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Breastfeeding in public leaves some feeling uncomfortable



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Breastfeeding Friendly Spaces is an initiative aimed at increasing awareness and acceptance of public breastfeeding.

Promoting right to breastfeed

Committee aims to provide nursing mothers safe places to breastfeed

by Jessie Davis

"Breasts weren't just put there to hold up a strapless dress," says the

Fredericton Breastfeeding Promotion Committee, which is hard at work identifying "Breastfeeding Friendly Spaces" in the Fredericton area.

As part of their clinical experience in community nursing, a group of third year nursing students from UNB are working with the committee to promote the idea that

breastfeeding is natural.

One of the initiatives is to approach local businesses and encourage participation in the Breastfeeding Friendly Spaces program. By promoting awareness through a sticker and flyer campaign, the goal is to provide comfortable and social environments for mothers who wish to nurse their children.

Alisha Doucet, one of the students involved with the committee, said nursing mothers are much more inclined to patronize businesses that are friendly towards them.

Vicki Hape-Gould, the don of Maggie Jean Chestnut Residence and a new mother, thinks the idea is a

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Garbage leaves class cancelled

Custodial strike causes cancellations

by Sean Patrick Sullivan

Clogged toilets, fruit flies, and overflowing garbage cans have forced thousands of New Brunswick community college students out of class for the past week and a half, as a custodial strike with no end in sight has caused class cancellations.

College custodians, who are members of CUPE Local 1251, have been striking since Oct. 3, which has meant unsanitary conditions and a build-up of garbage in most of the province's community colleges.

Class cancellations began Friday, October 10, and though students are out, the instructors and administrative staff are still in their offices.

Shawn Hearn, spokesperson for the province's Department of Training and Employment Development, said his department is trying its best to help students, but the buildings cannot handle the strain.

"Our buildings are stressed now," he explained. "We want to lessen the impact to keep them from reaching a point where we can't even have our staff there."

Hearn said students have been given homework and readings to do

at home. He also said the department doesn't think the semester will be cancelled if the strike drags on.

"We're early enough in the year that we think we can make the time up," he said.

Mary Clark, student council president at Woodstock Community College, said students are angry, frustrated, and just waiting for this to be over.

She said some students can do outside work, but others, like graphic arts students, need the Macintosh computers in the college. Others need access to the college's network server to get their files, which can only be

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Brendan Doyle/The Brunswickan
Strike leaves toilets a mess.

UNB's sexual diversity lectures

Making people feel comfortable discussing sex

by Carole Morris

Chlamydia is the most common sexually transmitted infection (STI) in New Brunswick, with genital herpes following in second place.

According to Haley Flaro, the director of AIDS New Brunswick, 982 cases of chlamydia were

reported in 2002. Of those 982 cases, the majority (92 per cent) were people under the age of 29.

STIs, homosexuality and the accompanying myths and generalizations about sex are issues many people feel uncomfortable discussing. UNB's upcoming lunchtime lecture series hopes to change that.

From 12:00 to 1:00 pm, October 27th to October 31st, Counselling Services is hosting a sexual diversity

lecture series aimed at educating staff, faculty and students about the issues cited above.

Erin Nice, who is overseeing the event, thinks it's an important project.

"It's important because... on campus, there are a lot of questions but people are too afraid to ask them," said Nice.

"It's really important for people to

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More than 2000 protest same-sex marriage

Allowing gays to marry is counterfeit, says Rev. MacDonald

by Nick Moase

More than 2000 New Brunswickers rallied outside the Legislature last Saturday to affirm their stance on same-sex marriage.

Organized by churches and marriage advocates, speakers condemned the federal and provincial government for not listening to the Christian community.

They want to keep the traditional definition of marriage as being between a man and a woman.

Several of the speakers, including the former host of 100 Huntley Street David Mainse, stressed the principle of equality does not apply to homosexual relationships. Mainse said they are very different from heterosexual unions.

Reverend J. Faber MacDonald, Bishop for the Catholic Church of Southern New Brunswick, said that gay marriages are counterfeit.

"What would happen to the economic system if we allowed counterfeit money into the stock exchange? It would collapse," said MacDonald. "The same thing will happen to the legal system if we allow counterfeit marriages into our legal system."

Other speakers included the head of an anti-abortion group and David

Fisher, a United Church minister. No one explicitly said that homosexuality is wrong.

A smaller though visible group of those in favour of legalizing same-sex marriage were also on hand, waving signs with slogans like "Hate is not a family value" and "Equal Taxes, Equal Rights."

Before the speakers arrived, the group in favour of same-sex marriages held a prayer stressing the importance of acceptance and family values.

"This issue has existed in humanity for thousands of years and it will continue to exist for thousands of years," said Greg Daborn, the male representative for Egale in Atlantic Canada.

Egale is a national organization aimed at increasing equality and justice for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people throughout Canada.

"I suggest that society will be better off if we sanctify [marriage] because it will get rid of a lot of fear and health issues," Daborn said.

Students from the University of New Brunswick were also at the rally supporting both sides of the issue. Members of Spectrum, UNB's organization for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, two-spirited, and questioning people, were present to promote same-sex marriages.

A student who only wished to be identified as Dave said it's not just churches that attended but all people

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Cougars clinch National title

UNB defeats Laval 3-0 to take championship after five straight wins

by Cindy Smith

The UNB Caris Cougars have proven that dreams do come true.

The Cougars went 5-0 last weekend to clinch the Canadian Intercollegiate National Baseball title, defeating long time rival, Laval Rouge et Or, 3-0.

The win was quite a feat for the Cougars, who were knocked out of the championship last year by Laval and lost a heartbreaking National title game to them two years before, by a 10-6 margin. This year, the Cougars shut the Rouge et Or down.

Coach Mark Clark was quite pleased with the team's performance.

"It was quite a feeling. The guys were ecstatic about it after having lost two years ago in the National final in the 15th inning. It was a close game, but (Jay) Magee threw so well that I didn't think we'd have any problems. Some of those guys have been there five years and it was great to have them win it," he commented.

The Cougars pitching staff, lead by MaGee pitched near perfect ball

this weekend, allowing only two runs in all five games. Only one was an earned run.

In the final game, MaGee took the mound and shut down the three-time defending champs, throwing a complete game shutout giving up three hits and striking out six. Curtis Chaisson lead the offensive starting things off with a home run in the 2nd inning and later adding two singles. Dave Barr, who earlier in the day received his third National batting champion award, chipped in with two singles. Tyson Wayne rounded out the attack with a double.

Earlier, in the cross over game, UNB faced St. Mary's in a game that looked like a mismatch but ended in extra innings. UNB's offence struggled against St. Mary's starter Jamie Vallais.

MaGee, who came on in the sixth inning, went the remainder of the game and earned the win. Starter John Burns pitched four innings, giving up one run on three hits, striking out one. Chris Palk struggled through the fifth inning and started the sixth before giving way to MaGee. UNB scored two runs in their half of the eighth inning to win 4-2.

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-STEFAN ROBAK

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