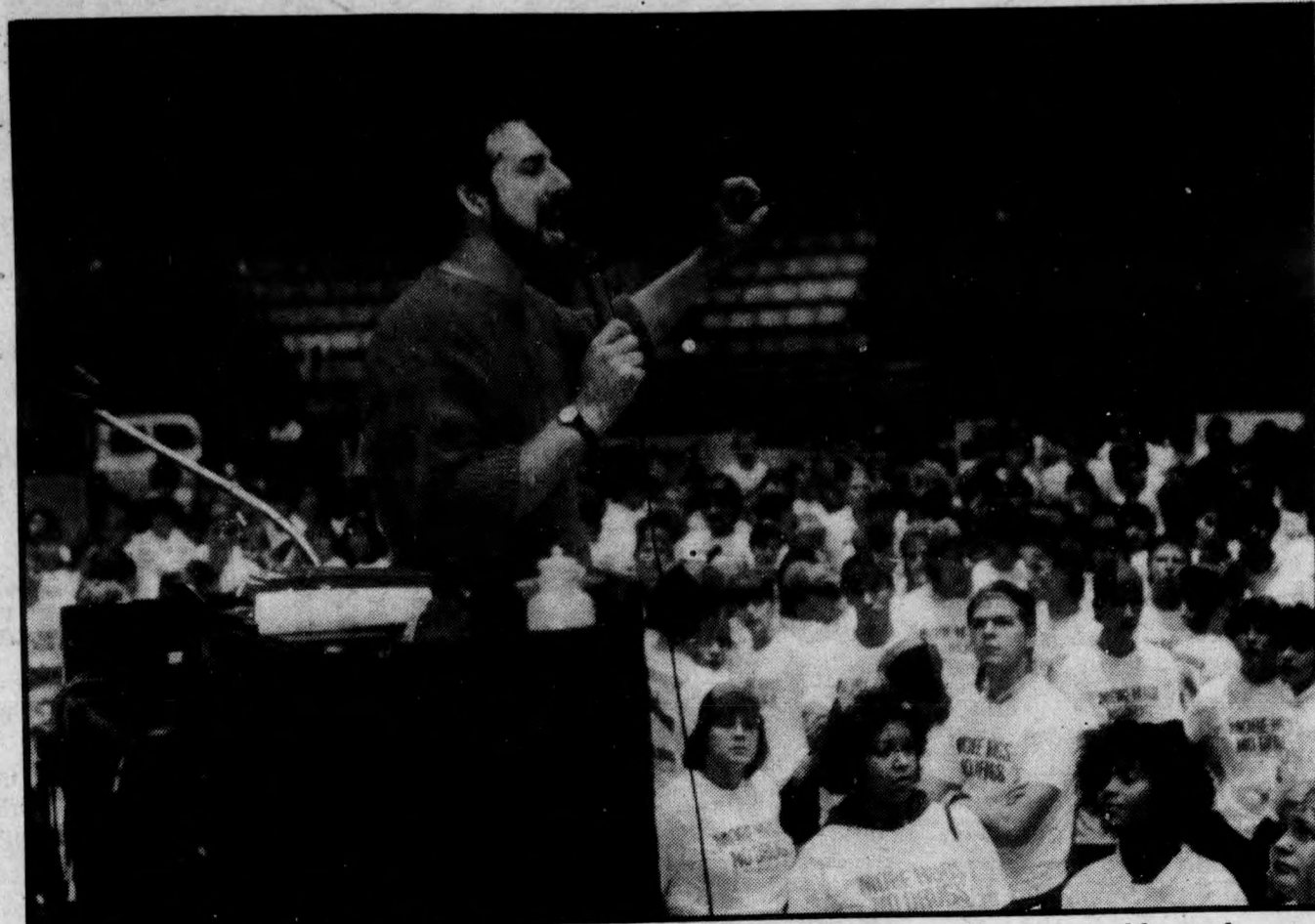
Orientation '86 meets its objectives

ORIENTATION
by ROB GREGAN

UNB Orientation Committee head, Jamie Young reports another highly successful Orientation Week with attendance levels up substantially over last year's award winning program.

Although many of the events this year were similar in nature to Orientation '85 a major twist in the campaign occurred which separated UNB's programme from most in Canada. What made the programme distinctly unique was the emphasis placed on alcohol awareness. A decision to switch sponsorship of Orientation '86 from a beer company to a soft drink company marked the first time a Canadian university had addressed the subject of alcohol awareness on this large a scale.

Leading the drive for a better awareness of alcohol and its effects was guest speaker Rik Pavlescak who was brought in from Dayton, Ohio to address both committee members and freshman. Pavlescak faced the issue in a manner which produced a morbid ironic comedy of the way in which society perceives alcohol. For example, said Pavlescak, "If someone gets 'really loaded' tells you off, 'Ralph's' on your shoes, and passes out, society dictates that you take him home, clean him up, tuck him into bed and accept his behaviour because he was



"If someone gets really loaded, Ralphs on your shoes and passes out" what would you do. This and other questions were asked by speaker Rik Pavlescak.

drunk. In addition, the next day when this person is telling everyone what a great time he had, the majority of society will go along with him instead of saying 'no, you told me off, ralphed on my shoes and passed out, and that's not normal'."

Concerning the success of the alcohol awareness program, Mark Braithwaite, Vice Chairperson of the Committee says "The... program met its objective in that the importance of responsible drinking was impressed upon the freshmen. Also, in talking

with the Frosh the "Mocktails" of the King and the Queen Social went over well and Rik Pavlescak's speech was very much enjoyed".

The Cystic Fibrosis Shinerama Campaign was no less of a success, raising a total of \$13,000 with the help of 400 freshmen and 100 committee members. When asked if he was happy with the goal achieved, Organizer Claude LeBlanc stated, "I'm happy with the results. In spite of the rain, the event went well". Shinerama was made

possible not only by the efforts of university students, but others as well. For example, the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce supplied breakfast to everyone involved as well as a free lunch for shoe-shiners from UNB. A note of appreciation should be extended to Brad Woodside, Mrs. Burgess and her son Todd who was the 1986 Cystic Fibrosis poster child.

Three events remain to round off Orientation '86. Doug and the Slugs will be appearing in concert Friday, September 12; Extravaganza,

September 13 featuring Chalk Circle, Steps Around the House and Edgar James. Final events include the Frosh Ball to be held on September 19 and the crowning of the King and Queen of Frosh Week. Tickets for these events can be purchased at the Orientation Office, Main Hall of the SUB.

"Crack" continued

Officials there are worried about the potential widespread use of the new drug because of its easy availability and cheap price, ranging from 5 to 10 dollars per high.

"We are not underplaying the presence of "crack" in the city, but we intend to investigate, treating it like any other illegal drug," Geldhart said.

Further, Geldhart elaborated that he cannot be specific about who is bringing the drug into Fredericton, but is sure that it is not only university students who have been targeted as potential users.

Reports of the deadly drug being offered to students come during a sensitive time at UNB, when Orientation '86 festivities have been in full swing and the overall theme has been encouraging students to lead a drug free lifestyle.

New womens study program at UNB

by GERRY FLECKNELL

This fall sees the establishment of a Women's Studies programme at the University of New Brunswick. The programme was introduced to facilitate understanding of women's issues and roles both past and present.

In 1983, the Arts Faculty began to look at the field of Women's Studies in an effort to help channel students who were already in existing courses which pertained to women. Last year, a Study Group began to design the programme and prepare a proposal. The following Arts faculty members did the study: Vicky A. Gray, Ph D., Dept. of Psychology; Jennie M. Hornosty, Ph D., Dept. of

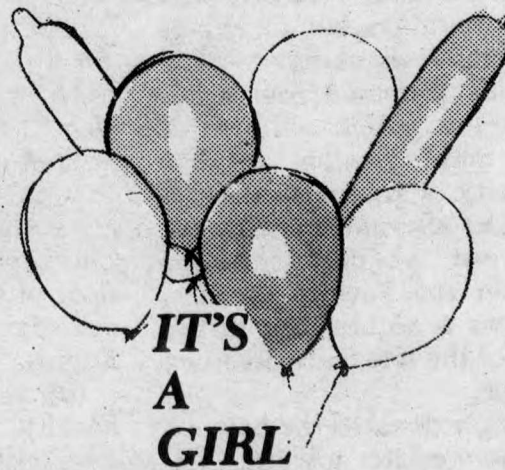
Sociology; Wendy Robbins Keitner, Ph D., Dept. of English; and Gillian Thompson, Ph D., Dept. of History. This study led to the setup of the existing interdisciplinary programme.

The first introductory course in Women's Studies (WS 3003) is offered first term only. The course will explore previously ignored contributions of women, as well as issues such as sexual harassment, inequality and women at work. The introductory course will not be offered again until September 1987, along with a Seminar course (WS 4004). There is a minor in Women's Studies offered, consisting of 24 credit hours of course work. Admission to the Women's Studies minor is

open to students in any faculty with the exception of Law, provided they have completed sixty credit hours towards a degree.

According to Dr. Stoppard, the programme "supplements and complements information gained in other disciplines. Its future usefulness to personnel managers, community planners, Public Policy professionals and others will be beneficial. It is not necessary to be in Women's Studies to take courses in the field, and many could take these as elective courses".

The Women's Studies programme is open to all, and those who are interested in any of the various facets are encouraged to enrol.



The Brunswickan Staff would like to congratulate former news editor (85/86) Robin Geneau and her husband Gerald, on the Birth of their first child, a girl, Melynda Kathleen, born on July 1st, 1986.