

NEWS

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CHSR to host national radio conference

by Gordon Loane

Nearly 200 delegates from across Canada and parts of the northeastern United States will gather on the UNB campus this summer for the National Campus and Community Radio Conference.

NCRC'94 is being hosted by CHSR-FM and its volunteers and staff from June 20-25. At least three important topics will be discussed at the five-day conference according to Jeff Whipple, CHSR-FM station manager.

"Campus/Community Stations throughout the country have developed challenging programs which listeners have not always agreed with," said Whipple. "The CRTC, an arms length government authority which regulates radio licensing in Canada, has heard complaints mostly surrounding language and sexually explicit material."

As a result, Whipple says CRTC officials are being invited to the conference to meet with delegates.

"We're developing a policy and a code to be followed in these circumstances and we'll be discussing this at the conference as well," he said.

A second theme will surround advertising policies. Short of CRTC rules, which are common to all campus/community stations throughout the country, advertising policies at each station are different.

"Some stations accept certain types of advertising, others do not," said Whipple. "Since we now have a national advertising program run by Target Broadcast Sales, the divergent policies are creating concerns on both sides," said Whipple. "We'd like to come to some understanding about this at the conference."

National Campus Radio is currently undertaking a study on disability issues thanks to a \$100,000 grant from the federal Secretary of State and Human Resources Canada.

Three employees are setting up the 'Radio Access Network For People With Disabilities.'

"We're six months into an 18-

month project," said Whipple. "In the end we hope to establish these programs through the access network. We'll be discussing the progress of the project with the help of 20 delegates with disabilities who will be attending the conference."

Two other highlights of the conference include Women in Community Radio Day and the presentation of the Standard Radio National Awards for excellence in campus and community broadcasting.

Last year, Gary Straight, President of Standard Broadcasting based in Toronto, donated \$100,000 over the next five years for the award program.

Each year five awards of \$4,000 each are presented in five categories. The categories include Community Involvement, Local Talent Development, Station Development, Programming Excellence and National Projects.

Each campus/community station eligible submits applications to a six-person panel who select the winners.

"We're in the second year of this five-year commitment," said Whipple, past president of the National Campus Radio Association. "This year's winners should be announced shortly," he said. CHSR-FM has an entry in the competition, the Highland Live Broadcasts that took place last summer.

Organizing a National Campus/Community Radio Conference of this size is not a small task as Whipple can attest. It is the second national conference CHSR-FM has hosted, and he has been involved both times.

"It's beyond the point where volunteers are expected to be the prime organizers," said Whipple. "While volunteers will still be our most important asset, the station has decided to hire two full-time organizers thanks to a work grant from Human Resources Canada." Both organizers start work next week.

Details of the conference will be worked out in the

next few weeks. But another highlight will be an entertainment series that is expected to be funded by BMG Records and Sony.

The live entertainment series

will feature both bands from the regional and local areas. Music will include folk, reggae, jazz and rock. Six nights have been set aside at the Social Club to house the series and the general

public can attend.

"No bands have been confirmed yet, but we should be able to make an announcement sometime in May," Whipple concluded.

AIESEC funding request denied

by Jonathan Stone

A request by AIESEC for extra funding in 1994-95 was rejected by Council during the second reading of the budget Wednesday night.

As well, the group has received a letter from VP Finance Paul Estabrooks indicating that their office space will be given to Student Publications and the Consumer's Guide Editor. Estabrooks stated that other space would be sought to accommodate them.

The International Students Association, who also shared the office, faces a similar fate. At press time, no other space had been allocated.

AIESEC President Pat Langlais said that AIESEC-UNB would be ejected from the national organization if no office space is found.

Student Union President James van Raalte suggested that AIESEC-UN should appeal the

national body for special consideration if this is the case.

Estabrooks said that in the past it has been suggested that the Student Union allocate space by lottery-style so that all clubs and societies get an equal chance for space. He said that there simply is a lack of space until SUB expansion is complete.

On Wednesday night, Langlais explained to Council that his organization was restructuring through new programs, and the extra funding was needed to implement them.

He wondered why funding to AIESEC dropped to the \$3300 level from over \$5000 two years ago.

It was explained that funding was not cut, but the \$5000 was a larger-than-normal budget because they had two national conferences that year instead of one.

AIESEC supports itself through corporate sponsors and

membership fees. Current AIESEC memberships are set at \$10, with only one dollar staying with the AIESEC local. The remainder pays national and international fees.

It was suggested that the membership fee be increased rather than the budget, and that AIESEC's executive should be responsible to improve their organization with the budget provided.

Langlais said the membership fee would likely be raised to \$15, a fee charged a few years ago.

In fact, to save money, AIESEC's executive has chosen the more feasible route of renting cars to drive to meetings in Saskatoon and Edmonton later this budget year.

AIESEC is an organization which provides students the opportunity to network with businesses and students all over the world. It is open to everyone.

Education Minister changes plans

Brunswickan staff

After receiving little or no support from the province's teachers' association, Education Minister Paul Duffie has scrapped a proposal, which among other things, would have required teachers to re-certify every five years.

Although he thought it would enhance the professional development of teachers throughout their

careers, Duffie foresaw contention on this point, and after numerous complaints and angry phone calls, reversed his decision.

The original announcement came just a month before teachers go into collective bargaining with the province. That, combined with the school cancellations policy introduced recently, have not been popular with the province's teachers.

Duffie said in an interview with

The Brunswickan article last week that for some time the province has been considering revising the certification of teachers.

And new teachers will still be expected to hold a minimum of two degrees upon entering the education system. UNB's Faculty of Education will offer a five-year concurrent degree program beginning in Fall 1994.

A revised version of the proposal should be ready by early April.

Daycare establishes office hours

Brunswickan staff

Organizers of the campus daycare have been given use of an apartment in Magee House for office purposes.

Beginning Wednesday, March 30, College Hill Daycare Co-operative Ltd. will have established office hours. They are 8:30am to 12:00pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday, in apartment 101 of the aforementioned residence.

Wendy Waite-Snow will be wel-

coming visits at this address or for inquiries call 453-3584. All unanswered callers are asked to leave a message which will be returned promptly.

A tentative list of children to be enrolled at the centre for September 1994 is being compiled, and there are limited spaces for each age grouping.

This service is provided for users from infants to children of 12 years. Names will be taken until April 30, 1994.



The Chestnut recently raised \$1500 in support of Transition House. Shown are: Manager Pat Alexander, staff Elizabeth Clay, and Alanda Root of Transition House. Photo by P. DuChemin