

It's live, it's free,....it's the BRUNS

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Editor-in-Chief

A thirteen-month-old baby falls to her death from a student apartment building. The Dean of Students is chosen without the general student populace getting a chance to meet all the candidates. The Student Union election is marred by various mix-ups at the polling places. A serious housing shortage exists in Fredericton, both on campus and off, with demand outnumbering supply almost two to one. Two UNB students win a place in the Guinness Book with the world record in continuous downhill skiing. Our girls' field hockey team places fourth best in Canada. The mens' ice hockey team loses in the semi-finals of the CIAU championships in a heart-breaking struggle with the powerhouse se University of Toronto team. Popular, award-winning rock bands like Rough Trade, the Spoons, and the Payolas appear at UNB. The Brunswickan is there to bring you the story and the pictures. Brunswickan reporters talk to the people who shape the events showing you the truth amidst the evasion, the facts amidst the hearsay. Our photographers capture and freeze the moments of action on the political frontlines, on the playing field, and on the stage. All this free, every Friday morning.

The Brunswickan is Canada's oldest student newspaper, founded in 1865. As we enter our 119th year, we the editors, reporters, researchers, photographers, artists, typesetters, ad designers--all and sundry--are hoping to produce a "Brunns" that is accurate, hard-hitting, provocative, responsible, attractive and appealing. If anything happens on our campus and in our world which will affect UNB students, we want them first to turn to the Brunswickan. Is this asking too much? I think not. Look out there among you, among you almost two thousand freshmen, you five thousand returning students. The expertise exists for the production of a truly great, truly powerful campus medium--the Brunswickan.

If you are inquisitive, objective, if you won't take "no comment" for an answer, if you think about and feel for the concerns of students; if you want to impart the facts of the situation to the people of the UNB campus, come to the news section. Can't write a

news story? We'll teach you. Meet Cal Johnston, wunderkid News Editor.

Improve your photo skills at the Photography department, headed by Lisa Burke. The Bruns has its own cameras, lenses, and darkroom. A picture is worth a thousand words when it comes to communicating the image, the salient, dramatic point of the story.

Do you draw? You can illustrate an entertainment story, like a short work of student fiction. If you cartoon, please consider drawing a regular, campus-oriented humour strip. Remember, "Doonesbury" artist Garry Trudeau started his strip as a student at Yale. Perhaps you can do political cartoons to complement our editorials.

On the entertainment scene, the Bruns is looking for people with a knowledge of rock and pop music, ballet, modern dance, classical music and any of the other fine arts to write in the Entertainment pages. We



may also print short poems and fiction by student writers.

The mechanics of producing a newspaper requires people to design graphics, to typeset, to prepare photographs for printing on newsprint, to lay out all the text and pictures on

the pages. This is a vital area which although unglamorous, leads to the healthy, cathartic pressure of facing the printing deadline, as we work Wednesday night and some Thursday mornings at the layout tables.

These sessions also lead to the unique, unpredictable, and fractious camaraderie we enjoy here in Room 35. Come join the fun

If I sound a bit too rhapsodic about the Brunswickan, it is because I believe in it, believe desperately in free speech and the public's right to know. I want our--and that "our" includes all of you--our paper to be essential to your Friday mornings, with all the news, sports and entertainment to make you a part of your university community. I encourage you, beseech you to join the Bruns in whatever capacity your skills and schedules will allow. I hope you'll search us out --we'll be searching for you. Talk to us at registration, or come visit the office at Room 35 of the Student Union Building office wing. With sufficient people power (we are an equal opportunity organization) we will truly be able to say "You won't be able to read it fast enough." Believe it.

Pigs in Space (news)

By TIMOTHY LETHBRIDGE

The news section is the largest section in the Brunswickan. Starting on page three, it involves from three to eight pages and sometimes includes the front page as well.

Being a writer concentrating on news is a fantastic way to get to know the university and its people. You can do such as cover protests or coaster derbies; or on the more static side of the news, but just as interesting, you could cover student politics, senate meetings and much more. Do a bit of digging around and find yourself a story, there is plenty going on in the university that few people know anything about.

The more staff there are covering news, the more interesting the paper becomes. If everyone could just cover one story a week, and research it in depth, many new and interesting facts would be revealed. Quite often, the editorial topic for the week will be inspired by some dirty work one of our news reporters has uncovered.

If you would prefer to devote most of your time and energies to another club or organization, you can still write for the Bruns. You could prepare a column on a regular basis

about the activities of that organization.

When students first join the newspaper, many are worried they do not have vast journalistic experience or are not, "good enough." This is hogwash. Students are not expected to write as well as Dalton Camp (but if you stick with the Bruns, you may one day become a great writer as he did). The news department is planning to offer a series of workshops on such things as writing style, interviewing techniques, and editing.

The news department is interesting to work in and also fun. There are occasional trips, and of course great Bruns parties.

The present news editor for the 1984-85 academic year is Calum Johnston, and he can give you any more information you might want. Call can usually be reached at the Bruns News Line, 453-4973.

News turns a paper into a newspaper, literally. Come and see what we are all about...you will never regret it. Just come to our regular staff meetings Fridays at 12:30 in SUB room 2; or if you cannot make it then, come in anytime and see Salum Johnston, and we will set you up working on your first story from the week's news list.

