



# mugwump journal

By SUSAN REED

Ding! The gong rings and in the third round it's a knockout by the SRC chairman. Bosnitch slumps into a corner and for the moment, the fight is over. Congratulations to the chair for having to resolve to request the councilor to leave Monday's regular SRC meeting. The engineering rep's repeated obstructionism is getting to be really boring.....

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Did you hear the one about the SUB referendum? There isn't going to be one anymore. However the trust fund set up after the SUB mortgage was paid off, will be transferred to the SUB board. The College Hill Social Club will be given permission to move to the ballroom floor. The board is apparently within their full legal rights to do so. They had wanted student opinion but after the emergency meeting Friday resulting in council voting against holding a referendum, decided to go ahead with their plans. After the complete muddle council has made of the whole matter, it shouldn't surprise anyone.

A referendum will be held asking students for a \$10 entertainment levy, on top of regular SRC fees. Certainly the extra money would make bringing quality entertainment to campus easier, but one wonders if it is wise to put \$50,000 in the hands of a group with a rather unimpressive corporate record.

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Senate's approval of the cooperative program for computer science students is certainly a step in the right direction. It would be nice to see work/study programs in other disciplines and faculty. Lack of experience is usually the reason why graduates fail to get jobs--a problem the university is on the way to solving.

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Students are advised that the parking lot in front of the SUB (beyond the circle for those of you with no sense of direction) will be closed all day Tuesday, March 23. The lot will be used as the starting point for the protest march on the legislature.

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I really don't want any more letters to the editor headed "Dear Sir." If you check the masthead you will notice my name is Susan. This is not usually a male name. "Dear Editor" will do just fine.

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In the oh-shut-up department, it seems UNB debaters John Jerney and John Bosnitch did their best to embarrass us all at the World Debating Championships. They were finally chased out of the debate by an irate judge. I could ask why the trench coat twins *always* have to make "statements", but that would be foolish, wouldn't it?

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If you read last week's account of the forum held here on under funding of universities and if you read Finance Minister Dubé's rebuttal of that article, you might notice one or two curious things. The Liberals produce figures and accuse the provincial government of diverting funds for post-secondary education. Meanwhile the government uses another set of figures and places all responsibility on the federal government for not providing enough money.

The blame shifts dizzily from one group to another -- really it's much too hard to keep up with. And yet one thing remains set and true. Universities are forced to make cut-backs and students get the short end of the stick.

# soundoff

## CAUSE to submit plan

Dear Editor:

Once again, the CAUSE committee is forced to set the record straight on the views presented by the *Brunswickan*, specifically those found in the *Mugwump Journal*. We are told that we must make some form of professional plan in order to be taken seriously, what we respond with is this: one doesn't have to be a professional to know what one would like to see for renovations, just as one does not have to be a mechanic to buy a car. Furthermore, any report is useless if it is not derived from the "nonprofessional" no matter how professional, views of the students. If Mr. Irwin wants a professional report based on real needs, he'll get one only from CAUSE.

From the information gained since the October vote, and

also from the open forum to be held today the CAUSE committee will have a full plan drawn up with time and cost estimates. This forum is to be held to make up for the total inaction on the SRC's part, which has now decided to remove all student input, by recording the motion of John Bosnitch which guaranteed a "student's" renovation plan. The CAUSE committee is forced to take the initiative by going to the students.

As for the SUB board, we see that their neglect of simple maintenance, (i.e. not putting enough garbage cans in the SUB, leaving the plastic up on the windows, even when it is not needed, etc.) is being used to make a false case for renovations, in order to mislead the students into voting YES.

Finally, the new referendum

is an identical copy of October's question, except this time the students do not get a plan, or even the assurance of one. Therefore we strongly urge a no vote and will be actively campaigning for one.

A reminder is given to all students to attend the open forum and to attend the CAUSE meeting on Monday at 3:30 p.m. to aid in formulation of an honest, straightforward renovations program which could start immediately instead of summer 1983.

Sincerely,

Randy MacDonald  
for CAUSE Executive

Editor's Note:

We will be waiting with bated breath for CAUSE's comprehensive report on proposed renovations.

## Congrats to Bruns

Dear Editor:

Three cheers to the editorial of March 5.

It's long time someone spoke out concerning student participation (or lack thereof)

at UNB's sporting events.

Speaking as an alumni, who has frequented the majority of Red Devil's games this season -plus a couple away from home, I have been disappointed and embarrassed by

the lack of local support. It's high time our fans outnumbered the fans from a visiting team!

Kathryn Macmillan

## Human rights group planned

Recently I read in *The Daily Gleaner* that 17 million children died last year because of malnutrition. Reflecting on such an atrocity I feel compelled to do something about this absurd situation. It is clear to me that there is no worthy explanation for this present situation and as long as such disparity prevails our future is doomed. Before world harmony can ever be established mankind has to change history by overcoming its lack of respect for the most basic of human rights.

I propose that the students of UNB and STU band together and form an organization that would strive to change a bleak future into a promising one. My purpose here is not to

outline definable objectives of such an organization, that task must be established in conjunction with fellow students who are interested in human rights and the dignity of mankind. The purpose of this article is to invite students or other interested people to become involved with such pressing concerns. It should be noted that the spirit of such an organization implies anyone could be a member as long as they adhere to a view of equal human rights for all.

I would propose that the organization strive foremost to increase student awareness and involvement in human rights issues. This involvement would include local, nation and international matters, would

support similar groups and hopefully expand to other university campuses.

It is crucial that the importance of human rights be seriously considered by students and other concerned parties. To avoid the problems in the world today is to leave little hope for tomorrow.

Those who are interested in the future of this organization are urged to attend a meeting to be held next Wed. the 24th in room 103 of the SUB at 3:30 pm.

When you're eating your supper tonight why not reflect on the less fortunate in the world.

Coordinator  
Darcy Russel  
Student Party Member

## Malaysian Focus attacked

On March 12, 1982, after the appearance of the article "A Point to Ponder" in *The Brunswickan*, a true star is born. Now, we have with us a brilliant, young and dedicated student who gives wise advice to his fellow Malaysian friends. So, the search is over. Such a person now exists. For those who missed the last issue of *The Brunswickan*, I believe that many Malaysian

students have a copy of it kept, which they should, since the article is such a treasure. Coincidentally, the schedule of our Final Examination is in that issue too.

He reminded us of, not only the word "muhibah" but also the day of our independence, August 31st, 1957. Not only should we be grateful to such a person, but also be proud to have him with us. He is one of

those who never lacks the spirit of all he believes in "unity is strength." He doesn't

believe in the 3L's but rather in "S". Can you imagine such a person exists? Believe me, he is here; here to show good examples if not perfect examples

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