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By Robert Macmillan

This is the final issue of the *Brunswickan* for this year. Maybe. A turn of events at last Monday's SRC meeting has left the *Brunswickan* in quite a dilemma. Our predicament arises from a motion from the Administrative Board. The motion is an attempt to regulate the circulation and the number of issues that we print throughout the year. This decision was brought down by the AB without any prior consultation with the *Brunswickan*, specifically with the Editor. This action can only be interpreted as an attempt to interfere with the internal operations of the *Brunswickan*.

Lloyd Tozer, vice president of the SRC, seems to have done a good job during the election Wednesday. It was very impressive to see someone who is able to make improvements as they go. Lloyd is already talking of ways of improving the elections in the future. He was making notes for anyone that happens to be the CRO during elections that take place farther down the road. It was also impressive to see Lloyd calling around town to find the cheapest place in town to have the ballots printed. And he found a place that was cheaper than our own Graphic Services. In fact it was less than half the price of Graphic Services.

It seems that some individuals are asking questions regarding the parking issue on campus. It is good to see that other individuals are asking questions and bringing various points to the campus community's attention. As one letter questions; Who determined the dollar value of the fines? Ten dollars is a noticeable sum of money to working people, so it goes without saying that the financial crunch is really felt by students. If someone knows the answer I would be more than pleased to hear it and pass it on to the student body.

Congratulations are in order for Doug Moore, who has been elected for Graduating class president. Doug is in his final year of Business. May I also extend congratulations to Larry Hargrove who won the position of Valedictorian. Larry is an (or soon to be) Electrical Engineer.

The vice-president of the Grad Class is Donna Yeo. She was acclaimed to this. Donna is also a business student. So all that remains is the position of Secretary-Treasurer which will be filled in an election in the spring. Once again, congratulations.

I cannot let the letter from the student senators go by unnoticed. The only mention of the library policy in last week's *Brunswickan* was in our viewpoint. Needless to say, viewpoint is student opinion. From their response there seems to be some concern, but nothing that the *Brunswickan* is responsible for. So true the responses in viewpoint of last weeks Bruns were opinion, and yes we did print it. The senators also suggest that we quote sources close to the fact. Might I bring to their attention that the three people mentioned in the editorial last week. (which dealt with the exam schedule) were Brian Ingram; Registrar, Howard Fritz; associate Registrar, and Dalton London; Chairman of the Senate Examination committee. Now when dealing with examination scheduling who else would be more pertinent people to get in touch with regarding the issue? One final point, the editorial of the paper is an opinion, all editorials are.

To all photographers on campus. This call includes students and profs. Please look at page twenty-three. This photo contest is of interest to anyone who can take pictures. The *Brunswickan* has developed a contest, so focus your attention on this subject and see what you can come up with.

WELL NOW IS THE TIME TO WISH ALL A MERRY Christmas to all and to all a good night. See you after the break, and good luck on all exams. Before I close, let me wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

soundoff

Parking an expensive crime

Dear Editor:

Having spent the better part of the past five years on or around this campus, it has been my continued misfortune to witness the foibles and fancies of the various organizations under the auspices of the university itself.

Perhaps one of the prime contenders for first place as the reigning king of the department of misrepresentation is the UNB security department. Without emphasizing the fact that security is, at the best of times, inefficient, and slow one cannot ignore their ignoble practice of aligning themselves with those others around

the university community whose central concern in life is to make life more difficult for the very people whose presence allows the community to exist at all in short the students.

For the most part, one can stand back and chuckle at the meanderings and inflated sense of ego displayed by these paragons of bureaucracy, but the time has come when Laughter will just not serve.

Last week I was the lucky recipient of a UNB security parking ticket. My crime? Due to the lack of parking space (which is a very real problem despite the repeated outcries by university

officials that no such problem exists) I performed the heinous crime of parking my vehicle in what the little colored map desingated as a residence parking lot.

The cost? Ten dollars...yes ten dollars.

In all fairness and disregarding my own reservations as to security right to carry out their duties as they see fit, I could accept, and yes, understand to some extent receiving a parking ticket. But ten dollars? To say this cost is excessive is to say the least.

As a non-student perhaps the cost is not as exorbitant to me as it would be to some. However I cannot understand how students are expected to pay that ridiculous price.

Now I have several questions Mr. Editor, which I hope either you or your excellent staff can provide an answer to. First and foremost, why, and more importantly how, can the security department get away with charging \$10 for a parking ticket when the City of Fredericton considers \$2 adequate compensation. What I really want to know is WHO decides what should be charged and what procedure is followed when the question of cost is considered.

I look forward to your looking into this matter, as I believe it is pertinent. Patrons of downtown localities are surely more able to pay higher cost than students, especially when those same students are constantly faced with the inflated and grossly over-estimated costs of other things around campus. A curious paradox which I hope can be resolved.

Yours truly,
Sheenagh Murphy

Wants parking signs

Dear Editor:

I have a complaint.

Dear Abby, dear Abby, I have a complaint. They say Parking is easy, but really it ain't. It turns out to be quite a rat race trying to find a good parking place. Of course I mean parking on the campus scene, if you park in the wrong place security can be mean. It happened to me, not by design, parked in Staff Parking I received a big fine. I said to myself, 'well, it's about time that security indeed should post up a sign.' Signs that indicate who may park where... to expect us to remember is simply not fair. In closing my statement I just want to say if signs are not posted, why should I pay!

Marcel Maessen
BPE III

Don't hog the tables!

Dear Sir:

This letter is addressed to those of you students who deem it necessary to inconvenience others so that you may do work comfortably in the pleasant surroundings of the SUB cafe. I am referring of

course to the ones who occupy a massive table or booth all by themselves while other weary, hard-worked and hungry students are milling around looking like

they could kill for that nice table. Reader! Could that be you? Of course not. I mean you're not that inconsiderate, are you?

This may seem a trivial matter but imagine yourself standing in the cafeteria with a big beautiful tray of Beaver food (yuk!) with

no place to go. Then you spot a student sitting in a large table doing nothing. You and hungry friends begin to mill around the table: suddenly a knife is pulled

and moments later the student is gone, leaving the table for you and your friends. This could happen! People have died for less! So reader, if you find you are guilty of this crime in the interests of self-preservation, gather your

books and make a quick exit before you get a knife your back.

Wearily and hungrily

Todd Daley

Why not Red NECKS?

OPEN LETTER TO JIM BORN
Red Bombers Coach

Another season of disappointments has come and gone for UNB's football squad. What does it take to conquer the seasonal excuses of "What ifs, bad fields,

poor weather, no support, lack of talent, and we didn't get any breaks?" These excuses and or reasons may be quite valid at times but there is one real millstone that I haven't seen mentioned before. the Team's name!

If we may ignore history and tradition for a moment and just look at the connotations surrounding the name of a struggling squad maybe we'll see an easy out. To me the use of the name Bombers

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