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The communications package for the conference is another bone of contention. While both Fulton and FitzPatrick agree that a \$10,000 communications package was agreed to, there is a dispute between the two on how much the company that provided the service is owed.

FitzPatrick estimated that only about \$3,000 to \$4,000 was spent on this item before the brakes were put on. But Fulton disputes this and says the final bill may be upwards of \$6,000. Fulton did not want to name the communications company whose services had been contracted, but the December minutes of the UNB Student Council name Hawk Communications.

A spokesperson at the Fredericton office declined to get involved in this and had absolutely no comment.

Not unexpectedly, Fulton and FitzPatrick dispute what money will be spent for premises rented from Chippin's Real Estate. FitzPatrick rented offices on Queen Street from November. FitzPatrick told *The Brunswickan* last week that rent came to \$900 per month, for three months.

Fulton says rent will have to be paid for four months since adequate notice of 30 days was not given until January.

A spokesperson for Chippin's Real Estate seems to back FitzPatrick's version of events. Arnold Chippin told *The Brunswickan* this week that there was little rent owing.

"I was assured last Friday that a cheque would be forwarded to us so I'm not really too worried," said Chippin. He would not discuss the small amount still owed saying his company has a policy of keeping financial matters with tenants private.

Meantime, *The Brunswickan* has

learned that the Saint Thomas Student Union lent FitzPatrick money in November to help pay rent for offices on Queen Street.

STU VP Finance Allen Price said the amount lent to FitzPatrick is confidential. Price says he has been given assurances from Usher that the STU SU will get this money. "The agreement we signed with FitzPatrick was for a loan plus interest. The loan comes out of our contingency fund and it's not large enough to put our operations at risk."

The loan from the Saint Thomas Student Union is for \$2,000 sources told *The Brunswickan* this week. Price would not confirm the amount.

Another area of dispute is phone bills. Duncan Fulton told *The Brunswickan* that the conference phone bill will amount to \$3,800. The UNB SU has been receiving these bills. FitzPatrick estimated \$2,400 for this item.

Meanwhile, Fulton says the UNB SU is still owed \$8,000 from CASA, plus unspecified credit card expenses. This tab results from start up costs for the fledgling national student organization which began operations early last year. The UNB SU has been paying some of CASA's bills until membership fees from various Student Unions across the country had been collected.

Fulton admits the credit card bills have yet to be reconciled. He says he intends to do so over the next week.

What is certain is that this whole experience has left FitzPatrick and Fulton's relationship on the rocks. "I think FitzPatrick misrepresented himself, CASA, and the conference to those who were acting in good faith," Fulton concluded. "I'm not interested in dealing with him again."

**Former Pillar Editor Mike Blanchard would like to clarify that he did see the December 6 issue before it was printed.**

## Store owner passes away



Photo: Mike Dean

by Gordon Loane  
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Gerald E. (Bud) Belding is being remembered in the university community this week as a very easy-going, fair man who always tried to balance his family and business interests.

Belding passed away at home early last Friday morning following a lengthy illness.

He was store owner and operator of the Campus Convenience Store in the Student Union Building.

Belding and Bob Leclerc of SUB Hairstyling were two of the original tenants in the SUB when it opened in

1968.

"He was an easy-going guy who used to come into my shop all the time to get his hair trimmed," said Leclerc.

Belding was an avid golfer and a member of the Fredericton Golf and Curling Club.

"He used to go to South Carolina and Florida for awhile each winter so he could, among other things, go golfing," Leclerc said. "He also liked to sport around town in a fairly well-equipped modern car as well."

Belding worked in what was formerly known as the Smoke Shoppe on campus until well past retirement age. At one time he also owned businesses in downtown Fredericton, the Mactaquac Lodge, the Fredericton Mall, and the Regent Mall, Leclerc remembers.

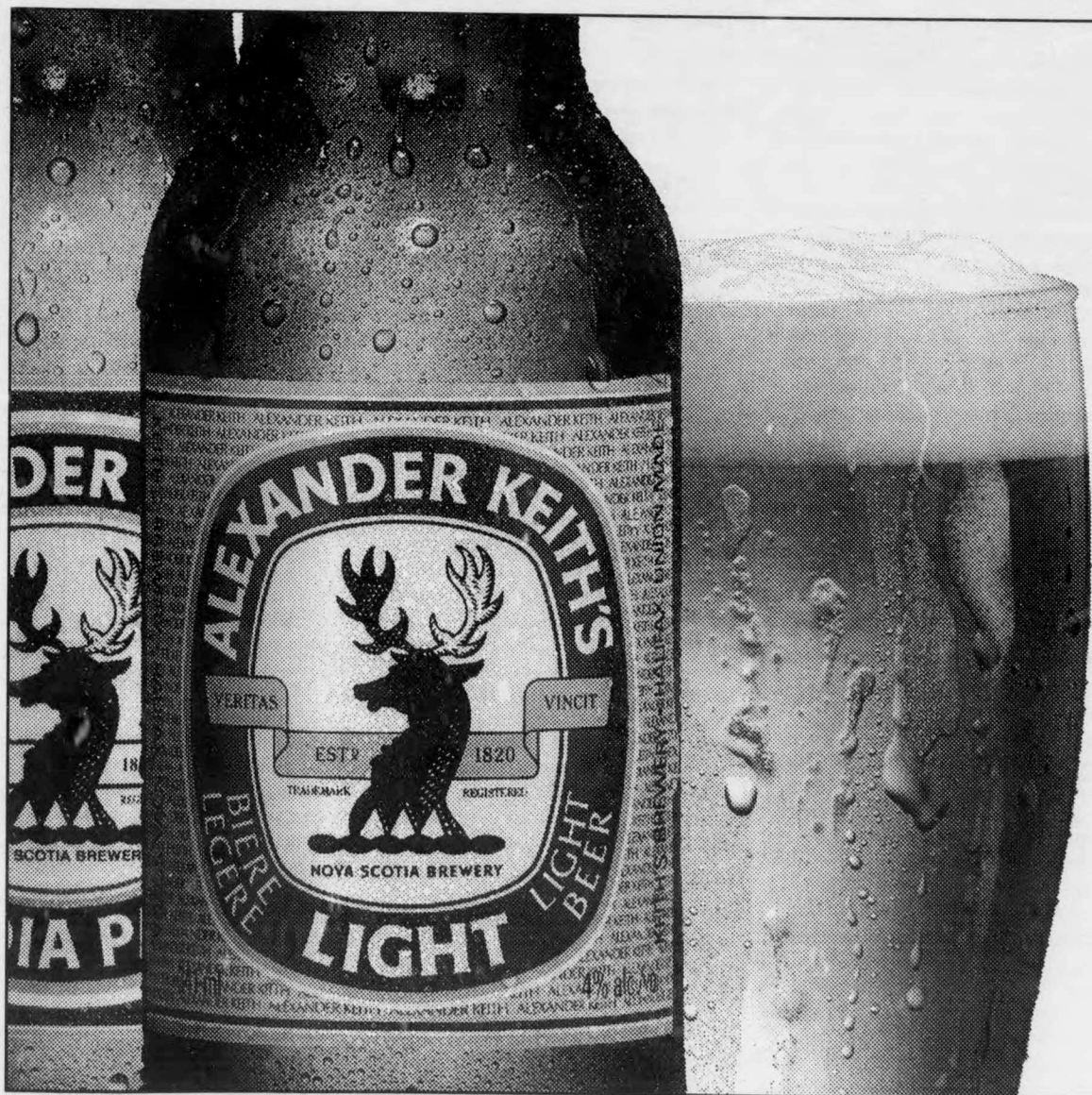
"I remember Bud Belding as a fair businessman who always tried to help out when he could," said Kim Norris, Director of the SUB. "As a tenant, there were no problems ever. Belding always tried to put something back into the university community where he earned his living. He certainly contributed to many donations and draws for students over the years."

"We will miss him, and I offer my sympathies to Bud's wife and family at this time."

Bud's son Greg and Greg's wife Cynthia will continue to run the Convenience Store.

Belding is survived by his wife Patricia Muriel; daughter Janis Edwards and her husband James; three sons, James and his wife Lynne, Gary, and Greg and his wife Cynthia, all of Fredericton.

A memorial service for family and close friends was held on Tuesday in Fredericton. Donations to a charity of the donor's choice would be appreciated.



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