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African crafts displayed at the SUB exhibition.

African Culture

By ELIZABETH WALLACE

Africa Night, hosted by the UNB African Student Union (ASU), was held in the SUB cafeteria last Saturday night, ending a host of activities marking African week.

The evening was a showcase of African foods, fashion and entertainment. A buffet dinner was served for approximately 250 guests featuring favorite African dishes. After the meal the audience was entertained with stories, dancing and a fashion show which featured the clothes of African men and women both at work and leisure.

The show was delayed for a short time because setting up took longer than anticipated. Reason being that SUB policy does not allow set up to begin until 6 o'clock. Despite the minor setback

the show was entertaining and provided an opportunity for the Fredericton community to learn about African culture.

According to Kwame Dawes, public relations officer for the (ASU) "the whole week joined Africans in a common purpose." Response was good both from the Fredericton and UNB communities. A variety of events including seminars and exhibitions sought to educate and was successful.

The African Student Union unites African students at UNB and is open to all interested people. According to Dawes "It provides a network of experience and heritage and fosters meaningful relationships between African students that helps to educate the UNB community."

Successful EUS Weekend

By MIKE STAIRS

This year's Engineering Weekend, held on February 16, 17 and 18 turned out to be very successful.

It began with Ski-Day on Thursday. This included breakfast and supper at the Arm's Pub, along with transportation to, and lift passes for Crabbe Mountain. As well, the bus trip on the way back was sponsored by Moosehead.

The next event was held on Friday afternoon at the newly

formed "Pillar Lounge" in Head Hall. The lounge was set up like a "pub". Opening ceremonies for the lounge took place in the presence of Prof. Wilson, Dean of engineering, Prof. Wasson, Director of C.S., and Prof. Faig and Prof. Ireton, Assistant Deans of English. It was very well attended and thus the possibility of having a "Pillar Pub" every month may be well in order.

Communicating Science

Everyone agrees that science can be fascinating...if you can just understand what it's all about.

At the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton, scientists, journalists and educators are planning two days of presentations to help communicators report better about science and scientists communicate better about their work.

In an interdisciplinary co-operative effort, English professor Dan Doerksen and biologist Michael Burt have organized a series of lectures by journalists experienced in science communication and by some of UNB's foremost scientific researchers. The idea is to give students in Prof. Doerksen's expository writing course some exposure to a very specialized area of journalism and to help scientists remove some of the barriers to good communication that their disciplines often erect. Journalists, scientists and members of the public are also invited to attend and take part in the sessions, which are free of charge.

On Monday, March 6, at 7 p.m. in Room 146 of Loring Bailey Hall, special guest speakers David Spurgeon and Penny Park will discuss the

business of communicating about science on the mass media. David Spurgeon is an Ottawa science writer, author, editor and free-lance journalist. Penny Park is a veteran broadcaster and associate producer of CBC Radio's national network science program Quirks and Quarks. These seasoned science communicators will also meet with Prof. Doerksen's students earlier in the day in a regularly scheduled class.

On Wednesday, March 8, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Room 146 of Loring Bailey Hall, four UNB scientists will talk about their work in short lectures designed for a non-scientific audience. R. M. Lees of the physics department will talk about research on Lasers and Star Birth; biologist W.D. Seabrook, in a lecture entitled The Lure of Sex, will discuss his research on pheromones or sex attractants; geologist P.F. Williams will talk about Rocks that Flow; and Z. Valenta of the chemistry department will speak on his own particular research interest, Chemistry in Medicine.

Members of the audience will be encouraged to ask questions and offer comments on the presentations. Journalists just might find material for their next award-winning science articles.

That evening, everyone headed up to the Hilltop for "Engineering Night". Seats were reserved for approximately 60 people which turned out not to be enough. Two free rounds of draft were handed out to all the Engineers who attended.

The final event took place in the parking lot of the Arm's pub on Saturday. This was the second annual broomball tournament. It began at 10:00 o'clock Saturday morning and continued on until 6:00 pm at night at which time the Chemical Engineers had defeated the Forest Engineers 2-0 in the finals. Can the Chem's do it again next year? "Highly unlikely?"

At the end of the day people were very tired and sore, but it concluded a very successful Engineering 'Weekend 89'.

Gerontology Lecture at STU

Dr. Erhard Olbrich, Director, Institute of Psychology, University of Erlangen-Nurnberg, West Germany, will deliver St. Thomas University's annual Creamer Lectures in Gerontology. His lectures titled "Adjustment to Aging: Perspectives From West Germany" will be delivered at St. Thomas on Tuesday, March 7, in the Ted Daigle Auditorium, Edmund Casey Hall, and at the Saint John Regional Hospital auditorium on Wednesday, March 8. Both the Fredericton and Saint John lectures will begin at 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Olbrich is a prominent European specialist in aging and adult development. In his Creamer Lectures he will explore the characteristics of older people in West Germany. He will also discuss research on aging in general and in particular his own work which focuses on the process of dealing positively with aging.

Law Week Creates Awareness at UNB

The Constitution Act, 1982 establishes the political and legal foundations on which our Canadian nation is built, and sets out the fundamental rules for governing our society. It also entrenches a Charter of Rights and Freedoms which guarantees that certain fundamental rights and freedoms set out therein can not be taken away from us. It does this by limiting the power of provincial and federal

governments in favor of the rights as individual citizens, and by giving us, the people, the power to appeal to the courts if we feel these rights have been infringed or denied. In theory these sentiments are very noble but in reality not everyone can access the law.

Law Week, organized by the UNB Law Students Society, is put together with the purpose of creating an awareness of this

reality and to explore some of the social/legal issues constituting it.

To do this, Law Week will feature a series of talks on current legal issues, such as abortion and child pornography as well as on accessibility to the law.

The general public is invited to attend the law week events, to be held from March 5th to March 9th.

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CORRECTION

Last week's story on Jammi Aid incorrectly stated that the event had been organized by Tim Judah for Chris Nakash. It should have said that event was organized by Tim Judah and Chris Nakash.

We apologize for any problems this may have caused.