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By Sheenagh journal
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A letter from SRC President Steve Berube this week gives an interesting insight into the functioning of the Student Union. Somehow the Brunswickan is responsible for redirecting the priorities of the SRC such that they actually do something as a group. Steve may be satisfied with himself, but it is very hard to believe that anyone could be satisfied with the SRC. Even more remarkable, Berube suggests that we should come up with a detailed set of proposals for reducing the admittedly expensive costs of the SRC. Berube was paid around \$4,000 to come up with new ideas to improve the SRC. It can only be assumed that he was too busy being a Member of the Board of Governor, that he asks us to do it.

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If you took the time to wade through the University Gazette last issue, you may have noticed an item referring to a "retirement settlement" for Dr. Anderson. Several Brunswickans ago, we reported that it had been recommended that Dr. Anderson be granted a 'sabbatical' that we thought would be two-thirds of his salary.

Since the Board of Governors had time to decide, I called Acting University Secretary and Executive Assistant to the President, James Woodfield and asked him what they had done about this question. Woodfield said that he "Didn't want to talk about money" but in fact the Board of Governors had granted Dr. Anderson a "Termination settlement" of 100 per cent of his salary for one year (approximately \$ 60,000).

Woodfield stated that there was no precedent for this action at U.N.B. because the late Dr. Dineen died while in office, and Dr. MacKay was president for 15 years and in that case a different arrangement was made. Woodfield stated that it was "Common practice" for universities across Canada to grant retiring presidents a full year's pay when they left.

Woodfield stated that this settlement was not in Dr. Anderson's contract, but was negotiated in the end.

Woodfield expressed surprise that the Brunswickan would have remembered this issue and stated that "if (The Brunswickan) are going to write about it, that we would have to be careful." Woodfield added that there would be no public statement on this matter.

We presume that a record of the Board of Governors motion will appear in the University Gazette. People have a right to know these things.

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An interesting thing happened at the Universitie de Moncton the other day, students demonstrated! Yes demonstrated, just like they used to do in the sixties.

The highest voter turnout for the SRC elections was 230 people. Enough said.



Mary Pacey, well-known local artist will speak this Wednesday, February 5th on UNB campus in Tilley Room 28 at 8:15 p.m. Her lecture will focus on some of the literary figures of Fredericton from its beginning in 1783 to present day. An attempt will be made to suggest why there have been so many writers in Fredericton and why the peaks of cultural activity have occurred when they have. The talk will be illustrated with drawings of some of the authors homes and will be accompanied by appropriate poems. Everyone is welcome to attend this free lecture.

sound-off

SRC President distraught

Dear Editor:

Upon reading your editorial of January 17, 1979 I became most distraught. Not because of the attack upon the S.R.C. but rather the way in which you treated the entire issue. The opening paragraph stated that, "The Brunswickan has adopted a policy of ignoring the S.R.C. on the theory that maybe 15 per cent of the student body significantly interacts with the S.R.C., whereas

100 per cent are effected by the administration and faculty of the University". Your theory is only in part true and it is a blatant case of irresponsible journalism. If you and your staff believe the S.R.C. will improve if you at the Brunswickan ignore it then by ignoring the problems inherent in the S.R.C. they will not be resolved rather they will tend to multiply. I am afraid that you are sadly mistaken. As the official student publication it is your duty to

inform the students when their S.R.C. screws up.

Yes, the S.R.C. is expensive and I am glad that you pointed that out.

Yet it seems strange that you do not state areas where the S.R.C.

could cut back. Geoff and I would be most interested to see exactly what suggestions you have in this area. I promise that we would respond to each of your recommendations. You are correct in stating that I have not tried to

change the priorities of the S.R.C. I felt that government funding, tuition scholarships, and student aid, co-ed dorms, better lighting and improving relations with other universities were still at the top of the important issues facing U.N.B. students. There were several other problems which we tried to resolve over the past year including CHSR and a blanket liquor license, etc. Personally I am satisfied with the S.R.C.'s performance.

You suggest that perhaps we should fund counselling and skating at the Aitken Center, as a member of our Board of Governors I feel that areas such as these are services which the University itself should provide, not the Student Union.

Yours sincerely
Steve Berube
President

A mere 67 dollars

Dear Madam:

Your demonstrated concern with Student Council is to be applauded. Who is better qualified than the editor of the student newspaper to act as unofficial watchdog over any matter that is of concern to the student body?

I think you might agree, however, that it would be sporting to allow me equal space to bring to the attention of your readers something that is in danger of being overlooked. The raison d'etre of these inter-university conferences is to keep students informed and up-to-date on issues that affect every one of them. Open communication between university student councils is both essential and healthy.

I feel very strongly that it is both naive and ostrich-like to conclude that although we are not members of NUS, we here have nothing to

learn from the experience and ideas of others. Why should UNB students not have the advantage of having a representative at this meeting who can learn as well as contribute on their behalf? The full cost will be a mere \$67.00.

Maritime universities should not isolate themselves from the mainstream of Canadian university affairs. UNB student body should be heard from on important issues that are of concern to all Canadian students.

Please let me assure you that the views of this student group will be well represented, and I should like to be assured of space in the next issue following the conference for a full report of what took place in Ottawa.

Yours truly,
Claire M. Fripp,
Vice-President External,

White Leather Macho Club

Dearest Editor:

I am returned!! So fasten your garter belt, and let us begin our argument. Permit me first of all, to explain that I anticipate an argument as a result of my past experiences with your respective comments. Upon each occasion I have written you have, in the first place disagreed with me, and in the second place made an irrelevant comment, and at the risk of being redundant, a foolish one. Please try to restrain your feeble mind in the future.

I would like to express my opinion of the Campus Police force. What a ridiculous brace of bumbling buffoons!! Last week a friend of mine brought his woman down from home to visit. When the two of them attempted to enter the Neill House Pub. they were immediately given permission by the Neill House door representative. All of a sudden the C.P. door Rep. says "Hold it let me see your University I.D.s." Once my friend had convinced the simple creature that he was a student and this was his date, the buffoon feels his image slipping and being first cousin to King Shit decides he must compete and give them a hard time or lose face in the honored White Leather Macho Club. Anyway he demands presentation of some other proof of age on her part. Without question, it was a mistake for her not to have one. However, the

woman looked as eighteen as you do Sheenagh, and that is not an insult. To be precise the woman was twenty-five years old.

In addition, at the Forest Engineering/Nurses pub in the STUD last Friday night, there was a scene of great disgruntlement on the part of many UNB students because of the volume of high school drinkers within. This was in fact the cause of a couple of push me pull youse, between the C.P. force attending and enraged UNB students. Why the hell can't you Campus Policemen display a little consistency?

Furthermore, as a result of

numerous cases of C.P. failure while on duty at the Davy Jones Locker their presence is regarded as a double liability. In the first place they cost too much. In the second place they cause too much trouble through their infamous lack of tact. More than once Jones house members had to risk their noses to pull a C.P. Ass out of the fire which he had caused himself.

Campus Police, clean up your act, your reputation is about as renowned as your apparent intelligence.

Yours truly,
Greg Foxe
Editor's Note: Welcome back!

Poor Lighting

Dear Editor:

(this is not a matter to be taken lightly)

I would like to bring to your attention the poor lighting conditions in the Science Library in the I.U.C. If you have ever had the misfortune of trying to study there on a dark rainy day or any night, no doubt you know what I am talking about.

Last week, after continually reading in the Bruns that I, the average student, am apathetic, and after bearing into on CHSR and seeing its results all about me, I decided that I am mad as hell! and I'm not going to take it any

more.

After trying to study last week at 10:00 p.m. and finding that my eye's were tired and sore from straining to read my texts in the dim light, I finally decided to do something about it. Stomping over to the Staff desk, I demanded to know why the lighting was so dim.

To my amazement the young lady behind the desk replied that "there's nothing wrong with the lighting" and further, more "Look around, its great, perfectly adequate". Well, I have to admit that stopped me cold. Looking around. I realized the lighting

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