

Co-ed residences deserve a chance

Faculty, Alumni, and Students of UNB and STU:

The idea of a coed form of residence on the UNB campus has once again been brought up, possibly to "rejuvenate" the campus life as it stands. One of the forms of management talked about was the co-operative system. Statements have been made that, if the same system as it was "up the hill" in the early seventies were reinstated, this system would be a real fiasco. Let me make a point that should be very clear to everyone; the Co-ops on Montgomery Street happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time. Many people still say it (the Co-ops) was a drug-crazed commune, but the only people they knew were the ones that made the headlines.

The present day Co-op is what remains of the institution that was incorporated eleven years ago. It was the people that believed in the system and saw its "other benefits" that kept the "Co-op" alive through the years.

There are three "Co-ops" in the Fredericton area: two on Aberdeen (555 & 565) and one on Union (833). The maximum occupancy per house is thirteen people, male and /or female. The rent for 1 month per person in a double room is \$128 board included, and \$138 for a single, board included. The rent includes your heating, lighting, and an open fridge (you eat when you

want), you cook your own breakfast and lunch, supper is cooked by a member of the house who receives \$5 or \$6 for the services. The houses are kept clean through a rotation system in which each person has a "fag", or job to perform each week. These include doing the dishes, washing the bathrooms, keeping the fridges and stoves clean, or other things needing upkeep. Those are really the external features. What lies internally is the spirit, the "co-operation", which keeps the "machine" rolling. A mistake was made by Allen Patrick in last week's Bruns. He stated that "minimum responsibility" was needed to be successful. He really meant maximum as it was understood in the phrases following. Responsibility is a key to the strength of the set-up, but respect also holds a major role. You realize that other people live around you, you share their work as well as their pleasures, and most often, their excitements. The reality of having somebody of the opposite sex living in the same conditions and style as you is yet to be felt by many students in Fredericton. It sets precedence to the natural day to day life that we will soon be witnessing; that is, people working beside you and with you.

The Co-op is a sort of a movement which can be interpreted as "beating the system". It is not the best, but managed properly with good leadership and

expertise it can efficiently produce people whose mentality, different than the present, can probably "rejuvenate" this present campus.

The economics of the system might interest a few. Briefly it is non-profit organization (therefore, no corporate taxes). Though the system, maintenance costs are kept at a minimum. Shared responsibilities is again stressed at this level. A budget sets the amounts of money to be allocated in the various areas needed.

More detail can be obtained by addressing yourselves to the New

Brunswick Residence Co-operative, Ltd., SUB Bldg. UNB.

I hopefully have presented the Co-op in a general form as of how it stands both as a humane and physical form. We invite you to meet us at any of our three houses to see how it works and ask questions for more details.

As for the possibilities of introducing a similar system, or even an expansion opportunity for the Co-op, it can only be dealt with among interested people. I therefore propose that in the near future a get together with the

administration of the campus residence system, and students whom are interested in coed housing, be held to discuss the possibilities and set objectives as to what the campuses really need, and in what form.

Hoping to have some feedback on this "question", I remain,

Respectfully,
Kevin Orpen
Vice-President NBRC Ltd.

In defense of coach Borr

Dear Editor:

I would like to retract a few statements made to Coach Borr. The issue stems from comments made in last week's Bruns about the Coach being dismissed from Harrison House.

The conflict between this residence and the Coach stemmed only from failure to entertain the "Men of Harrison" on a regular basis, as desired by Ex-Don Ken Windsor. Barry Ward, then Dean of Men, sought to alleviate the blame on the Coach for unjust doing. You see in those days, Harrisonian preferred a "couple of hot knives" to attending social functions. Ken Windsor figured everyone was boycotting the Coach's functions, the Coach figured entertaining a bunch of "heads" was not foremost on his list of priorities.

I'm sure the Coach wanted to get out anyway.

Reg Jackson
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PHYSICS DEPT. SEMINAR
DR. GEORGE STEGEMAN
PHYSICS DEPT. UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
WILL SPEAK ON
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 1978
IN ROOM 204, I.U.C., AT 3:30 P.M.
"Integrated Optics and Its Application to Physics"

The Brunswickan wishes to express its apologies to Mr. Sandy McRuer, who is running for rep-at-large in the upcoming SRC elections. In the February 3rd issue of the Brunswickan misspell- ed his name, presenting him as Sandy McIver. We offer our apologies to Mr. McRuer and wish him the best of luck in the upcoming elections, and hope our blunder has no overly detrimental effects.

SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED

Three \$1,000 Scholarships will be awarded to students selected to take part in the undergraduate student exchange program operated between UN and the University of Maine at Orono, Maine.

The program allows for students to pay the tuition at their home University. The balance of the scholarship can be used for travel in the New England area.

Students selected will be required to enter their junior year at the University of Maine in a program approved by their respective Department at UNB. This is to ensure that students can receive full credit for the year's work upon return to the UNB campus.

Interested students may pick up application forms from the Overseas Student Advisor's office and return them completed by February 13, 1978.

A lot of variety in the show

By RICK FOWLER

Tuesday night's variety show at Marshall D'Avray Hall contained its usual mixture of acts, including quiet, well performed music, skits of Red n' Black vintage and some which were a bit too colourful for television.

Master of Ceremonies was Jeff "Wildwood Weed" Irwin. The show began with Jeff rendering his version of C.W. McCall's "Wolf Creek Pass".

This was followed by a number of musical acts, including a lady calling herself Janette, who performed two songs. Popular among the varied and popular acts was Mark Labourn who finished off the show by playing an Irish jig on the flute and singing a John Hart tune "Don't leave your records in the Sun".

Also well received was Terry Dobbelstyn, who appeared twice during the course of the evening, playing some songs of his own composition and some by various artists.

Included in the show were some non-musical acts. One of these was a skit featuring Jim Murray called "Is there?", an interview with four dead men.

M.C. Jeff Irwin also performed "Wild Wood Weed" by Jim Stafford, and did a George Carlin skit called "Seven words you can't use on television" Irwin also told a few jokes, but these were interrupted by a pair of gentlemen who informed the M.C. they didn't like his jokes, and then emphasized their disapproval by proceeding to go on stage and physically abuse the M.C., even performing some of the beating in slow motion for the benefit of CHYW.

Engineering Students presented an act of a semi-musical nature, in that the piano player, wore a bag over his head and carried a sign proclaiming "I'm not part of this."

The group was dressed as a mixture of "ladies" and gentle-

men, even though a couple of the girls sported beards and work boots. They performed such old favorites as "I wish they could all be California whores" and "She loves a gang bang".

Despite this, it was still a pretty good show.

HUMANITIES ASSOCIATION TO CONSIDER ASTRONOMY

Merrill Edwards, chairman of the UNB physics department will address the next meeting of the Fredericton branch of the Humanities Association of Canada. Dr. Edwards will speak on "Astronomy in Fredericton: Past, Present and Future", at 8:15 p.m., Wednesday, February 15, in the Tartan room of The Alumni Memorial Centre on the UNB campus.

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