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SU referendum to be held

SUB smoking issues persist

by Aime Phillips

As of October, 1987, smoking has been prohibited on UNB university campus. This prohibition has been gradually increased over the years and now smoking is banned in practically every non-residential building on campus.

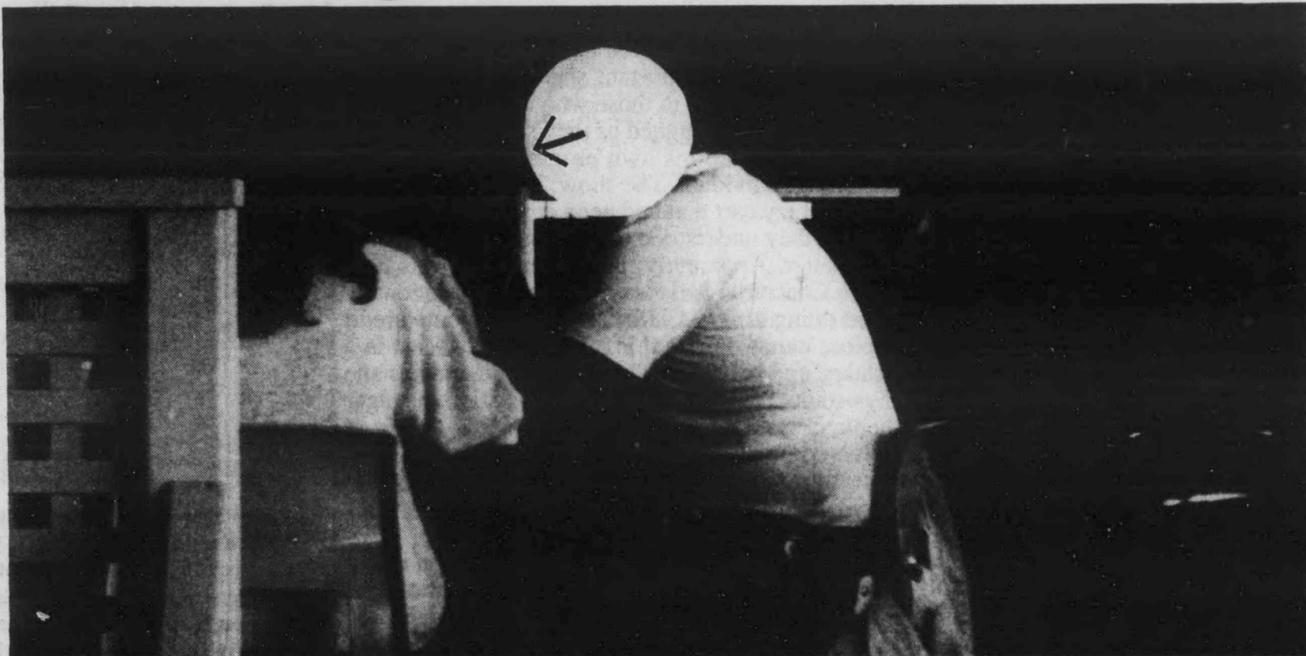
In the SUB, as elsewhere on campus, the policy is enforced through "No Smoking" signs, SUB staff when they are on duty and students when they are not.

Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the Student Union Building. The businesses located in the SUB are prohibited to allow smoking, as stated in their lease. The only exception to this is the College Hill Social Club whose lease was signed before the smoke-free policy went into effect.

As it stands now, there is no fine for breaking the no smoking rule. Offenders are simply asked to put out their cigarettes.

Students tend to be on the shy side when it comes to asking smokers in the cafeteria to stop smoking. Although smokers almost always comply with the wishes of their fellow students, the fact remains after three years of "no smoking" signs theoretically, there should be no smoking at all in the building no matter how aggressive non-smokers are towards it.

Kim Norris, manager of the SUB, explains that smoking has gradually been decreasing over the past few years. New students entering UNB are faced flat out with the ban and do not have to grow accustomed to it as the older students did.



Breaking the rules:

Though smoking is not permitted in the Student Union Building it is obvious that some smokers would appreciate a designated smoking room. (photo by Randy Goodleaf)

"As each year passes it gets better," Norris said, and he expects next year there will be less problems with smokers in the cafeteria. "The university has done its part," according to Norris and the rest is up to the students.

Indeed it is: within the month the Student Union plans on holding a referendum to determine how students feel about the issue. The referendum will in part deal with the possibility of investing in a designated smoking room for the SUB. A smoking room would put an end to smoking in the cafeteria, and it would give students who are under 19 and unable to enter the Social Club, a place to smoke.

However, as Jim MacGee,

V.P. of University Affairs points out, "Physically, where will this room be, and are people willing to pay for the privilege to smoke?" Due to lack of space in the building one of the already heavily used

conference rooms would be turned into the smoking room.

Also, the current central ventilation system circulates air through the entire building. A whole new ventilation system would be needed.

Whatever the outcome will be for smokers in the SUB Student Union President Kevin Bourque says "the Student Union is an organization for students whether they be non-smokers or smokers."

CAMPUS calls on organizations to pull together to remember deaths of engineering women

by Kathleen Johnson-Tracy

As we begin to approach December, more and more students will turn their thoughts to the tragic deaths of the fourteen women that were massacred at the Université de Montréal last year.

Although there was a memorial service held last year at Dineen Hall, many of the student organizations on campus did not have adequate time or information to participate fully in this service.

At their meeting on September 18, 1990, members of CAMPUS authorised their president, Bob Lockhart, to organise a meeting with other student organizations. He is calling on these organizations to pull together and remember

the deaths of these women.

Lockhart believes that "This was not just a women's tragedy; this was not just an engineering loss; it was a brutal assault on the values

"They wanted to be more than sugar and spice and everything nice.

They wanted to be engineers. Like Martin Luther King, they had a dream.

"That was their only weapon: a dream."

-James Quigg

that just people have always held sacred. The fourteen women may have come from another campus but they were all a part of our university family."

He has written to the presidents of the over fifty student organizations asking for their support and participation in the planning of an appropriate observance of this tragic anniversary. Says Lockhart, "the time to plan this years observance is NOW... This year we want the whole university to participate."

If any student organization is interested in participating, please check your campus mailboxes for further information, or contact Bob Lockhart, c/o CAMPUS, P.O. Box 4400, Fredericton N.B., E3B 5A3, Tel. 453-4646.

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realizes that it is not always feasible to screen every new song before it is played on air, he believes that special attention should have been paid to these songs because in each case "the title would raise a red flag immediately."

The title of the song "Cooler than Jesus" may still be found offensive by some CHSR listeners. Nevertheless some listeners view the lyrics to be a parody, based not on Christianity, but on a comment made by John

Lennon where he said that the Beatles were more popular than Jesus.

Foetus Inc's *The Only Good Christian is a Dead Christian* has violent overtones and could be seen as encouraging disrespect and contempt toward Christians. As a result, CHSR's DJ's may still play *Cooler than Jesus* by My Life With the Thrill Kill Kult and all of Foetus Inc's album with the exception of *The Only Good Christian is a Dead Christian*.