



By **CHRISTIE WALKER**

Welcome back to UNB. I suppose everyone is anxious to get back into the swing of things and settle down to some serious work. (Either that, or you're counting the days until the spring break!)

The Winter Carnival Committee had some unfortunate luck this year. . . lack of snow. Thursday brought us a little, but by then some of the snow oriented events had been cancelled and replaced. It's no one's fault that the weather wasn't very good for 'Cartoon Carni '83, perhaps the Winter Carnival Committee should have planned it for a later date. Oh well, I hope everyone takes advantage of all the special events happening this weekend and makes the most of the lack of snow.

The *Brunswickan* will be offering our Sunday movies again this term starting January 23. The proceeds of our first film will be donated to The Third Century Fund and I'd like to take this opportunity to issue a challenge to other clubs and societies on campus to match or surpass our pledge with one of their own. I hope everyone gets involved with this worthwhile cause. Movie details will appear in next week's *Bruns*.

David Mogilevsky, our co-news editor has left our editorial board to pursue an academic career. We're all sorry to see him go, but thank him for his invaluable help and wish him the best of luck!

I hope everyone takes a few minutes to fill out the Entertainment Questionnaire found on the SRC info. page, p. 20. We've been complaining since the beginning of the year about the poor quality of entertainment here at UNB, and now we have the opportunity to speak up. I hope everyone uses it.

Chris Chapman, our co-news editor, had a Mugwump-type comment to make and so, being the generous person I am, and having nothing further to say, I'm turning this column over to him.

The Student Representative Council discussed constitutions for several organizations on Monday night. The most notable of these was that of the Student Party. Claiming to be a non political, "volunteer service organization" (their constitution states their object to be "the pursuit of freedom and democracy as a service group dedicated to the fulfillment of the objectives of the UNBSU." The Student Party wanted recognition from the SRC as a non funded organization. The Oxford Dictionary defines political as "having an interest in government." Since the Student Party has openly campaigned in elections and referenda, which are the democratic manifestations of government, it must be a political organization. The argument of non political just won't hold water.

Also discussed were Solidarity/SP and CAUSE/SP. The former wanted recognition as a non-funded organization. Unfortunately, many people find the association with the SP distasteful and would rather keep away from what is basically a fine group. The CAUSE/SP is another story. CAUSE, or Committee Against Unnecessary Student Expenditure, is the forerunner of the Student Party, and they want funding. The SRC constitution expressly forbids the funding of any political organizations.

Solidarity/SP was recognized by council, a good move despite the association, and the SP and CAUSE/SP were rejected.

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To set the record straight

Dear Editor,

We are Americans who have made our home in Latin America for seven years. Lately, we are seeing much distorted news about the Americas coming out of the U.S. and would like to set the record straight for Brunswickan readers.

When we first moved to Costa Rica, bag, baggage, grandmother, teenagers and pets, we spoke no Spanish and knew little about the country. But, soon, our rural neighbors accepted us and graciously taught us their language, culture, and how a city-bred family could enjoy ranch life in a foreign land. Our delightful adventures there merit a book,

at least!

My husband's love for the sea (Pearl Harbour survivor, retired Navy), prompted a further move two years ago, to Colombia's Caribbean coast. We found a lovely, old coconut plantation on the Pan American Highway near Santa Marta, the oldest (457 years), most fascinating city in all of the Americas.

Imagine, green palms waving in gentle ocean breezes, blue sea and sky, pounding surf and golden sand and towering 19,000 feet over all and snow-capped the year round, majestic Mount Colombus. We feel we have much . . . incomparable beauty, fine neighbors, perfect climate, a stable, democratic govern-

ment and a satisfyingly low cost of living.

Like Colombus, we have discovered a new frontier, with a vast potential and, being human, are driven to tell others about our dream-come-true. If you are interested in the future of the Americas and the Birds, write us by international air mail (35 cents a half-ounce) at Post Office Box 5222, Santa Marta, Colombia. It may take a while, but we promise to answer.

Now, from beautiful Santa Marta, we wish you salud (health), pesetas (wealth), amor (love) and the time to enjoy them all!

Juanita Bird
(Mrs. Lewis Bird)

SRC meetings are a joke

Dear Editor,

I attended the last SRC meeting of 1982 and it was not a very impressive show. There was hardly one thing that everyone could agree upon and actually vote on. Everyone seemed to be concerned with their own interests as if that wasn't bad enough, everyone seemed content to argue over the Roberts Rules of Order.

There were a few things that really stood out at the meeting. Counsellor Brodeur read the Daily Gleaner from

cover to cover during the meeting. Counsellors Lynch and Watson looked at their pictures of the Dunn Formal. Counsellor Laurence did not say a single thing during the entire meeting.

A few counsellors seemed genuinely concerned, Counsellors Murray, Koncz, and Lethbridge are ones that come to mind. But on the whole I agree with Brent Blizard when he said that the SRC and its meetings are a joke.

President Bosnitch promised

that council meetings would be run better and more things would be accomplished after he was elected. As far as I can see completely the opposite has happened and he seems to be one of the prime reasons for this lack of unity. I feel that it is time that the SRC got organized and concerned themselves with what concerns the students rather than what concerns themselves.

Yours truly,
Matthew Stevenson

A note from new advisor

Dear Ms. Walker:

I have recently been appointed International Student Advisor and would like to use the medium of the *Brunswickan* to extend an in-

itation to the International Students to attend an informal reception from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 19 in the lounge of the Alumni Memorial Building. I look forward to meeting the Interna-

tional Students at that time.

Yours sincerely,
Patricia Brooke (Mrs.)

International Student Advisor

Counselling services helps students

Dear Colleague:

As you are aware, Counselling Services helps students with career decisions by providing career counselling and by maintaining a Career Information Library. This semester we will again be offering the Career Workshop. For your interest, I have enclosed a flyer describing the workshop and a Career Centre brochure. I would appreciate it if you could bring this to the attention of any students you think may be interested.

To help interested students decide if they want to become involved in the program, I am arranging an information meeting on Monday evening, January 17 from 7:30 - 10:30 in

Room 19 of the Alumni Memorial Building. Interested students should arrange to attend the meeting by calling Counselling Services at 453-4820. As well, if you would like to attend this meeting or if there are any questions which I can answer, please don't

hesitate to contact me at the same number.

I would like to thank you in advance for your help.

Sincerely,
Larry Finkelman
Co-ordinator, Career Counselling

Guts and what else

Dear Editor,

In the past few years the student population has seen the antics of a certain John Bosnitch, glory seeker and clown extraordinaire. Well I may not be able to spell, but

from what I see John is the only student with the guts to stir people up and develop student spirit. If you want to stop him use the law students. That's what they're here to learn. Have Fun.

Peter Stillwell