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Board of Foreign Students caught in middle

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The Board of Foreign Students has been asked by Kim Norris (interim SUB Director) to vacate their office, which they share with the Yearbook.

In Sept. of this year, Pedro Romero (BFS Chairman) approached then-SRC president John Bosnitch to see about ob-

taining office space in which the BFS could work. Among other things, the BFS, which represents approximately 600 students, is organizing a regional conference on issues concerning foreign students; the conference is to be held in May. Bosnitch then contacted Yearbook Business Manager Clayton Burns, to see whether or not the BFS could share the Yearbook's office. Burns agreed and Bosnitch prepared to bring up the proposal at the next SUB Board of Directors

meeting. Unfortunately for all involved, the Board was dissolved before that meeting.

In order to get around this problem Burns called Norris and apparently asked that the BFS be allowed to share the office space. Here we get into problems.

According to Norris, Burns requested that the BFS be allowed to use office space for a couple of months. Norris agreed to this, unofficially; he did them a favour because of their obvious need. According

to Burns he gave Norris no time limit. Daizal Samad (former chairman of BFS) believes this to be a non-issue; why, he asks, should so much emphasis be placed on this technicality? Norris' reply seems to be that a number of groups are on a waiting list as wanting to obtain offices and that office space must be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. Until such a time as the BFS can get its own office, says Norris, they can have a place to store their files and are to be allowed book rooms for meeting.

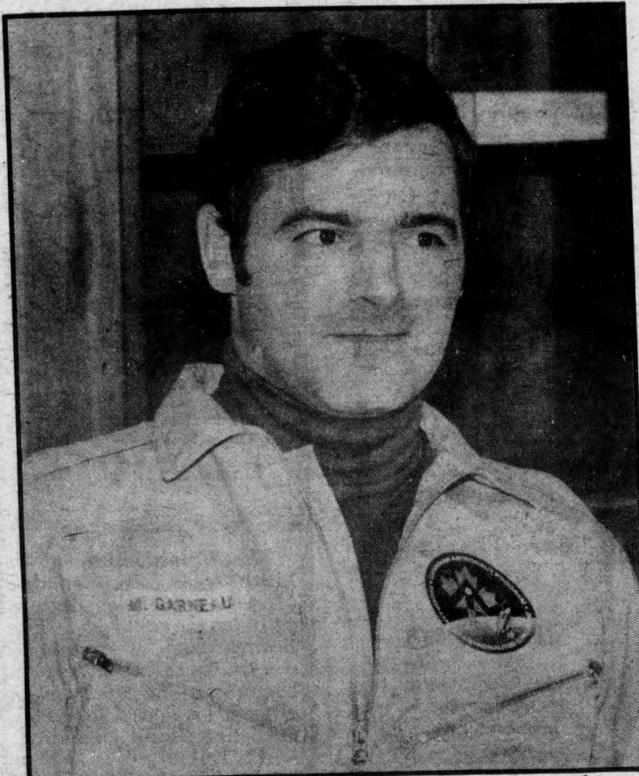
While this may sound reasonable, Romero finds it unacceptable considering the nature of the board's work. There seems to be an obvious need for a telephone and a permanent facility for students to meet at. Besides organizing the May conference, the BFS helps

students with their special, usually complex problems (such as visa hassles.)

In any case, Bosnitch was faced with a student problem and a suddenly dissolved SUB Board. With the concurrence of all parties involved, therefore, he made the decision to go ahead with giving the BFS use of the Yearbook office. According to Romero, this would seem to be in accordance with Bosnitch's obligation to serve/help students with their problems. Further, the BFS and Yearbook staff seem to be working well, by all accounts. Replacing the BFS with another group would probably only disrupt the operations of all offices concerned.

The issue is to be voted upon by the council at its next meeting. Offhand, a formalization of the present situation would seem most sensible.

First Canadian astronaut to speak at UNB



Mark Garneau, first Canadian astronaut will be speaking in MacLaggan Hall on Friday.

Marc Garneau, the first Canadian astronaut to voyage into space, will give a talk in the Auditorium at MacLaggan Hall Friday, November 30.

Robert Thirsk, his back-up astronaut, and Karl Doetsch, director of the Canadian Astronaut Program, will also speak.

Scheduled for 3 p.m., the presentation will consist of footage of last month's flight of the space shuttle Challenger, and films illustrating Canada's astronaut training program and the experiments conducted aboard the space flight on which Dr. Garneau was a Payload Specialist.

The presentations are open to the UNB community and interested individuals from the public. Seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Garneau will also give a free public lecture at the Nashwaaksis High School, Saturday, December 1 at 2 p.m.

Ethiopia: Not a media event

By BARRY PARKINSON
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Ethiopia is still starving - this is a major point, folks. To say "Oh, I gave my buck and, well, they can do without my help anyway," is no way to solve this problem. It is, however, a standard approach.

The thing to keep in mind is that the famine in Ethiopia is not a media event: The crisis does not go away simply because the television cameras have left. We must show that we are not going to give super-

official support to these people. Integrity and continuity are of paramount importance.

In order to keep the ball rolling, as it were, a group is organizing a skate-a-thon, the proceeds of which will be going to SHE (Students Help Ethiopia). Anyone interested in participating in this fund raising activity is asked to attend an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. this Sunday in the Alumni Memorial Building Lounge. At 8 p.m. there will be a meeting of SHE in the same room. Everyone is welcome to come and participate.

Larry Fox's priority to watch CSL store

by Shelly Nelson
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President-elect Larry Fox states that his first priority upon taking office in January from incumbent President John Bosnitch will be in closely monitoring the CSL Store.

Fox goes on to state that he would like to see management improved where needed and wishes to maintain the CSL Store on the same level as it has

been running, adding that "we want to prove to the administration that we can run the store."

Following from this, Fox will be examining the various SUB committees, especially the applications committee and the constitution committee.

When asked how he feels about his newly-elected position, Fox noted his surprise at

having won, especially in such places as the SUB and Head Hall, which was supposed to be Bosnitch's home turf. admits that although he does not take on the challenges of the SRC Presidency until January, he gets along well with the other SRC executives. He goes on to add that the SRC will be working as a group to bring about a better environment for all students.

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"Accuracy is to a newspaper what virtue is to a woman, but a newspaper can always print a retraction"

—Adlai Stevenson

