

# Chimo listens well

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 styles including; social worker, psychologist, youth counsellor, clergy, medical doctor, lawyer, engineer, professor, nurse, housewife, student, teacher, sister of charity and member of labour force. All categories except the last one have been filled, there are 10 members at large.

CHIMO enjoys close relations with many services in town,

some people from these services being on the council, and many more working for The service. This facilitates greatly the work the organization does.

As yet CHIMO is not satisfied completely with public conception of its role in the community. It was stressed initially that CHIMO would provide a telephone crisis-

response-referral service. But de-emphasizes the fact that CHIMO is also source of help for any problem however light or serious. It is not necessary to have a full blown crisis to phone the service as it is indicated that the public thinks. CHIMO is also a rap service, if you are lonely or disturbed or just want to talk CHIMO wants to hear from you. This lack of awareness about that aspect of the centre is shown by the fact that most CHIMO calls are handled in the daytime from 1-9, most calls are for information and advice only. Joe Higgins has noticed this problem, from the start. Sheets. at CHIMO and his own experi-

ence which verifies that there are indeed people in Fredericton who just want to talk. He says that this aspect of the service (rapping) has not been publicized enough.

CHIMO, in addition to its present role is thinking of expanding to a drop-in centre says Mr. Higgins.

As how CHIMO is financed, it is supported mainly interested citizens and what little the Fredericton United Appeal can contribute (around \$600 so far). The service is in great need of money it needs a secretary, to work full time at the correspondence of CHIMO and general administrative work which to be done well entails a considerable amount of work. It is not as if CHIMO wants money solely to take work off their own necks (and their is a lot of

it). To operate the service more effectively and efficiently it needs a full time secretary, to deal with the public more effectively and to keep closer ties within the organization a state that is necessary for improvement.

CHIMO has applied to the Federal Government under the Winter Works program with the Fredericton coalition nobody in the Coalition has received any money even though they applied in early December.

## From where I sit

by SRC President Bob Poore

The column begins this week with an apology to the readers of the Bruns. The column head last week should have read "From Where I Sit", the addition of "my dear subjects" was an editorial addition. The power trip was Mr. Collums not mine. I have no idea whats at the head of the column as I write this, the editor demands that I have my copy in by Monday at noon or it doesn't get printed. I asked the editor at Sundays SRC meeting not to add or subtract from my feeble efforts without a note explaining what he was doing. This was met with some kind of garbage about him being able to write whatever he wanted wherever he wanted. This type of editorial policy puts the Bruns right up there in a class with Midnight and the National Enquirer. I'd better stop crapping on the Bruns at this point. I have to submit this copy on Monday so the Bruns staff has until Wednesday to write all kinds of articles crapping on me for saying nasties about them.

Apparently several offers have already been made to this years Carnival Chairman for certain considerations on his part. This brings us to the subject of bribes in the SRC office. Mr. Fenety and myself have been approached on different occasions with offers totaling several thousand for certain considerations. These offers have been verbal and if we mentioned from whom we would probably be slapped with a libel suit. Anyone who signs a contract for the SRC is conceivably in a position to make a little on the side. Its not always cash either. Several years ago a yearbook editor and fellow worker flew across the country and spent 2 weeks out West at the Yearbook companys expense. Thats fine but what do they expect in return? The comptroller administers a budget of some \$50,000 dollars a year. People do not mind dropping a few bucks to see large amounts of that money spent with their firms.

Suppose the arena, fieldhouse project gets to the stage where the student union negotiates the construction contract. The President of the student government will probably be approached to favor a certain proposal. If he does and takes the money no one will be the wiser, the students will get their facility, the company will be out a grand or so, not the students; but will the facility be the best possible effort? If the bribe is accepted it is the student body in the big run that will suffer.

There is only so much on this topic that we can put in print. If you have had any experiences along this line I'd like to hear about them or if you want to talk about how they can be prevented drop into the office. I'm at a loss to come up with any solution as to how it can be curtailed. The concern about the honesty of elected officials is a universal one. The only safeguard you have is your ballot, use it with discretion.



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