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Ratcliff issues statement

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Kevin Ratcliff, former
president of Jones House is

now awaiting a board of
governors hearing which
will take place about Oct.
15. Due to the expiry date

of the lease on his apart-
ment, October 1, he is now
looking for a place to live.

"It is unfortunate that the
course of events concerning
Jones House has been allow-
ed to blow so far out of
proportion by the univer-
sity residence administra-
tion," said Ratcliff. "The
university and in particular,
the residence system, has
received a great deal of bad
publicity which may not
immediately be felt but
which over a period of time
will be noticed."

The men's residence sys-
tem here at UNB was at one
time among the best, cer-
tainly in Canada, if not in all
North America, in terms of
cohesion, spirit and motiva-

tion. In recent years the
residence system has de-
clined to the point where
today it remains but a
shadow of its former self."

"It is sad to see that
certain individuals who
have a great deal to con-
tribute to the system are
forced to leave residence to
make way for the "new
policies. My efforts to ap-
peal the decision enacted
by the residence adminis-
tration are not only solely
for personnel reasons but
are also in defense of a
great university institute
which is slowly being crus-
hed."

"I have worked and con-
tinued to work on the be-
half of the residence stu-



Kevin Ratcliff

dents and I only hope that
the residence administra-
tion is doing likewise,"
concluded Ratcliff.

Thorbourne explains radio survey

By SUSAN REED
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SRC President Perry Thorbourne
said the radio survey he carried
out last summer was not designed
for CHSR, but the information
gathered would be made avail-
able to them.

"The main concern of the project
was to provide jobs for students,"
said Thorbourne. "If CHSR wishes
to use the survey, they can," he
said. "But if they don't, that's fine
too. There is no pressure on them
to use it."

Thorbourne said the survey, a
government-funded Young
Canada Works Project, was con-
ceived, written up and submitted
by him to the project. The proposal
for the 12-week radio survey was
approved and began June 23.

This was a week and a half later
than originally scheduled. Thor-
bourne said in an attempt to make
up for lost time, a consensus was
reached between the project and
himself that he would act as the
survey's supervisor. Thorbourne
said it had not been his intention
to work on the project but as
another supervisor would have
required an additional week's
training, he assumed the position.
"The project had to be done
within a certain time frame," said
Thorbourne.

Thorbourne said he got his idea
for the survey because the univer-
sity has a radio station but no real
ties with the community. The
survey was titled the "UNB Com-
munity Involvement Project." Thor-
bourne said the government's
acceptance of his proposal was
"not tied to me as president."

The purpose of the project, said
Thorbourne, was to complete a
survey of Fredericton listening
preferences that was simply for
information.

In addition to Thorbourne, three
other university students were
employed by the project.

Thorbourne said the govern-
ment considered the project
worthwhile as they had granted
money for the survey and it had
completed its objectives.

Thorbourne said he expected to
give a copy of the results of the
survey to CHSR by the end of the
week or the beginning of next.

This is later than he intended,
he said, but he has not yet received
back his report on the survey from
the government.

Thorbourne said he thought
CHSR complaints about having no
input in the survey were due to a
"misunderstanding or a communi-
cations breakdown." He said he
had spoken to CHSR Program
Director Dan Cohen during the
summer and had shown him the
preliminary survey that was inten-
ded to sort out listening age
groups and types of music pre-
ferred. He said Cohen had had
some ideas about questions he
wanted asked. Thorbourne said he
told Cohen to wait for the second
survey which would encompass
when and how listeners wanted to
hear music and programs. Thor-
bourne said Cohen did not get in
touch with him again, but said he
had not sought Cohen out either.
"It was just left," he said.

The survey found most people
did their listening in the morning,
said Thorbourne. The usual listen-
ing time was four hours per day.
Most preferred easy-listening mu-
sic in the morning and early
afternoon with rock music be-
coming the favorite in the late
afternoon and evening. Some lis-
teners preferred hearing classical
music in the late afternoon.

The survey also found that lis-
teners enjoyed hearing contests
broadcast throughout the day, but
not in the evening. Those surveyed
also indicated they would like to
hear fewer advertisements.

Thorbourne said he had re-
ceived no complaints directly
about the actions of those conduct-
ing the survey, with the exception
of one he heard about through
CHSR Station Director Vaughn
Fulford. This involved a woman
who called police when one pol-
lster apparently walked around
her home, looking at paintings
and furniture.

Thorbourne said he had told
pollsters the project was not a
CHSR survey and had advised
them on how to conduct them-
selves while questioning those par-
ticipating in the survey.

Thorbourne said he had asked
workers at the end of each week if
they had encountered any prob-
lems and the answer was always
no.

SDC affects YOU....

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Augustus is a second year
student. One night, he's
walking out of a pub,
drunk. As he's wandering
around rather aimlessly, a
Campus Police officer goes
over to ask him if he needs
help, directions, or what-
ever. Augustus gives him a
rude shove. Suddenly the
'cop' is on him.

"Name?"

"Huh?"

"What's your name?"

Augustus responds to a
series of questions, inclu-
ding his name, address,
phone number, faculty and
year. Then the CP leaves
him. Suddenly very sober,
Augustus walks home. He
wonders, "What was that
all about?"

A week later, he receives
a letter with the letterhead
"The Student Disciplinary
Committee." He is asked to
attend a hearing to respond
to charges of "Wilfully
obstructing" a campus po-
lice officer. It's for Friday
afternoon. Since he already
has plans to go to Moncton
to visit his parents, he
decides not to attend. The
letter says the committee
will "proceed in his ab-
sence" but he's not too
worried. After all, what has
he done wrong?

Ten days later he gets
another letter from the
mysterious "Student Disci-
plinary Committee." This
time the message is explic-
it: he is ordered by the
court to pay a fine of \$150

for the aforementioned of-
fense.

Furious, Augustus
phones the committee.
They tell him he may
appeal his case to the
board of deans. The board
of deans hands down their
decision a few months
later. Augustus is guilty,
since he was given a fair
trial by his peers. The
deans conclude privately
that it would be unjust for
them to overrule a decision
made by responsible stu-
dents.

This is a realistic example of
what the student disciplinary
committee will be able to do to
any student at UNB, if the new
student disciplinary code is
approved by the students' rep-

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Centre closed to pubs?

By KEN CUTHBERTSON
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There may be serious consequences as a result of last Friday's Ache 'n' Wake at the Aitken Centre. Gordon Lebel, director of the centre, said he has submitted a recommendation to the administration to end all beer gardens at the centre. He has been quoted as saying "We've had seven beer gardens now, and in my opinion, they don't do anything positive for the centre."

Damages of approximately \$700, according to SRC Comptroller Steve Howes, were caused mostly by a broken water pipe. A few chairs and two laboratory doors were also broken. Howes claims there were 20 people involved in the whole incident. The major problem, he has been reported as saying, stemmed from four individuals looking for a fight.

Earlier reports had indicated that the Ache 'n' Wake had run out of beer, but Howes claimed that was not the case. He was quoted as saying "We did not run out of beer, we ran out of beer tickets."

The SRC will pick up the tab for the event, says Howes, because the Ache 'N' Wake is "not an official Orientation event."

In an interview, Howes was asked about the way the CPs handled the event. He said there were 35 campus police involved and he thought there were enough CPs available. He says he was greatly pleased with their performance.

There will be no charges laid before the student disciplinary committee; a full report on the incident by the Campus Police has not yet been prepared.