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Weekend Weather

Friday will be mainly sunny, highs near 21. On Saturday expect cloudy conditions with a bit of rain, temperatures ranging from a low of 10 to a high near 20. Sunday will be cloudy with showers.

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Pig Stats

- In 1931 there were an estimated 4, 700, 000 hogs on Canadian farms
- In 1990 there were an estimated 10, 500, 000 hogs on Canadian farms.
- In 1986 there were 12, 026 hog farms in Canada.
- Canadians consume 29.3 kilograms of pork per capita annually
- Over one third of the world's red-meat supply is pork.

- The Old Farmer's Almanac by Robert B. Thomas

Construction begins at STU

by Mark I. Minor

Before consulting Rory Tate, renowned Circle Researcher, The Brunswickan contacted the S.T.U. Finance Administrator, Lawrence Durling, about the rather large hole on St. Thomas University's doorstep. As it turns out, the information was readily available.

St. Thomas is constructing a new complex which will hopefully be ready for use by the autumn of 1993. The multi-purpose academic facility will provide additional space totalling approximately forty thousand square feet at a cost of nearly \$5.3 million.

Except for a small addition to Edmund Casey Hall, the university has not expanded since 1964 when total enrollment was estimated at 300 students. Enrollment now approaches 1700. STU is very much in need of the new space.

The new building will allocate approximately 30 percent of the new space to classrooms and 25 percent to a new theatre. The remainder will be occupied by a cafeteria/student lounge, offices, computer lab, seminar room and storage.

When asked about parking, Mr. Durling explained that although some will be lost to the new complex, other lots will eventually handle the traffic. The parking lot behind STU has already been expanded. Part of the lot above Ludlow Hall is St. Thomas property and more parking will be made available near Holy Cross House on the south side of the university.

Updated information will be made available to *The Brunswickan* as architect's conceptions and floor plans for the three level development are finalized.

Funding for the complex will come from the St. Thomas 2000 Fund. This campaign is the first appeal St. Thomas University has launched in over ten years, according to Mark Giberson of STU.

The total requirement of the fund is \$7.7 million. In addition to the yet to be named building, there is a need of \$1.9 million in the area of Teaching Excellence and \$500 thousand for scholarship assistance. The latter will benefit students who qualify academically but are in need of more extensive financial help than the average student. This group of students will include those such as the physically disadvantaged and single parents.

The St. Thomas 2000 Fund is appealing to many donors such as

foundations, corporations, faculty, staff, alumni, students and, of course, government. The N.B. Provincial Government has already kicked in \$200,000 for preliminary excavation. According to Giberson, the

Premier has indicated his approval to STU's application to the Province for \$3 million, terming it "reasonable." The university is now awaiting final approval from the Maritime Provinces Higher Education

Commission. The outlook is good considering the fact that traditionally, the M.P.H.E.C. reviews and approves or disapproves requests prior to Provincial Government decisions in these matters.



Shown here is the first phase of construction of STU's newest building. Total estimated cost of the project is \$5.3 million. Kevin G. Porter photo

Parking fee increases

by Allan Carter

Students had a few surprises in store for them when they returned to university this term.

For starters, UNB security moved their offices from Annex B to the Wu Conference centre.

However, a more unpleasant surprise was the increase in the price of parking permits.

Last year a parking permit for the full year cost \$30.00 plus GST. This year the same permit is \$55.00 (GST included).

Dr. Eric Garland, UNB's associate VP of administration, told the Brunswickan that after assessing the costs of maintaining parking lots, snow removal, and other expenditures, it was decided that the fees should be raised.

The UNB's Board of Governors felt that the fee needed to be raised in order to "bridge the gap" between expenditures for parking lots and the amount which people paid for parking permits, claimed Garland.

Garland pointed out that the fee is not for "paid parking" which is provided by some of the other universities across Canada.

Instead, he said the fee at UNB only ensures that someone can

park their vehicle on campus in the correct area without receiving a fine.

Garland added that having paid parking where drivers would have specific parking lots would be very expensive to monitor and such a fee would be quite more expensive.

"[This is] a subtle point, but should be taken into consideration", Garland stressed.

A term permit this year cost \$37.00 (GST included). According to Rick Peacock, director of security, replacement permits are \$3.00. Replacement

permits are usually needed in case a person, who has already purchased a permit, sells or trades his/her vehicle and needs a new sticker for his/her new vehicle.

With regard to security moving out of Annex B and into the Wu Centre, Garland stated that the university is "taking a serious look at getting rid of the building in the long term."

However, other tenants using the building will first have to be reallocated, Garland added. Such tenants include the CUPE union office and the UNB Employment centre.

Brunswickan apologizes to Mechanical Engineering Professor

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On March 27, 1992 and on April 3, 1992 *The Brunswickan* published articles concerning Esam Hussein, Professor of Mechanical Engineering at U.N.B. *The Brunswickan* recognizes that the articles contained erroneous statements of fact. All of the circumstances which should have been included in the articles were not presented. As a result, *The Brunswickan* was sued by Esam Hussein and has now reached an out-of-court settlement. *The Brunswickan* expresses its regret and apologizes to Professor Hussein, to Mrs. Hussein and to their family for its error.