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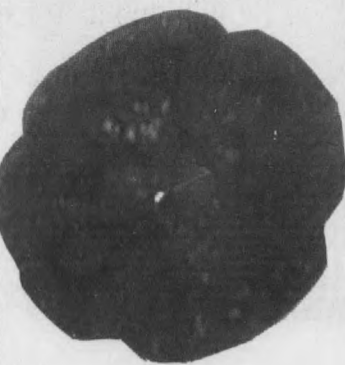
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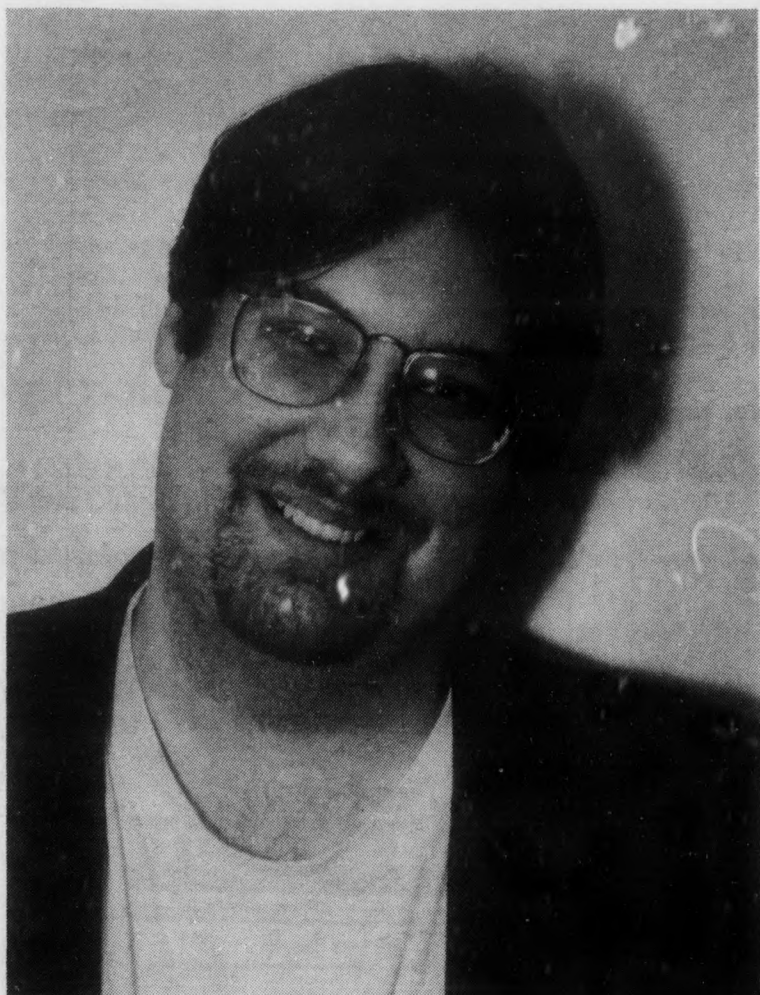
The Brunswickan takes this time to honour the memories of our veterans everywhere. May their sacrifices never be in vain.



Remembrance Day Nov. 11

Lest We Forget

Audit leak inflames Weir



by Joe FitzPatrick
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Elizabeth Weir, leader of the New Democratic Party, has launched a scathing attack on the Minister of Advanced Education and Labour over the leak of the confidential loan audit information of UNB SU President Kelly Lamrock.

Lamrock has been an outspoken critic of the government policy which, to his knowledge, has forced 15 UNB students to withdraw for lack of funds.

In a letter to the Minister, Roly MacIntyre, Weir states "this is a clear case of harassment directed against a job he was elected to do by the student body of the University of New Brunswick." She accuses "a member of [the department of Advanced Education and Labour]" of "provid[ing]" this information to "discredit Mr. Lamrock and his efforts to do his job." Weir characterized the incident as "an unconscionable, underhanded dirty trick which demands immediate action."

The *Telegraph Journal* and *The Daily Gleaner* both picked up the story. By the end of Wednesday, Lamrock, in a somewhat disheartened tone, told *The Brunswickan* "this day has been unreal." He went on to state "I've been in contact with several media outlets, and it's been all over the news."

The *Telegraph* article focused on an analysis of the information they had obtained, and used it to question Lamrock's credibility as an opponent of the audit procedure. As stated in *The Telegraph*, "what the law student didn't disclose when he began his campaign is that he, too, is under the scrutiny of student loan auditors."

Lamrock brushed off the comment, "I'm a full-time undergraduate student, does that mean I can't campaign against tuition increases?"

In the same article, the *Telegraph* seems to contradict the premise of the above statement. "At the outset of the one-hour meeting, he [Lamrock] told them he was representing the students and didn't want to talk about his case."

"I can't understand how they can attack my credibility because I'm being audited, and then criticize me for not using my position as a student leader to deal with my own audit."

"The alternative, I guess" Lamrock told *The Telegraph*, "would be [to] go find a student union president who doesn't pay tuition or get students loans or have to pay rent."

Lamrock was taken completely by surprise by the revelation that his loan audit had been released to the media. "In all my eight years of student politics I've never seen something like this happen," said Lamrock.

As he struggles with the personal embarrassment of having his confidential financial information

printed in the public media, he is also searching for a reason. "I can't see what [whoever did this] could hope to gain," said Mr. Lamrock. "The only thing which can result from this is even more resentment towards [the government.]"

Lamrock, who fielded calls all day, was also receiving a growing amount of support, though not from the Ministry. "I was in contact with the Director of Student Aid and the Assistant Deputy Minister of Advanced Education and Labour. They told me they were 'investigating it' and that 'it was important to them.' My response was that if it was so important, why hasn't the ministry issued a statement?"

"I have been in contact with several student leaders from across the province. They have expressed willingness to voice their support in writing," Lamrock also said "the NDP and the Conservatives have both expressed interest in joining in."

The New Brunswick Student Alliance (NBSA) has also issued a statement which calls for an explanation for the leak. Linda Gionet, chair of the NBSA, recently launched a province-wide effort to oppose the student aid policies which have forced several students out of school. Gionet accused "someone in the department" of using "goon tactics to shut students up."

Weir has called for a "public report to be released on this entire matter and that who ever is responsible for this to be fired."

In characterizing the impact of the incident, she said, "This represents a most serious breach of confidentiality... that should shake the confidence of every New Brunswicker who is required to provide confidential information to the government."

Three sexual assault charges laid

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Jacob K. Smith, 19, of Neill House, was charged with three counts of sexual assault on Wednesday, November 8. Smith did not enter a plea at his court appearance on Tuesday. He will appear before Justice James D. Harper on November 20 for election and plea.

Three individuals claim to have been assaulted in three separate incidents on campus. The incidents allegedly occurred on Sunday, September 22, Friday, November 3 and Saturday, November 4.

Rick Peacock, Director of Security at UNB, confirmed that there had been "a complaint" over the November 4th weekend of an alleged sexual assault at Neill House. He stated that the Fredericton Police had investigated the complaint, and a resident of Neill house had been charged on Tuesday. The alleged victim in this case was "not a UNB student."

Jeff Wedge, Don of Neill House, could not be reached for comment.

"It's shocking that it's the [residence]

that advocates personal safety and operates a program such as Safe Walk," said Chantale Walker, VP University Affairs, who manages the SU Campus Safety Fund. "It's frustrating that after all the recent efforts, this continues to happen," she stated. "At least there were no reports of incidents during Frosh week, maybe that shows improvement."

On November 7, Peacock issued a press release about an incident which occurred on the evening of November 1, 1995. "A female was pushed to the ground by a lone male as she left the campus near the intersection of Windsor and Kings College."

In the memo, entitled "a safety/security alert" Peacock states, "This female was walking alone and from a safety perspective we want to encourage all to take the necessary precautionary measures to reduce the risk of possibly being victimized in a similar situation."

He went on to state that "utilizing the services of the Safe-Walk Programs that are provided at UNB and STU is a positive step in reducing the risk to one's safety."

"There is no cost to those availing themselves of these very valuable Safe-

Walk services," he continued, "and we encourage their use."

Mackenzie House Leaf Rake



Mackenzie House raised \$768 for the Fredericton Boys and Girls Club through its annual leaf rake. Back: (from left) co-chairs Marc Breau and Jamie Baker. Front: top money raisers Andrea Jenks, Valerie Gosse, Nancy Brady, and Raquel Rumor.

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