

# Two new V.P.'s outline positions and policies

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For the first time in the history of the UNB Student Union there will be an executive solely concerned with Services and one with Academics.

The office of V.P. Services is one which was long needed. The co-ordination and general organization of the services offered by the Student Union and CSL require special attention and careful consideration in order for them to run smoothly, and it is, therefore one of the main objectives of our first V.P. Services, Ron Spurles.

Mr. Spurles is looking towards a long and hard road ahead of him; he expects this task to be time consuming, and is willing to put as much effort into it as possible. He would

like to see some longterm plans made for the Services division, as well as good communication and close relationships withing the managing staff of CSL and the Services commission which

he will be heading. Mr. Spurles also stated that there should be "better co-ordination of services," and that "there should be a clear cut division of power within the executive, as well as mutual respect between the offices."

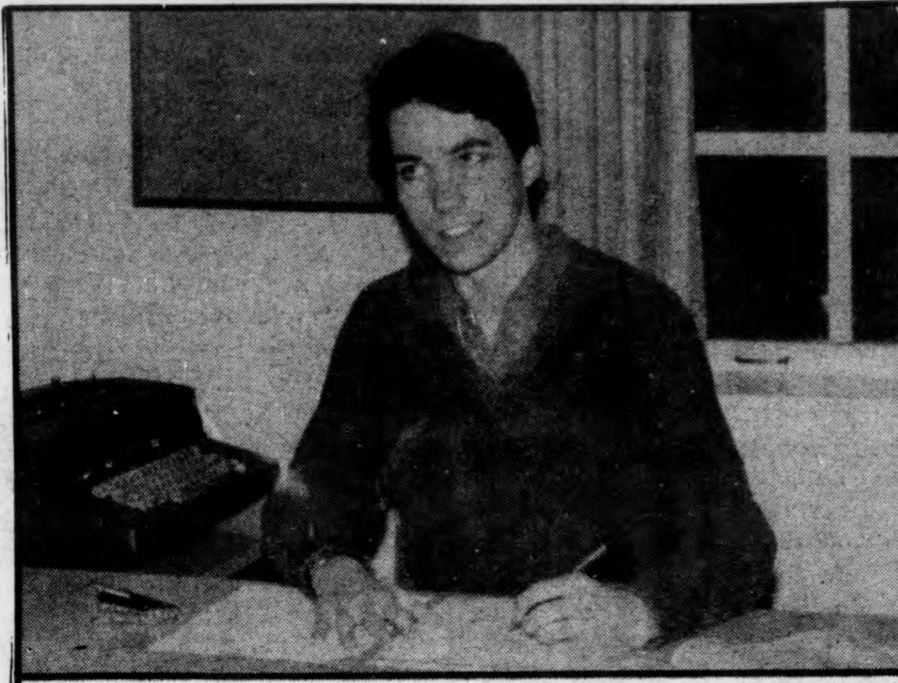
As far as the CSL Exchange is concerned, he said that "if legal counsel agrees, the store will be kept open," and that "a real effort will be made to make a bid on the Smoke Shoppe location."

## Bosnitch pulls a fast one

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As a result of action taken at last night's council meeting John Bosnitch will be a member of the SRC for another year. An amendment to the constitution was passed calling for the student members of the Board of Governors and Senate to be ex-officio members of the SRC. This means that Bosnitch, as Senator, will be among those who will be allowed to introduce motions at council meetings. However, ex-officio members will not be allowed to vote on council.

Council also passed a motion calling for the Senate and Board of Governors to automatically seat the Student Union President.



Mike Bennett, V.P. Academics

Photo by Anne Fraser

The office of V.P. Academic, is one which also was needed on council and to fulfil that position, and to shape it, the UNB student body has elected Michael Bennett.

Mr. Bennett, who has already sat on council as a Science representative, and is a student senator, will, as VP

Academic, receive any complaints from any student, whether concerning problems in courses, disciplinary or the University in general, and is willing to act on it as quickly as possible—as a matter of fact, since he has taken office, he has already received some input from students.

Mr. Bennett is concerned with the lack of an ombudsman in this campus; until now there was no-one to investigate students' complaints. He said that "students have banged their heads against walls too often," and "when his office receives complaints, files will be kept as proof of the

## EUS Handbook criticized

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In recent weeks, the Engineering Undergraduate Society (EUS) Handbook has come under fire from the Student Women's Committee for what has been called degrading limericks.

Kathleen Murphy, a spokesman for the Committee, which is a sub-group for the UNB Advisory Council on the Status of Women, states that her group has filed a complaint with the Human Rights Commission, citing that Act 6(1)(a) and (b) has been violated. The act reads that no person shall be discriminated against because of his/her gender.

Because of the controversy, the remaining copies of the Handbook have been shredded, but Murphy contends that "We are not concerned with

need of an ombudsman on campus."

Mr. Bennett fels that an educational policy for the Student Union should be developed, and hopes to introduce proposals to council on all matters under his jurisdiction. His office will not only lobby for reform of academic regulations, but also will monitor educational policy at federal and provincial levels of government. This includes: fiscal transfer payments for education, Student Loans and assistance, the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Committee, and any other matter that would affect young people including the International Year of Youth (IYY). He stated that "this is the year in which society should recognize that youth want to influence public policy, for example, government support of universities should increase not decrease.

The economic welfare of youth is also a major concern of the V.P. academic's office; "staying in school is often a major problem that students

the Handbook, it's the mentality behind it - banning the Handbook is not enough."

There has been talk that the Handbook has been funded by money from the Student Union. However, a reliable source denies that any receipts have come into the comptroller's office from the EUS regarding the Handbook.

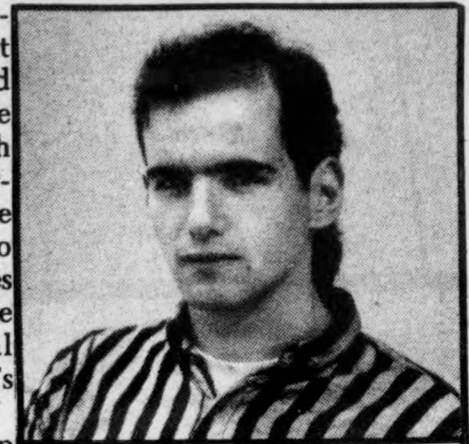
However for the year 1984, EUS was allocating \$948. It is not known whether this money went towards the publishing of the Handbook.

Dean Wilson, who has also been criticized for his role in the book, stated that he did not see the handbook before his greetings were included. He went on to state that the book was not published by the faculty, but by the Engineering Undergraduate Society.

face, many have problems raising tuition, and when they get to university they are subjected to high mark-ups at the bookstore, high rent, high prices at Beaver Foods—furthermore, foreign students are unjustly subjected to discriminatory differential fees and excessive health insurance rates—all these financial pressures can harm a student's concentration on his studies."

Mr. Bennett hopes to set up a central typewriter and tutorial service so students can earn some extra money and will ask the V.P. Services and CSL to start selling textbooks and lab manuals, as a way for the Student Union to give the students a financial break. Furthermore, he stated that "the university must have open application procedures for ever job, including summer jobs that it makes available for students, the university must guarantee that when there is a job on this campus that a student can do, that he/she would receive priority for hiring."

Both the V.P. Academic and V.P. Services are setting a precedent for the offices they fill, they are both the first of their kind in the Student Union and face the tremendous job of shaping their offices into effective and efficient offices which will help the students at large



Ron Spurles, V.P. Services  
Photo by Anne Fraser

— what they do with their position this year will be the legacy they will leave the V.P. Academic and V.P. Services to come in the future. Both the V.P. Services and Academic will soon be advertising for three students at large, each to be part of their commissions. The Services Commission will which will be composed by three students at large and three councillors, and the Academic Commission, which follows the same structure. Judging by the turnout during elections, it is expected that many students would be eager to participate and apply for all of the commissions serving under each of our vice-presidents, and that there will be a high input into both the V.P. Services and V.P. Academic's offices.

## Student Services

### CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS

The International Students Advisor's Office will be holding a Christmas get-together with refreshments and music on December 14, from 2:30 -4:30 p.m. in the Alumni Memorial Lounge.

See you there.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENT LUNCH — THE ROTARY CLUB

The Rotary Club of Fredericton is hosting a Christmas Lunch for all International students on December 17, 1984 from 12:15 - 2:00 p.m. The lunch will be held at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel.

Please leave your name at the International Student Advisor's office as soon as possible. Students will be picked up from the office at 12:00 noon on the 17th and driven to the luncheon. There are approximately 25 spaces left.

### ATLANTIC INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 21 - 27, 1984

Once again the Atlantic International Christmas will be held at Mount Allison University and Acadia. This features a full program of discussion, sports and fun shared with International students from a variety of universities.

Total cost for seven days - \$80.00, further information and registration forms are available at the International Student Advisor's Office.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER—DECEMBER 25th

A CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS will be held at 12 o'clock noon in the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel. This event is sponsored by the Alumni Association. Please sign up at the International Student Advisor's office, so that we will know how many people to book for. The dinner will feature a Christmas menu. Students should meet in the lobby of the Lord Beaverbrook.