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THE VOICE OF UNB



Blake Lynch downed by Navy defenders.

Library expansion?

The Bonar-law Bennett Library is drastically overcrowded and any signs of relief are far in the future.

With the addition of STU and TC to UNB's campus, there are now 4,000 students whom the library serves, or tries to, with a seating capacity of 190.

Our reporter managed to gain an interview from Mrs. Wiener and Dr. Gunn. As a result, he warns would-be library-goers of many dangers.

If you think the library is available for completing assignments day or night, forget it. An hourly count indicates there are 1,000 students vying for the less than 200 seats.

Beware, fines have increased drastically! Due caution is to be exercised on volumes bearing red labels and blue cards.

On the plus side, a few things have been re-organized to better serve the student. All first year books on the reading lists are in the stacks. There is also a waiting list posted at the entrance to the stacks.

But fear not, brave students (frosh, at least), there is a strong possibility the sod will be turned in the spring for a new library behind the Chemistry building, to be completed in three years

(where will I park my car then?). It will be gigantic, storing a half-million volumes within its dark confines and seating 1200 students in private cubicles (fun and games). Designed to be expanded, if needed, to twice the capacity, it will be a five-storey (no pun intended) structure. (No, elevators will not be provided for students!)

Parking: where please?

UNB (campus poop): It has been reported to this office that a great number of people are dissatisfied about the parking problem on this Campus. "It wouldn't be so bad if the Commissionaires weren't quite so keen about giving tickets: it's getting expensive."

According to one disgruntled Law student, the University Administration "Has no right to give tickets and fines, but if your marks are stopped for non-payment, there's nothing that can be done."

According to the Administration Office, the only place that students can park is down by the Gymnasium, or up behind the New Arts

Building; and with the increased number of students this year, the number of cars on Campus has increased proportionally. Apparently, the only way that a total panic is to be avoided is to give tickets; however...

"When I come in every morning, I'm not about to jockey for a spot down by the Gym, and then trudge up the hill to be late for a class. Consequently, I park my car in one of the Visitor's lots: which, by the way, are always empty. Maybe I should be a professional visitor on this Campus, as it seems to me that visitors are accorded unusual parking privileges," stated one student.

Still other drivers complain of unfair tactics on the part

Professors and students

Clamour for march break

In a brief interview with a small group of (anonymous) UNB professors last week, it was discovered that the faculty are showing some displeasure with the present length of the Spring term. They felt that "it is too long and should be punctuated with a brief holiday in March."

Science bounces back

The newly formed Science Undergraduate Society has begun the year with a meeting surpassing all previous records for attendance set by its parent body, the now-defunct Science Guild. Under its new president, Ian Harris, the Society, serving all undergraduates in the Science Faculty, has been reborn in an effort to coordinate the activities of the faculty.

Mr. Harris, obviously very pleased with the unexpectedly large turnout, trembled before the group of almost 100 students in front of him for the first time in the Chemistry Auditorium last Thursday. Under his leadership, an executive was set up at the meeting, and the future looks good, with Science Week already being organized and many students interested in other activities.

The greatest disappointment of the meeting was expressed by the president who said that the Science faculty would not be allowed to have both its members on the SRC, under some article of the SRC Constitution. A number of students felt that the vacancy was not sufficiently publicized, and that the faculty should be given a second chance.

More publicity was given after the closing of nominations than before, and who saw those little notices on the bulletin boards? We should have a second chance." This was the view of one science student.

Duo pach

Faculty and students at the University of New Brunswick are invited to attend an informal noon hour workshop to be given each Thursday from 12:30 to 2:30 in Memorial Hall by the Duo Pach, Resident Musicians Joseph and Arlene Pach.

This will take the form of a comprehensive survey of the repertoire for the violin and piano as components of a Sonata Team, as well as in their separate roles as solo instruments. Works from programs to be given by the Duo in their Playhouse Recitals will be included.

Doors will be left open, and those interested may enter and leave as their timetable permits.

Flash

UNB (Campus poop): Aaten House held its annual Fall Social last Saturday night. The theme was "A Night in Sunnydale Violent Ward", and was supported by the usual number of camp-followers and key-twirling hangers-on. The highly successful soiree culminated in a motorcycle race in the halls with the local morality squad looking on.

"I know two people who would have run", remarked another. "I think the SRC follows its duties to the minimum and no further. We need a second, but this time fair, chance."

The rationale behind many acts of the Administration is simply "Other universities are doing it." Apparently UNB is the only university in the Maritimes without a period in the middle of the second term in which students and professors alike can "blow off steam. By the end of March the work has become so tedious that faculty members become hostile to each other, tired, and some seem to fade under the strain." A number of professors became seriously ill last year, and this can be partly attributed to fatigue.

Having a March break would, unfortunately, require one of two sacrifices on the part of faculty and students. "We would have to either reduce the length of the reading period in April, or increase the length of the college year. Apparently both of these are distasteful but to those who find 'cramming' a necessity, the latter is probably most appealing."

The March break would benefit the students, it was pointed out. Time for the members of the student body to relieve the strain of study pressures would reduce the incidence of nervous breakdowns, it was felt, which are not uncommon at UNB around exam time.

The go-ahead for such an innovation will probably have to come from the university's 'higher-ups', and student pressure in the right places could help bring us all a week in Fort Lauderdale.

Administration Doesn't Know Why

Students To Get "Charge-Plate" I.D. Cards

"UNB is no longer a small university," said UNB Vice-President MacAulay. "We need an official means of identification."

Mr. MacAulay was discussing the new student identification cards (in three colours) to be distributed this year to every student at UNB, St. Thomas, and Teachers' College. The purpose of these new embossed I.D. cards is not entirely clear yet, he said, but all major universities are changing to this sort of system. Eaton's uses them for charge plates.

When asked about specific uses for the cards, Mr. MacAulay said that while it was not definite, they would probably be used for identification by the Library and in the Dining Facilities (although

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