

Neville House Bed Push Raises \$11,000

Money donated to "Women in Transition" House

by Kevin Plummer

After pushing a bed for the 102 km between Saint John and Fredericton overnight, a very enthusiastic crowd of Neville House residents arrived at the Boyce Farmer's Market on the morning of Saturday, October 13. They brought with them a cheque for \$11,000 to be donated to the "Women in Transition" House. The Bed Push is Neville's enormously successful annual fundraising event in support of the shelter for physically, emotionally and mentally abused women and their children.

The Bed Push involves a bed fitted with wheels and handle bars being pushed overnight from the city of Saint John by the 96 residents of Neville House, arriving in Fredericton early Saturday morning. The Norsemen, in teams of four, take turns pushing while rest of the house cheers them on from a bus trailing the bed. The men of Neville chose the local Transition House as their charity in order to demonstrate their feelings regarding violence against women.

Each fall, the residents of the all-male house wishes to inform people that is absolutely unacceptable to harm or abuse women in any way whatsoever. The residence feels that it is especially important for this message to reach young males. Tackling such an issue head-on is a challenge, but one which the Neville community is always ready to face with boundless energy.

Since the earnest beginnings of the Bed Push nine years ago, awareness of the event has grown throughout Fredericton. The city's overwhelming support contributes greatly to the success of the event. Matt DeWitt, this year's Bed Push Coordinator, emphasized this community link, "The success of the Bed Push depends upon community support. We must thank both our corporate sponsors like Labatt

and the Chestnut Club, and all the general public for their generous contributions." The success of Bed Push demonstrates Fredericton's united effort to prevent domestic violence.

On Saturday morning, DeWitt was joined in pushing the bed on the last leg of the journey to the Market by Tim Richardson, president of Transition House, and by Fredericton's Member of Parliament, Andy Scott. In their speeches, both guests praised Neville's continued efforts to raise money and awareness. Richardson also presented Neville House with a plaque in thanks.

The sentiment of Bed Push is not a once-a-year mentality for Neville, either. This year, for the first time, many Norsemen will be volunteering to spend time with the children who reside at Transition House. Teams from Neville will accompany groups of kids to varsity games or other events. The goal of the program will be for both groups to have a good time.

The men of Neville look to the future with a hope that places such as Transition House will not be needed. Unfortunately, the problem of violence against women still exists, and as long as it does Neville will be ready to help out in any way.

Kevin Plummer is a resident of Neville House



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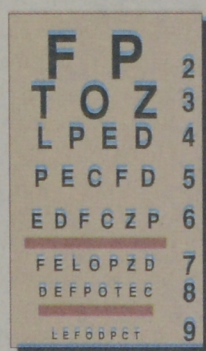
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UNB holds fall Convocation

Two recently retired professors to receive honorary distinctions

by Chris Wilson-Smith

The University of New Brunswick will stage its 47th Convocation on Sunday, October 21, at 2 pm.

The ceremony, which will take place at the Aitken Centre, involves the presentation of Allan P. Stuart Memorial Awards for Excellence in Teaching to two outstanding teachers.

The university will also confer the honorary rank of professor emeritus upon two recently retired faculty members.

Historian Ernest Forbes will be joining the ranks of professor emeriti, while Penny Ericson, former dean of nursing, will be named professor and dean emerita.

Dr. Forbes, who retired in June 2000, has written numerous books, articles, essays, and lectures that have challenged stereotypes often associated with Maritime provinces. His prize-winning book on the Maritime Rights Movement is considered a model study of regionalism within the Canadian community.

As Dean of Nursing from 1988 to 1999, Penny Ericson provided outstanding leadership and service to the university and the nursing community. Professor Ericson is

also credited for fostering the growth of the faculty into a multi-site, multi-program professional school.

During the ceremony, honorary degrees will also be presented to Dr. Robin Armstrong, a former president of UNB; Dr. Edward Rogers, the president and CEO of Rogers Communications Inc.; and Mr. Lawrence Earl, a journalist and writer.

Dr. Rogers, who will be delivering the Convocation address, holds numerous honorary degrees in addition to his degrees in arts and law. Rogers' company, RCI, is a major force in Canadian telecommunications.

Dr. Armstrong, president of UNB from 1990 to 1996, is credited for significantly helping to revive alumni spirit and setting new standards for fund-raising with The Venture Campaign. The campaign raised more than \$40 million, and provided both the Fredericton and Saint John campuses of UNB with improved facilities, more scholarships, and advanced programs.

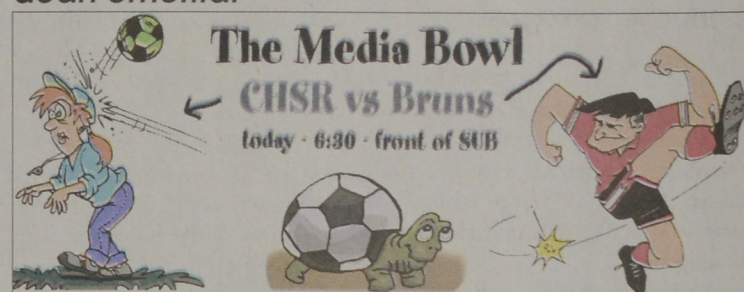
Lawrence Earl, whose photo essay on rebuilding the dykes of Holland was published in *National Geographic*, has also had work published in numerous magazines, including the *Saturday Evening Post* and *Maclean's*.

Weather permitting, a procession will march up the hill from the Mackay Promenade to the Aitken Centre, starting at approximately 1:40 pm.



Rob Blanchard

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Each year, the UNB Residence Community pays tribute to those residence students who have achieved a high measure of academic success. This year's Dinner in Recognition of Academic Excellence honoured the following students:

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