Briefly, the News

Neville pushes their way to 15 grand

Residents of Neville house held their annual bed push on October 18th to raise money for transition house.

This house event involved the members pushing a bed from Saint John to Fredericton.

Transition house depends on the money raised by events such as these and this year the money raised by Neville brought the total fundraising to $60,000 in total.

They arrived at the Farmers Market here in Fredericton on Saturday the 19th.

Neville house residents are in the hopes of beating their $15,000 record next year.

Creepy Carnival collects food, money for Fredericton food bank

The 2nd Annual Maggie Jean Chestnut Haunted House held on October 29th to collect food and monetary donations for the Fredericton Food Bank was a great success.

The event, attended by approximately 200 people, raised $350+ and amassed some 160 non-perishable food items for the food bank.

This year's Creepy Carnival themed event featured a clown show, a display of "interesting characters" and the opportunity for participants to have their fortunes told by MJC's own magicians, in addition to traditional carnival games.

City of Fredericton to annex land?

The city of Fredericton has asked the Minister of Environment and Local Government to begin a feasibility study into the possibility of annexing unincorporated, uninhabited land.

The land the city is interested in is located to the east and west of current city limits on the south side of the St. John River, including the Greater Fredericton Airport. The city plans to capitalize on the new Trans Canada Highway alignment by building services and businesses in the area.

"It is important to note that this is only a feasibility study and does not commit anyone to anything," said Mayor Les Hull. "A consultation process must take place so that everyone will fully understand what the City is requesting. It will take time."

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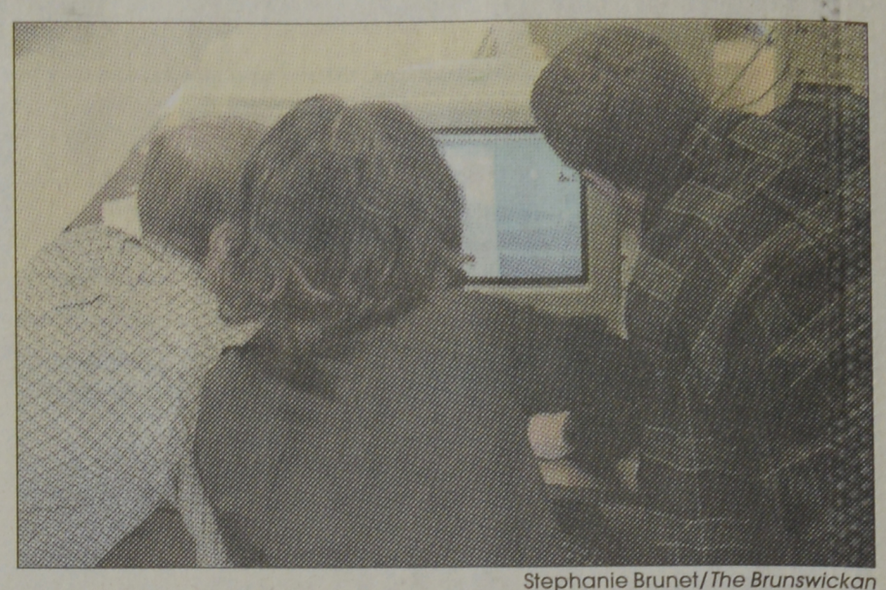
Struggling with equipment loss

by Brendan Doyle



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The media theft last week has left many student projects on the fritz.

Sometime between the evening of October 18th and the morning of October 21st, Marshal D'Avray Hall and the new Eaton Multimedia Center were broken into.

Reg Jerrett wrote in last week's Campus Watch that he believes culprits used "some sort of tool" to gain access to the offices where the valuable computer equipment was stored.

Rebecca Ham-Brown, Classroom Support Specialist for the Media Pool, says the theft will have a huge impact on students and faculty. With term projects looming, demand for the Media Pool's equipment will be high.

"We had a hard time meeting the demand before, but it's going to be pretty difficult now."

The Media Pool - which provides computers, cameras and other equipment to the entire University community - had three laptops and a data projector stolen.

These were for student and faculty use, but the only laptop left is for student use only. This means that professors who use the computers for class will be out of luck.

Murray Linton, Associate Director of the Multimedia Studies Program, says there is a silver lining because the thieves were only able to take a portion of the equipment.

"We're lucky in the sense that a lot of the [Media Pool's] equipment was out at the time of the robbery," said Linton.

A major concern is not the robbery itself, but the impact on students and faculty. Though all the equipment was insured, it could take up to a month to replace.

"We'll be feeling the effects in about a week," says Ham-Brown "when students come in to do their term projects."

Even if the new computers and cameras arrive sooner than expected, many students will have to adjust their schedules to compensate for fewer resources. Ham-Brown recommends that students come in early to book the equipment.

The stolen goods include an IBM Pentium IV PC, three IBM ThinkPad laptops, two digital cameras, one digital video camera, one video projector, two Apple G4 Dual Processor computers, one Apple G4 dedicated server and one Apple iMac computer. Originally, the estimated value of the goods stolen was over $47,000, however, a new estimate from Campus Security brings the total to $64,000.

An investigation by the Fredericton Police is ongoing. You are encouraged to contact Crimestoppers or the Fredericton Police Force if you have any information about the theft.

CFUW awards scholarships

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International organization whose mandate is assisting in educating women, has awarded two scholarships and a bursary to UNB students. Centre: Julie MacDonald - awarded $1500 scholarship.

Bruns word of the week: Quag•mire *n.*

1. *Marshy ground that gives way under the foot*
2. *A difficult situation.*

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