

Grad Class '93 executive hard at work

By Mark I. Minor

It is only the first week of the academic year and already the Class of '93 Executive is hard at work in an attempt to make this year's Grad Class the best ever. The Bruns spoke with Class of '93 President Mary Dable about what has been accomplished so far and what is yet to come.

Dable informed the Bruns that the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel has already been booked for the Graduation Formal. An arrangement between the Class of '93 and the hotel will allow anyone connected with graduation to book hotel rooms at a reduced rate of \$65 plus applicable taxes.

A new approach to the Formal has been taken this year. The event will be held on Wednesday, May 26, the night before graduation. The Class Executive has come to the conclusion that all the Encaenia events result in too long a day to be followed by the Formal. Having Grad Class events prior to graduation will allow graduates to have an easier schedule.

Every graduating class supports a project which commits that class to memory among the university community. The Class

of '93, according to Dable, has already been brainstorming ideas for this year's project. Dable states three criteria that project ideas must meet in order to be seriously considered: Feasibility, importance and urgency.

The standard campus beautification proposals have been tossed around, as have been aspects of S.U.B. expansion, but the executives have come up with what it believes will make a wonderful Class Of '93 project.

It is common knowledge that our libraries are experiencing difficulty maintaining book collections. Theft and deterioration of books are ongoing problems. The Class of '93 Executive has devised a project whereby each graduate would pay a designated amount. This amount would then be supplemented by the library of the graduate's choice to purchase a book. Inside each book will be an attractively designed acknowledgment of the Class of '93 Graduate Donor. There may also be some form of donor list placed approximately within each library.

Dable also wants to be sure that graduates know that certain things must be taken care of in

order to graduate. First, you must obtain a yellow card from the Registrar's Office. This little card is your application to graduate. Secondly, you must pay a \$50 graduation fee. Half of

this is the actual fee; the other half is a deposit on your gown. The gown deposit is refundable as long as you return your gown in as good shape as you received it. As well there is your Class of

'93 Project Donation. Details about this and other Grad Class business will be available at Class of '93 general meetings which will be announced in the Brunswickan.



Shown is the Grad Class '93 executive: (back) Jeff Bujold, (middle) Kerri Larsen and Shannon Hawkins, and (front) Mary Dable. Kevin G. Porter photo

Conflict Studies conference

September 25-26, 1992

The demise of Soviet communism and the spread of western-style democracy may have thawed the global cold war, but local conflicts around the world continue to test the mettle of international peacekeepers.

Frequently in the peacekeeping forefront, Canadians are currently participating in a number of such operations, including the difficult Yugoslavian conflict. That peacekeeping effort will be one of several topics dealt with during the sixth annual Conflict Studies Conference at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25 and 26.

Entitled Peacekeeping and the Challenge of Civil Conflict Resolution, the conference is sponsored by UNB's Center for Conflict Studies under a grant from the Canadian Department of National Defense. It will bring together more than a dozen academic and military specialists from Canada, the United States, England and Africa. David Charters, director of the UNB center and organizer of the conference, says the 13 planned presentations will deal with a wide range of peacekeeping efforts and issues, past and present, including the United Nations observation mission to Yemen in 1963-64 and the Kurdish operation in northern Iraq in 1991.

On Sept. 25, registration will take place in the Alumni Memorial Building starting at 8:15 a.m., and conference sessions will be held in the auditorium of Memorial Hall from 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sessions on Sept. 26 will be held in Room 303 of Tilley Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fees are \$75 and include lunches, refreshment breaks and all conference materials. Students will pay a reduced fee of \$25. Participants are encouraged to register early

to facilitate necessary arrangements.

One of the highlights of the Friday sessions will be a presentation by Edith Klein of the University of Toronto on a current peacekeeping problem. A research associate with the Center for Russian and East European Studies at U of T, Dr. Klein will discuss Obstacles to the Conflict Resolution in the Former Republics of Yugoslavia. Another of the eight presentations planned for Friday is a paper by doctoral student Pierre Lizee of York University, Toronto, on the subject, Prospects for Effective Conflict Resolutions in Cambodia.

Among the participants in Saturday's roundtable sessions will be Alex Morrison, executive

director of the Canadian Institute of Strategic Studies.

Further first-hand authority will come from David Harries of the Canadian Department of National Defense. Col. Harries has hands-on peacekeeping experience from the 1974 Turkish invasion of Cyprus and was decorated for his work there. The topic of his paper is The Military Peacekeeper: A Future of Challenge.

For further information about the conference, contact the Center for Conflict Studies by mail at University of New Brunswick, P.O. Box 4400, Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5A3, by telephone at (506) 453-4587 or by fax at (506) 453-4599.

Stoppard new dean of Graduate Studies

UNB Press Release Funding for graduate students is at the top of the agenda for the new dean of the school of graduate studies at the University of New Brunswick.

Janet Mary Stoppard, a well established scholar and administrator, assumed her new duties on August 1 and is already fully involved in directing the school's operation.

Born in Cheshire, England, Dean Stoppard received a bachelor of science degree with honors in psychology from Exeter University, U.K., and a master's degree in abnormal psychology from Queen's University Belfast, Northern Ireland. She emigrated to Canada in 1971 and earned a PhD in clinical psychology from Queen's University, Kingston, Ont.

Dr. Stoppard worked as a clinical psychologist in both university and hospital settings in the U.K. and Canada before she joined UNB's psychology department in 1979. Since then, much of her teaching has been in the master's and doctoral programs, especially the applied program and internship coordinator, was the first co-ordinator of the Women's Studies Program in the UNB faculty of arts, and for two years was co-ordinator of interdisciplinary studies for that faculty. In 1989 she was appointed associate dean (humanities and social sciences) in the school of graduate studies.

A productive researcher and recipient of many research grants and contracts, Dr. Stoppard has amassed an extensive publication

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NB Residence Co-op 25th anniversary

By Karen Burgess

The New Brunswick Residence Co-op, a non-profit organization which provides affordable housing and board to students, is celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary this year.

The Co-op owns three houses in Fredericton which are rented out to students. In addition to providing rooms, the Co-op provides students with the opportunity to buy groceries in bulk, cutting living expenses even further.

The Co-op is run by the students involved and managed full time by Beth Currie. Currie is responsible for reviewing applications for residence in the Co-op's buildings.

The students living in the Co-op are responsible for cleaning and upkeep of their houses and for buying groceries and necessities.

To celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary, Currie has sent invitations to over 300 former

"Co-ops" across the country inviting them to a reunion to be held in October. Events will be held at each of the houses so everyone can see their former residences.

Currie says that there are no plans to expand the Co-op, which now houses twenty-two students, because the numbers now make the program more manageable.

The Co-op used to include MacGee and MacLeod Houses, which are now run by the university, but had to discontinue the administration of the buildings because, at the time, the Co-op had no full time co-ordinators to oversee the buildings.

Currie regrets that she could not find current addresses for all former Co-op residents and asks that any Co-ops not contacted, or any students interested in being involved in the Co-op, should be sure to get in touch with her.

Canadian Federation of Students protests 3% tax

by Pierre St. Amand

The Canadian Federation of Students, in collaboration with students, will be presenting over sized cheques to the local banks in an effort to express their discontent at the unfair 3% administrative tax that since last year has been applied to all student loans.

Earlier this year, in February, the Secretary of State's office announced that the federal tax would be abolished. The students are now faced with the task of protesting the delay in government action concerning their promise to abolish the tax. Furthermore, as cost and tuitions keep rising the weekly loan limit

of 105 dollars has remained the same since 1984. Compounding the problem is the 40% student summer unemployment rate and the difficulty in finding part-time jobs during the school year.

In a recent interview, CFS chairperson, Tony Norad, revealed the "the message being sent to the government has not changed—the tax is unfair." Approximately 50% of students at UNB benefit from the loans program in order to get by. This number reaches 70% at some universities, such as Université de Moncton, those needing the money most, namely the loan users, are the ones being taxed.