



Have you seen this red-nosed woman? If you see her, please call 453-4983. I miss her.



Paul from Wave plays guitar, Chris from Bruns watches

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The UNB basketball teams played the PEI Panthers

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## UNB President responds to polls

**Macleans' ranks UNB tenth in Comprehensive category**

By Chris Wilson-Smith

Responding to recent national and international polls, UNB president and vice-chancellor Dr. Elizabeth Parr-Johnston is emphatic.

"We hope the New Brunswick government recognizes that investment in higher education has to increase."

Canadian Business magazine placed the business programs on both UNB Fredericton and Saint John campuses in the top 10, while the Gourman Report ranked the engineering program in the top 20 percent in North America.

Meanwhile, the recently published Macleans' survey of Canadian universities ranked UNB tenth in the comprehensive category, the same spot it held last year.

While Parr-Johnston said these rankings are no surprise, she pointed out it will always be difficult contending with

polls which focus on available revenues and resources, such as the Macleans' poll.

"It will be difficult to progress further in these types of surveys because of our low per-capita grants and low operating budget," said Parr-Johnston.

Although UNB did not improve on the overall comprehensive ranking, it did move up in other categories. These include the percentage of the university's budget dedicated to scholarships, the percentage of students who graduate, and the grants the university receives for social sciences and humanities research.

"All of these areas focus again on the high calibre of our people and programming, two of the most important aspects of our mission."

She also pointed out other programs at UNB that have enjoyed success, such as the Institute of Biomedical Engineering, which was recently given a national Award of Excellence.

Also, the faculty of forestry and environmental management is first in its class according to Globe and Mail's Report on Business magazine.

## Symposium to address physical inactivity in NB

By T.J. Essensa

The New Brunswick Research Group on Physical Activity will be holding a symposium on November 15 and 16 at the Holiday Inn and Resort in Mactaquac N.B. to address physical activity in our province. It will promote activity in N.B. by giving researchers and professionals alike a forum to share their information.

The keynote address will be delivered by Mark Tremblay, dean of kinesiology at the University of Saskatchewan. Representatives from at least six government departments will also be there to discuss the provinces position on the subject along with their challenges and strategies for a healthier province. The executive director of the Canadian Fitness and Lifestyle Research Institute, Cora Craig, will give ideas for our future as New Brunswickers and our participation in physical activity while wrapping up in the process.

Among those presenting are David Scott of the Faculty of Kinesiology and Heather Sears of the Faculty of Psychology. They will be presenting data on the research they have been collecting over the past three years. Their research has to do with the relationship between mental health and physical activity in adolescents, and have found a close relationship.

"Students who are physically active tend to be more competent athletically as well as socially and academically. This is particularly more the case with school based sports over activities outside the school." Said David Scott. It is believed to, possibly, be thanks to the teachers and coaches who can encourage the students and help with time management.

Heather Sears reported a drop in somatic symptoms such as fever. She also found active students had a decreased rate of anxiety problems along with depression and social withdrawal. Students also tend to be much more at ease in social situations.

Dr. Scott noted, they have found people are not as interested in their physical health as with their mental will being. "There should be more emphasis put on physical activity." In the long run it will save money, in health care and mental health centers, if New Brunswickers begin a more active lifestyle.

Now that we realize how much we need more emphasis on activity what can we do about it? "We need more government effort, not just pamphlets and flyers." Said David Scott. Government funding lowering expenses for classes promoting physical education and activity in general would help. There are too many barriers keeping us from getting physical.



Chris Wilson-Smith/The Brunswickan

Last week, XXX hypnotist extraordinaire Tony Lee dazzled students in the SUB cafeteria. For those who missed it, this guy got it on tape, and may soon be aired on Comedy Central.

## Attacks on America spawn profits

**"Put options" create opportunity to bet on success of companies**

By Ben Conoley

Stock market evidence shows that individuals knew of, and profited from the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Trading firms offer "put options", which allow a client to bet money that a particular stock will fall, if it does, the client wins. In turn, "call options" are moneys placed betting that a stock will rise.

Thus far, \$2.5 million is still awaiting collection after a firm, Banker's Trust, placed "put options" on United Airlines stock. Trading of this sort is common, except in this case, A.B. Kongrad, who holds the number three Executive Director position at the CIA was chairman of A.B. Brown Investment Bank, which went on to merge with Banker's Trust, until 1997. He currently holds the Vice-Chairman position of Banker's Trust.

Banker's Trust is one of 20 U.S. banks named by Senator Carl Levin as being connected with money laundering.

Until 1997, Kongrad's responsibility was to oversee private client relations. He has direct hands-on relations with some of the wealthiest people in the world in a banking operation that is suspected to be closely connected to the laundering of drug money.

Deutsche Bank went on to acquire Banker's Trust in 1999, creating the largest bank in Europe.

Between the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of September, the Chicago Board Options Exchange recorded 4,744 put option on United Airlines compared to only 396 call options. If it is assumed that 4000 of these put options were placed by people with knowledge of the attacks, they would have made \$5 million.

The Chicago Board also saw 4,516 put options placed on American Airlines on September 10, while only 748 call options were placed. There has been no reports

to explain why this imbalance occurred. If it is assumed that 4000 of these puts were placed by insiders, \$4 million dollars would have been made.

There were no other imbalances of this sort on any other airline in the days prior to Sept. 11, reasons as to why airlines directly involved with the crashers were the only ones to see such a high number of put options is still unexplained.

Airlines were not the only companies to receive such high numbers of bets against them. Merrill Lynch & Co., which was based out of the World Trade Center had 12,215 put option placed on it, compared to a previous average of 252, a 1200% increase. 11,000 of this puts would have awarded someone with \$5.5 million.

"Investors have yet to collect more than \$2.5 million in profits they made trading options in the stock of United Airlines before the Sept. 11, terrorist attacks, according to a source familiar with the trades and market data," the San Francisco Chronicle reported on September 29, 2001.

"The source familiar with the United trades identified Deutsche Bank Alex Brown, the American investment banking arm of giant Deutsche Bank, as the investment bank used to purchase at least some of these options," the Chronicle also reported.

THE BRUNSWICKAN QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"YOU, ME, PAT AND I WILL WORK ON IT."

-CINDY BROWN, BRUNS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



New Brunswick premier Bernard Lord signs a declaration to formally designate the month of November 2001 Family Violence Prevention Month. The declaration urges all citizens to acknowledge the work of the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation and all others who strive to end family violence.



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