

Former UNB employee sentenced in mail theft case

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The Brunswickan

Provincial Court Judge Hazen Strange had harsh words for former UNB employee Dale Richard Hersey prior to his sentencing March 21st.

Strange told Hersey "You let them [your employers] down...Trust is what keeps society running and you breached that trust."

In September of 2000, Hersey began stealing mail and was apprehended on October 19th after an ongoing investigation. He cooperated with police and quickly confessed.

Hersey had worked for UNB for 10 years prior to pleading guilty on February 16th to stealing mail after it was deposited at a post office and prior to delivery under 356 (1) (a) of the Canadian Criminal Code. The indictable offence has a maximum sentence of 10 years imprisonment.

Edward Derrah, Hersey's defense attorney, said there was "no excuse for his [Hersey's] actions...He realizes the seriousness of these actions. He is now working part time but his reputation is gone for good."

Hersey has no previous convictions and said "I just wish there was a way I could apologize to everyone."

Hersey did have a positive Presentence Report, however, and nine letters of support from employees of UNB. Strange said Hersey had "shown remorse," adding "I do appreciate you pleading guilty immediately, which spared

people having to testify."

Strange also said Hersey was not a "danger to the community...I therefore think that a conditional community sentence is warranted."

Hersey will serve a six month sentence in the community, reporting on a regular basis to a supervisor. He is to leave his home only to look for work and may make a weekly trip to purchase food and supplies. He is also to do 150 hours of community service work and pay a \$100 victim surcharge by April 23rd.

SMU part-time profs may strike soon

Part-time professors at St. Mary's University in Halifax will be in a legal strike position by the end of next week.

The countdown to a possible strike started after a conciliation officer recently filed his report with the provincial government.

While the part-time professors, represented by the Canadian Union of Public Employees, are still hopeful of a settlement, there is no indication there will be an actual walkout as scheduled.

CUPE represents 230 part-time professors at the University.

The main issues in the dispute are job security and wages comparable to those paid to other part-time faculty at other universities across Canada.

UNB may spend \$1.4 million on residence improvements

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If all projects win final budgetary approval, UNB Residence officials hope to spend some \$1.4 million on improvements and renovations to several residence buildings during the summer of 2001.

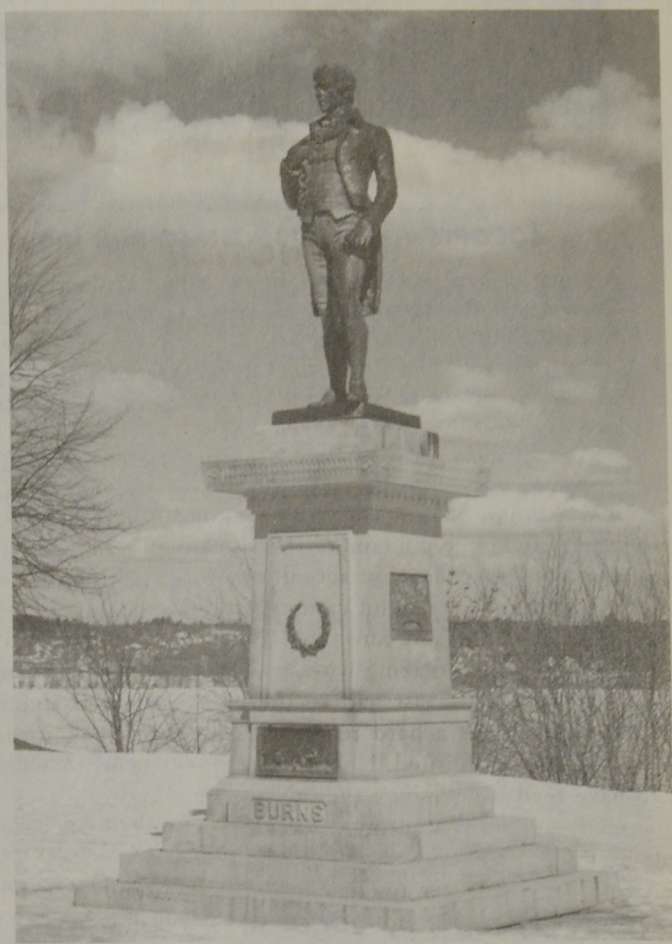
Pre-approved projects include windows replacements in Aitken House and an electrical upgrade in MacKenzie House.

"The electrical upgrade at MacKenzie House will involve the installation of ResNet and a computer lab, cable TV and other electrical and fire alarm upgrades," said Ed Reid, Residence Facilities Manager.

In addition, Reid said another \$115,000 has been pre-approved to begin a small portion of an electrical upgrade to Dunn/Kidd/Tibbitts Residence.

"The project involves bringing in high voltage cabling through the tunnel system and creating an electrical room," Reid said.

Reid indicated other projects in the residence system could be announced in the coming weeks, but still need budgetary approval from top UNB administrators.



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Robert Burns (known to his contemporaries as Robbie) looks on as Spring comes into bloom for another year. "Ae spring brought aither her master hale but left behing her ain grey tail." - R. Burns (on monument).

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representatives of CASA's 22 member colleges and universities gathered in Ottawa for a lobby conference and a series of meetings with government and opposition MPs and cabinet ministers.

Kate Whitfield, Vice-President External of the UNB Student Union, Katherine Breen, Vice-President External of the St. Thomas Student Union and Jeff Richardson, President, of the STU Union attended the week-long lobby conference.

Both UNB Fredericton students and students at St. Thomas University are members of CASA, through their respective student unions.

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for the first time, and Scott Deschenes seeking re-election appeared asking for support.

Deschenes, who has been admitted to Graduate School next Fall, promised to pursue the GSA's request for a separate seat for graduate students on the Board of Governors.

The graduate student representative on the Search Committee for a new UNB Vice-President Research reported several meetings with various stakeholders, including graduate students, on both the Saint John and Fredericton campuses in recent weeks.

The Search Committee plans to meet in about a week or so to look over the applicants for the position, currently occupied on an Acting basis by Geology professor Joseph White.

Graduate students also plan an event next week at the Social Club. Refreshments and pizza will be available for graduate students at the Social Club next Wednesday, March 28th beginning at 8pm.

The next regular GSA monthly meeting has been set for Tuesday, April 17th at 6:30 pm in SUB room 103.

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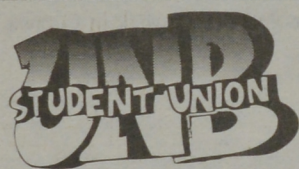
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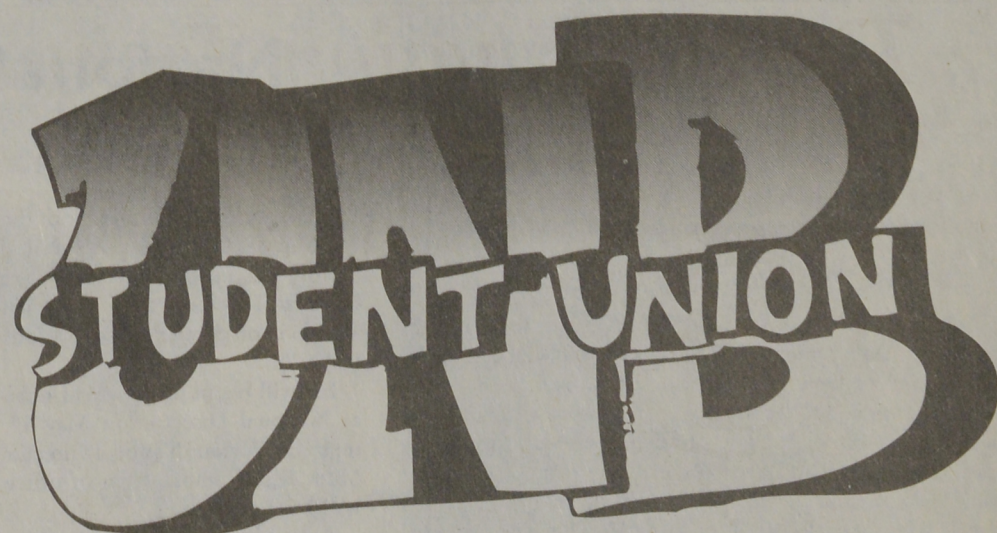
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The Elections will take place on March 28, 29, 30