

Newsbits

Students raise \$10,500 for Cystic Fibrosis

First year UNB students raised about \$10,500 for Cystic Fibrosis research during this year's Shinerama event held in conjunction with Orientation week activities.

Students raised the money by holding a draw, manning car washes, going door to door, shining shoes and selling lollipops at a downtown Block party.

The money raised will be forwarded to the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Terry Fox run benefits Cancer Research

The 20th Annual Terry Fox run has raised \$12,000 in the Fredericton area for cancer research.

Fredericton's university athletic community turned out in full force last Saturday to support the run, which is held in memory of Terry Fox, who lost a leg to cancer and then attempted to run across Canada to raise money for cancer research in 1980.

Seven teams from St. Thomas, as well as several from UNB took part. About \$240,000 was raised by participants in 68 communities throughout New Brunswick for the Terry Fox Foundation.

United Way campaign set to begin

The United Way - Centraide of Central New Brunswick has set a campaign goal of \$775,000 this year.

St. Thomas University President, Daniel O'Brien, who is serving as Campaign Chair, kicked off the organization's 2000 fundraiser last week.

STU calls for tenders on new building

Tenders have been called for construction of a new Professional Studies Building at St. Thomas University.

The university has set a deadline of Friday, October 6th at 3pm for construction companies to submit their bids.

Sub-tenders in structural steel, plumbing and heating, ventilation, sprinkler systems and electrical must submit their bids through the Fredericton Northwest Bid Depository by Wednesday, October 4th at 3:00 p.m.

Fellows and Company, of Fredericton, has been selected as the architect for the project.

Province set to hire university graduates

The Provincial government will hire up to 20 young professionals under the Public Service Internship Program for the third consecutive year.

Up to 20 recent and upcoming university graduates will be recruited this Fall for two-year term positions as interns and will start work in the spring of 2001.

Specific internship positions and requirements are now available in university career and placement centres and will be advertised in daily newspapers.

The jobs will also be posted on the employment opportunities page at <http://www.gnb.ca/dept.htm>.

The annual salary will be \$26,000 to \$30,000, depending on qualifications. Applications close on Friday, October 27th.

Genome Centre looking for Federal \$

The newly created Atlantic Genome Centre is looking at a five year project and is seeking about \$50 million, according to New Brunswick Centre spokesperson Israel Unger, who is Dean Emeritus of Science at UNB Fredericton.

Genome Canada, which was created by the federal government in February, has been given some \$160 million in funding and is expected to hand out winning project money by March 2001.

The Atlantic Genome Centre is a collaborative network of scientists in the four Atlantic provinces who work in conjunction with the National Research Council's Institute for Marine Biosciences in Halifax.

Health & Dental opt out deadline today

UNB undergraduate and graduate students are reminded that the deadline to opt out of the health and dental plan for the 2000-01 academic year is today (Friday) September 22nd, at 4:30 p.m.

Students should go to the UNB Student Union office, Room 126 of the SUB to make the necessary arrangements to opt out.

UNBSU offers new legal service

UNB undergraduate students now have access to a local lawyer, through a new service being provided by the UNB Student Union.

Students who may have legal concerns should visit the UNB Advocacy Centre, which will open shortly in Room 31 of the SUB.

The Advocacy Centre will be staffed by UNB law students, who will review a student's concerns, and possibly refer them to local lawyer, Kelly Lamrock, who will provide a free initial consultation.

Lamrock is receiving a \$7,000 annual retainer to provide legal advice to students and to the UNB Student Union.

Used book sale set for September 29th

The Fredericton Branch of the Canadian Federation of University Women will hold its 36th Annual Used Book Fair Friday, September 29th. The sale will be held at the Fredericton Mall from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and again on Saturday, September 30th, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Those wishing to donate books for the sale can call 455-9427, 454-4508, or 452-0526.

Books can also be dropped off at Betty Lee's Food Service, 519 Beaverbrook Court.

Proceeds from the sale go to the Canadian Federation of University Women Awards, Bursaries and Scholarships.

Private burial planned for UNB employee

Donald B. Daley, who worked at UNB Fredericton as a janitor and foreman at the Physical Plant for 17 years before retiring in 1984, passed away last week at the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital.

Daley served overseas during World War II with the Carleton York Regiment and was a member of the Fredericton Royal Canadian Legion Branch #4.

He is survived by his wife, Tilley Daley, and several nieces and nephews.

A private burial is planned.

Higher gas prices blamed Taxi companies increase fares

Robin Duguay

The Brunswickan

Taxi companies in Fredericton have been forced to increase their fares.

The rising gas prices mean taxi companies cannot afford to keep their fares as low as they were last year.

George's, Checker, and Standard Taxi companies all charge \$4.50 now for the three destinations most requested; campus to the Regent Mall, campus to the downtown core, and campus to the Superstore on Smythe Street. Budget Cab declined to comment.

All fares have gone up by fifty cents. This is due to the increase in gas prices says Kenny, at George's Taxi. He said the owner [of George's] didn't put his fares up the last three times there were increases in gas prices, but he just could not absorb another hike.

An employee from Standard taxi also said they were able to hold off all summer without raising the fares but just had to recently because they could not eat the



Kevin Forneris Photo / The Brunswickan

"Follow that car!" has just become a bit more expensive thanks to high gas prices.

increase in fuel costs again.

Asked if cabbies like their student passengers, these three companies gave a resounding "yes."

The dispatcher at George's

mentioned that it's not only students who are sometimes rowdy while intoxicated and occasionally "run out" without paying. The cabbies from all three companies said it was good to have the

students back because they bring a large increase in business.

The spokesperson for Standard taxi gave an energetic, "Geez, yeah, you guys are our main blood stream!"

No BoG seat for Graduate students

Gordon Loane

The Brunswickan

UNB graduate students will apparently not be getting a much-lobbied for new seat on the University's Board of Governors.

Patricia Blakeney, who served on the Board of Governors as an interim student representative during the 1999-2000 academic year, told a meeting of the Graduate Student Association this week that a committee of the Board turned

down the request at a meeting held last month.

Blakeney said creating a new seat on the Board for graduate students would require an amendment to the UNB Act, which the university does not wish to do at this time.

An obviously frustrated Kirby Shannahan, who is to leave office as GSA President, pointed out that an amendment to the UNB Act will soon be required to seat the new Dean of Renaissance College, Terry Haggerty, as a voting member of the UNB

Fredericton Academic Senate.

"We will launch a renewed lobbying effort to get a seat for graduate students on the Board," he vowed.

Meanwhile, Blakeney said the Board of Governors' committee has agreed to review UNB Student Union Election procedures in light of complaints registered last Spring.

The current SU election procedures and lack of publicity appear to exclude graduate students from the right to vote or to be

nominated for two student seats on the Board of Governors.

Two undergraduate or graduate students are elected to the Board each year during undergraduate general elections, held in either February or March.

Two undergraduate students, Charles Goguen and Scott Deschenes, were elected last March to serve on the Board as student representatives from the UNB Fredericton campus for the 2000-01 academic year.

Tickets and towing will follow UNB's top cop warns of parking crackdown

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UNB Engineering and Computer Science students have designed a number of new techniques this Fall aimed at squeezing the maximum number of vehicles into the minimum amount of parking lot space off Lower Windsor Street.

The new techniques include, but are not limited to: parking in unauthorized areas, parking to obstruct traffic, parking to hem in vehicles, parking on the grass, parking in a faculty / staff area and parking without a valid permit or sticker.

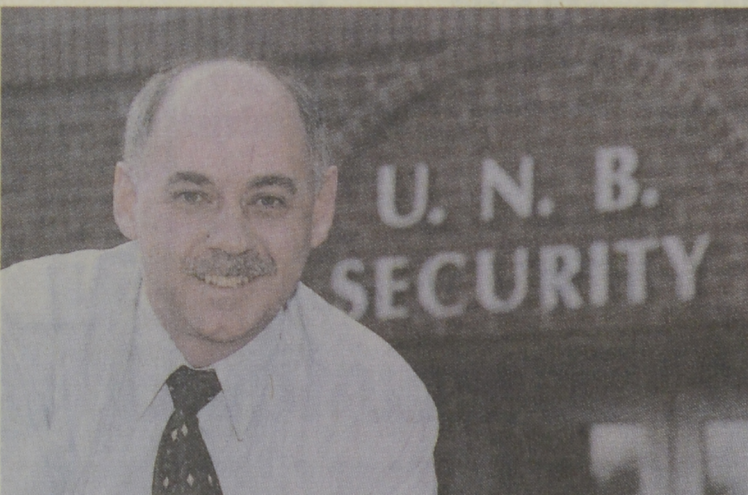
Unfortunately, all of these new techniques are illegal and will soon result in warnings, traffic tickets and vehicle tow-aways issued by UNB Security and Traffic personnel.

In the meantime, UNB's Director of Security and Traffic Reg Jerrett has launched a publicity campaign aimed at putting an end to what he calls "plenty of parking congestion" off Lower Windsor Street next to Gillin Hall and the new Computer Science Information Technology Centre.

"It appears that students are arriving five minutes before class begins and when they can't find a parking space they are parking their vehicles anywhere they can whether it's in a lot, outside of a lot or on the road and it's causing a lot of congestion," Jerrett said.

He is particularly concerned about vehicles that are parallel parked in parking lots so as to hem in other vehicles.

"If an emergency were to occur there would be a serious problem," the Security and Traffic Director maintained.



Joy Cummings Photo / Special to The Brunswickan
Reg Jerrett, Director, UNB Security and Traffic.

Jerrett has first-hand knowledge of the parking problems in lots off Lower Windsor Street after doing a walking tour of the area and hearing complaints from faculty, staff and students in recent days.

He pointed to a pamphlet entitled "UNB 2000-2001 Motor Vehicle Traffic and Parking Regulations" which is issued to everyone who buys a parking permit.

The pamphlet contains a map of designated parking lots on the UNB and St. Thomas campuses and outlines both the infractions and fines that will be issued for violators.

Jerrett is urging vehicle owners to closely identify which lots are designated for student, resident student, faculty / staff or general parking (both faculty and students).

He is also urging students with vehicles who arrive on campus either in mid-morning or mid-afternoon to avoid the parking lots in core areas and park within walking distance in lots near the Aitken Centre, north of Lady Dunn Hall, north of Chapman Field or near the Lady Beaverbrook Rink on University Avenue.

"Don't add to your frustration by trying to find a parking lot in the core areas of the campus during peak hours during the week," Jerrett added.

"Most of the outer lots are only about a ten minute walking distance, at a maximum, from most academic buildings on campus."

Jerrett has also received a number of complaints about near misses in pedestrian walkways throughout the campus.

"Students when exiting a building seem to give little thought to vehicles on the roadway and have a tendency just to walkout."

"Please me more alert," he urged.

"Use crosswalks that are well-marked and check the roadway even then."

At the same time motorists paying no attention to pedestrians in walkways could find themselves slapped with a \$20 fine under provincial regulations.

"Please drive slowly and drive defensively

at all times on campus, I can not urge this enough," he said.

Meanwhile, permit holders at St. Thomas University will notice that the large parking lot beside Vanier Hall fills quickly most weekdays so the alternative is to park behind the Aitken Centre and the South Gym area.

But again a few problems have arisen with STU students who are parking without authorization in the parking area reserved for staff and clients at the Wu Conference Centre.

Parking is also taking place on the grassed areas near the Aitken Centre parking lot and Jerrett would like to see that come to an end, otherwise tickets will soon be issued.

In recent days, the Security and Traffic office has been getting reports of unauthorized vehicles parking in the paved lot near the front doors to the Lady Beaverbrook Rink on University Avenue.

"This parking lot is reserved for staff at the LBR and other vehicle owners should use the large gravel lot next to the LBR," Jerrett said.



Photo courtesy UNB Security & Traffic
They don't paint the pavement green.

In addition, parking spots for visitors to the UNB campus located near the Student Union Building, the UNB Bookstore and Sir Howard Douglas Hall are being occupied by student vehicles illegally, according to reports reaching the Security and Traffic office.

Jerrett is also reminding students, faculty and staff, who are on campus weekdays and who have not yet done so, to purchase parking permits at the Security and Traffic office, located in the basement of the Wu conference Centre.

UNB Parking permits for 12 months for faculty, staff and students cost \$95. A four-month parking sticker for students costs \$40, while an 8-month student permit that expires at the end of April 2001 will amount to \$60.



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