



mugwump journal

by Kathryn Wakeling

Once again the Bruns emerges undefeated in flag football! In Saturday's game against CHSR a muddy battle was fought. Although neither of the teams emerged victorious (we tied at 0-0) a good time was held by all.

Frankly I don't know what Doug Varty enjoyed more - playing football or diving into mud puddles! Rumor has it though that this kind of behaviour is characteristic of meadow muffins. Rainy weather (i.e. beaucoup de mud) it seems, only makes a muffin dryer-active, which results in puddle jumping on football fields. But that's okay Doug...you are the boss, and the boss is allowed a percentage of eccentricity! By the way - how's your team at volleyball?

I mean the whole team this time - including the womenfolk upstairs!!

I would like to use a separate space (stepping aside the goon squads!) to extend a hearty thanks to our referee, Howard Goldberg. Without Howard's help and sanity our annual Media Bowl would not be the same. It takes a "heck of a guy" to give up his Saturday afternoon to referee a game on a mud covered field. I think I speak for both CHSR and the Bruns when I say - thank you!

Now on to another topic - Letters to the Editor. It's unfortunate that not everyone reads Mugwump! Once again I have received letters to be printed without any kind of a signature. If you would like to write to the Editor but do not wish to have your name printed, just let me know - either by telling me in person or by signifying to me on your letter. But I must have your name for legal purposes. I really hate to have a letter go unprinted - everyone has the right to express their views. So if you sent in a letter recently, without a signature, drop by and let me know before next week. Better late than never you know!!

Is everyone aware of the Woodshed on the third floor of the SUB? If you haven't tried it out yet, I really urge you to make a visit. Weekly entertainment, coffee and doughnuts, plus a relaxing atmosphere create a very enjoyable evening. It certainly calms down Bruns staff on a Wednesday night - and if we rave about it then surely one could feel inspired to give it a try! I think that its great having a place such as the Woodshed on campus for students.

This week (if you haven't already noticed) the paper is a hefty 28 pages thick (eat your heart out New York Times!!). The point to be made however, is that it takes people to put out the paper, and presently the Bruns is in desperate need of layout staff. Anyone could be helpful (especially on Thursday mornings) by just proofing and correcting the flats. There is also opaquing - painting over spots on the negatives to be done. So don't be shy and apply! Training is easy. Remember - the Bruns needs you to make the load go easier on everyone.

A special congrats to Nancy this week! To Nancy we say - if da Greek don't getcha honey - da Latin sur will!



Dear Madam Editor:

I was looking at some back issues the other day and meant to write before this. I see in your September 28 edition a bit of experimentation with layouts and type-faces. A pat on the back to news editor Kilfoil, or whoever.

On Page 19 of the same issue, I saw a "The Byrds" cartoon which may have answered a question for me. The caption was: "Proof Readers On Leegle Strike". Indeed!!

Look on page four of the September 7 issue, under the headline, "Student Loan Repayment Dismal." One sentence in the story read, "The three are to be sentenced June 1." June 1, 1980?!

The story, "Stud Capacity May Increase" on page three of the September 14 edition says the Stud was recently rechristened the "Alumni Memorial Centre" but not what it was rechristened from, namely, the "Memorial Student Center." The story right underneath, "Eight Hurt In Accident", refers to Lady Dunn Road. I could be wrong, but I always called the road I think you are referring to, "College Hill Road."

Canadian politicians have to appeal to a pluralistic society, so it

Attention UNB campus

Dear Bruns:

Please reprint this and the attached letter in their entirety. It concerns a project I'm organizing whereby groups on campus will donate their old magazines to senior citizens, hospitals, and other groups in the community.

The following letter was sent to several Fredericton area service clubs. Also, I've contacted the

residences and some clubs on campus. My reason for writing you, dear Bruns, is that other campus groups may see this and wish to participate. If so, please contact me at Room 316, L.B. Residence, ph. 453-4926.

Thanks, Marvin Greenblatt

is fitting that the word "politics" is plural. Why do I read in your editorial of September 28 about "politics which has gone on"? Two paragraphs later: "The regional press jumped in(sic) with both feet planted firmly in their mouths on this issue." "Press" is singular, so both feet should be planted firmly in "its mouth" or "its mouths" unless the press has its feet planted firmly in some other people's mouths. Aren't I nasty?

I see in your September 14 "Sound Off" where CHSR station director Varty complains, "Working for the SRC is a thankless task..." Of course it is. Doesn't he know that that people work in volunteer organizations for what benefit or enjoyment they get from doing the work? If they expect thanks from the people they are supposed to be benefiting, they should go somewhere else.

I see on page one of the same Brunswickan where Mr. Bartlett wanted to add \$1,172 to last year's budget. Imagine that!! Now, if only all us consumers could pull that one...

I also read your September 14 editorial where the Student Union is still fighting with the New Brunswick Liquor Control Commission. That is something, considering that the NBLCC went out of existence a few years ago and was replaced by the New Brunswick Liquor Corporation (NBLC) and the Liquor Licencing Board (LLB). (LLB-the same initials that a UNB law graduate gets!)

The editorialist says someone may want students to "Drink less in residence." Presumably, the implication is that they should drink more outdoors, or, did you mean that someone may want students in residence to drink less? I also see where opened licenced liquor events can only be scheduled for the SUB, with no mention of unscheduled events!!

You say that the liquor affair resembled a pin the tail on the donkey game. Strange that the editorialist would bring up the topic of donkeys when talking about the people who run our society

Enough of that. I want to tell you a story about Fredericton High School students who attend UNB pubs. I was a first year student at an Aitken Pub, and asked a blond-haired girl, who was a good head taller than me, for a dance. She was sitting at a table with a friend. I could barely, but nicely, hook my chin over her shoulder during a waltz. Later, I asked her what year she was in. She was in Grade 11!!! Surprise!!

You admonish frosh in your September 7 editorial, "Your roommate will welcome you by asking you to spend the night somewhere else." Why would a roommate do a nasty thing like that?

Have a nice day. Yours sincerely, Derwin N. Gowan, Woodstock, New Brunswick

Magazine distribution

Dear Editor:

This letter concerns a worthwhile community project in which you will no doubt be interested. It involves distributing magazines to deserving groups in the community.

After having spent several years at the university and in residences, I've become aware that many magazines are received by groups on campus, kept for a short period, then discarded. Some of the popular periodical titles are TIME, NEWSWEEK, MACLEANS, SPORTS ILLUSTRATED, FINANCIAL POST, LIFE, SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, and many others. Each residence subscribes to several of these, so do various faculties and clubs. I know there are many groups such as senior citizens, hospitals, etc., in the Fredericton community who could appreciate this reading material.

What I propose is this: I believe the residents would be willing to place the magazines in a carton in each residence lounge as they finish with them. Every week or two, a member of your club would come over to campus and empty the box, then distribute these to places where they're needed most in the Fredericton

area. Residences would be responsible for seeing that magazines are not thrown away after use, but instead placed in the proper place for pick up. Your club members would ensure that the periodicals are collected and distributed.

The benefits are threefold: First, from an ecological point of view, it extends the useful life of these magazines - it adds another tier to the recycling chain of event. Secondly, it gives less favoured

groups in the community a chance to read material to which they might not ordinarily have access. Thirdly, it permits a charitable act to be performed by both residents and the service club members, which benefits the Fredericton community in general.

I would appreciate comments from your club on this worthwhile community project.

Yours sincerely, Marvin Greenblatt

Examples of haute fashion

Dear Editor:

I'm impressed by the concept of your create a caption contest but rather distressed by the quality of

your models. Are the two pictured gentlemen (and I use the term loosely) examples of haute fashion in the Maritimes?

Normally, I would like to submit a clever or witty caption to such a contest, but I'm afraid that with

those seedy characters for inspiration my only option is this tasteless (and probably unprint-

able) submission: "For this price they had better be virgins." Apologetically Yours, Michael Hughson

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