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University considers bar service options

by Gordon Loane

UNB administration officials are slowly paring down the range of options under consideration as efforts continue to have a new bar services arrangement in place by the end of April.

The current bar services operation was ordered closed the end of February after the university projected a 130 thousand dollar operating loss this year. Three full time employees were affected, as well as several part-time workers. The service has since been extended

until April 9 after the university bowed to pressure from the Alcohol in Residence Committee, among others.

"We have decided to do several things after discussions with residence students, university officials and the New Brunswick Liquor Licensing Board" says Roy Brostowski, Manager of Conferences and Food Services. "We will be contracting out Bar Services under the university's Blanket Liquor License."

"To that end we have received

six proposals to take over the service and they're all under active consideration," he says. "At this point in time we're evaluating the proposals and discussing them with the parties concerned, but no final decision has been reached."

Brostowski says the six proposals come from Beaver Foods Limited, the College Hill Social Club, the UNB Student Union and three separate ones from three employees currently working for Bar Services. Five of the proposals are fairly firm,

but the one from the Social Club is just an expression of interest at this point in time said Brostowski.

What seems to be emerging is a new bar service that will be almost exclusively centred in the Student Union Building.

"The number of licensed areas now totals 125 around campus and that's about to be reduced significantly," commented Brostowski. "We're looking at the continued operation of the 'Pub in the Sub' and the centralization of liquor related events in the Student Union Building. We want someone to manage this and that's what we expect will come out of the six proposals we're looking at."

In addition, events on campus that feature food will also have bar services provided, if that's the wish of event organizers. Brostowski says events at McConnell Hall, Lady Dunn Hall, the Wu Conference Centre and the University Club would be prime examples of just such a service. Wine and cheese events would be another.

Asked if it naturally follows that Beaver Foods would be best suited to provide the combined service, Brostowski agreed.

"Beaver Foods, however, have expressed no interest in operating the 'Pub in the Sub' or in providing a service at liquor only events," he says. "So in the end, we may have two operators for liquor services - one from Beaver Foods where food and liquor are served and one from another contractor who will look after service at liquor related

events."

Brostowski admitted that a proposal submitted by Beaver Foods under earlier terms and conditions has been rejected by the New Brunswick Liquor Licensing Board. "So we'll be looking at new terms and conditions if the Beaver proposal goes any further" says Brostowski.

The new liquor service will have an effect in residence as well. For months, the Alcohol in Residence Committee has been meeting with university officials to iron out concerns and provide input into the process.

"We've met with mixed success," says Renee Jones, President of MacKenzie House.

"We'll still be able to hold closed House Socials under the proposed new system and House residents will be able to have a drink in the lounges which hasn't been permitted in the past".

"But unless we can work out some changes Open House Socials will be a thing of the past," said Jones. Discussions between the university and the Liquor Licensing Board have turned down our request she says. The News comes in a letter from Gordon Petrie, UNB solicitor and addressed to Vice-President Finance and Administration James O'Sullivan.

"It means that our House Socials will no longer be personalized," Jones says. "An event like the Aitken House Club Med Social will be out. We'll be able to have open house socials

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Aitken granted "Banned Social"

by Crispin Richards

At a meeting held on Friday, March 19, a consensus was reached granting Aitken House its last Social of the year which had previously been revoked due to the events that took place at Aitken House during their 35 Year Reunion.

In attendance at the meeting were: Mary Lou Stirling (Dean of Residence), Rick Peacock (Head of Security), Sheila O'Shea (Head of C.P.'s), Monte Peters (Don of Aitken House), Andrew MacPherson (President of Aitken House), Aaron Taylor (V.P. of Aitken House) and Hal Brothers and Richard Frenette (Social Chairman of Aitken House).

Events occurring during the Aitken House 35 Year Reunion lead to Aitken's temporary loss of Socials. Back with the

Alumni came the old "Aitken Animals" style of partying. This conduct, along with the way in which the C.P.'s were treated in the House, was the main reason why Aitken had originally lost their socials.

The meeting adopted a novel discussion style introduced by the Don of Aitken House, Monte Peters, which utilized the concept that each member was treated as an equal. The discussion rotated around the circle until the agreement was reached that Aitken House, having already lost their first Social of 1993, had been adequately punished. The participants expressed great satisfaction with this style and the results obtained from it. "This meeting", said Aaron Taylor, "was a refreshing reprise from the previous meeting".

The previous meeting, in which very little was accomplished, was held a number of weeks earlier and offered very little room for Aitken House to negotiate. Aitken House was eventually granted the additional opportunity they needed to make their case.

The Aitken House Committee would like to extend their appreciation to Dean Stirling, Sheila O'Shea and Rick Peacock for their cooperation and flexibility in this matter. As well, the A.H.C. would also like to thank Ric Cuthbertson; although not in attendance at the meeting, he gave the unconditional support of Bar Services.

Aitken House will hold the last Social of the year entitled, "The Banned Social" in the S.U.B. from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Saturday, April 3.

Lecture presents "A Case for Degendering"

by Erin Campbell

In a lecture delivered on March 24th, Dr. Mary Stewart Van Leeuwen raised the issue of women's and men's roles in society.

In "Public or Private Lives: A Case for Degendering", Dr. Van Leeuwen used various feminist theories to illustrate her point that traditionally women have been assigned domestic roles while men have been placed in patriarchal positions. She believes that the split between the private sphere and women and the public world and men is a "central issue that has to be dealt with."

Dr. Van Leeuwen not only defines the problem in her lecture but proposed solutions to "degender" society. Some of the covered theories and their answers were liberal, radical, psychoanalytical, philosophical and theological feminism. Originally, she proposed, feminists thought society could abandon its traditional gender roles if women participated in the public sphere. Radical feminism, however, holds that social and cultural changes were necessary in addition to political alternations. Dr. Van Leeuwen also discussed the psychological explanation of gender roles, which maintains that public and private spheres, are kept separate

due to male insecurity over their identity. Psychoanalytical feminism, she explains, proposes as a solution to the pattern of assigned roles and misogyny, the use of co-parenting. Philosophical feminism asserts that respect for the private sphere and "women's ways of knowing" must be achieved. This theory makes other feminists "uneasy" because it could reinforce traditional roles.

Dr. Van Leeuwen described the fifth theory, that of theology, in detail. The theory rejects the traditional belief that since creation, men and women are made to be unequal. Sin forces both genders to extend deeper into their roles. Women, Van Leeuwen theories, have been forced into the Christian role of self-sacrifice as based on the doctrine of the atonement of Christ. Theological feminism, according to Van Leeuwen, mandates a new emphasis of the Trinity Doctrine, which would make women and men equal partners.

Dr. Mary Stewart Van Leeuwen is a professor of Interdisciplinary Studies at Calvin College, in Massachusetts. She is the author of various texts, papers and articles, including her recent book, *After Eden, Facing the Challenge of Gender Reconstruction*.



Above is the organizing committee of the 1993 Civil/Geological Senior Report Conference. Shown (left to right) are: (front) Sylvie Bourgeois, Tracy Lordon, Tania Noble, Shawn MacCormack; (Back) Mike Hamill, Andrew Higgins, Jacque Duguay, and Mark Hussey. (ERTW photo)

Engineering Report Conference

by Jonathan Fullarton

On Wednesday, March 31 the UNB Civil/Geological Engineering Senior Report Conference will be held in the Dineen Auditorium of Sir Edmund Head Hall. This marks the end of years of hard work for thirty-nine engineering students. Senior reports will be presented on a variety of topics including Environmental, Construction, Transportation, Planning, Geotechnical, Geological, Structural, and Materials.

Opening ceremonies will commence at 8:30 AM with reports running throughout the day and closing ceremonies at 5:30 PM. The Senior Report Conference provides an excellent opportunity for engineering undergraduates to come and see what the conference is all about. Everyone is welcome to attend and refreshments will be provided. For more information regarding the conference contact the Civil Engineering office at 453-4521 or Andrew Higgins, Conference Chairperson at 455-9849.