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Food drive offers alternative



Never underestimate the power of soup

By Janice McConnell Brunswickan News

A food drive to gather food for the needy was organized by the Student Union as a constructive substitute to the CFS Student Strike day last week.

Five SU Councilors went door to door in the city on January 25 to ask for non-

perishable food donations from the public. As well, three boxes to collect food were placed in the Business Society lounge and the lobbies of the SUB and Engineering Building.

"People were very positive and giving," said Chris Alward, VP-Student Services

"It's something constructive, not de-

Photo by Mike Dean

structive for students to do in people's eyes," said Paul Estabrooks, SU president.

Estabrooks commented that other campuses, such as STU and Western, had also decided to hold a food drive.

The four boxes of food collected were donated to the Fredericton Food Bank

Summer job searches begin **By Mary Rogal-Black** Brunswickan News

Summer seems like a distant dream, but it's time to start planning for those not-

so-lazy days ahead. "It's time for students to start think-

ing about their own job search, thinking about their resume, and thinking about networking," said Kevin Bonnner, Manager of the Student Placement Centre.

In fact, the deadline for applying to jobs through the Federal Student Summer Employment Program is fast approaching. Students can fill out one application, which will then be circulated to all federal government departments, but they must do so before February 15.

Bonner said that students who leave

According to Bonner, success in a summer job search depends on the students' background and willingness to relocate. He encouraged students to think about relocating to find work.

"The wider you cast your net, the better your chances of finding a job," he rea-

soned. The Student Placement Centre offers resumé workshops. Students are encouraged to make appointments if they

> would like one-on-one help with resumés or their interviewing skills.

CART conference: VPs discuss student life

By Gabriel M. Fantino The Gateway University of Alberta

A group of student leaders came together last Thursday at the Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, but this time it wasn't to discuss their personal ambitions or how to fight government cutbacks.

Student Union Vice President Academics from across Canada attended a conference dubbed the Canadian Academic Round Table, aimed at improving the academic life of students through better leadership.

"We had a great conference. It really provided an excellent opportunity to share ideas and strategies on dealing with the academic life of students at universities in Canada," said Patrick Fitzpatrick, VP University Affairs and one of the conference organisers. "I have to stress that the definition of what is the academic life on campus is changing and VP Academics are starting to deal with a lot of different things these

days," he added.

"We now include things like sexual harassment and discrimination. Basically anything that affects students on campus is an academic issue, it's not just limited to course offerings and university restructuring anymore," said Fitzpatrick.

"We didn't want to just talk about what we are having problems with, but identify key problems and lobbying tactics that we can all take back to our home universities," said Fitzpatrick.

Garret Poston, University of Alberta SU VP Academic, thinks the timing of the conference was perfect since he is currently wrapped up in issues such as course evaluations.

"The round table discussions and the information sharing was the best part. But we also talked about course evaluations, about increasing the accountability of teachers to students and what role students can play in advocating that type of initiative," said Poston.

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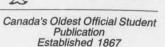
Other VP Academics also felt better

able to serve their constituents after the conference.

"It is good because you get ideas and you get to discuss them with people in the same position," said Maureen Hill, University of Calgary VP Academic. "But at the same time I always leave these conferences a little frustrated, not to say that it wasn't useful, it's just that there wasn't a goal or anything concrete. We could have come up with ideas for a common policy to spread around the nation."

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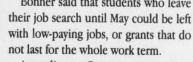
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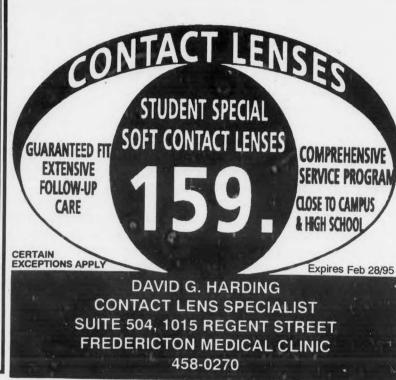
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