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SUMMARY

IN BUSINESS THIS WEEK

Another school year is at an end with many students running around like mad trying to get their papers done. Sources have told us that the Professors have bets on who can create the most misery in a student's life. Students: if you are walking down the halls and feel someone is watching you well someone is. All the Profs are keeping an eye out for any student that starts screaming, banging their head against the walls, or just sits in the middle of a corridor rocking back and forth laughing. All of the above have different point values. The one that is worth the most is if a graduating student gets institutionalized, so students, don't sit in the middle of the corridor rocking back and forth laughing because that is grounds for institutionalizing. Presently, all of the Profs. are tied for first place.B1

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

The United Nations have once again requested the services of "The Man They Call Rahim". He has been hired as a hypnotist because the ambassadors have been showing signs of boredom and want to be entertained (i.e. having someone thinking they are from outerspace). When asked if would find this assignment difficult he replied, "is esy, is esy"B3

SMALL BUSINESS

Darling Ross and his BA 4108 won first prize for the Most Innovative Small Business Project this year. The crew leaves today for the grand opening of their Lemonade Stand at the North Pole. Schaefer will accompany the crew as their strategist and policy maker. Photos of the happy crew and Darling Ross in his new bikini.B7

NEWSMAKER

Phil Wright will not be going to China next month. He had to cancel his trip due to a 10 foot stack of late papers he has to correct. While sitting in his office with a line up of 64 students waiting to see him, we asked how he felt about it, his only reply was "I understand"B9

CORPORATE ETHICS

A stockbroker has been charged today for selling insider information to Prof. Bob Maher. Prof. Maher's lawyer managed to reduce his sentence for the minute he invested in the stocks, they went down 20 points. The jury felt so sorry for him that they let him off, however, the judge overruled the decision. She sentenced him not to invest in the stock market until the recession was over. She stated, "we're in enough trouble already"B12

BOOK

Prof. Pam Ritchie has written a How To book. The subject deals with how to argue with absolutely everything anybody says and part two deals with the theory of counting. She did not have the intention to split the book into two different subjects, but she argued with herself so much that her publisher made it a two-parter. The proceeds of the book will go towards her medical bills due the skiing accidents. See review of the book.B16

NEW POSITION?

Francisco strikes again. He has taken upon himself to stay home the later part of last week and the early part of this week to write up every exam for the faculty members. After showing these exams to the respective Profs., they all agreed that he wrote up great exams that would give the students major headaches. Francisco has been assigned a new position next year as the official exam writer, which all Profs are very happy about because now they can all leave in early April.B19

AWARDS

Last night the First Annual Tilley/Singer Awards were held. The students were in awe when Dean Storey made an appearance. Nobody really believed that K.P. was replaced. They just thought that the administration did not have the heart to tell them that a Dean could not be found to convince the Profs to stay and teach intercession and summer session. The winners of the different awards are as follows:

Hair Do of the Month Award:	Dan Coleman
Wish I Had a Hair Do of the Month Award	Udo Staber
Non-hair do of the Month Award	Tony Giles
Enthusiasm Award:	Al Laughland
Best Tie Award?:	Bob Greene
The You Should Have Waited to take Cost Award	Elin Maher
The "What's Your Point" Award	Dave Ross
The Somenex Award	Too Easy
Rock Promoter Award	Ross Darling
The Neatest Office Award	Phil Wright
Meet the Deadline Award	Dean Storey
Give the Students A Break Award	Bonnie Wood
The Do Stats While Hiking Award	H.A. Eiselt
The Formula's In the Text Award	Francisco
The I'm Pregnant Again Award	Dorothy
The I Can Teach A Child This Stuff Award	Santosh Kabadi
The I was Popular in High School Award	Paul Callaghan
The More Than One Office Award	Wiktor Askanas
The I Can Work Anywhere Comfortably Award	Karen Ivey
The Most Important Course in the BBA Program Award	"MINE!"

Business faculty mourns

Salut Ti-Cue, amuse toi et bonne chance



Antonio Piles (1983-1992): The Faculty of Administration at UNB mourns the loss of Professor Antonio Piles. Piles was Professor of Industrial Relations/Part Time Closet Peace Activist and Wanna Be mob boss. His most recent work was considered an apprenticeship for the latter position. He was Associate Dean of Business Administration.

Antonio was known to his better croonies as "Sneakers" because of his fetish for different coloured canvas running shoes; his most notable being the red ones. Piles was reported to actually wear the red footwear with his one Saville Row suit which he "donned" only when he was presenting research papers or preparing to hit the executive of anti-labour business entities. The infamous suit was purchased by Piles upon his graduation (Ph.D.) from Warwick (wherever that is). He claimed to have secured the garment on London's fashionable Carnaby St. but rumour has it that it comes from the rear of a lorry in the East End. Sources say it was the only place Piles could find formal clothing which bore a Union bug and had a built in shoulder holster. When Piles was consulted about the holster in 1987, he commented "Gotta fool

them scabs. They're gittin' smarter!" Pictured in a rare photo, (while on the run from New York's Gambino crime family in 1988, after testifying before a Congressional Committee against their upper echelon regarding racketeering charges) Piles assumed his role in the anti-war and environmental movements. He said in an interview that "we need the fire power

at home on the front (picket) lines not over in other countries where the workers who made those shells won't benefit." His comments on environmental issues followed: "With the current popularity of products such as environmentally friendly packaging we see increased production leading to more garbage. This means jobs in

both areas. Due to high costs of producing such packaging no one would notice the added cost of union wages. Concession bargaining would become a historic phenomenon."

Piles is fondly remembered by his students; especially for his BA 4849 course. Former student and aspiring I.R. Guru, Mark (The Butcher) Major tearfully recounted his experiences with Piles, "Antonio was a good boy. He taught us everything from IR history to how to drink beer. "Yup, I think the first and last classes wuz his favourites. The first wuz a lecture on Hunters and Gatherers and the last wuz a field trip to the College Hill Social Club. Piles wuz the only Prof. who could hold a last class after end of term and have everyone show up. Of course students were bribed with beer tickets, a technique which Antonio learned in business school. He has been an inspiration to us all and I intend to carve his name into my 'aseball' bat when I git my first job." Major wants to restore the Teamsters to their original position as it was before the recent cleanup and build a new multi-billion dollar headquarters which will be named the Antonio Piles Memorial Labour Complex.

Faculty of Administration to adopt new focus

The Faculty of Administration recently decided to change its focus away from its traditional orientation of training general managers. Starting next year, the Faculty's decision, Dean Roland Fable commented: "We came to realise that we could no longer expect to be able to offer our programs given dwindling governmental support. We decided that we must become more proactive in seeking linkages with our business community in New Brunswick. Our adopted focus on the Pulp and Paper industry

seemed like a natural fit." When questioned about the rationality of the new focus, the designer of the program, Assistant Dean Coleman Canoe admitted that although economic data seem to indicate that pulp and paper is a "sunset" industry in serious decline, and that only a fool would throw resources at the industry, recent actions by the provincial government suggest otherwise. "The concurrent actions of the government of freezing UNB's budget, while dedicating millions of dollars to pulp and

paper suggest that there is probably a unique niche that we can fill which matches our strengths in business education and the government's apparent industrial development strategy" Canoe noted. The new program will be comprised of courses and an experiential component. Several courses vital to the industry - Industrial Relations, for example - are already offered by the Faculty. However, a new package of specialized courses is also under development, which includes: "Production and Operations Man-

agement Under Conditions of Negative Profit"; "Outrageous Salary Demands While in a Recession"; "Stonewalling During Negotiations"; and a capstone course entitled "Whining to Government for Unwarranted Bail-outs". An operational pulp and paper mill will also be built on the UNB campus so that students can get hands-on experience. "The mill is really the cornerstone of this new program," Canoe said, "we fully expect it to operate at a loss, which should be a real economic boom to us."

What a weird conversation

This conversation was recently heard in OTTAWA. In an effort to prevent revealing the actual names, pseudonyms will be used. Of course we all know that Ottawa is a real name but that'll be okay.

There were two "gentlemen" who were gradually being joined by others. . . The first one, a small balding man spoke first, (remember these are not their real names).
 Joe Bark (as in worse than): "Ya know Brian, I believe Robert has got a great idea"
 Brian Mulgoonie (as in, well nuff said): "Who Boringsow? When did he ever have a good idea? He and his

kind just want to screw-up this great country of ours. We're starting to sound like the damned Americans (real name) with all their troubles with trying to fake equal rights."
 Bark: "No I think Bobby's got it right, 'This Stink' Society makes some sense to me. Now not only Quebec (real) is pushing for their own 'This Stink' Society, but many of the natives, the feminists, the gay rights, are too. We'd better hurry or we'll be the only ones left Stinking"
 Mulgoonie: "Ah Joe, this Society thing has nothing to do with stinking or smelling even though we get enough pollution from Buffalo and Toronto.

It's 'This Think' Society. Those Quebecers want everyone to go around thinking."
 Bark: "Some trouble that would cause, Eh?"
 Just then others began to join the first two. As the conversation grew to a dull roar, it became clear, that everyone wanted in on the new Society. The first to speak was this fellow who was a half hour out of whack with the rest of the guys.
 Clod Swells (as in small waves): "We've been on that rock for nearly 500 years. We've got too many seals and not enough cod. The damned oil companies are cutting out on us.

We'd better get our act together and have our own 'Dis Tink' Society. In fact, we 'Think' Mulgoonie is a panty waist for not sending the fleet to stop those clowns from Europe from stealing what's left of the cod."
 Mulgoonie: "Now then we don't want people out there 'Thinking', Clod."
 Swells: "We 'Think' we ought to rough up some of those slime buckets from over there."
 Another youngish, baby faced man now spoke up,
 Mike Ray (as in sting) "That's no way
 Please see WEIRD -- B99

Academics must publish or die 'Miserably'!

Yesterday, Mark came to me and said that he had an ASSIGNMENT for me. Immediately, reflex action kicked in. . . I began to slaver and twitch. . . you see I've had my Ph.D. for only a few years, so I'm not completely cured. . . that word!! After he calmed me down and wiped off the front of my shirt, he explained that all he needed was a short piece for the Bruns (note the proper underlining technique).
 Anyway. . . my first reaction was to say "No! I'm far too busy publishing academic stuff that nobody will ever read". . . and, if anyone ever did, I'd be up on a manslaughter count, charged with doing some poor sot in through terminal boredom.
 But then I began to think (I do this



Dr. Phil Wright

occasionally, now that I've graduated). . . If I did a really good job (i.e., an "A" ASSIGNMENT — twitch, slaver, drool), I might get to put it in my C.V. (read resume) and who knows what might happen!! Someone might see my work and quote me in a big name journal, like The Ratatarian Journal of Contemporary Inanity (notice again the proper underlining technique). . . Then. . . who knows. . .? Why the assistant dean (Dr. Coleperson) might join me for coffee (I pay). The Associate Dean might come out of hiding; the Dean might drop by my office for a (carefully-timed) two-minute chat; the Vice-President (Academic) might recognise my name; and the PRESIDENT might

nod in my direction as I glide by. Oh. . . the world would be a wondrous place!
 I might even get to use statistics — and print them in backwards, so that not even my friend Francisco could understand them. Journal editors would never know. They'd clamour for more of my work (my opi magni). I'd be offered an assistant, associate editorship in the South-Western New Brunswick Journal of Linguistic Hair-Splitting (again proper underlining technique). My academic reputation would be made, my success assured!!
 And all because Mark offered this ASSIGNMENT — excuse me, must go. . . I have to wipe off the front of my shirt.

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