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Police conclude assault fabricated

by Aime Phillips

The investigation conducted by the Fredericton City Police concerning the campus assault on November 3 has revealed the complainant fabricated the story, according to Inspector Haynes.

In the November 8 issue of the Brunswickian it was reported a female student while walking along side McConnell Hall was pushed from behind, muffled and forced to the ground on the Sunday evening in question. The attacker apparently fled the scene when someone was heard approaching.

On Wednesday it was revealed by the police that their investigation concluded there was no assault. It is unknown

if the police is proceeding with charges against the complainant.

Rick Peacock, Director of UNB Security, commented that the incident of the fabricated assault "Probably puts a lot of fear in people when there should be no fear."

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- Peacock

When asked if he believed assaults are a problem Peacock stated " Its a problem even if one person is actually assaulted or attacked on campus. I'm concerned about the safety of everybody because that's one of our functions. But its not a case where there's been all kinds of

reported cases."

Peacock further explained the other reported cases are still under investigation.

In an unrelated incident, a female has been charged with criminal mischief regarding a sexual assault at the University

College of Cape Breton, according to an article in the Xaverian Weekly from St. F. X. University.

Harassment allegations at CHSR

by Mark I Minor
Mimi Cormier

The Brunswickian was informed this week that allegations of sexual harassment have been made against an individual at CHSR.

Station manager Jeff Whipple, in an interview on Wednesday, confirmed that a complaint had been made and is currently under investigation. He declined any comment on details, but emphatically denied

rumors that the complainant was asked to leave the station.

Apparently, CHSR staff are not covered by UNB's policy on sexual harassment. When consulted about this, Whipple explained that as CHSR is incorporated and licensed by the Canadian Radio and Television Commission, it operates as a federally-regulated entity, and is therefore subject to Federal Human Rights policies which cover sexual harassment.

Whipple was also asked if

CHSR had developed any internal policy for dealing with such a complaint. He responded that there is a policy which is now in the development stage.

Whipple concluded by saying that he would keep the Brunswickian informed of any details that the CHSR Board of Directors saw fit to release in relation to any sexual harassment cases or policy decisions.

St. Thomas University Social Work Fair

by Elise Craft

Tuesday, November 19 was the day of the 4th Annual STU Social Work Fair.

The Fair is presented by third year social work students who worked in groups to present research on topics of their choice. This year's topics included eating disorders, AIDS awareness and America's inability to deal with sexuality, the homeless, female offenders in a patriarchal society, substance abuse and addiction, social work in the military, and child sexual abuse.

The display which appeared to attract the most interest from students was the AIDS booth. The social work students there said they were interested in how social workers can help people with AIDS. The first thing to catch the eye was the condom tree displayed at the front and the contest inviting students to "guess how many condoms in the jar and win a prize." There was information on AIDS and sexuality, including a homophobia

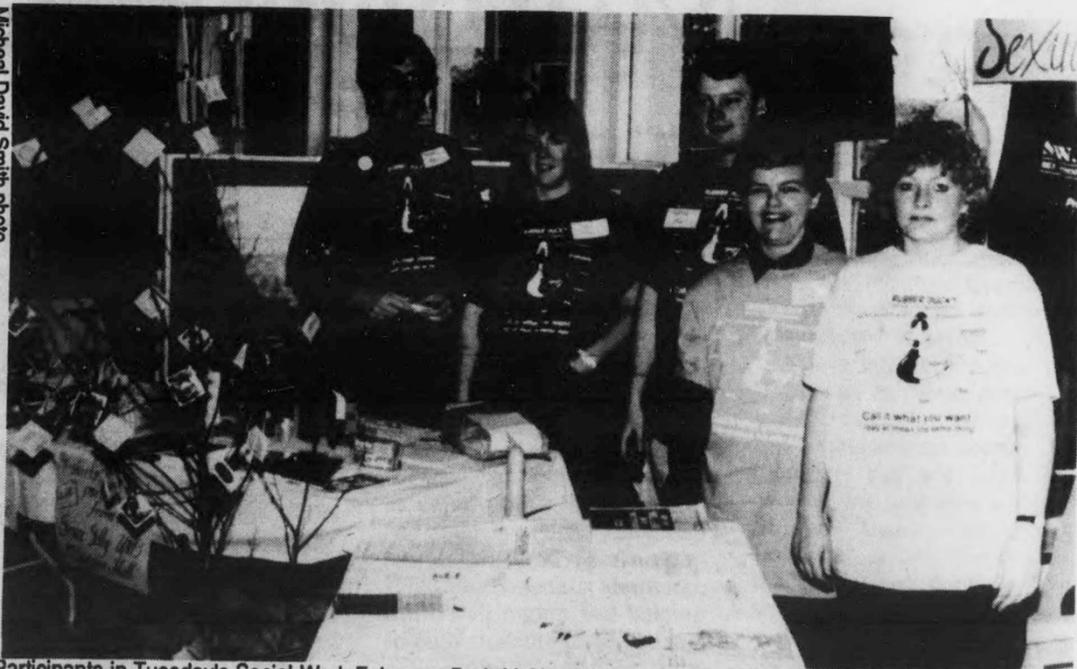
quiz.

Students responsible for the booth say that university students have a high basic knowledge concerning AIDS, yet the university community is not very open to people with AIDS. This has serious effect as AIDS is becoming more prominent with 10 reported cases on the UNB Campus to date (proceeds from this draw go to NB AIDS).

A highlight of the display on child sexual abuse was the anatomically correct dolls. These are used to help children explain the nature of the abuse they have suffered. Child abuse is a prevalent problem and is a big problem in New Brunswick.

The focus of the booth on female offenders' was that female offenders are "a forgotten appendage to a male-oriented system." These women, who are often poor, abused and undereducated, are forced to go hundreds of kilometres away from home as the only federal penitentiary for women is a Kingston, Ont.

Michael David Smith photo



Participants in Tuesday's Social Work Fair were Barb McNaughton and Andrew Green (2nd and 3rd from left), STU students presenting an AIDS Awareness booth. The students are shown here with members of SWAT.

Information on social work in the military explained the unique nature of military social work. Social workers are faced with the full range of problems; not only is military life stressful, but constant moving and being separated from loved ones for months at a time create many problems.

Many students found the RCMP drug display surprising, as it showed that drug use

on campus is most likely high. Those viewing the display were surprised at the amount and types of drugs available. Students who investigated substance abuse were interested in how society advocates the use of alcohol, and differences between addictions and alcoholic behaviours in men and women. They concluded that the change in focus on campus from alcohol to non-

alcoholic beverages during Frosh Week is helping to convey a positive message to students.

Social work students who examined the issue of the investigated causes and social and economic conditions of homelessness. They say not enough is being done to deal with this problem.

Organisers were pleased with Tuesday's turnout.

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