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Globe and Mail report lifts Arts students spirits

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The Globe and Mail reported Monday that the future looks bright for the 1986 graduates of the Liberal Arts. Mr. James Duncan, President of the University and College Placement Association, said that businessmen in 1986 will be looking for graduates in the social sciences and arts faculties because their broadly based education and "social perspective" makes them attractive to prospective employers.

In a survey of 1,900 businesses, the association found that this year the pattern of hiring may take a turn for the better for Arts graduates, who, according to a report done in 1978, faced a

dim future in an age dominated by advances in science and technology.

Their liberal arts education may have made them better and more rounded individuals, the report said, but realities of the employment market it predicted would see an end to the days when a Bachelor of Arts degree was a respectable accomplishment that virtually guaranteed employment.

The 1978 report was in direct contrast to the trends in the twentieth century which indicate that BA holders are leading members of Canada's elite, distinguished and successful. It appeared those days were over as thousands flocked to studies in the sciences that were considered to be

guarantees of post-graduate employment.

Not so, according to Mr. Duncan.

If research undertaken by the association in the last year proves to be indicative of future trends, employers will be looking for BAs, who have a supposedly broader base of knowledge and are better able to deal with clients and colleagues. Their education facilitates training and equips

them to transfer skills within the business. The survey also said that their Humanities training, with its emphasis on written and oral presentations, makes them better communicators, which results in a "social perspective" that makes working with them easy.

This year, according to Duncan, there will be more employers seeking Arts

graduates than those in the specialized fields because they are considered more capable of assuming management positions. It comes as a surprise, he said, but it is a pleasant surprise for those graduating in the Arts this year when prospects for employment look pretty dim. They are urged to continue their education in search of even higher qualifications in a Masters or PhD program.

Independent newspaper at STU

By ROBIN GENEAU
News Editor

The Akwinyan, St. Thomas University's independent newspaper, is going strong. Two issues have already been published.

The staff of the Akwinyan was formerly publishing the Aquinian, which is partially financed by the STU SRC. The entire staff resigned January 28, claiming that it was necessary to preserve freedom of the press.

In becoming independent, the staff is taking responsibility for its own funding. They have three sources of financial aid: advertising, private donations, and Canadian University Press.

Thus far, local and national advertising revenue has been sufficient. The private donations have not been used.

CUP has made a verbal commitment to help the paper financially if necessary.

Neil Toner, Editor of the Akwinyan said "We plan to publish as an independent paper for the the rest of the year."

Although Toner feels that the paper can sustain its independence, that is not the objective. "Ultimately, staff wants the students of STU to decide if they want a council controlled paper or an autonomous paper" said Toner.

"We are hoping for some resolution to the present conflict. We, as a staff, feel that the students should decide our future", he said.

The editorial board presently consists of, besides Toner, Barb McBrine - Managing Editor, Bernice Allison - News Editor, Steven Harding - Arts Editor, and Viola Shyu - Photo Editor. Applications for these positions are being accepted until Feb. 28. The election will be held March 5.

by KEN QUIGLEY
Editor

It was 4:00 pm. I was at my desk, and I was bored. The phone rang. I ignored it. After all I have dept. heads to answer the phone now.

It stopped ringing. I smiled. KEN, IT'S FOR YOU! I frowned.

A familiar voice crackled through the receiver, "Ken I've got a hot tip for you!" It was Bob from the Post. "What is it Bob?" I asked. "It's Herb from Burger King! He's in Fredericton! He just landed at the airport minutes ago. Now I know there's about a 95% chance you don't believe me but I assure I'm not putting you on. I've given the Bruns many hot tips before and they all panned out. You gotta trust me!" Bob was right. I didn't believe him, but since I was in an adventurous mood, and my cars gas gauge was on 'E', I figured it might be exciting.

Pulling up to the restaurant we noticed film cameras, a Burger King van and flashing lights. This isn't happening.

Last Monday, Allyson Woodside began working as the new manager of the Social Club.

Woodside is a native of Fredericton and worked at the Social Club for two years while attending STU where she obtained a B.A. in English.

For the past two years, Woodside was in Halifax and Dartmouth where she worked in various bars and restaurants. She has experience as both assistant manager and manager of a lounge.

Woodside returned to



Allyson Woodside at her new desk and job. Photo by Ron Hachey

Fredericton because of "homesickness" and is pleased to be again working at the Social Club.

Herb here in Fredericton



Left—Herb seen here in the Smythe Street Burger King with his cool glasses. Right—Herb with the \$5000 winner Mark Fox.

My friends and I approached BK's with stumbling urgency. Not knowing what to say, what to do, how to act...

Then we saw him.

A balding man with horrifyingly tacky sunglasses, old clothes, white socks and a smile that indicated shocking stupidity. I was suddenly at ease.

Pulled out my pad and began feverishly jotting down possible questions. Within a minute I was done. "Hello Herb, my name is Ken Quigley, from the Brunswickan. Could I have five minutes of your time?"

"Sure" he laughed.

Having his complete attention I asked what his real name was. "Madonna" he replied. It was at this point I realized I was interviewing a character whose elevator did not go to the top.

"Where do you come from?" I was prepared for him to name a planet other than this one but he admitted Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

"What is your regular occupation?" "I'm a cheese processor and I make duck calls in my spare time." Saying that he pulled one out and proceeded to conjure some ducks up.

The interview stuttered on for another ten minutes during which he admitted that he had no say in where he went. Burger King picked out his clothes, he was developing bed sores from all the flying (35 cities in the last 3 weeks), and that he became THE Herb after his parents sent in his high school graduation picture.

I caught up with Mark Fox, a visiting engineering student from Carleton, who was the first to spot Herb and thus won the \$5000 dollars.

I asked Mark what he was going to do with his new found riches. He looked across the table at Sheila McGarry and said "Well first I plan to get married and have a wonderful honeymoon." The two smiled at each other.

He described to me the trail of events that led up to his spotting Herb. "Well we're just getting ready to leave, I was putting my stuff in the garbage when I saw him three feet away from the door. His grin and white sox gave him away." And that was it.