

Career line

By NATALIE BULL

Deciding upon a particular career goal and then the necessary steps to get there can be one of the most daunting tasks we ever tackle. For many people there seems to be implicit in the idea of making a career choice the notion of "sudden death overtime," where success (and failures) are absolute and irrevocable. Little wonder, then, that the choice is often made wholly on the advice or urging of parents, friends or high school guidance counsellors, using as criteria such concerns as practicality and job market demand.

Of course, it is no sin to heed the advice of people who want to see you established in a lucrative career. But practically - seeing a job as merely the means to financial security - should not override the importance of finding a career that is personally satisfying and meaningful.

Matching individual abilities, interests and values with a suitable and feasible career is an approach to career decisions that covers all angles. It also happens to be the basic approach to career counselling found at counselling services in the UNB Alumni Memorial Building on Campus, as I learned during my exposure to the counselling process over several weeks last term. My counsellor promised no pat answers, but rather, she offered the techniques and tools to figure out for myself what kind of career I want, and guidance through the process of sorting out options and possibilities.

Discovering the skills and competences you have and would like to incorporate into a career is an important first step in the career counselling process. A career, after all, is really a flexible combination of skills that can be arranged and rearranged to suit the individual.

Next time: Distilling a large body of skills, interests, and enthusiasms down to a core of essentials in order to choose a field that meets your needs.

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Africa Nite '85:

a traditional novelty

How do you describe an event, especially one that is held regularly every year? Do you describe it as a novelty or as a tradition? Is an event for which you wait every twelve months with baited breath a 'new' fad or an aged tradition, tried and true? None of these adjectives completely effaces

the imprecision of what we wish to describe. Imprecision of meaning, that is. These imprecisions are due to the fact that, though contradictory, these words could, with lots of qualifications, be used to describe an event. They could serve to describe the upcoming "Africa Nite '85"; and this, not because they say it all, because nothing says all about anything.

Ethiopian Aid must continue

YMCA's Director for International Development says monies raised by UNB and Saint Thomas students through the Students Help Ethiopia committee will go a long way in helping famine victims in Africa. Bob Vokey says the \$22,000 raised will be used in a number of manners including training people in better techniques of producing their own food. Vokey says there is some truth to reports that the government of Ethiopia is withholding food from refugees in the rebel held northern provinces but he says the YMCA still reaches these people through neighbouring Sudan.

Vokey says the effort for the famine victims must continue and says that as time goes on people cannot forget that the problems in Africa will still exist. Vokey was at UNB January 23rd to speak to members of the Students Help Ethiopia committee.

AFRICA NITE
The African Students' Union of St. Thomas University and the University of New Brunswick has, after some thought, decided to hold this year's event on Saturday night, February 9, 1985 in the SUB Cafeteria. As usual, some of the events lined up will be events that most of our guests could, with lots of effort, guess. Others will be new.

Come and enjoy this traditional novelty with us. All you need is a \$5.00 ticket which you can pick up at the SUB Office or the International

Students' Advisor's Office (Alumni Memorial Building). Or, if you are like us, you are not adverse to the fun of bargaining, ask any African you meet.

Again, do not forget. Buy your ticket now. You cannot afford to miss Africa Nite '85. It is the only novel tradition you will have the opportunity to enjoy in 1985.

Meet the UNB campus Chaplains

This is the first of three articles profiling the Chaplains who make up the Campus Ministry team at UNB—Rev. Monte Peters, Rev. Barry Hollowell and Mrs. Dianne Stevenson. This week we talked to Diane Stevenson.

BRUNS: So tell us a bit about yourself.

DIANE: Well, I'm 28 years old. I come from a Japanese-Canadian background. I was born and grew up in the Okanagan Valley in B.C. I graduated from UBC with a degree in Home Economics and Physical Education, and I taught for four years at a Junior High School in B.C. I came to New Brunswick because I married a professor in Phys. Ed. at UNB.

BRUNS: What do you do as Chaplain at UNB?

DIANE: Quite simply, I'm here to serve the Lord, to be an Ambassador for Jesus Christ on the UNB campus. What this means is that with the people I meet and the things I do, I try to demonstrate through my actions and my words the love, the caring, the joy that Christ has for us all, believer and non-believer alike!

I've met a number of people since I've been on campus, in the SUB Cafeteria over coffee and during workouts in the weightroom in the L.B. Gym. I've enjoyed meeting them, and I'm concerned about them. I'm concerned about them as persons, not just their spiritual lives but also their needs, their physical and emotional needs. Many people just need a friend. Someone who'll accept them just as they are, someone they can talk to, someone who'll offer help when it's needed. I want to be just a friend for the people at UNB. I want to care and I want to help.

BRUNS: Do you have any programs or groups that you're working with?

DIANE: Yes. Over the last couple of weeks I've started up 3 different Bible Studies. These are opportunities for people to come together to examine their beliefs, to explore Christianity and the claims of Christ, to ask questions, to learn more about the Bible, to pray together, and to support each other. I'm also working with the Christian Athletes Fellowship Group. This is a group which began in the fall to give the athletes, and others, an opportunity to come together for fellowship and mutual support, and to look at how Christianity can be incorporated into, and enrich, an athlete's life. However, it's not just limited to athletes, we get a number of other people who are just interested in meeting other Christians.



Diane Stevenson
Photo by Lisa Burke

BRUNS: What are your plans for the UNB Campus?

DIANE: Well, I've only got 4 months, but while I've been on campus I've met a lot of great people; so, I'd like to get to know a lot more! I'd like to know as many people on campus as possible. One thing I'm planning on doing is going to the residences so that I can get to know the students there. Another thing I want to do, which is really important, I think, is making people aware of the existence of Biblical

perspectives on issues of social concern. I'm taking a step in this direction by bringing onto campus a representative of Food For the Hungry Canada, which is a Third World Christian development agency. John King, the Atlantic Director will be giving a presentation, with slides, in the Tartan Lounge, Alumni Memorial Building, next Thursday, February 7th at 7:30 p.m.

BRUNS: So how can people get hold of you?

DIANE: Well, I don't have an office at the moment. So the best two ways of contacting me are either to phone me at home (459-1626), and/or stop and talk to me when you see me. I'm often around the SUB Cafeteria and down at the L.B. Gym. So, if you see me, say hello, I'd love to talk to you and get to know you.

BRUNS: Thanks.

DIANE: Thank you.



Welcome to the second edition of Bitchin'. It would have appeared last week had I the time to write it but I didn't, know what I mean? (That's stolen from Mad Max as are a few other lines in this column. Copyrights be damned!)

'What is this funny week? Dept.'

The SUB, the l'il ol'SUB is once again under attack. I'm not going to talk about that here though. There's enough about it in the rest of this paper.

Would you like to hear what I have to say about the Yearbook? All I'll say is that what I said about it in my last column still stands and that all the shit I took concerning it was proven to be true this week. So to those people who shat, you better cover your asses because there's more to come.

This week I'm going to ramble on about a certain Hugh (funny nickname) Brown. Brown was recently elected to the post of Business Rep., one of three to sit on council. Will he be a responsible, hard worker? Let's look back to last summer when he was hired to mow lawns for the Physical Plant. Brown was hired as he was considered to be needed over the summer to work on the Yearbook. Three other students were hired from the Student Union, CHSR, and the Brunswickan.

Mike MacKinnon, a longtime Bruns staffer, worked on the Yearbook and the aborted Student Handbook. When asked, he stated that, as far as he knows, Brown did nothing for the Yearbook.

Some afternoons, when Brown was being paid about \$8 per hour for mowing lawns, he was actually in the Brunswickan's typesetting room designing posters for CSL. John Bosnitch, former SRC President, said concerning this affair that Brown was doing work for CSL but wasn't going to be paid for it. (I tried to contact Brown to ask if he had been paid for his CSL work, but was unable to do so by press time.) Imagine, working for nothing! Praise be that he was being paid for nothing by Physical Plant or he'd starve!

So Brown got a job that paid him for doing nothing, a job he received in the hopes that he'd do something for the Yearbook when he did nothing for it. It seems to me that if nothing's going on, I shouldn't have anything to bitch about, or should I.

Next week, 'We know who you are, Bronze!', as well as a possibly libelous letter, a phone call from a maiden in distress, and a raid by the police. Stay tuned.