

# Three students handed stiff fines by the SDC

By MILTON THOMAS

Three students who admitted stealing a lounge chair from the SUB have been handed stiff penalties by the Student Discipline Committee. The students have been identified as Brian Bustard, STU 3; Garnett Gesnor, Eng. 2 and Kim Dickenson, Arts 1, UNB.

In an evening session last Thursday, the SDC imposed upon each of the three a \$45 fine for the chair theft as well as rescinding their right to all student privileges with the exception of the use of the library.

In addition to this, the three persons involved in the theft and a fourth individual, Ross Grant, STU 4, were charged with ripping-off two chairs from St. Thomas. On these counts each of the four received \$20 fines and, again, loss of student privileges.

These penalties were "relatively severe" in the opinion of SUB night manager Bill Bancroft. He pointed out that most fines imposed by the SDC in the past were in the \$10 to \$20 range. Such fines he said "would really present no problem to most students." Suspension of student privileges and \$65 fines, however, represents a substantial change from the prior actions of the SDC.

Those involved in the current cases, "did not appear to be too brave about the whole affair" according to Bancroft. "The students took a sober attitude. They realized that what they did could have had serious consequences."

During the meeting itself, no decision-making process with respect to guilt or innocence was employed by the SDC. The stolen chairs were found by city police in the apartment of those involved and all four voluntarily wrote statements to Chief Williamson of the campus security force telling what they did.

Bancroft attended Thursday's proceedings and said the decisions of the SDC centered solely on the written confessions and Chief Williamson's report. No evidence was presented and the SUB was not even notified of the meeting.

Neither Bancroft nor SUB Director Kevin McKinney objected strongly to these proceedings or penalties but both did think the SUB should have been notified the sitting was to be held so a spokesman could be present.

Bancroft said "For one thing we still don't know how they got the chair out of the building. It's things like this we would like to see cleared up."

In these particular cases, McKinney and Bancroft both felt those involved should have been taken downtown. The decision to keep the affair solely a campus concern was apparently made by Dean of Students Frank Wilson.

Bancroft believes that "serious charges like theft or assault should go to the courts. We're not doing the university, faculty or staff any good by slapping people's wrists. Why run a kindergarten?"

He also felt that perhaps academic probation should have

been dealt out to those appearing Thursday night.

However, he also emphasized that he had no severe criticisms of the SDC. He believes "they should set up some type of set procedure but in their frames of reference they do a good job, the best that's possible in fact."

McKinney backs up these opinions. He said he was "not dissatisfied with the SDC or what happened Thursday night". But he added that he would "like to see some set policy for the SDC worked out. Policy and procedure should be set down to provide continuity for the SDC."

The SDC itself is composed of

seven students representing each of the three institutions on this campus. Each member is appointed for a one year term by the president of his respective SRC. The chairman, usually a law student, is jointly chosen by the UNB and STU council presidents. This year's chairman is third year law student Charles Ferris.

## SRC by-elections to be held on Feb. 28



Flanagan

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Jaegar

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Veysey

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After the recent Feb. 14 election on campus four positions are still uncontested. Now with the upcoming by-elections to be held Feb. 28, only half of these vacancies will be filled.

Pat Flanagan, Arts 3, needs ten per cent of the student vote to become a rep at large. Running for the position of Science rep for a half term are Valerie Jaegar and Steve Veysey, both Science 3.

The position that did not attract

students for the second election are Post Grad rep and Secretary of the graduating class. It will be up to Council to decide what to do about the vacancies in these positions. The SRC will also have to make a decision concerning the rep at large if Flanagan does not obtain 10 per cent of the student vote, approximately 450 completed ballots.

"If the students don't get out to vote and with these present

vacancies, the Council will have to come up with some solution," said returning officer Chris Gallotti. "But I know there will be no by-election."

There will be six polling stations open Feb. 28: Tilley Hall, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Head Hall, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; STU, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.; McConnell Hall, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; Lady Dunn Hall, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.; SUB, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

## India Nite eagerly received by audience



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The efforts of the performers in India Nite was greatly appreciated by the audience.

The India Association can be extremely proud of "India Nite" their educational and entertaining presentation, held at the Playhouse last Saturday evening.

The show began with O'Canada sung by the audience and ended with an emotinal chanting by the performers of Jana Gana Mana the Indian National Anthem.

To ensure the evenings success a religious invocation to a goddess, was performed by a male singer flanked by six female worshippers.

An interpretation of Hindu mythology was danced by Anjali Sarkar, which entailed a beautification of her face while waiting for Krishna.

A tabla, Bongos and a harmonica provided the accompaniment for the Tamil Song and the Telegu Song, which originated from southern India and was presented by a group of men and women. These songs spoke for the Hindu mytholog's belief of the reincarnation of the Lord and the offerings

and requests which the people bestow upon him.

A humorous interlude was presented in the form of different Indian linguistic recitals Twinkle, Twinkly, Little Star. The light vein continued as Salah Hassamen did his skit on his first impressions and experiences upon coming to this foreign continent - known as North America. This particular act was extremely enjoyable.

The Radha Krishna Dance by Sarita Gujar and Meera Gupta followed this act. In it Krishna refuses an offering of food then removes all doubts and unites with the offerer. The Folk Dance (in

which a spinster chooses an ideal spouse) came next and then a Deepak Dance with the use of candles followed.

An improvisation of Indian themes was presented in the form of a group dance with five performers.

The evening climaxed with Bhangra Harvest Dance with the dancers miming the labors of the day as well as the pleasures of the feast. Accompaniment was effectively provided by the solitary beating of the tabla.

The efforts of the performers was eagerly and appreciatively received by a large and receptive audience.

### Placement Schedule

February 26, Monday, Iron Ore Company of Canada, interviewing second, third, and fourth year Geology students for Summer Employment. Arrange interviews at the Placement Office.

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