Frosh Respond To Orientation

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For about 1,600 people, the week of September 4th - 10th is one that will always remain with them. The week was frosh, and the people were fresh. When questioned about their reactions to frosh-week and UNB, there were varied responses, but also a few consistencies.

My first victim was casually strolling through a SUB hallway when I attacked him. Joe Powers desperately tried to think of frosh-week and I did actually see sweat roll down his face as he thought away. Finally he did spew truth, and said he liked "being 'round all those people and different events and stuff". The highlight of his week was Casino Night. Joe groaned something about "the morning after frosh-week" and that all the beverages (alcoholic?) and lack of sleep left him as a human amoeba.

Next, Steve Duggan and Megan Williams told me about their lives during that infamous week. Both thought the events were great and well-planned. Steve thought the various group activities were great and commented "it was amusing being humiliated by fellow peers". Megan said she really loves Fredericton because everyone knows each other and is really friendly - unlike her native town of Toronto. She also loves the weird blue squiggly walls in the SUB's blueroom.

Oddly enough, Richard Menard was seemingly calm when encountered with the question of UNB and frosh-week. As far as frosh-week was concerned . . . he didn't go. Why, oh why, oh why? He answered that he considered it boring but the one event he attended was the outdoor Spoons Concert. He grinned as he agreed the alcohol was quite prevalent and that perhaps people should drink in more moderation. To improve frosh week, Richard said that the activities should not appeal only to the athletically inclined and that they should be more original . . . not rehashes of the previous year. As far as UNB was concerned, he feels it is the only thing that keeps Fredericton pulsating.

Melany Merserau, on the other hand, simply laughed in my face when asked what she thinks of UNB: "a silly way to spend four years". But then that could be interpreted many ways . . . afterall, "silly" was not defined here. When asked about how much she loved frosh-week . . . the answer was that she didn't . . . she had her work (to pay for her education). Now is that not the ultimate noble cause any university would fondly smile upon or what? But she did admit



"TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE NEVER MADE!"

only of her many, many secret obsessions to me . . . the unsatisfied drive and lust for the "absolutely beautiful" buildings of UNB. Aaagh . . . a girl after any university's heart!

My last victim was Douglas Andrews. I accosted him upon the stairs between Tilley and Carleton. Doug said that the highlight of this first week was the welcome at the Aitken Centre which throughout our conversation he repeated with ferocious delight. He thinks we should have maps all over the campus, because he doesn't like running down the hill to look at the campus map each time he gets lost. And he is one of the few who admitted he would lose a lot of calories running up and down the stairs. Doug said that Fredericton is wonderfully green and clean, but finds it hard to drive here because of "all the weird one-way streets".

Frosh-week, Fredericton, UNB. Fredericton, UNB, Frosh-week . . . Any way you put it, the three are an unbeatable combination (I feel like I'm writing a chocolate bar ad). Yeah, OK, so there were people who never went to frosh-week (the people who don't know the great, fabulous, excellent time they missed) . . . so tough green lollipops for them. Then there were people who went but don't remember (perhaps you guys should spend less time drinking and more time thinking). The people who did go liked it, and the last group . . . the people who excitedly dream of it repeatedly every night they sleep for the rest of their lives. All in all . . . everyone I interviewed are really optimistic about their lives and are looking forward to a great year at UNB.

Student Disciplinary Code

The S.D.C. , which has been in force since first approved by the Board of Governors in 1980, provides student with a means of self discipline. It is not a replacement whereby the University has recognized the special environment it creates and has developed its own Code accordingly.

The Campus police, a student organization, has the main responsibility for enforcing the Code. Infringements are reported to the Student Disciplinary Committee — all students — who are empowered under the Code to hold hearings and apply sanctions (penalties) on those found guilty of offenses covered, including drinking under age or in unauthorized places, assault or disorderly conduct, damage to property, theft, refusal to show student identification to a C.P., obstruction of C.P., falsification or misuse of and I.D. card, and obtaining meals by unlawful means. The sanctions include fines up to $200.00, restitution for damage, suspension of social privileges and recommendation for suspension or dismissal from the university.

During the 1988-89 academic year two students were found guilty of under-age drinking offences. A further five were found guilty of falsifying their I.D. cards in order to obtain a drinking stamp. Fines in most of these cases were $25.00. The new requirement of N.B.L.C.C. cards, introduced in the 1897-88 academic year, has greatly reduced the number of offences related to under-age drinking, i.e. 40 in 1987-88.

To maintain the privilege of a blanket liquor license, the University must ensure that the Province's liquor laws are scrupulously enforced: students are asked to cooperate by following the rules.

Students were also found guilty of other offenses, including obstruction of C.P.,s damage to property, failure to identify themselves to C.P.'s or Security, and assault. Fines for these offenses ranged from $25.00 to $105.00.

The Code also provides for an appeal mechanism to the Board of Deans, which, under the University Act, has a special responsibility for discipline.

The Code establishes a Supervisory Board, which includes representatives from the Board of Governors and from student groups, a Commissioner for Student Discipline (the University Secretary), who is "responsible for the implementation and administration of the Code," and a Technical Advisor, who is usually a member of the Faculty of Law. It also details the membership of the Student Disciplinary Committee and the procedures to be followed in the laying of charges and conduct of hearings. Any student interested in serving on the Committee should contact, Tom Christie, Faculty of Law (4669). Copies of the Code are available from the office of the University Secretary, Old Arts Building, Room 110 (4613).

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