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Editor-in-Chief, Sarah Ingersoll
"Someone stole my 'Playgirl'!"



News Editor, Sheenagh Murphy
"My God, I'm hungry!"



Photo Editor, Jack Trifts
"Let's see now ...
2 and 2 equals ..."

Learn to layout a

The time has come, the Editor said,
To speak of many things,
of ads and news items,
and other feature things,
of sports news and poetry
and information that it brings.
But wait, said the staff,
Let's do it now
and show the students how
we scrounge and dig and eke
a Brunswickan out each week.

You may wonder why we have picked this particular time of the year to introduce ourselves to you.

But, you see, we have a little method to our madness. While other clubs and organizations blow their own horns in September, we decided that we'd wait a while to lure some of you down to the hallowed halls of the Bruns.

You see, each one of you out there has some interest in something besides studies. Ah, yes ... besides the drinking, partying and carousing. Now the majority of you don't have journalism in your blood but some do. (Please note that journalism encompasses an impressive variety of skills. These include anything from writing and photography to layout and typesetting and other skills which cannot be learned elsewhere on this campus.)

Now back to our fold. The Brunswickan is the BEST organization on campus. That many sound biased, but then, of course, we are. We have the largest club, along with CHSR; we have terrific parties and lots of fine people.

The Bruns is a weekly and the oldest official student publication in Canada (112 years old to be exact). Friday is the big day. Friday morning, that is, and there are very few students on campus who like to have their before-class coffee without the Bruns.

We do have our problems, including lack of staff and lack of meaty stories to cover (I guess we students just aren't the radical, criminal types that the outside world professes us to be), but we always manage to come through each week, complete with mistakes (you know what they say ... you learn by them).

That's another thing about the Brunswickan. UNB has no journalism course and for us future Pulitzer Prize winners, the Bruns offers an education in the field of journalism. Yes, an education ... what you gain from working here will probably be one of the most invaluable experiences you can hope to obtain. Any one of the many skills you could learn here at the Bruns will prepare you for the working world, sometimes in a more practical and adept manner than your actual university education. After all, nowadays, employers are looking more for experience than the amorphous learning attributed the graduate student by a piece of paper.

You don't believe that? Well, take a look at some of those people, who, one day a few years ago, decided it might be interesting to give this paper a try.

Some past Editors of the Brunswickan are Tom Benjamin, 1976-77's President of Canadian University Press and news-writer for the Daily Gleaner; Susan (Manzer) Morell, former freelance writer for the Telegraph Journal and New Brunswick Information Services and former writer for the Daily Gleaner; Edison Stewart, news-writer for Canadian Press; Ian Ferguson, former City Editor of Daily Gleaner and now Public Relations Director for the Post Office in Saint John; Peter Collum, former Sports Editor of the Daily Gleaner and now a news editor for the Edmonton Journal; Dave Jonah, former Editor of the Bathurst Tribune and now Executive Director of Canadian Community Newspapers Association in



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Toronto; and probably the most famous of our Alumni, Dalton Camp, former President of the Canadian Conservative Party and nationally syndicated columnist. Many of our other writers and photogs have gone on to bigger and better things in this field. By the way, one of our past Editors was the present Vice-President Finance and Administration, James O'Sullivan. Pretty impressive list, eh?

At this point, let's take a look at the various departments; maybe you'll see something that appeals to you.

NEWS

Out of a twenty-four page paper anywhere from 10-12 pages are assigned to news editor, Sheenagh Murphy. These pages have to be filled with ... yes ... NEWS. Which means that somewhere, somehow, stories have to be found. This involves a variety of proceedings, first a newslist goes up, from which, hopefully one of the all too few reporters will take a story. In addition, articles from ANY student or faculty member are welcomed, and most certainly appreciated.

In addition to this, the news editor reads approximately three papers every day in order to "scab" any articles pertinent to the students of this campus. These are then usually rewritten and a personal slant is obtained.

Writing stories is not as hard as you may think. After all, most of the people our reporters talk to are fellow students and/or their faculty. The news editor supplies most of the data needed to even start the story, and is more than willing to help anyone on any story they choose.

It's really a terrific experience, and a great way to meet people and find out what exactly is happening on our beloved campus.

The Bruns is one of the best student newspapers in Canada and according to a