

Pro-life advocate well received at UNB

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Last Wednesday Dr. J.C. Willke, a well known pro-life advocate was enthusiastically received at UNB Fredericton.

The audience at the evening lecture, entitled "Medical Ethics and the Question of Human Abortion," was comprised mainly of nursing students here to attend a national nursing conference. Approximately 100 of these students were from other provinces.

The near capacity audience was comprised almost equally of men and women.

Willke used slides to complement his lectures, some of which showed the various abortion procedures currently used in Canada and the U.S.A.

The lecture began with a brief history of abortion laws in both countries. He criticized the use of the word

'therapeutic' regarding abortion in Canadian law. Willke said that the word is misused; abortions are more accurately called 'elective'.

Willke then cited biological facts aimed at proving that life does begin at conception. "It has been medically proven that a fetus dreams, respirates, and responds to sound."

He accused people of the pro-choice movement of using a hollow name. "Pro-choice means that you have learned both sides and made a choice." Willke claims that most clinics do not inform women considering abortion there is a fetal heartbeat.

Willke said that by setting an age limit at which a fetus can be aborted is being discriminative of age or a class of individuals.

He wonders whether we will set an age to kill people at the other end of the scale. For example, killing people at age 75

because we can no longer afford to financially support them.

Willke disagrees with the pro-choice claim that unwanted children become bat-

tered children. He cited a study showing that 90% of battered children were wanted.

The Right to Life Committee does not support abortion

following rape. Statistics show that only 1 in 100 rapes end in pregnancy.

Treatment for rape in most cases includes a hormone injection which can prevent pregnancy or possibly abort the embryo without the women realizing that she was pregnant (the morning after pill). Willke is not opposed to this treatment.

The Right to Life Committee also supports abortion when the mother's life is in danger.

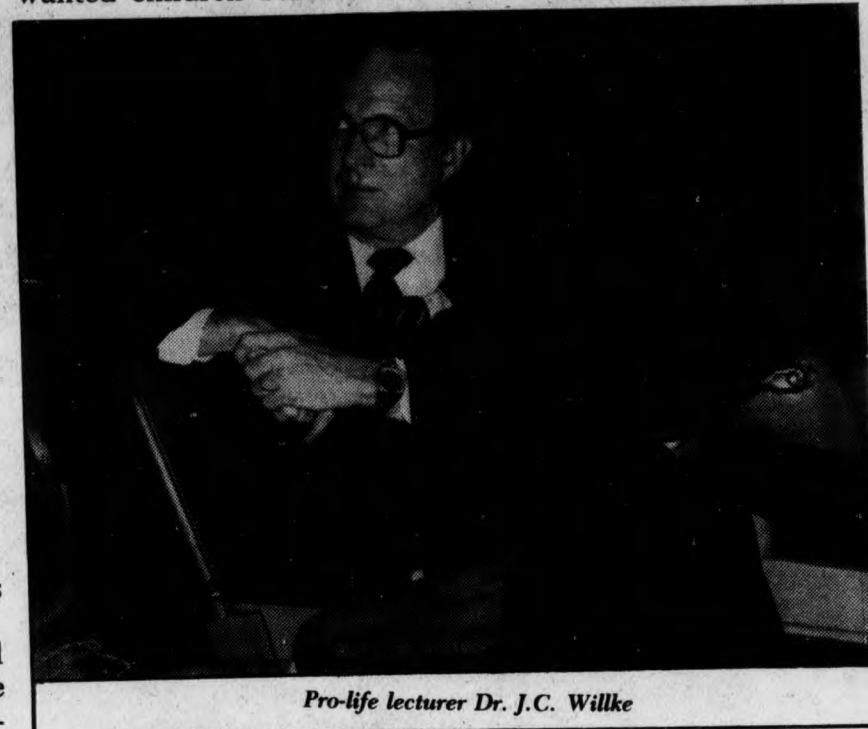
Willke's lecture was not solely concerned with abortion. He also addressed the issues of infanticide, euthanasia, as well as others.

Following the lecture was a question and answer period. Willke's responses to questions and statements from people supporting abortion were often followed by applause.

One nurse in the audience said she was reprimanded for talking a patient out of an abortion. The doctor involved told her that she had caused him to lose money.

Willke said "If a law was passed that no doctor could receive money for performing an abortion the industry would collapse."

When asked if he would be willing to meet and debate with Dr. Henry Morgentaler, Willke said, "If anyone wants to set it up I'll come free for that one."



Pro-life lecturer Dr. J.C. Willke

Photo by Alan Brown

Quebec winter carnival UNB style

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The 31st Annual UNB Winter Carnival to be held the week of February 1-8 is under the direction of Hugh Brown, SRC Vice President Services.

Brown took over after the entire winter carnival committee's executive resigned. The executive cited the frequent date changes of the carnival as a primary reason for the resignations.

After the resignations Brown

and SRC President John Bosnitch approached Saint Thomas' SRC Entertainment Co-ordinator Mike Kovacs and STU's Winter Carnival Chair Richard Keoughan to combine the universities' winter carnivals.

The two SRCs reached an agreement giving STU a 60% share of the profits. Other terms of the agreement include a 50/50 share of costs and a 50/50 share of a loss should one be incurred. STU campus police and pub workers get

first hiring consideration.

Despite the initial organizational difficulties and delays plans are completed for the joint carnival.

"The theme this year is one of Traditional Winter Carnival - Quebec style. This year traditions of past winter carnivals at UNB are being revived, such as the Snowman logo and Miss Winter Carnival, and some newer established traditions are being kept, such as the ever popular Mr. UNB contest, Casino Night, and closing

Extravaganza concerts," said Bosnitch.

The carnival closes February 8 with an afternoon parade through the city, closing ceremonies which will include fireworks which will be followed by the 31 Annual Winter Carnival Formal at the University Club.

UNB now has MBA program

One of today's most sought-after degrees will be available from the University of New Brunswick beginning in September.

Recently approved by the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission, UNB's Master of Business Administration program will be offered in Fredericton on both a full-time and a part-time basis for students who are employed. To facilitate the attendance of employed students, many of the courses will be scheduled in the late afternoon, early evening, or at noon.

UNB already offers a Master of Public Administration degree. Expansion to the MBA program will mean that the faculty of administration will be able to train managers for the private as well as the public sectors.

Because administration

faculty at UNB are involved in research and consultation projects with the public and private sectors, graduate students on both campuses will be exposed to a multidisciplinary approach that will combine classroom lectures with case studies and problem solving drawn from actual business situations.

The MBA/MPA programs require 20 term courses (60 credit hours), the equivalent of two years' full-time study. Applicants with appropriate educational backgrounds should be able to qualify for exemption from some of the course work or for advance standing.

Applications will be considered from highly qualified candidates holding an undergraduate degree in any discipline from a recognized university.

UNB to get Pugwash group

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The year was 1957. Scientists from across the world gathered in the town of Pugwash, Nova Scotia to discuss the threat of Nuclear Weapons, as Bertrand Russell and Albert Einstein suggested two years before.

Canadian Student Pugwash followed twenty-two years later in 1979. Pugwash is a network of university organizations across the country. Its purpose is to stimulate study and discussion of the relationship between society and science.

The Canadian Student Pugwash organization holds

national conferences, the third having been held in June of 1985 in Ottawa. Six University of New Brunswick Graduate Students attended this conference.

Ahmed Ferej, a Board of International Students graduate student in education attended the workshop on how schools and universities should prepare students for the workplace of the future.

Among the conclusions reached was that "science and technology must be taught in a social context" so that scientists may be aware of the "social consequences of scientific knowledge."

Ferej and the other UNB participants, Jennifer

Coghan, Lisa Garmulewicz, John Johnson, Katherine Hildebrand and Doug Strongman, attended workshops on topics such as the implications of changing health-care technologies, the role of physicians and the role of science in international relations.

As a direct result of the conference, Mr. Johnson has taken on the responsibility of forming a local Pugwash group at UNB. Johnson said "if we remember everything we are and do is part of nature, we will become more responsible," and will demand that same responsibility from politicians and scientists.