



## Inconsistencies in MacKenzie House Affair

Larry Long, ousted MacKenzie House President photo: John Bosnitch

This summer, the residents of MacKenzie House received letters from the Men's residence office that MacKenzie House was being turned into a quiet house. The residents had to accept accommodation in another residence or else they had to appeal to get back into MacKenzie.

This action, undertaken by former Dean of Men's Residences Bob Smith in the waning days of his term (which ended July 1, 1984), was meant to calm down MacKenzie House, which had a reputation as a "rowdy house." To this end, Dean Smith also told all members of third floor they would not be readmitted.

The third floor of MacKenzie was the scene of some rather wild times last year; however, there are always exceptions in a group, and some third floor residents were never discipline problems.

Dean Smith arbitrarily kicked out a whole floor, and when Dr. Reavley Gair became the new Dean later in the summer, he refused to go back on the previous Dean's decision.

MacKenzie went through substantial changes. In all, only 22 out of 105 residents were readmitted to the house. The men of MacKenzie basically had three conditions:

- 1) if they lived on third floor, they were kicked out.
- 2) if they had a grade point average below 3.5, they were kicked out.
- 3) if they didn't want to live in a quiet house, they were kicked out.

One student, Larry Long, was the Vice-President of the House Committee last year. Mr. Long was not allowed back into MacKenzie, nor in fact, allowed into the residence system at all. No sufficient reason was ever given, as Long never had any in-house disciplinary actions taken against him, and he had a G.P.A. as high or higher than some who were readmitted. Mr. Long did circulate a petition last year expressing disapproval of Reavley Gair being named new Dean of Men's Residences. The petition was signed by approximately 80 people (this out of a house of 105).

A committee will be meeting to give Larry Long the reason(s) he was cast out of the residence system. Members include Dean of Students Don Eagle, Don of MacKenzie Regeev Mathur, and the present and former Dean of Men's Residences, Reavley Gair and Robert Smith.

There are many inconsistencies in this affair. Some people were readmitted even though they had had charges against them for house rule infractions and/or damages; some even though their G.P.A.'s were not up to requirement. Jim Arsenault, who helped Larry Long circulate the petition, was not let back into MacKenzie, but was made a Proctor at Rosary Hall. Julius Csabai, who was from third floor, was readmitted. In fact, he was the only member of his floor let back in. The reasons? He was on the House Committee, and was needed to organize the incoming committee, since President Long was now persona non grata. He was also cited by the residence administration as showing valuable leadership qualities. The third reason he was readmitted, the administrators later revealed, was that he was in fact let in by mistake, but it was too late to do anything about it.

This is a very odd situation. The Brunswickan calls for a restructuring of appeal and grievance procedures in the residence administration, and for some kind of board (rather like a SUB Board that works) to be developed, with students and administrators both. As it stands now, the residence system is arguably the least democratic administration on campus.



By DAVID MAZEROLLE

It's time again to Mug some wumps. Sure, you know what I'm talking about. Wumps. Wumps (as opposed to wimps) are mysterious creatures that lurk in the corners of the campus, who through outrageous, ill-conceived, laughable, or idiotic actions expose themselves to the lambasting of the press.



Who is this week's wump? The honor goes to: the person or group of persons who stole the climbing net at the UNB Kindergarten at Marshall D'Avray Hall. Mary Lee Chase, the Assistant Administrator of the Kindergarten, writes, "This is an expensive piece of equipment which will cost at least \$600 to replace, if a net can even be located to purchase." Boys and girls, can you say "Grand Theft"? I think you can... Low, low, low...especially when children are the victims. Ms Chase also writes, "The children at the Kindergarten used this net everyday and really wish that the guilty party(ies) would return the net."

Anyone who has information about the net is asked to please return the net or contact the UNB Kindergarten at 453-3506. My advice: check residence rooms, as nets are common in the decor of many rooms. Then send them to me. I'll sic my personal bodyguard, Craig Roy (formerly in the employ of F. Sinatra), to do the most horrible, twisted, sadistic things to their wardrobe imaginable.



John Bosnitch has called the election for Oct. 31 (yes that's in 1984). Nominations are to close Oct. 17 (again, same year). Curiously, Oct. 17 is the day the Student's Representative Council will meet to discuss changes in the SRC Constitution that will create new positions on council. New positions are VP Administration, VP Services, VP Academic, and VP Public Relations. However, John is calling for nominations in these positions already. Note: for positions that do not exist at this time. When, when, O Lord?



Wednesday morning, your dear Editor-in-Chief was interviewed by Paddy Greig on CBC Radio's Information Morning Show. You can't find out what I said, because the interview was live and not re-broadcast. And I'm sure not telling. One advantage of the electronic media is its impermanence. You have your hour in the sun (or in my case, five minutes) and then, pfft, you're gone. Here at the Bruns, everything you write may someday be in the archives or on microfilm for all posterity.

In all actuality, I gave the CBC listeners the Brunswickan's editorial policy, which is obvious to those who read the front page this week. 'Nuff said.

Speaking of the SUB Board case: Is the tide of opinion turning? Is the Daily Gleaner going to retract the mistakes made in their editorial of Monday? Is the Alumni Association going to come out in Bosnitch's favor? Stay tuned, campers, stay tuned!



Congratulations to John Bosnitch for pulling a rabbit out of a hat--a cheque for \$38,770 is being sent to UNB Comptroller John O'Brien. That's the balance of the Third Century Fund rebate money that the administration wanted back. Now, are both parties satisfied?



As a special note, I've been told that 1983 United States Chess Champion, Yasser Seirawan extends a free challenge to any chessplayers at UNB for a 12 board exhibition today. Players should show any time between 12:00 and 3:00 p.m. in the SUB Blue Lounge.



Steve Roy: the wildest woman in Fredericton says she is going to miss you and wishes you well. Many of your other friends, here at the Bruns and elsewhere, feel the same. Best wishes et bonne chance.