Frosh Week '91 a great introduction to residence life

by Kelley McDermott

Frosh Week '91 was a success in giving UNB freshmen a great start.

According to three Dunn Freshmen - Carrie, Heather and Christina - "The Orientation Committee members were very helpful, and the planned activities helped us to meet a lot of new people."

Mary Lou Stirling, UNB's

Dean of Residence, was also pleased with the outcome of this year's Residence Orientation, "From all reports, it went extremely well. The Committees deserve to be congratulated".

Even the House committee members of the residence community felt that Frosh week went fairly well despite the major changes in this years Residence orientation which eliminated the "Frosh beating" that was once characteristic of Frosh week at UNB.

"It wasn't as strict as we thought it would be. We were expecting it to be worse", says Andy Legere, an Aitken House committee member.

The only complaint expressed by many of the Freshmen of the Residence community is that they felt more fun if they had been made to participate in the activities that were carried out in Frosh Weeks of previous ears.

Peggy Slipp, a house committee member of Bridges, echoes this sentiment by stating "the Frosh literally asked to be coerced. They enjoyed being made to do activities that were embarrassing." Her reasons

for this were, "a lot of house pride was created through initiation. It gave us all a sense of belonging as well as a sense of pride in our residence."

Legere also supports this statement by saying, "the activities we were made to do

last year were not humiliating because we did them in a group. This made us a lot closer".

Assertiveness training

UNB appoints new VP Academic

(UNB-PRI)) The University of New Brunswick announced earlier this year that Thomas Donald Traves will be its new vice-president (academic).

Dr. Traves had just completed two consecutive terms as Dean of the Faculty of Art: at York University in Tournto and began his new responsibilities at UNB in Fredericton on Sept. 1.

Born in Winnipeg, he received a BA from the University of Manitoba and MA and PhD degrees from York University, and has taught at York since 1974.

In his eight years as York's Dean of Arts, Dr. Traves had administrative responsibility for 15 academic departments with 16 000 students in 41 dis-

ciplinary and interdisciplinary degree programs. While placing major emphasis on improving the research culture in his faculty, he has also been a member of many important university committees with responsibilities ranging from academic labour relations to computer services. Prior to his decanal appointment, he served as chairperson of his division and as co-ordinator of York's Canadian Studies Program.

As both author and editor, Dr. Traves has concentrated much of his scholarly energy on Canadian Political and industrial history, examining the interaction of governments, business and labour in the evolution of Canada's industrial and political econ-



Dr. Donald Traves

He is the author of a book bout the relationship between Canadian manufacturers and the federal government during the early decades of this century and has contributed chapters for a number of other books, including the Canadian Annual Review of Politics and Public Affairs.

Press Release

If you're uncomfortable saying "no" when friends ask for favours, telling your partner what you need, negotiating with professors, dealing with family who persistently try to take charge of your life, or starting social conversations, then you may be interested in the Assertiveness Training Group offered by Counselling Services.

Assertiveness is the ability to express one's preferences, opinions, thoughts, and feelings in direct, honest and appropriate ways.

The first part of the workshop involves brief lectures, demonstration of various assertive skills, and practice where participants learn "by doing" in role-played situations.

The importance of non-verbal communication is also emphasized early in the workshop.

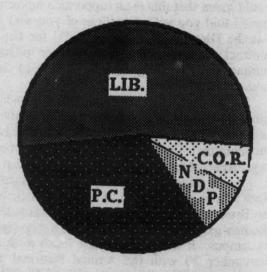
The second part of the workshop provides participants with an opportunity to work on personal situations in their own lives. Situations are roleplayed and participants get feedback on the practiced responses.

The group starts October 1, 1991 and will meet Tuesday afternoons from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. for seven (7) weekly sessions. It is free and open to any interested full-time or part-time student of UNB/STU. Interested persons will need to have a preliminary interview prior to attending the group. For more information or to register, contact Larry Finkleman at 453-4820.



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