

## Destination of Mexican relief funds a concern

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Founders of the UNB Mexican Relief Fund have been searching for contacts in Mexico City to whom they can send funding.

Relief fund organizers are reluctant to send money to the Mexican government for fear aid would be delayed, or that it would never reach those who most need it.

Contact has been made with Al Mahoney. Mahoney returned to Canada from Mexico City on October 18th after spending nine days among the earthquake victims.

Mahoney provided the organizers with a first-hand report of the disaster. In the poorer sections of the city, 30%-40% of the housing is destroyed or damaged.

Both State and Church are providing makeshift shelters; however, many people refuse

to leave their areas for fear of being evicted by landowners, Mahoney said.

Food and clothing distribution was described as being somewhat disorderly. "Water supplies have not been restored in certain sections of the city. This has led to water distribution by truckload, proving to be highly inadequate," he said.

Unemployment has escalated from 120,000 before the earthquake to 270,000. Added to this is the million and a half underemployed workers.

Mahoney pointed out that newly-built public buildings such as offices, hospitals, schools and public housing were the first constructions to literally flatten at the time of the quake. Before the disaster it had long been rumored that these government-built structures had been built in the cheapest manner possible. Government money intended for the purchase of appropriate

construction materials ended up elsewhere.

The results of poor construction are apparent in the aftermath of the quake, whereas colonial buildings built a century or two ago can be seen to

stand undisturbed.

While in Mexico City, Mahoney established contacts with various groups which he felt were sufficiently responsible to use aid and funding effectively. Many of these self-

help groups are stationed in the worst-hit sections of the city.

It is to these groups that Mahoney is recommending the Mexican Relief Funding be sent.

## Reduction in SUB vandalism

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Vandalism in the SUB has dropped from last year's level because the building's hours have been decreased and the staff's abilities have improved, said Kim Norris, Director of the SUB.

Norris said the major vandalism in the building is furniture destruction, and cigarette burns and spills on the Blue Lounge's new rug. Chairs are expensive to replace, he said, with each costing around \$400.00

On a Friday night in September, a fire alarm was pulled in the College Hill Social Club. Other events were taking place in the building

and it is the habit of students to leave these events and go to the Club for an hour or so before it closes.

Because the fire alarm was pulled, the Club had to be evacuated. The potential sales lost were approximately \$1000.00 according to Keith Keane, Manager of the Social Club.

Keane said "that was the first time the fire alarm was ever pulled in the Social Club since moving upstairs," adding that "measures are being taken against the vandal."

Other forms of vandalism in the Club have included the destruction of urinals, paper towel dispensers and obscene

graffiti in the men's washrooms. As well, many glasses, ashtrays and furniture are either stolen or broken and must be replaced.

The Social Club employs four doormen, two bartenders and two floor workers on weekend nights, which helps keep vandalism down, said Keane.

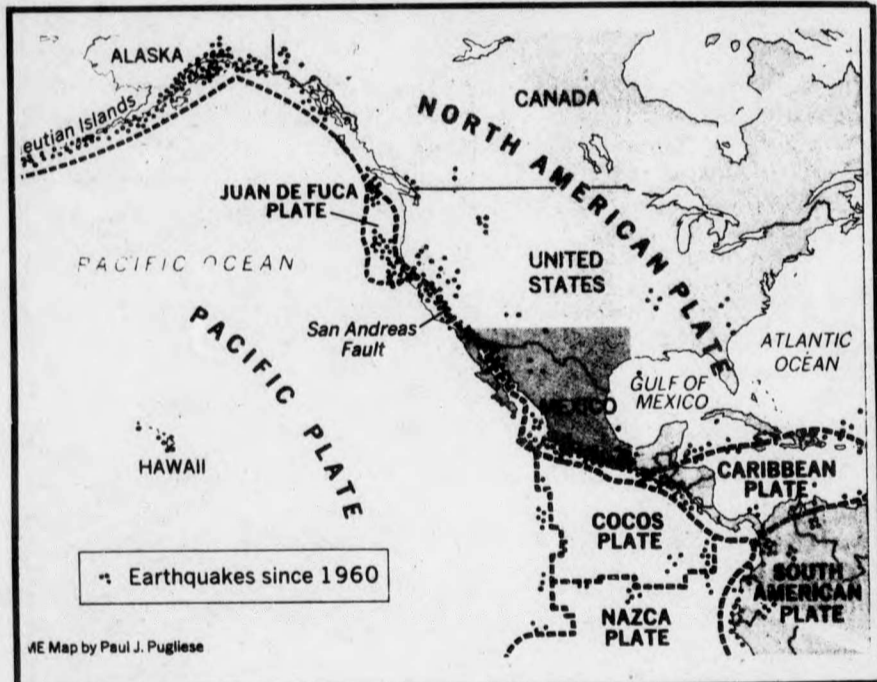
The Woodshed manager, Gregg Felix, said "Although there has been vandalism in the Woodshed in the past, there have been no such incidents so far this year. Hopefully, that will remain the case."

Norris said most of the damage could be prevented if the students who use the building were more considerate.

"Our staff is hired for security and management purposes and the staff often makes an effort to clean up the Blue Lounge. When they do this, they are leaving other areas unattended," he said.

Norris said that the increased quality and attentiveness of the SUB staff has led to a greater number of the vandals being caught. The last five full-pane glass doors that have been broken have been paid in full by the people who broke them, whether accidentally or through an act of vandalism, according to Norris.

The only vandalism that has occurred in the SUB cafeteria has been the occasional consumption of plant leaves.



## Renowned psychologist lectures

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On October 21, Dr. Albert Bandura, world-renowned psychologist and social learning theorist, gave a public lecture on his research into how violence is learned.

He is best known among psychologists for his investigation of a process known as observational learning. This process, through which learning takes place by observation and imitation, has been demonstrated by Bandura and his Stanford associates to be highly influential in shaping behaviour of many kinds, especially that of aggression.

Bandura, a Canadian, is known for his classic experiment in which children were exposed to adult models who behaved aggressively, and then imitated that behaviour.

His theory has implications

concerning the portrayal of violence on television.

"The media provides us with lots of models and an unlimited opportunity to learn the whole gamut of homicidal activities ... It teaches aggressive styles of conduct and aggression thus becomes the preferred solution to human conflicts, because on television (for example), aggressive behaviour can be rewarding in that it is usually successful, and that it is relatively easy to do," said Bandura.

Television can be an influential tutor (for children); it is regrettable that it does not always provide positive examples for children to emulate," he said.

Following his lecture the audience asked Bandura questions on topics ranging from terrorist tactics to television violence.

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## Bicentennial convocation

by JEFF FRYER

Over 260 students received their degrees at UNB's Bicentennial Convocation in the Playhouse last Sunday.

The event was a special one in that the debut of the UNB Bicentennial Choir, the conferring of nine honorary degrees, and an appearance by the Georgia Brass Quintet.

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chie, delivered the convocation address. He called upon government to reduce its role in the economy. He said that the future of Canada rested in young entrepreneurs, not in more government.

For the bicentennial convocation, each faculty was asked to nominate one member of their field to receive an honorary degree. The UNB Bicentennial Choir made its debut at the convocation. Also making an appearance was the University of Georgia Brass Quintette. They were returning a visit to Brunswick last spring by the Brunswick String Quintet.

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