



# mugwump journal

By CHRISTIE WALKER

I'd like to start off this week by thanking the Business Society for asking me to take part in the Pie Eating contest held in the cafeteria on Wednesday, and thus lending me the opportunity to throw chocolate cream pie at some of my favourite people on campus. Best of all, there was so much pie flying no one will ever know who I hit, or if I hit anyone at all.

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I must thank Business Rep Oliver Koncz for giving me special mention at Monday's SRC meeting. It's reassuring to know that words and actions are so easily twisted and lies so easily believed. Thank you Oliver for renewing my belief in the integrity of the Student Party, Unity and the SRC. Thank God there are more SRC reps than just Oliver Koncz.

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And what would the *Brunswickan* be without a dig at the President? I certainly wouldn't want to be called neglectful, now would I? Bosnitch is careening through his Unity platform with a vengeance. He took care of "Reform and Improvement of the Student Union" by introducing Secretariats, presidiums and numerous platforms which he has plastered around the campus on bulletin boards now marked "SRC notices only."

Next, he asked for an SRC Information page, which as everyone knows caused a great deal of controversy. Finally, the *Brunswickan* reached an agreement and the SRC got what they wanted. They filled up the first info page with notices and announcements, exactly what we thought they had intended to go on the info page in the first place. Then there was the dilemma of who should have control over that page, which we resolved, finally. But wait, there's more to this seemingly never ending saga. According to the Unity Platform, the SRC Information page is designed for "full records of the actions of council, individual representatives, senators, student governors, and the executive". That means that those things take priority and all club announcements take a back seat. Now Bosnitch wants twenty extra column inches so that nothing will get left out. Best of all, he's given control of the page and the paper back to the *Brunswickan*, after asserting his authority over us for the better part of a month. Why the sudden change of heart? Well, he's fulfilling his promise to the students by putting exactly what he said he would on the information page and giving us the responsibility for the extra announcements. If we refuse to give him those extra twenty inches we're only leaving ourselves open to more abuse, that is; we look like we're deliberately holding back that extra space. Caught once more in Bosnitch's sticky web? I think not. This time we have a spider of our own.

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Once again this year we have been receiving letters to the Editor that are not properly signed. Letters must be signed with the author's full name and ID number, although names will be withheld by request. Letters should be typed or printed and double spaced and the deadline is Wednesday at five.

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Finally, our movie this week is "Psycho" starring Anthony Perkins and Janet Leigh. It will be held in Tilley 102 at 7 and 9 p.m. and admission is only \$2. This is a real classic and I hope everyone takes the opportunity to see it.

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Just when we thought we had an entire editorial board we lost our Sports Editor. Dave "Jock" Mombourquette has left his editorial board position so that he can concentrate more on being a Jock. Well we wish him the very best of luck and want him to know that we'll all miss him.

# soundoff

## Macmillan speaks out

Dear SRC Councillors:

This letter is written in response to comments made by John Bosnitch during the SRC meeting last Monday, January 24, 1983.

John Bosnitch was incorrect when he stated that I agreed with the motion calling for 20 column inches per week for SRC advertising in *The Brunswickan*. I told John Bosnitch that our conversation would be taken to the *Brunswickan*'s Editorial Board for consideration. At no time did I agree with John Bosnitch about the 20 column inches. What I wrote down during our meeting, was what John Bosnitch wanted me to present to the Editorial Board. I asked several questions of Mr. Bosnitch to make sure that I understood completely what he wanted.

The letter that John Bosnitch read from Harold Doherty dated September, 1980 stated a maximum of 20 column inches would be available for SRC advertising. This was used when the SRC did not have a full page at their disposal.

John Bosnitch told us, *The Brunswickan*, that all SRC advertising must come to us through him. Christie Walker and I told Oliver Koncz that his ad must be submitted to Mr. Bosnitch for him to submit it to us. We told Mr. Koncz that we, *The Brunswickan*, could not consider his submission independently. If, as Mr. Koncz says, his yearbook submission could not go in due to space limitations, then it is John Bosnitch's responsibility to determine priority for space on the information page. This is the same responsibility that the SRC gave him when they deemed it necessary for the information page. Possibly John Bosnitch and the SRC should consider what goes on the information page. Three weeks ago, January 14, 1983 one-quarter of the information page consisted of presidential proclamations. Half was devoted to Campus Services Limited. Is this priority for the SRC? Or, is getting staff for the yearbook more important?

In past years, 20 column inches was enough for SRC advertising. This occurred at a

time when the SRC knew what its priorities were. The Comptroller knew what was an important notice and what was not important. He was able to allocate the space efficiently. Now, there has been a jump to a full page, which is three and one half times more space (70 column inches), but it is not used efficiently.

I am deeply angered that John Bosnitch took this matter as far as he did without further consultation with not only myself, but also the other members of the *Brunswickan* Editorial Board.

I take pride in the advertising department which has been, and still is, my responsibility. I only wish that John Bosnitch might have taken this matter into account before jumping to conclusions from our brief conversation.

Respectfully,

Robert L. Macmillan  
Advertising Manager  
*The Brunswickan*

## Dancin' dancin' at the disco

Dear Editor,

I would like to add to what Peter Stillwell had to say in the *Brunswickan*, January 14, "Guts and What Else." Not only has UNB seen Mr. Bosnitch's antics, but so has a new club in Moncton called ZIGGY'S. On Jan. 15, your "fearless" leader, who was in Moncton for a conference in which he was running for another position to add to his list of status positions, was seen by two former UNB students performing his own floor show. I am glad that he was not wearing anything identifying him as a UNB student.

I know that some people will think that this is a stupid argument against Mr. Bosnitch, but

I feel that it very important. You see, after the second showing of the floor show I was informed that he was told not to do it again, by the management of the club.

The reason that I feel that this is important, is that do you want somebody like this, representing UNB at other conferences or in public. You may have not trusted Mr. Finnan, but Mr. Bosnitch could be taken seriously by other people, and sometimes could even look presentable, if he has a suit.

In future elections do not forget that UNB is not an island, but part of a community of universities, and as such, they must interact and take each other seriously. I am not

calling for a personality contest to decide who should be President, but when somebody repeatedly does things that some people think is odd, remember, he is supposed to be a representative of the UNB student and what they are like.

I know that this letter is going to get blasted, for and against, but I hope that it will make people start to think. Like Mr. Stillwell said, "If you want to stop him, use the law."

Signed,

Concerned  
D. LeBlanc

P.S. I hope that everything is fine with Snake and Animal, from HIPPO.

## More smiles and chuckles

Dear Editor,

I looked. I smiled. I chuckled, laughed and smiled again. These responses were evoked the first time I read Mr. Gregory Betts' letter to the *Brunswickan* ("Responses are Diverting," 3 Dec.) This is not to say that the letter was silly or frivolous-actually it was masterful. Despite being the main object of derision, I

thoroughly enjoyed reading his letter, so much so that I would like to continue as a "persistent voice of opposition," as Mr. Betts put it.

Mr. Betts makes the point that agnosticism is the only "intellectually tenable" position possible when it comes to theological questions. He seems to be right. You deists can argue all you want - he's got you. There is however, still

something to be cleared up, and that is, why does Mr. Betts assume that an "intellectually tenable" position is inherently superior to a position that is "intuitively good"? Apparently he believes that this is the case, otherwise why would he condemn deist philosophies so completely? I grant you that agnosticism can be logically

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