

Thompson named status of women advisor

Consider Sally A., a UNB student opposed to the Lady Godiva ride; or Jennifer M., a UNB staff member with questions about sexual discrimination in the workplace. Or Lily Z., a UNB Faculty member who feels her department should make an effort to recruit more female graduate students.

Until now there was no clearcut avenue through which these women could voice their concerns or find assistance. But in November, President James Downey appointed D. Gillian Thompson, professor of history, as his advisor on the status of women on the Fredericton campus.

Dr. Thompson, who will chair a six-member presidential committee to assist her, hopes her appointment will mean that women's issue take on greater importance in campus life. "I intend this to be an action committee, not a policy committee," she said. "A status of women committee should be highly visible and highly accessible to



femal students, staff, and faculty."

Each of these groups has special needs, Dr. Thompson acknowledges, and she wants all of them to be addressed. One way in which the committee will attempt to do this is in the composition of its membership: a representative from the faculty, support staff, the student body, the senate and the board of governors. These members, all female, will act as a liason between the committee and the groups they represent.

The general objectives of the committee are to

organize programs and activities, such as relevant guest speakers, to promote the status of women; to support individuals, groups or offices which seek to improve or protect the status of women; and to act as a critic and advisor to university authorities when women are the victims of sexual discrimination.

More specifically, Dr. Thompson's objectives for the committee include lobbying for more financial support for part-time students, most of whom are women; encouraging faculty members to offer courses that will lead to the

establishment of a women's studies program; urging the hiring of more women in positions of responsibility; and changing university policy to ensure that the dean of students' appointment alternates from male to female.

Dr. Thompson also stresses that the committee is charged to receive complaints from any woman on campus who believes she has been the victim of sexual discrimination or

harassment. The committee will aid her in getting help

through the proper channels and will continue as an advocate in her case.

Members of the committee, which is expect to convene in early January, have not been chosen yet. Dr.

Thompson is requesting that women -- students, faculty and staff -- write or call her with suggestions for the committee's membership

and activities. She can be reached through the history department in Tilley Hall, 453-4621.

The spirit of giving

A very unusual event will take place in the College Hill Social Club on Thursday, December 8th. "The Spirit of Giving" is a promotion for children from broken homes

or from families not able to buy any Christmas gifts.

Members and guests of

the Club are asked to bring a toy and in return will receive a glass of cheer from Labatts. They toys do not have to be new but should be clean and in one piece. (Toys should have a value of \$2.00 or more)

Labatts will also donate a

Christmas package of goodies which will be drawn at midnight from those who shared in the "Spirit of Giving".

The Club plans to make this event an annual promotion and hopes that its' success will bring a smile to those children in need.

Christmas Cheer at the Social Club

Wednesday, December 7
Members only CHRISTMAS PARTY
7:00

- Happy Hour all nite
- Special Egg Nog Delight
- Christmas goodies

Thursday, December 8

"The Spirit of Christmas Giving"

- bring in a toy for a needy child and receive a holiday cheer from LABATTS
- LABBATT'S "Christmas Package" draw made at midnight from the names of those who gave



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