



mugwump journal

by Jack Trifts

Well the Red Bombers redeemed themselves this past weekend. The squad really looked good against the Mounties, and I'm predicting they'll match last year's record at the very least. It's unfortunate that we had to kick off the season against a team as strong as the Acadia Axemen. The Wolfville loss seemed to change a lot of minds about the prospects for the upcoming year, and I can't help feeling that much of the criticism is unfair. There's no shame in losing to a team like Acadia. There isn't a team in Canada that doesn't consider the Axemen a serious threat.

One aspect of last Saturday's game which I feel detracted from the afternoon was the mood of the crowd. It seems that many of the people who were at the game neither watched nor cared about the action on the field. By the last quarter of the match, when UNB had their last scoring drive, the guys on the squad were making more noise than all the fans collectively. The point is: the team has to play four quarters of ball so why can't UNB get out and support them for four quarters. When you consider that several years ago there were cheerleaders and a band at every home game, I don't think four full quarters of crowd support is too much to ask.

The word is that the glorious alumna are out to spend some more money, but at least this time the dollars are going for something at least partially constructive. The current purchase is elm trees at about \$125 a shot (information is scant at this time). I must admit that compared to Barbeque pits, trees are just dandy, but being basically a cynic I can't help thinking that they'll probably buy a strain of tree most susceptible to Dutch Elm Disease.

It's rolling up to election time again on campus, and time for the AFS organization to crawl out of the woodwork to expound the great benefits of its illustrious organization. Did you ever notice that the only time one ever sees or even hears from AFS is during election campaigns.

I should note that there is no referendum on AFS on the UNB campus so this is directed to our friends at STU. I must admit that I'm always impressed with the approach AFS and groups like it take to promoting their cause. The trick to their campaigns is to make their group almost like a religion. If you get into a discussion as to the significance of the organization, and happen to bring up questions like the real benefit per dollar spent and other such questions their rebuttal almost always takes the form of "Who are you to question us? You don't believe in the student movement." Student movement or not, I don't think it's very good sense to put money into an organization that shows few tangible results.

The point of all this rambling is: Don't be taken in by smooth talk and flashy looking posters. Take a closer look. If after you've satisfied yourself with the facts, you're still pro AFS, then fine. No one can blame you for supporting what you believe in.

In closing, I have to mention the response we got to our Viewpoint question this week. We often run a humorous question, but this week we really hit a raw nerve. Several people dropped in or phoned to see if we had inside information. This in itself is not as significant as the fact that a couple of these people are fairly well up in the administration. There seems to be a little paranoia going around campus.

Wives for pets?

Dear Editor:

I feel that this ad is very distasteful, to say the least, it is I am writing in reference to an ad which appeared in the Brunswickan in the last two issues. The ad, from the "Fredericton Boat Club" says, among other things "If your wife can't cook, reflects a "unintelligent mind" but keep her as a pet anyway and an "empty one." Please use more discretion in the future.

Dolores Crane

NOTICE

The Constitution Committee is presently beginning a review of all constitutions of SRC funded clubs and organizations. If your constitution is in need of revision, you will be notified.

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THE BRUNSWICKAN

7 sound-off

Oh really Mr. Foxe!

Dear Editor:

I am really getting pissed off. I've been going to this university for four years now and I am sick to death of having to do all kinds of things for people who have no right to ask to have them done. Why do I have to leave my books outside the Smoke Shoppe? I don't care whether they're worried about shoplifting or not! They should the boot (sic) right out of the Student Union Building. The students should be running that concession. Why doesn't the SUN management think along those lines instead of screwing the students on this new social club deal. When I first came to this university you had to wait in line for hours to get a membership to the illustrious Social Club. The reason people never got memberships was that they weren't available. Then some bright light gets this sizzling idea of a coffee bar. What were they thinking, they take out the shuffle board, the pooltables, the table tennis stuff and all those pinball machines and spend thousands for a coffee bar. Now they move the Social Club in, don't you wonder what happened to all those tables that were purchased for the Coffee Bar? That's a lot of student money they're playing around with. And just in case some smart ass wants to say that no student funds were used for that stupidity everybody knows it will now be that much longer before the mortgage on that building ever gets paid off, and the students are paying for it (or part of it).

Why do students have to let Security people through their belongings when they want to get

out of the library. NO WAY that they can possibly be legal. Why doesn't the Brunswickan spend some time checking the stuff out instead of wasting money on the garbage they print now. Do you really think anybody cares to read large articles on whether or not the UNB yearbook is on schedule? (Brunswickan Vol. 112, issue 24, March 1978).

Why don't you guys light a few fires in the campus red tape. One last thing, I would like to know exactly what my student fees were used for this year. This is my last bitch. I suspect that my fees go towards varsity sports equipment. If I am helping them pay for all their stuff how can they possibly ask me to pay to watch them use it? I am really thinking of the football team. What a cacky (sic) bunch and isn't it strange 3/4 of

them are from out of the province? Now, just, because hardly any high schools in New

Brunswick could ever afford it doesn't mean UNB shouldn't throw more money into it than any other varsity sport. Oh! Oh! One more please! The subject of foreign students. Why the hell are we helping to pay for their education? Why do some residences have to keep a couple of rooms empty just in case a couple should happen to show up? Why the hell do they get so much money around here beats the hell out of me. Why doesn't it get spent on something useful like giving vitamin D supplements to all those kids in New Brunswick with rickets?

Yours truly,
Greg Foxe
BBA 4

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Mr. Foxe. First I would like to say that you do bring us some relevant points in your letter. However you are misinformed on several subjects, subjects which we have written about in the past year. We have discussed the subject of foreign students and if you had read the story you would have discovered that Canadians do not in any way pay for the education, in fact if anything they help us pay for ours.

Another point is that our student fees do not go towards varsity sports, this one the word of both Steve Berube and Susan Shalala members of the SRC executive. According to the budget most events are student oriented, although I agree in principle, that they would have done well to consult a few students before some of the

events to find out if that is what students want.

Also, it is entirely legal for security guards to go through students belongings. Would you prefer that students walked with x dollars worth of library equipment — which would deprive the majority of students of that equipment as well as take more money out of our student tuition fees to pay for its replacement.

Lastly, since I believe you have brought up some good points although misinformed on many, who don't you drop into the office and share some of your queries with us. We're all students here, we can't know what people want to know about, nor can we do all the work with the number of staff we have.

Yours truly,
Sheenagh Murphy
Editor-in-Chief

Bad ads?

Dear Ms. Murphy:

For a person who changes a perfectly good, asexual word into a bastardization of the English language (i.e. Councillor into Councilperson when reporting the beer-on-carnival-floats incident last year) you sure slipped up in accepting the Fredericton Boat Club advertisement for publication in "The Brunswickan" on September 9, 1978.

Yours sincerely,
Jennifer Griffiths
M. Eng. PG 2

What?

Dear Editor:

If my Freudian brothers don't understand the following, "Mission to Damascus" makes it crystal clear:

On torrents of inanity through wondrous convolutions I overwhelmed Duality and sired revolutions.

Maurice Spiro/M.Y.

Planned Parenthood

Dear Editor:

I would like to clarify some of the remarks made in your article and the 'morning after' pill which administered within 72 hours of may have been confusing to people. As well, I have just received some additional information concerning a new type of 'morning after' pill which has few if any side effects.

There are two types of morning after pills. Both are used in the clinic. Although this pill has few side effects it should never be at midcycle (i.e. in the middle of the female's menstrual cycle).

1. estrogen-only — This pill is composed of synthetic estrogen which could be harmful if taken and is usually used as an emergency measure only (in case of rape, for example) and must be administered within 72 hours of intercourse. Since it contains a massive amount of estrogen it often causes nausea, vomiting or headaches. Most doctors will also prescribe medication to combat the nausea. Other side effects such as pain in the legs would only

occur in extremely rare instances.

2. estrogen-progesterone — This pill is composed of estrogen and progesterone. It should be administered within 72 hours of unprotected intercourse. Four pills are taken over a period of two days - 1 each morning and 1 each evening. There are usually few if any side effects. One possible side effect is nausea. This pill is available through the university clinic. Although this pill has few side effects it should never be relied upon as a continuous or frequent birth control method. It contains a high level of estrogen which could be harmful if taken and is usually used as an emergency measure only (in case of rape, for example) and must be administered within 72 hours of unprotected intercourse. Since it contains a massive amount of estrogen it often causes nausea, vomiting or headaches. Most doctors will also prescribe medication to combat the nausea. Other side effects such as pain in the legs would only

If anyone has any questions about this, or any other birth control method, please call us at 454-6333. We operate a 24-hour answering service.

Yours truly,
Linda Dale,
Co-ordinator for
Planned Parenthood Fredericton