

NEWS

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Senior Commissioner speaks on Free Trade

by Louis Voutour

Guy André Gélinas, Senior Trade Commissioner of the International Trade Centre in Moncton visited UNB on October 28. His visit was in order to bring information about the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) to the students in an informal setting.

He stated that history was made in February of 1990 when the Presidents of the US and Mexico as well as Prime Minister Malroney announced that talks would begin for a tri-lateral Free Trade Agreement.

He centred on the status of how Free Trade would be good for Canada as a country. He stated that Canada would be able to access the Mexican, as well as the US, markets. This, according to the commissioner, will increase the competitiveness of Canada in the world market.

If successful, it will create the largest open market in the world; that is until the Euro-

pean economic community expands in 1993.

He recommended that Trade barriers within Canada should be reduced in order to harmonize with the coming Free Trade Agreement.

During question period, the students concern shown was over taxes. One asked why companies would go to Canada instead of US to get markets because of tax breaks.

The commissioner stated that this was based on competitiveness. He went on to say that Canada will be more competitive once the Free Trade Agreement comes through. As to whether or not Canada really will be more competitive, or if companies move where labour is cheaper, the only answer is that, only time will tell.

Gélinas was in Fredericton as a speaker for International Trade Week which was hosted by the Centre for International Marketing and Entrepreneurship at UNB.

Other events included speakers such as Dave Maguire from

Halifax who is responsible for marketing of Alpin Lager and Moosehead Premium Dry. His speech concentrated on Moosehead Breweries Ltd's international success and their

future international opportunities.

Another speaker was Dr. Robert Greene a Business Professor at UNB. He spoke on marketing, specifically inter-

national blunders.

In addition, on October 30 videos were held on International Accounting, Bridging the Culture Gap, and Managing the overseas assignment.

Lecture on discrimination and the law

(STU-PRI) One of Canada's foremost authorities on human rights will speak on discrimination and the law in Canada at a public lecture on Friday, November 1, beginning at 8 pm in Ludlow Hall on the University of New Brunswick campus.

The talk is being sponsored by St. Thomas University's Atlantic Human Rights Centre. The public is welcome and admission is free.

Justice Walter Tarnopolsky of the Ontario Court of Appeal will give the centre's second annual Dr. Bernie Vigod Memorial Lecture. The lecture

is named in honor of the late human rights activist and the University of New Brunswick history professor Bernie Vigod.

Tarnopolsky has served as president of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association and as president of the International commission of Jurists. He was a member of the United Nations Human Rights Committee and continues to serve as a member of the board of directors of the InterAmerican Institute of Human Rights, and of the governing council of the African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights.

Tarnopolsky has also distinguished himself as a teacher and scholar. He has taught law at Osgoode Hall and at the universities of Saskatchewan, Ottawa and Windsor.

He was Dean of Law at Windsor and also served as academic vice-president of York University and as director of the University of Ottawa's human rights centre.

He is the author of four books and more than 90 articles, monographs and

reviews dealing with human rights and civil liberties.

Senate dicusses academic appeals

by Aime Phillips

Senate recently discussed the issue of academic appeals in relation to the fact term or class work cannot be appealed unless a copy is kept by the professor.

The UNB 1991/92 Undergraduate Calendar cites "The academic decisions made by an instructor in the performance of this function are final and not subject to appeal. The review (of final course grades) shall be limited to verifiable material which is normally considered to be any material kept within

the jurisdiction of the Department."

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Dunnet

According to Derek Dunnet, SU VP University Affairs and a member of the Senate, "The specific problem is if you want to appeal a mark a professor gave you because because you think it was unfair i.e. inconsistent with marks given to other students you are unable to do so according to university regulations.

"You can only appeal verifiable material, meaning material the professor keeps. Final exams, term papers that are kept are examples. Essays handed in during the term or term papers not kept by the professor are not included as verifiable material."

The Calendar also states the appeal "shall be to check on the consistency of the grading only."

Dunnet said "One solution is to photocopy everything and have the professor keep a copy. That would not only take up space, but all papers in the class would be needed to appeal for consistency."

Dunnet concluded "We don't know that its a problem right now, but it could become a problem."

Authentic Bavarian festivities enjoyed at Oktoberfest'91

by Elise Craft

The UNB German Club, AIESEC UNB and Multicultural Youth of Fredericton, recently hosted Oktoberfest '91.

The approximately sixty people in attendance were treated to an evening of great music and authentic Bavarian festivities. The evening began with a taste of traditional Bavarian food: pretzels, bavarian sausage with sauerkraut and potato salad, and of course

beer.

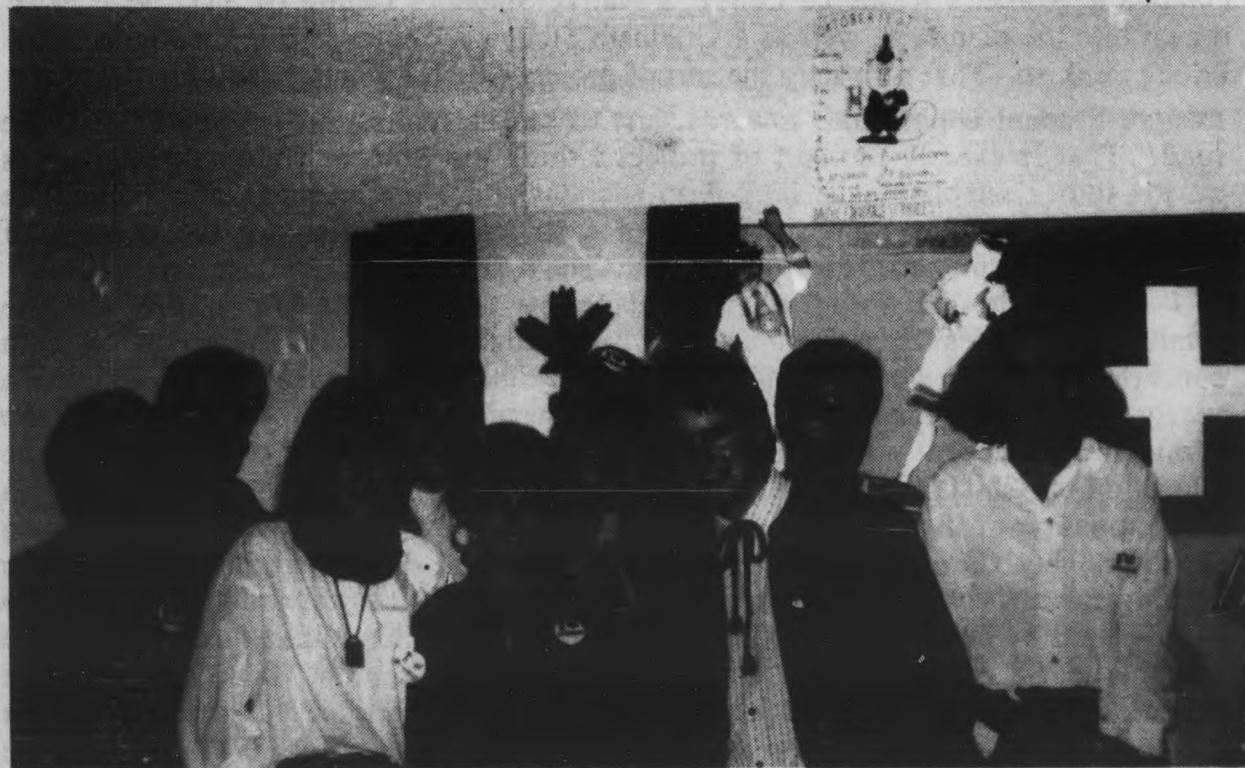
This was the start of a truly eventful evening. Activities began with some energetic dancing on the part of the now-full, but still enthusiastic participants. Prizes were awarded for this dancing as well as yodelling. Congratulations are in order for those brave souls who yodelled 'till they dropped.

All told, everyone who went had a great time. The entertainment was unique and the

Bavarian decorations added the finishing touch. The organizers outdid themselves, and if this is any indication of the Oktoberfest experience, then Oktoberfest '92 will be a definite must.

The organizers would like to give a special thank-you to Labatts, and to everyone who helped make Oktoberfest '91 so great.

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Oktoberfest'91 organizers

l-r are Jason Simmons, AIESEC member, Markus Eppert, German Club member, Vera Disselkamp, Vice-president of the German Club, Nicole Plant, Secretary/treasurer of the German Club, Charlotte McIntosh, AIESEC member, Sabina Frank, German Club President, Werner Disselkamp, of the Multicultural Youth of New Brunswick, Patrik Forsberg, German Club member, and Barb Doyle, AIESEC member.

\$200 worth of pumpkins stolen

by Murray Carew

On Tuesday police were investigating a theft at Karl Harvey's vegetable stand in Margerville.

Apparently one hundred dollars damage was done to Harvey's storage barn and two hundred dollars worth of pumpkins were stolen.

According to a CHSR report on Tuesday the police would not link the incident to the unexplained appearance of many pumpkins on the UNB campus.