

Conference on Women's issues

by Denise Holloway

On Saturday, March 24, The University of New Brunswick hosted its first conference on women's health issues. The central focus of the conference was to help women of all ages take greater control over their own health and self image on the basis of the most up-to-date and expert information, dealing directly with many gender-specific health concerns.

Marilyn Noble, one of the conference coordinators said that "women traditionally spend so much time taking care of other people that they often do so to the detriment of their own health and well being. We wanted to legitimize women spending some time on themselves, to make it a visible concern."

The conference offered five concurrent sessions on five central themes: roles across the lifespan, physical health, mental health, reproductive choice, and lifestyle enhancement.

The resource people for the conference - the majority of which were women - were drawn from throughout the health care professions, the university, and community groups.

Organizers were very pleased with the turnout. 205 people registered. "I think it was the right thing at the right time. I think we are becoming more

aware of a need to look at women's health issues. The striking thing about the conference was that they were so participative, they came prepared to really take an active

part in discussion on some really sensitive topics. They were anxious to have a forum to talk about the issues that women need to have addressed. And it was a chance to get

good up-to-date information that you often are too rushed to get in a doctor's office. Sometimes doctors don't see themselves as having an educational role to play, which

they really do" said Noble.

A diverse selection of pamphlets and published literature was made available to participants during session

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First Residence Leadership Conference held

Press Release

Last Sunday marked the first ever Residence Leadership Conference, held in Tilley Hall, and hosted by the Student Union Residence Representative.

Those present included the presidents of Aitken, Harrison, Lady Dunn, MacKenzie, Neill, Tibbits and the Vice-President of Tibbits Hall. Also present was Jim MacGee, former Vice-Chair of the Residence Representatives Board, and incoming SU VP (University Affairs).

The event was held in an attempt to orient the new RRB to the structure of the UNB Residence System, and proper conduct during RRB meetings. The RRB was created in 1985 during the amalgamation of the Men's and Women's Residence Offices, and is made up of all house presidents, plus the vice-presidents of Lady Dunn Hall, McLeod House, and Mary Tibbits Hall.

The object of the RRB is "to voice the concerns of residence students and to take an active interest in any issue that is directly related to the Residence Community."

While it has had only limited success with these goals in the past, it is hoped that a new executive with new ideas will overcome past inactivity.

The new executive, elected by the RRB on March 8, consists of Chairperson Dean Mullin (Harrison), Vice-Chair Heidi Brennan-Eaton (Tibbits), Treasurer France Morin (Dunn), and Public Relations Officer Heidi Perry (Dunn).

Without a doubt, the highlight of the conference was the round-table discussion on several pertinent residence issues, including the new key policy in Dunn & Tibbits, possible mandatory installation of telephones, residence orientation (fresh week),

alcohol policies, and Don evaluations.

With the annual House Committees Conference coming up on Saturday, March 31, this type of discussion by

residence leaders is very timely.

Perhaps next year could be the breakthrough year for a representative body which has rarely received the recognition that it deserves.

IWK walk on May 18

Press Release

Two Fredericton parents will undertake a walk on May 16 for the IWK Children's Hospital. They will be walking to Halifax pushing a "baby buggy".

This is to raise awareness and funds for the IWK Hospital in Halifax.

During the weeks of March 25-31, Beaver Foods will give \$0.25 for every meal coupon

received at the SUB to the IWK.

This is the Maritime Children's Hospital. The hospital relies on the telethon to purchase extra equipment and for special services.

If you have any coupons, please use them before March 31 and help these buggy pushers raise money for a very worthy cause.

Please help IWK parents help the children.

Fifteenth Annual

Maritime Writers' Workshop

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The University of New Brunswick continues its literary tradition by hosting the fifteenth Maritime Writers' Workshop "Up the Hill" this year from July 8 to 14. The workshop offers instruction in one area of the writer's choosing, and this year these areas include Feature Writing, Writing for Children, and Poetry and Fiction.

As in the past, the MWW's instructors are both professional writers and creative teachers. This summer will feature five renowned authors. Douglas Glover and Susan Kerslake will lead workshops in Fiction, while Erin Mouré and Maureen Garvie will direct the Poetry and Feature Writing groups. Joan Clark will lead the Writing for Children workshop. In addition, special guest spots will be given by noted syndicated columnist Dalton Camp and UNB Writer-in-Residence Nancy Bauer.

Tuition for the workshop is \$200.00. Prices for accommodation and meals are extra, depending on double or single occupancy and desired number of meals. For more information please contact:

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