

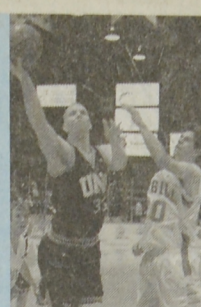


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## NRC construction will affect student parking

Students encouraged to  
park below Chapman Field

By Ben Conoley

Students accustomed to parking across from Ludlow Hall on Dineen Drive are being directed to leave their cars at the Aitken Center for a couple months.

Construction began on Wednesday for the NRC Institute for Information Technology - e-Business on the site just above the Harriet Irving Library. The replacement of parking spaces is causing students already frustrated with lack of convenient parking to really get upset.

For at least two months, the old parking spaces will be closed off and signs will be available for students to follow to the Aitken Center. However, after the first phase of construction is completed, the school has guaranteed there will be an equal number of parking spaces available on the old site. Michael Ryan, Associated VP of Campus Services and Planning said, "The important thing for students to know is that parking by the construction site will be displaced for about a month. Replacing the parking spaces is Phase 1 of construction."

In the summer of 2000, UNB and the Greater Fredericton Economic Development Corp. (GFEDC) made a deal finalizing proposals of possible locations for the site. There were other possible locations under review, however, Dineen Drive is best suited because of it meets standards for required parking and future expansion possibilities. Dineen Drive is also ideal because of its close proximity to university faculties and services as well as giving the nationally prestigious research facility visibility on the UNB campus.

It is expected that up to 40 NRC researchers and possibly 40 more guest researchers will be working out of the



Construction on the National Research Centre at UNB began on Wednesday.

Mark McGinnis/ The Brunswickan

institute on a budget of more than \$5 million.

An initial 40-year-lease, with an option to renew for an additional 40 years seems to promise a long-term presence of the NRC on campus.

The 50,000 square foot building's

construction will be developed under the direction of the GFEDC, with UNB officials acting as an integral part of the planning process.

The architecture is expected to adopt the traditional red brick, Georgian style consistent with UNB

buildings. Every effort has been made to preserve the more mature and unique stands of trees in the area, however, after the completion of construction NRC is planning to landscape the remaining trees and land appropriately.

## Federal anti-terror bill sparks debate

By Vince Teetaert  
Central Bureau Chief  
Central Bureau

Civil liberties groups, MPs and members of the Canadian public are coming forward with calls for restraint and review as the federal government moves to implement legislation to combat terrorism.

The Canadian Federation of Students says it is worried mass protests like the one in Quebec City could be classified as "terrorist activities" under the new bill. Labour unions have voiced similar concerns, fearing the bill could infringe on workers' legitimate right to strike action.

"We think that [the bill's] measures go much too far and use much too broad of a definition for our comfort level," said Ian Boyko, the federation's national chairperson.

Bill C-36 defines terrorist activity as "an action that takes place within or outside Canada that is taken, or threatened for political, religious, or ideological purposes and threatens the public endangering a person, causing substantial property damage that is likely to seriously harm people or by interfering with or disrupting an essential service or facility or system."

Critics say they're concerned with the last few words of the definition that calls interrupting an essential service terrorism.

Bryan Schwartz, a law professor at the University of Manitoba said First Nation groups who use peaceful road blocks, nurses who engage in an illegal strike or even student protests, could fall under the definition.

"The government made a fairly strenuous effort to balance their security concerns with civil liberty concerns. Inevitably, when legislation is prepared this quickly some aspects of it infringe on civil

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## AUNBT and UNB reach tentative agreement

Negotiations have been  
ongoing since April

By Ben Conoley

The University of New Brunswick and the Association of University of New Brunswick Teachers (AUNBT), representing the institution's approximately 600 faculty, instructors and librarians in Fredericton and Saint John, have reached a tentative collective agreement.

Esam Hussein, professor of mechanical engineering and current

president of the AUNBT, said, "Once again the University of New Brunswick and AUNBT have proved that we can work together to achieve our common goal of preserving and sustaining UNB's status as a national university, the people of New Brunswick can be proud of."

"The university is pleased that a tentative settlement has been amicably reached," said Elizabeth Parr-Johnston, president of UNB.

The proposed contract, which is being recommended to the membership for ratification, will be voted on in the next two or three weeks. The settlement

must also be approved by the university's Board of Governors. Details of the settlement will be released once both sides have ratified the agreement.

Negotiations between UNB and the AUNBT began in April. The AUNBT contract expired on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Labour relations between the university and the AUNBT have been extremely collegial since the AUNBT was certified as a bargaining unit and negotiated its first contract more than 20 years ago. Often recognized as a national model, the AUNBT is affiliated with the Canadian Association of University Teachers based in Ottawa.



Stephanie Brunet/ The Brunswickan

Hallowe'en - A day of monsters, ghosts, and these terrifying pumpkins. A word of advice - don't share your candy

## Additional attacks looming?

By Ben Conoley

On Monday, U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft appeared on Canadian and American television to bring the possibility of more terrorist attacks to the attention of the general public.

He stated the attacks could take place not only U.S. soil, but on its interests abroad as well, and will likely happen in the next few weeks. Stating "credible" resources, they were unfortunately unable to gather specific details on the potential attacks.

18,000 police agencies have been put on the highest alert according to Ashcroft.

Continuing to promote the importance of maintaining calmness, Ashcroft said, "As always, we urge Americans in the course of their normal activities to alert and to report unusual circumstances and inappropriate behavior to the proper authorities." And that this warning, "Gives people the basis for continuing to live their lives the way they would otherwise live them, with this elevated sense of alertness or vigilance."

The information, likely connected to suspected terrorist, Osama bin Laden's, al-Qaeda network was also passed forth to U.S. customs, immigration officials, airports, air carriers, nuclear facilities and the departments of Energy and Transportation.

This warning is similar to the one reported by the FBI three weeks ago, which did not specify a time range for more attacks.

FBI director Robert Mueller stated, "I know how difficult it is for police and the public to attempt to guard against possible attacks with no information about the nature of the threat."

Ashcroft has canceled plans to address a conference of the International Association of Chiefs of Police in the wake of these warnings.

In related news, there has been one more death connected to the anthrax scare in New York. The deceased was a 61 year old woman from New York who had not been in contact with any previously infected mail, or anthrax victims. Ashcroft says no progress has been made in neither her case or any others. She is the 4<sup>th</sup> person to die in addition to 16 others infected by anthrax.

## Province receives award for groundwater protection

Department of  
Environment and City of  
Fredericton both recognized

By Ben Conoley

The New Brunswick Department of the Environment and the City of Fredericton have received an international award for their outstanding work with groundwater protection.

The National Ground Water Association has recognized the department for its, "Excellence in protecting ground water from contamination."

Last year New Brunswick became the first Canadian province to introduce legislation dealing with comprehensive province-wide protection of municipal groundwater supplies.

The Wellfield Protected Designation Order is designed to provide protection for the 55 municipalities in the province which still use groundwater as their primary source of drinking water.

The regulation puts in place standards that prohibit or limit chemical storage and land use activity that may be harmful to these wells.

So far only Doaktown, Tide Head, Shippagan and Plaster Rock have begun to use the regulation, but it is anticipated

that all 55 municipalities will implement it by the year 2008.

Environment and Local Government Minister, Kim Jardine seemed very pleased with the province's recognition.

"This award recognizes the government commitment to ensure drinking water sources form municipalities are being protected, I am very proud of the staff of the department who have dedicated many years of hard work to making the Wellfield Protected Area Designation Order a reality."

The province says it has received positive feedback from not only other municipalities, but also from other provinces and environmental experts.

A report prepared by the Department of Earth Sciences at the University of Waterloo, Ontario stated that New Brunswick, "Has implemented state-of-the-art groundwater protection strategies" and the approach taken "better reflects today's understanding of the behavior of contaminants in groundwater."

On Dec. 7, in Nashville, Tennessee the award will be presented during the annual NGWA Ground Water Expo President's Dinner. The NWGA is an Ohio based not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing and protecting the world's groundwater resources.

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