

# First Women Participants Graduate

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The first participants in the innovative Management Development Program for Women recently received certificates of completion from James Downey, president of the University of New Brunswick.

Unique in the country, the program combines practical training with management theory and is offered by the UNB department of extension and summer session. Delivered in three-day sessions once a month over a 10-month period, the

program requires participants to demonstrate their understanding of management theory by carrying out practical assignments in their workplaces. The 19 participants work for a variety of organizations including government, hospital, school districts, private business and non-profit organizations in Fredericton, Saint John and elsewhere in the province. Not only did they participate in the 1988-89 pilot, but they also helped evaluate the program, which was funded by Canada Employment and Immigration.

So successful was the program that two Saint John corporations have contracted with the university to provide a degenderized version to both men and women in their organization.

The UNB department of extension will be marketing the curriculum across the country, as well as trying to introduce the Management Development Program for Women such diverse places as Bangladesh and Bermuda.

Another measure of success is that 12 of the 21 women who participated in the pilot program have received promotions since it began.

The program provides comprehensive training in communications, organizational behavior and leadership, information management, project planning and management, business strategy, human resource management, creative problem solving, program evaluation, and accounting,

budgeting and finance.

One unique feature of the program is the involvement of the participants' employers as sponsors and supporters. The program also has a residential component so that the participants have an opportunity to network and build support throughout the group.

Participants from Fredericton included Debbie Nasson and Susan Burgess of the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital; Kathy Russell of the YM-YWCA; Marilyn Noble and Jeanne Inch of the University of New Brunswick; and Valerie Palmer of NB Power. Provincial government employees included Irma Trueman, Tourism, Recreation and Heritage; Sharon Nussey, Agriculture; Chris

Godbout and Geneva Hirsch, Board of Management; and Corrine Taylor and Kathleen Good Waite, Natural Resources.

Participants from Saint John were Brenda Power and Carol Baker from the New Brunswick Telephone Co. Ltd.; Claudia Parker, formerly of Saint John Shipbuilding Ltd; and Moira Bowlin and Susan Fortune of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp.

Anne Feeney of the southwest Valley Development Corp. in Harvey, and Jill Peters from Health and community Services in Woodstock also completed the program.

Now in its second year, the Management Development Program for Women has 25 participants.

## Student Union Discusses Abortion

By Allan Carter

After a long and intense debate in the SRC meeting on November 1, a decision was taken that the Student Union take no official partisan stance on the abortion issue. According to Student Union President, Wayne Carson, the issue is too controversial for a few university students to speak on behalf of the larger student population. Without

a referendum, he said, no official position should be taken by the Union.

This decision came following several deadlocked votes and much discussion about the moral and political questions involved in the issue.

Apparently three items had been brought up at the meeting. First was the idea of Pro-choice. This was defeated. Secondly, it

was believe that CFS should not take a stance on the issue of abortion. This too was defeated. Finally, the idea of Pro-life was brought up, yet, just as the other two, this was defeated.

Thus they decided to reconsider the motion that CFS should not take a stance on abortion, and it was passed.

Kim Doyle, VP of Finance, felt that it was not the right of

the Student Union to decide on this issue without a reaction from the students themselves at UNB.

Wayne Carson, President, feels that abortion is an individual issue and that such an issue should be dealt with through MP's and elected delegates. It is not an issue for the Student Union or CFS to take a stance on.

The Victoria Student representative council feels that the CFS should support freedom of choice in the matter of abortion. Thus CFS has taken on the task of getting all the opinions from different universities on the issue. Five representatives have gone to Ottawa this week to express UNB Student Union's decision on the issue.

## Guest Speaker at Environmental Society

By Nujma Yaqzan

The UNB/STU Student Environmental Society now 50 members strong, held its last general meeting for this term on November 2. The guest speaker at the meeting was Prof. S. Pobihushchy from UNB's

Political Science Department.

Mr. Pobihushchy emphasized the need for humans to pay more attention to the environment that surrounds them. "Life is in jeopardy mostly because of what human beings are doing," he states, "and if we

continue to go the way we have been going, human life and other life is in jeopardy". Mr. Pobihushchy suggested that people must try to lie in harmony with life rather than try to lie in control of it.

The Environmental Society is trying to get its message across in part through the sale of "DIOXINS KILL" T-shirt.

If anyone has any suggestions or interests

pertaining to the activities of the Society, they are strongly encouraged to contact Raia van Ingen or Karen Brown (c/o CHSR), who are the Society's UNB and STU presidents respectively.

## Enbicon at UNB

By Jason Wheaton

On November 3, 4 and 5, in the SUB Blue Lounge, an odd gathering of people met to travel forth into different realms to experience what has never been experienced before: Enbicon.

The New Brunswick Enbicon Convention, which was organized by Rick Gaigneur, Bob Masson, and Mike McGraw is a gaming

convention that witnessed its first showing last weekend.

A gaming convention is when a group of people gather to play role-playing games, like advanced Dungeons and Dragons, Call of Cthulu, Battletech, War Hammer 40 thousand etc. And with a wide selection of boardgames and roleplaying games available, the gamers in

attendance were always occupied.

The convention had an air of excitement as people tried new games, had new experiences with old games and met new gamers. The feeling of brotherhood charged through as the convention rolled on.

On Saturday, three special groups arrived to boost the conventions: the two sponsors; A

Collectors Dream and On Linc Services had representatives present to display what they had to offer in the way of role playing games and computer games related to role playing.

Some representatives from the Society for Creative Anachronism Inc, made an appearance. SCA is a society that brings back the ways of medieval Europe. They displayed weapons and armor combat of

medieval Europe.

On the closing day, there was a miniature competition and the best miniature received a prize from the sponsors. As the convention closed prizes were awarded to the best players at the convention.

Finally, the games slowly drifted away with talk of mysteries solved, monsters defeated, friends made and starting plans for Enbicon II.



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