

Expounding on The Brunswickan:

Getting 'hustled, bustled, passified, classified and satisfied'

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It is this time of year that all the student organizations on campus begin to blow their own horn, hoping to attract lots of new faces to their folds and a lot of old ones on campus too. Everyone polishes up their track shoes and puts on their best old jeans and of course expounds on all their virtues.

But before I start blowing the Brunswickan horn let me say this to all the new faces on campus—listen...listen to what they all have to say and then find something that interests you but please do get involved or you'll certainly miss out.

Now back to our fold. We have the BEST organization on campus, perhaps that sounds a little biased but then, of course, I am. I've worked here three years and I haven't seen anything better. We have the largest club along with CHSR, we have the best parties on campus and lots of fine people—usually about 50 of them before the year is out.

But since I've begun to expound on our little family like a mother hen, perhaps I had better tell you a little bit about us.

The Brunswickan is a weekly and the oldest official student publication in Canada. 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 on that blessed day without the Bruns.

Yes, we're 109 years old but we ain't that stuffy. Besides putting out a paper we've been known to

do a few insane things in our time—we've played floor hockey with a rolled up newspaper at 4 in the morning, we've had ice and snowball fights in the office, we put out a "beautiful" float every year for carnival. And I must say we have never lost the Media Bowl, the annual Bruns-CHSR game, with the radio people upstairs just goes to show I guess that the pen is mightier than the microphone.....

But I'm supposed to be telling you how we put out our little wonder every week. And when I'm through if you don't come arunnin' then at least you'll know how YOUR money is spent.

The newspaper is financed by the Student Representative Council and our ad revenue. The annual budget works out to be approximately 25,000 smackers so you can see we're no measly organization. \$13,000 of that comes from the SRC; the remainder from our ads. We get more money from Council than any other club on campus along with CHSR...remember your 35 dollars student fees?

We usually put out about 24 issues per year with anywhere from 28-32 pages a week, on the average. I must confess we do get a break at Christmas and then again in March when we put out our final and largest issue of the year, so we can pretend to study.

Like any other organization we have a bureaucracy (and if you think you know nothing or little about this newspaper...).

The leader of the pack (or at least the person that takes the guff when someone doesn't like

what we say) is the Editor-in-Chief. That's me. I settle all the hassles and have the final say on any decisions averting a major (or minor) crisis. I also write editorials and generally make a nuisance of myself.

Next in line is the Managing Editor or the ME. This year it's a he and his name is Tom Benjamin. He's responsible for the actual production of the paper making sure everything that's supposed to be done gets done. All department editors are responsible to him with their problems as well as layout people (that sounds dirty, eh?). If we don't get out on time that's HIS fault and if he's not doing his job that's MY problem. (sounds complicated, eh). He also writes editorials and we have tete a tete every so often.

Then come the department editors. News takes up the largest portion of the paper, and therefore makes up the largest



The darkroom is just one of the interesting aspects of life at The Bruns.

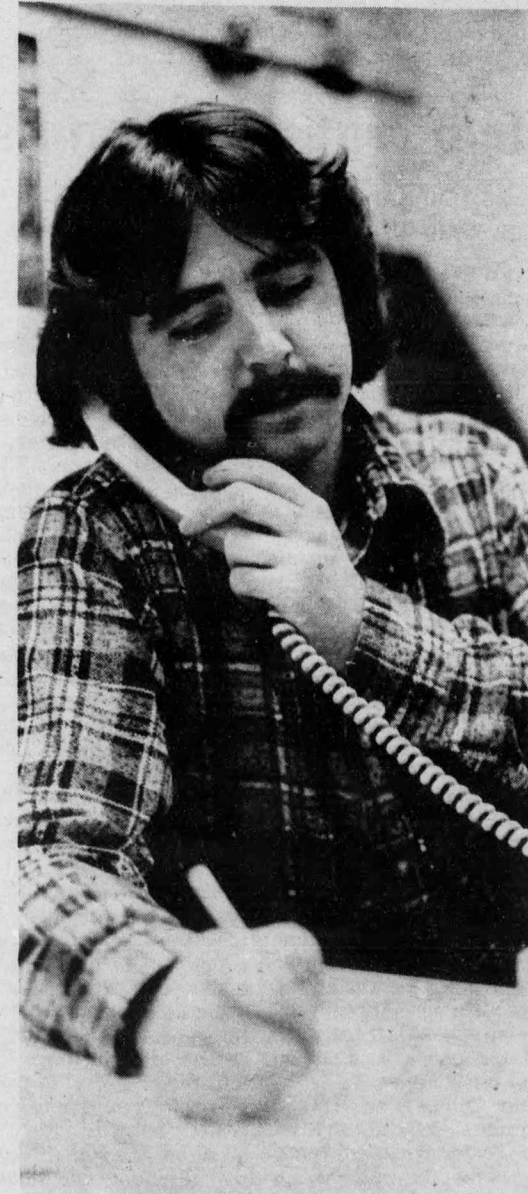


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Managing Editor Tom Benjamin gets an urgent call. Could it be a potential front page story?