

Harassment a definite problem

The Sexual Harassment survey which appeared in the Bruns two weeks ago, and the letter to the Editor the following week, has caused quite a stir. It has prompted grave

concern among the administration of the university, and rightly so. Results of the survey clearly show that sexual harassment exists on this campus.

Survey results reported incidents of sexual harassment which ranged from continual staring to physical assault. In

most cases it was a professor who was harassing a student. Only a few of these students reported the harassment. The two major reasons given for failing to report were the victim did not expect support or belief and as well was unfamiliar with the reporting procedure.

Beyond the exclusionary and restrictive results the feeling that she is not valued for her productivity, accomplishments or promise, but for her body, can cast a pall of resentment and doubt over her working or academic career, if it does not drive her out of the pursuit altogether."

Sexual harassment is not unique to this campus. It appears where ever there exists a power hierarchy and the two sexes. Dalhousie University conducted a similar survey this year. Responses indicated sexual harassment existed. The womens committee at Dal has taken on this issue. They are conducting additional research and will set up the appropriate systems to deal with it.

Because of the seriousness of sexual harassment the results of this survey and letters to the editor cannot be taken lightly. As followup to the survey, a detailed report of results will be forwarded to the President, Dr. James Downey, and all student Senators. It is hoped that the reaction of the university to this situation will include:

The severity of sexual harassment at Universities was outlined by James Renick in the article, "Sexual Harassment at Work: Why it Happens and What to Do About It", which appeared in The Personal Journal, August 1980. He said "In a university setting the effects of sexual harassment on a motivated woman who thinks of herself, and is, a serious worker or student is potentially devastating.

- that students be made aware of the existing procedures for reporting sexual harassment
- that the Task Force of Women act upon this issue and provide the needed mechanism for improving the situation
- that now more than ever the need for a student Ombudsman be realized.
- and finally it is hoped that concerned students form a standing committee on sexual harassment

Fund drive to start in May

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chairmen. Chairmen will be centered in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Alberta and British Columbia. As of yet, said Vice-President Meagher, three of the chairmen have been confirmed and two are awaiting confirmation.

There will be also be two other positions on the committee. Chancellor-elect Lady Violet Aitken has agreed to take the position of honorary chairman and William D. Mulholland, the president of the Bank of Montreal, will be honorary treasurer. Chairman of the Third Century Fund is UNB President James Downey.

The money, when raised, will be used for 24 major projects. Of major interest to students are the following: an endowment fund will be established for scholarships and bursaries. Only the interest from this will be used, and as soon as any amount of money is raised, it will be drawn upon for scholarships. In total, two million of the ten million will be used for this purpose.

Library acquisitions will account for another million dollars and refurbishing the lounges in the SUB will account for \$200,000. Refurbishing lounges and common rooms in the residences will begin, accounting for \$300,000.

In Saint John, the construction of a student union building will be undertaken if the campaign is successful. \$250,000 will be used to fund inter-collegiate athletics over five years. \$50,000 a year, will be used from this to pay for travel costs and equipment.

Athletics will be maintained at the present level or better, said Meagher.

Also on the line for funding are cultural activities--\$400,000 will be put towards these, to fund such things as creative arts and noon-hour concert series.

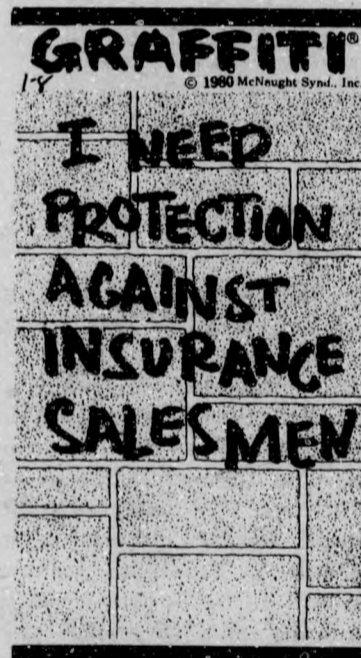
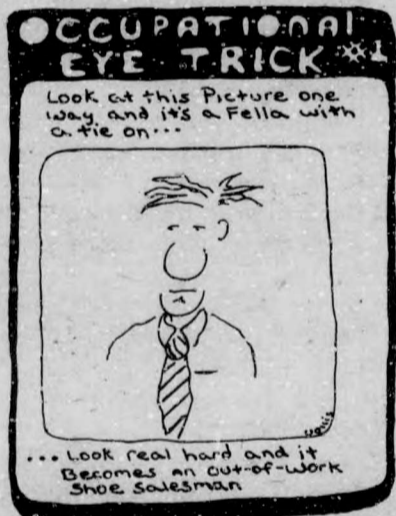
The refurbishing of the classroom next to the engineering library will be undertaken. This will be used as an extension to the reading room.

The final project of major interest to students will be the purchase of equipment for laboratories. \$1.6 million will be used to provide lab and computer equipment for courses. For example, microcomputer labs will be set up in the education and business faculties. \$185,000 will also be set aside for a new

graphics lab in the mechanical-engineering department, and another \$160,000 will be used for a digital systems lab in electrical engineering.

Meagher pointed out donors can either support one or more designated projects or they can make their donations specific. He said targeted money would not be reallocated unless one project receives vastly more than it really needs. An exception to this will be scholarships, from which no money will be reallocated.

The Brunswickan will keep students informed about all developments in the campaign next year.



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