Grass roots effort needed for National Student's Day

OTTAWA (CUP) -- Several student unions have not been doing their jobs in initiating programs for a nation-wide student action this fall, the group responsible for co-ordinating the effort has charged.

The co-ordinating committee for national student day, a locally-planned "day of discussion" on cutbacks in education financing and increasing tuition, criticized student unions for relying too heavily on national direction at the National Union of Students (NUS) conference here Oct. 1 to 3.

Only a few student unions presented detailed plans of activities for the Nov. 9 day, which was planned as a decentralized "grass Roots" effort at the spring NUS conference in Winnipeg last May.

After lengthy strategy discussions at the end of the Fall conference, delegates reaffirmed their committment to make NSD a "top priority" both for themselves and the NUS national office.

"It may mean that phone calls are cut short, letters unopened and bills not sent, but the national office must make sure that no other activity draws away time and energy needed for complete co-ordination of NSD," the committee's report stated.

The co-ordinators criticized themselves and "perhaps some provinces and campuses" for underestimating the amount of work the national effort entails.

NSD as planned involves extensive poster and pamphlet campaigns from local campuses, provincial or regional committees and the national committee.

The campaign centres around the themes of student unemployment, increasing tuition, and cutbacks in student aid programs and post-secondary education spending.

These themes are to be reflected as they apply in the regional or provincial literature campaigns, but it is up to the individual campuses to plan the national day's activities. Those campuses which have announced their programs are planning a series of workshops and discussions.

"There has been enough discussion about NSD. At this conference delegates have been talking about issues and proposals that tie directly into the NSD themes. It is time to devote all energies toward National Student Day's success," the report urges in conclusion.

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Richard Scott awarded Canada Council fellowship

One of the University of New Brunswick's most outstanding law graduates has been awarded a Canada Council doctoral fellowship to continue his studies at the University of Michigan.

Richard John Scott, of 284 Albert Street was one of the 569 award-winners announced Saturday by the council, which chose from more than 2,000 applicants.

The awards are valued at $5,500 to $6,500, renewable for up to four years.

Scott received a bachelor of laws degree and won the law faculty prize at Encaenia, 1976. He also won the Harrison Shield for his performance at the UNB Moot Court in March of this year.

In 1974 he received a bachelor of business administration degree with distinction from UNB, having combined the first year of law studies with the final year of the business degree.

He had a Beaverbrook scholarship during his three years in law school, and received a university undergraduate scholarship and the Clarkson-Gordon prize.

Scott served two-year terms on both the university Senate and the Board of Governors. He was an asset to the Board, keeping himself well-informed and often interjecting thought-provoking questions, according to University Secretary Dugald Blue.

Certified Professional Secretary employed

Ellen Brown, of 650 Palmer Street, is the first Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton.

The CPS program was developed by the National Secretaries Association (International) to elevate secretarial standards and give members opportunities for professional growth.

Brown, who has worked at UNB for 12 years, took courses over a period of five years and passed six specialized exams to become a CPS.

She is the fourth CPS among members of the National Secretaries Association's Fredericton chapter, which organizes course to prepare local secretaries for the exams.

Brown, who is now enroled in the certificate, level I, program in business administration at UNB, agrees strongly with NSA efforts to upgrade the skills and stature of secretaries.

In her view, employers who do not recognize skill levels among secretaries and do not encourage and reward their secretaries for taking courses to enlarge their capabilities will get the inferior quality secretary they deserve.

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