

Inscription on wall causes controversy

By Allan Carter

Last week's campaigning for the Student Union elections proved to be an interesting one.

A supporter of Kevin Bourque, candidate and new President of the Student Union sprayed "Kevin Bourque for Prez" on a snow wall that the Student Union built last Friday.

The wall stood out in front

of the building and was going to be used during the Winter Carnival in January.

David Kilfoil, Chief Returning Officer, feels that the words sprayed on the wall, which were bright red in color, played an unfair advantage during the campaigning for SU elections last week.

Wayne Carson, President of the SU believes that the inscription on the wall was not

appropriate. He feels that it was unfair to allow a candidate to use the wall that was built by the current SU, for his own advantages. Carson says that if the wall had not been the work of the SU, the wall would not exist.

It seems that if Bourque or his supporters had built a wall of their own no problem would have surfaced. Kilfoil feels that other candidates knew

about the wall, but probably did not use it for the simple reason that the SU built it for their own purposes.

Bourque was totally willing to take the inscription of the wall and Kilfoil called for it to be removed by Saturday morning.

Bourque says he wondered whether or not the snow belongs to the SU and since the wall wasn't maintained, he feels it could be argued that the SU abandoned the wall.

In addition, Bourque feels it is a question whether or not the SU executive has the right

to pressure a Chief Returning Officer.

But Kilfoil denies that the SU pressured him even though they informed him after the inscription was sprayed on the wall that they were going to use it for the spring festival.

Kilfoil claims that he made his decision to remove the inscription before it was discussed with the executive.

The SU might have taken final claim to the wall, but it looks like mother nature had other plans for it, since last weekend the majority of it has melted into the ground.

Muscular Dystrophy drive at UNB last week a great success

by Pierre St. Amand

Although they did not reach their goal of \$1,000, the drive for the muscular dystrophy was a great success, says Vice President of External Affairs, Gary Clarke.

The drive which is a first for UNB was organized by the UNB Student Union and raised a total of \$740. It was held

from March 12 - 17 in the SUB Cafeteria.

Clarke believes that most of the money will go toward needed equipment and not research. He says that the Student Union got a lot of help from "too many to mention".

The computer that was to be drawn for the occasion, has not been given away yet. The

volleyball tournament, as well as many other planned activities, also went well.

According to Clarke, there is a very good chance that the event will be repeated next year.

On behalf of the Student Union, Clarke would like to thank all of those who helped with the event.

Jesuit missionary to give lecture at STU on March 27

(STU-PR) Rev. Tomas Marrero, a Jesuit missionary in Santo Domingo, will deliver a guest lecture at St. Thomas University, Thursday, March 29.

In his lecture title "Serving Those Most in Need: Grass-roots Development in the Third World", Father Marrero will discuss his work in the Dominican Republic as well as the conditions in developing countries.

He will also explore the role of overseas development assistance in the alleviation of third world poverty. In particular, he will focus on the benefits of development support to grass-roots, community-based projects as opposed to mega-project support.

His lecture will begin at 7:30 pm., Faculty Lounge, Edmund Casey Hall.

A native of Cuba, Father Marrero has served the urban

poor in Santo Domingo for more than 20 years. He has ministered primarily to the people in the shanty towns which have arisen on the outskirts of Santo Domingo, as rural poor migrate to the city in search of employment.

The settlements lack all basic services and Father Marrero has been instrumental in establishing community centres and basic industries in these impoverished areas.

In addition to meeting both the spiritual and material needs of the urban poor, Father Marrero has actively supported programs designed to strengthen the economic base in rural areas. Among his initiatives has been the establishment of two residential cooperatives which provide food and housing to exceptional rural students attending the Polytechnical Institute in San Cristobel.

Graduates will promote community development in rural areas thereby forestalling further urban migration. Despite assistance from the Fredericton YMCA-YWCA International Program, the residences are in desperate need of additional funding. Father Marrero has had to work as a day labourer to support the project.

The public is invited to attend Father Marrero's St. Thomas lecture which is sponsored by the University's Guest Lecture Committee. There is no admission fee.

Father Marrero's visit to Fredericton is a cooperative undertaking of the Fredericton "Y", St. Thomas University and St. Dunstan's Parish. As part of his Fredericton Visit, Father Marrero will address all masses at St. Dunstan's Church on Solidarity Sunday, April 1.

Aitken House wins award at Blood Donor Clinic once more

by Murray Carew

Aitken House once again won the Inter-Residence Competition at the latest Red-Cross Blood Donor Clinic at UNB. The house had 51 donors. In previous years, the turnout from the house was 70 to 80 donors.

The clinic was held last week. Though a good number of donors were deferred for

various reasons, 490 were able to give blood.

The Best Bloody Faculty Award was won by the Nursing Faculty. 35 donors turned out from this faculty. The faculty has a total number of 246.

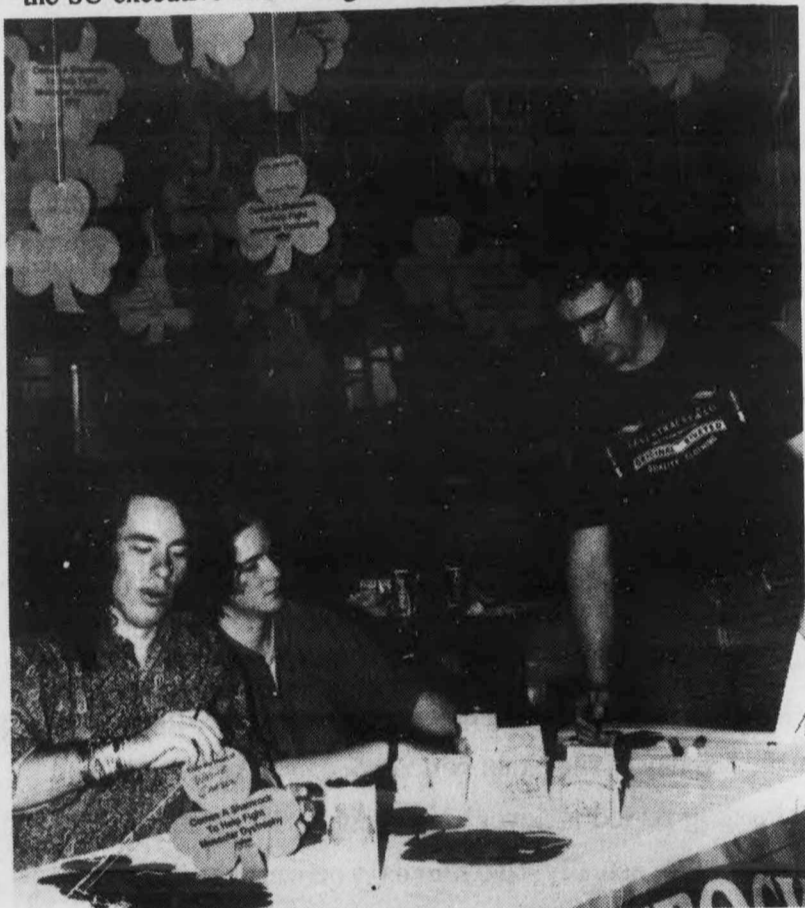
The Forestry Faculty, who won the award at the last blood donor clinic had 20 donors show up.

Catherine Giles of the Red Cross Program was pleased

with the overall turnout, but feels that new ideas must be created so more students donate.

Giles says that both the Red Cross Youth Action Team and the Health Science Society did quite a bit to promote the clinic.

In addition, professors from various faculties encourage students to attend the clinic.



Students working at Muscular Dystrophy drive which took place last week. Photo by Jayde Mockler

Large number of graduates to present awards at Senior Report conference

Press Release

The department of Civil Engineering will be holding its 1990 Senior Report Conference on Tuesday, April 3 at Sir Edmund Head Hall.

Conference proceedings will take place from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm in the Dineen Auditorium and room HC11. Following the presentation of the reports, an awards ceremony will take place.

Prizes will be awarded for technical merit, creativity and oral and visual communication skills. All interested students, faculty and members of the public are invited to attend.

Civil engineering students are particularly encouraged to attend some or all of the presentations.

This term a relatively large number of graduates are presenting senior reports. For these 37 students, the senior report represents the culmination of five years of an engineering education. Many

months of research on a topic of interest have been carried out under the guidance of a faculty member.

The civil engineers of the 90's will be doing a lot more than "building bridges". Civil engineering structures, transportation systems and new materials must meet the challenges of being structurally sound, environmentally safe and cost effective in the face of demanding clients and a demanding public.

Senior civil engineering students presenting reports this term have successfully dealt with many of these challenges, often in imaginative and resourceful ways.

The Senior Report Conference represents a good opportunity for students to learn about the challenges facing civil engineers. It will also provide insight into the type of research currently being explored in the field of civil engineering. They hope to see you there.