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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!! On behalf of your executive I extend the sincere wish that you had a happy and restful break that was afforded by the traditional Christmas break on most of our campuses in Atlantic Canada. Personally, the break between the Fall and Winter Semesters has given me the opportunity to recharge my batteries prior to starting a new semester, which I am certain will bring additional challenges and opportunities to demonstrate the key role that Student Affairs and Services' departments play on our campuses.

Your executive has been busy during the Fall Semester of 2001 both within AACUSS and on their own campuses. The tragic events of September 11th have brought a new reality to our professional lives. Everyone I speak with has been impacted - some more dramatically than others, but all have experienced what we in Newfoundland call "a sea change". Students who always seemed somewhat imperious to world events are struggling to make sense out of an act that defies logic. As professionals in student services, we are being looked to, as sources of answers most can't give. We must recognize that the opportunity to provide much needed leadership on our campuses should be grasped. Our training, experience and unique interactions with students outside the classroom position us as the group that will have the greatest impact in the coming months.

Marise Carron and her colleagues at CCNB (Dieppe) have put together an outstanding program for the Winter Workshop. We are pleased that there will be an opportunity for us to meet and share our experiences. The lineup of speakers promises to provide the framework for significant professional development. The theme for the workshop – The Balancing Act – highlights a re-

current theme for student affairs and services professionals but never has it been more applicable than now! If you haven't registered as yet, please make every effort to attend. It promises time for structured learning, informal networking and the essential component of our workshops – fun with your colleagues. See you in Moncton!

As always your executive is looking for input and feedback on the efforts we are making on your behalf. Please contact me or any other member of the executive with ideas that will make us more effective.

Brian Johnston, President

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Editor's Note

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all. I know that last semester was quite hectic, but we are looking forward to the many challenges of this year. Hopefully we will get to discuss them together in Moncton at the Winter Workshop.

Looking forward to it!!!

Christine

Meilleurs Voeux à tous! Je sais que le trimestre passé était assez agité, mais nous attendons les plusieurs défis de cette année-ci. Avec espoir, nous pourrions les discuter à Moncton à l'atelier d'hiver. À la prochaine!

Christine

Attention all of those with an interest in learning more about emotional intelligence and any who may have an interest in understanding more about employer/student relationships. . The Atlantic wing of CACEE, (Canadian Association of Career Educators and Employers) is holding a PD session in Halifax on February 22 at Saint Mary's University. Contact: Mary Ellen Mac Eachern: mmaceach@stmarys.ca. or give her a call at 902-420-5498

Greetings from St. Mary's

Over 1300 students from Saint Mary's, Dalhousie and Mount Saint Vincent universities visited the Halifax Joint Career Fair in October at the World Trade and Convention Center in Halifax. Over 90 employers discussed career options with students throughout the day. Employers described the event as the benchmark for others considering organizing such an event. Not only was the event well organized, but also one of the most result driven career fairs in the country. Later in the month, Saint Mary's, Dalhousie, Mount Saint Vincent university and the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, along with the Nova Scotia Community College, co-hosted an Arts and Culture Career Fair. Cultural Career Connections was organized to assist students in exploring career options in the arts and culture as the sector grows rapidly in the province.

Mary Ellen Mac Eachern

Greetings from one of our newest members!

Barb Buchanan has joined Counselling Services at Saint Mary's University having worked as Career Consultant at the University of New Brunswick for several years. Following a year of many career/life transitions, Barb is thrilled to be working with university students in Student Services again. She would love to hear from colleagues "old and new"!

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Greetings from UNB!

Dear Colleagues: Student Life and Support Services at UNB Saint John started a new initiative to try to gain more attention with the student body. We have called it the Academic Skills Program (ASP) (Take the bite out of studying!). As a result, we have spoken in a number of first year student classes about preparing for exams, exam anxiety and forming study groups for final exams. Also we are modelling the proper way to run study groups for finals in three key first year programs: Sociology, Business Organizational Behaviour, and intro Biology. Furthermore, for the crisis oriented students, we have set up an Exam Help Centre in our home office for the last weeks of the first term. Students can come in and talk one on one with some of our staff about being "exam ready." Ken Craft, our new Student Development Co-ordinator, has an office over in our Student Centre--where he operates "outreach" academic skills counseling. Finally, we are encouraging students who are thinking of dropping out or changing majors or going part time to come in to see us about their concerns, before doing something rash.

Of course, we have always done these things but we felt we needed to market what we do in this new "launch" to grab the attention of the hard of hearing and the sight im-

paired (90% of the student body).

On another note, don't forget the meeting of the Deans and Directors at this year's Winter workshop in Moncton. Some of you have submitted good topics for discussion at the round table, but I could use more.

Richard Papenhausen [rwp@unbsj.ca]

Generalist Where Art Thou!

Well guys and gals, thanks to the wonderful efforts of Lois Clowater, I now know who are generalists within AACUSS. Thus, you can all be expecting to hear from me via e-mail in the near future to talk to you all about what you would like to see come from our category. It is tough to meet the needs of such a diverse group and I think rather than trying to find a common ground, we should focus on celebrating the variety we bring to this fine organization of ours. This is not to say that we do not have things in common because we certainly do! I hope that the Winter Workshop in February and the AACUSS conference in June will give us a chance to further discuss our commonalities. At the Winter Workshop, I hope to meet some of you and begin some casual conversations as to where we should go from here! I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and I wish you all the best in the year ahead!

Tom Brophy
Generalist



Memorial's Student Leaders

About 75 students, nominated by faculty and fellow students, attended Memorial's Leader Forum on November 3. The event recognizes the contributions of the campus leaders and invests in their ongoing development. The Leader Forum also provided student leaders an opportunity to share their expertise with one another. The participants are shown here forming the "M" in Memorial. The theme for the day's event was "The Leader Within" and provided sessions on leadership, a personality profile, a teamwork challenge and a chance for reflection and planning ahead. The closing featured an alumnus who was a past student leader at Memorial as well as an address from the president of Memorial, Dr. Axel Meisen.

Written by Tom Brophy
Memorial University of Newfoundland

Greetings from U.C.C.B.!

On behalf of Student Services Center, U.C.C.B., I would like to extend best wishes to you and your loved ones for a healthy and safe festive season.

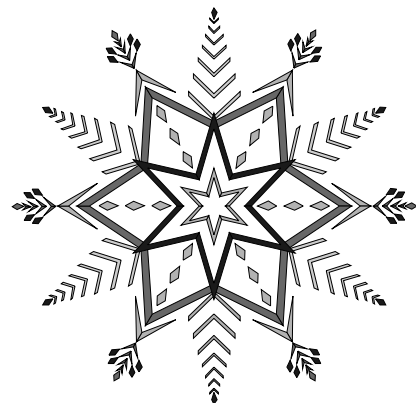
It has been a busy Fall academic term and it is drawing to an end. We, at the Max Bell Health Center, appreciated the services offered by Dr. Kevin Hafez—visited the clinic twice weekly—throughout the Fall term. Also, the health promotion programs offered throughout the term were well received.

I am very pleased to receive input from two health professionals and they are presented in this issue of AACUSS Talks.

I hope all Student Services staff had a restful "break".

Best wishes for the New Year.

Pat Collins
Nurse/Office Manager
Max Bell Center
U.C.C.B.



Regional Financial Aid Administrators Meet in Truro

The Financial Aid Administrators attended a workshop on December 5th. The turnout was amazing considering the slushy weather. About 15 attendees from the Atlantic region participated in round table discussions concerning various issues such as the new Canada Student Loans Process, the Nova Scotia Summer Loans programme, the New Brunswick Student Loans programme, etc. The workshop was hosted by the Nova Scotia Agricultural College.

The key element of our agenda was the discussion surrounding the Canada Student Loans programme. For this discussion, we invited guest speakers, Ms. Dale Barbour from the Canada Student Loans Programme and Mr. Douglas Gilhooly from Edulinx Canada. We discussed various issues and concerns such as: disbursement of loans, the service level of the National Student Loans Centre, the new interest-free status process, etc. This session was extremely informative and also provided encouraging future directions, which for the most members, can't wait to be implemented!

The Financial Aid division is currently looking in the possibility of having our second workshop of the year in conjunction with the AACUSS Winter Workshop.

The success of this workshop was due to the high level of participation from our members. Without the anticipated turnout, our guest speakers may not have taken the time to attend and discuss topics that concern us all. Again, thank you to all the attendees and invited guests in making this workshop a success and hope to see you at our next workshop.

Sincerely

Shawn Bellefleur, Mt. A.



Counselling Corner

Well, if everyone else has had a month like we did here in November then I can understand why I haven't heard from anyone. "Nose to the Grind" all the way, with student stressors intense, and their energy level low. I have been in touch with the counsellors by e-mail once. There doesn't seem to be anything to date to report. I encourage all to attend the Winter Workshop in February as it provides an opportunity for professional development as well as support. Everyone have a very Merry and Relaxing Christmas, and don't make too many New Year's resolutions.

Sincerely

Marion Morrison, Counselling Rep.

Greetings from UPEI

Hard to believe another semester has come and gone so soon - I usually attribute this rapid passage of time to a busy agenda and this would certainly reflect our collective experience at UPEI since September. It seems not so much an increase in volume of students seeking assistance, but rather the greater complication of the presenting issues that has defined this semester.

Good news to report on the staffing front, with the return to active duty of Shirley Hudson. Better yet we get to keep Ray Malone, who has been filling in during Shirley's absence, through until the Spring.

The Community Connector Fair (our volunteer initiative) which brought together 21 not-for-profit organizations to meet with students - was very successful. We are now putting together a registry of volunteer placement opportunities and will continue to encourage and facilitate student involvement in their community in this manner. A full report will be provided at the 2002 AACUSS/CACUSS conference.

As part of a campus wide initiative by the support units, Student Services hosted a wellness activity for the month of October, drawing on the Hallowe'en theme. Not only did faculty, staff and students have a great time, numerous items for our campus food bank were collected along the way. The new Student Centre

construction continues at a rapid pace, attempting to get the structure enclosed prior to the arrival of winter weather. For the curious, you can follow the progress and view the plans from the (www.upei.ca) construction cam, with hourly updates - <http://www.upei.ca/sucentre/>.

From all of us, our very best wishes for a joyous holiday season.

Bob Gibson, UPEI

Attention New Professionals!!

Looking for professional development opportunities?

Want to broaden your understanding of Student Affairs and Service departments?

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GREETINGS FROM HOUSING!!

How's it goin' fellow housing mates,

Happy New Year everyone! Hope you had a rested and Merry Christmas. With Christmas over and a another year beginning, us housing folks are ready for a busy new year – then again we are well used to that in residence. I have not seen much action on the list-serv lately but I will not assume that we are problem free – maybe just too busy to solicit advice or chat on-line. Since the last edition, the ARC Conference was hosted by DAL. I did not attend as we sent our Residence Life Officer Kyle Robinson instead. I asked him to write up a summary of the conference – see his article for further details.

What's up? Have you made plans to attend the AACUSS Winter Workshop? Are you taking any students? Don't miss out on the learning or the fun. It seems that your fellow student affairs peers are attending – what about you and your housing staff. This is our chance to get involved in AACUSS and connect with our peers. I would love some feedback on why housing – residence life staff in particular – are not more active within the AACUSS network. Why are we allowing those other divisions to overshadow us? Is it money? We advocate for students everyday yet we are unable to advocate for our attendance at these vital PD workshops. While there is largely a student agenda – we must still ensure that our residence students are represented – after all they are the students with the most investment on cam

pus given that they are there 24 hours a day.

I will be contacting all of you by e-mail over the next couple of weeks to chat about AACUSS. I would love to hear more about why the residence life staff are not members of AACUSS. Sometimes we all need to be reminded that we are a vital part of the student affairs team – we need to express our opinions and offer suggestions for our residence students. We need to chat more about the millennium student and what this means for our campuses.

Please feel free to contact me, your housing rep, with any issues, concerns etc. I plan on setting up a new distribution list to inform of deadlines for AACUSS, upcoming conference calls that we have, etc. Would love to hear from you.

Cheers,
Kim

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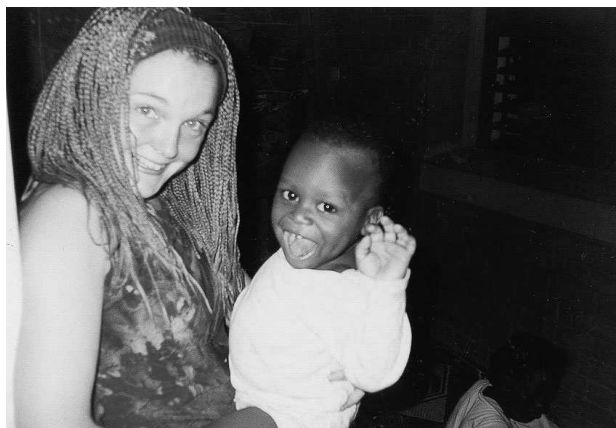


World University Service of Canada (WUSC) A World of Experiences for Maritime Students

By Allison Broadbent-Codjo
International Student Advisor
Mount Allison University

Besides being the International Student Representative on the AACUSS Executive, I was also recently elected to the national Board of Directors of World University Service of Canada (WUSC) as the Atlantic Regional Representative. I have been involved with WUSC for over 10 years now and would like to take this opportunity to tell you about the wonderful ways in which WUSC has changed my life and the many opportunities WUSC offers for students at universities across the Maritimes and Canada.

WUSC is one of the oldest and largest non-profit, non-governmental international development organizations in Canada. WUSC's mission is to foster human development and global understanding through education and training. At the local level, WUSC has student-run committees on over 70 university and college campuses across Canada who engage in on-campus education about international development issues through speakers, conferences, discussions, films and other awareness events. For over 20 years, WUSC local committees have also been helping refugees start a new life and return to their studies in Canada through the WUSC Student Refugee Sponsorship Program. At the national level, WUSC recruits and



Overseas assignments in such countries as Benin, Botswana, Ghana, Malawi, Peru, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Vietnam and Zimbabwe.

There are also numerous overseas opportunities offered to Canadian students through WUSC youth programs and internships. My two WUSC experiences in Africa have had a significant impact on my life. In 1998, I participated in the WUSC Seminar program to Botswana. The annual Seminar program has existed for over 50 years and is meant to give students a first experience in a developing country through small research projects and cross-cultural exchange. This coming summer, 25 students from across Canada (5 from the Maritimes) have been chosen to participate in the bilingual Seminar which will be held in Vietnam.

In 2000, I did a three-month WUSC Internship working in a centre for abused, abandoned and handicapped children in Bénin, West Africa. Since my Bachelor's degree is in Fine Arts, I taught the children basic painting skills and we then completed two huge wall murals in the centre together.

However, the children taught me much more through the spirit and love they all exhibit despite the hardships they have experienced.

On another level, I'm also very thankful for my WUSC experience because I met my husband while I was working in Bénin (but that's another story.) My experience working with the disadvantaged children in Bénin touched me in ways I still find difficult to put into words. My husband and my goal is to continue working to better the lives of children in Africa in the future.

While international students in Canada bring a wealth of different academic, social and cultural perspectives to the learning environment, I believe that the internationalization of Canadian campuses means much more than just bringing more international students to our universities. We need to encourage cross-cultural learning on all levels. In particular, we need to encourage Canadian student mobility. Almost any student who has had an overseas, cross-cultural experience will tell you that it has benefited them in profound ways. Whether it's through discussing world issues, developing a bond with a refugee student a WUSC local committee brings to Canada, or getting experience in one's field of study in a developing country, WUSC gives Canadian students the opportunity to develop the international skills that will foster global understanding and international cooperation for the future.



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For more information about World University Service of Canada programs, how to get involved in a local committee or how to start a local committee on your campus, don't hesitate to contact me at abroad-bent@mta.ca

The 2001 Atlantic Residence Conference (ARC)

**By: Kyle Robinson
Residence Life Officer
Memorial University of Newfoundland**

The 2001 Atlantic Residence Conference was hosted by Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia from November 2-4, 2001. This annual conference is primarily for undergraduate student leaders that work in the area of student housing. There were, however, a number of university and college administrators in attendance as well. The conference played host to well over 150 candidates from across Atlantic Canada. Some of the institutions that were in attendance included: Dalhousie University, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. Mary's University, Mount Saint Vincent University, University of New Brunswick, St. Thomas University, Saint FX University, University College of Cape Breton, among others.

This conference allowed delegates to come together and share their ideas with each other to improve existing programs and implement new ones at their home institutions. The information sessions were very diverse and examined areas such as: delegation, the role of the Resident Assistant, sex education, fundraising, living in a co-ed environment, the Resident Assistant hiring process, maintaining enthusiasm, roommate conflict mediation, and the relationship between the Resident Assistant and Student Councils. Each session was very informative and allowed delegates to take home fresh and new ideas.

Of course, there was also social activities planned that gave each delegate the opportunity to meet new individuals from across the Atlantic region. Included were things such as: a tour of Halifax, glow bowling, a midnight movie at a local theatre, and a buffet banquet. Entertainment was also provided at the banquet by a senior Dalhousie pianist, as well as a local dance group that shared the traditional African Dance with all in attendance.

ARC began a number of years ago as a Dalhousie student initiative. A group of residence leaders thought that it would be important to plan an annual conference that invited post secondary residence student leaders from across the Atlantic region to share a common goal: to improve programming within a residence environment. The conference was a great success and each year since its birth, it has become bigger and better with more and more delegates attending each year.

As this was the first conference I attended as a Student Affairs professional, it provided me with many great ideas and experiences that will only aid me in becoming a stronger Residence Life employee at Memorial. I would like to thank Dalhousie for hosting such a fabulous conference. I now have new friends and memories to take with me throughout my professional career. Hats off to all those involved in planning such a successful endeavour and best of luck in the future!!!

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“Nobody’s Perfect” Program, MUN

The “Nobody’s Perfect Program” is a program sponsored by Health and Community Services and offered by Wellness Education, Student Support Programs to student parents attending Memorial University of Newfoundland. The “Nobody’s Perfect Program” is designed to provide the participants with the resources to gain information relating to their specific needs as student parents. Often these students, who for various reasons cannot avail of the various programs offered within the community, either due to financial difficulties, time constraints or other programs. The program provides the members with information about coping with the stress of trying to balance being a parent, and personal life. The program also encompasses teaching time management strategies, parenting skills, eliminating guilt, and relaxation techniques. This is the second semester that Wellness Education has offered The “Nobody’s Perfect Program” to our students. When the program initiated it was done so as a pilot project; the enrollment consisted of ten student parents and was a great success, thus we offered it once again this semester. During our second run of the program enrollment had more than doubled. This is a clear indication of the need for such a program as The “Nobody’s Perfect Program” and we expect the enrollment to yet increase again next semester.

Written By Anne Ryan (Wellness Assistant, under the supervision of Kathie Saunders, Wellness Educator, Student Support Programs).

Hello from Wellness Education, Memorial University

The Memorial University Peer Helpers have been quite active this semester. Through our various awareness campaigns and contributions, we’ve aimed to increase the knowledge of wellness issues in the university community.

Our first event of the year involved a trip to Marine Institute as part of our AIDS and STD awareness campaign. In the main atrium we set up a booth with all kinds of pamphlets and posters, as well as visual “devices” to attract people in; and, boy did they want to see what those images were. We also held a trivia contest to bolster interest in the display booth. Peer Helpers circulated the area with pamphlets, and were ready to answer questions and direct attention. Our usual staple of condoms were also available to those who approached the booth.

We were also involved with the Peer Orientation “Weeks of Welcome” Halloween ball. On a Saturday evening prior to Halloween a local residence food hall was decorated with all the trimmings for a spooky evening, and the Peer Helpers set up a booth to serve “moc-tails”. Consisting of strawberry flavored syrup, orange juice and a lemon-lime flavored carbonated beverage, we offered these drinks free to the first-year attendants of the ball. Our objective was to create a flavorful, non-alcohol based drink, as well as promote our services on campus.

Every week the Graduate Students’ Union hosts a trivia night. The category we submitted, entitled “Hollywood Babylon”, consisted of questions about well-known movies which depict wellness issues such as alcohol consumption, AIDS, dating violence, drug abuse, etc.

Our aim was to avoid a preachiness at all costs, so we provided a humorous, yet informative category that could raise awareness of these issues. This was a great success, and we have plans to host a trivia night sometime in the future.

Our Halloween campaign was perhaps the most daring so far. Trick or treat took on a whole new meaning as we strutted around the university food court dressed as contraceptive devices. We handed out our usual grab bags of donated candy, along with responsible-consumption, and STD tips with condoms, in this most unusual way. Maneuvering between the tables was slightly difficult, but we reached a lot of students that day. Topping this next year will pose quite a challenge!

Our alcohol awareness campaign took us back to Marine Institute. We used a display board highlighting alcohol and addictions information, as well as a blank sheet where people could write their comments against drinking and driving. By writing their comments they were automatically entered to win a prize. Many people approached the booth, and it turned out to be a great success.

We contributed several articles for the student newspaper, *The MUSE*. Our wellness articles dealt with stress and colds, as well as alcohol consumption as a means of dealing with this stress. Feedback about these articles was positive, and we feel it is definitely a great avenue for reaching a wide body of students.

Rounding out the semester, we helped promote the "End Violence Against Women" campaign. The promotions involved poster placements around campus for the pancake breakfast in support of the Women's Resource Centre. A couple of us early risers even had a good breakfast doused in syrup!

Update from Health at St. Mary's

Hi Folks,

It has been very busy this past semester and we have seen a lot of patients each day with a significant number of students looking for doctor's notes for their profs. In addition, we are seeing a lot of Alumnae given that they are unable to find a family doctor. We are not sure how long we will be able to continue this, but may have to because there are no doctors taking new patients.

We are looking forward to the Christmas break—I hope everyone has a wonderful relaxing and peaceful holiday!

Regards

Jane Collins

ATTENTION STUDENT COUNSELLORS

If you are interested in a one year staff exchange at an Australian Institute in 2002 and would like more details please contact Chris and Marg Loughnan at chrisloughnan@hotmail.com

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CACUSS/ASEUCC 2002 Conference Update

The organising committee for CACUSS/ASEUCC 2002 met as a large group in June to decide the theme for the New Brunswick conference which will be held in Fredericton at the University of New Brunswick, June 23-26, 2002. After much lively discussion, the group members chose a conference theme that would enable participants to share and highlight new student services strategies and solutions. The following words were identified as best capturing the challenges and directions for future growth in student services: Networking, Innovation, Partnerships, Creativity. The challenge then was to capture these key issue areas in a turn of phrase infused with our own Maritime flavour. We think the conference theme for 2002 does all of this: **Where the Land Meets the Sea/Là où la terre accueille la mer.**

Jane McGinn and Lynn Brown-Rae, conference co-chairs, describe it this way: "Where the land meets the sea is a point of contact. Amazing things happen where connections are made and nothing is ever the same afterward. Just as the sea shapes and reshapes the land, students shape and reshape the institutions where they come to learn and grow. The contact that students make with our institutions can be turbulent or calm depending on the issues they bring with them and

how we respond to their needs. As well, the institution influences and in turn is influenced by the social, political, and economic environment in which it exists. This point of contact can create conflict and creative resolutions that result in administrative and program innovation. The conference subtitle is Innovative Connections for Student Services/Connections innovatives pour les services d'étudiants/es."

The CUCCA program committee has been active as well, selecting a pre-conference workshop that will have wide appeal to the members and which would meet an important professional need. While most counselors supervise others, be they students from professional programs, other staff, or each other in peer supervision, most of us have received relatively little formal training in the practice of supervision. The workshop, entitled Supervision in Clinical and Career Counselling, would try to address this need. The committee is in the final stages of getting feedback from the CUCCA executive and the overall conference planning committee. After that, we should be in a position to make a final confirmation with the presenter.

The call for papers will go out soon with a deadline of January 18. The theme for the conference has been chosen to enable participants to share and highlight new student services strategies and solutions. There will be opportunity to do presentations as well as posters. So begin thinking of something you'd like to do. Come connect with others where the land meets the sea and share your innovations at CACUSS/ASEUCC 2002 in New Brunswick.

Follow-Up of Special Project Grant received by Tamara O'Leary, UPEI at AACUSS 2001.

In June 2001, AACUSS awarded a \$500.00 Special Project grant to UPEI Student Services to assist with the development of the "Community Connector Fair". The fair was held on Wednesday September 26th, 2001 and was by all accounts a wonderful success! Twenty-one non-profit community organizations came to campus to share their service/support information with UPEI students and to encourage students to become volunteers with an organization of their choice. The idea for the event came as a result of community organizations looking for ways to connect with student volunteers similar to the UPEI ACE Program's successful student peer support network. This, coupled with the noticeable increase in students looking for volunteer information from the Department of Student Services, supported the initiative to bring the two groups together. Coincidentally, the Fair was most appropriately developed and held in the United Nations' International Year of the Volunteer, 2001.

UPEI Student Services plans on hosting another Community Connector Fair in September 2002. In the meantime, and as a follow-up to the fair itself, Student Services is in the process of developing a volunteer data base for students and community organizations to remain connected throughout the year.

Important Dates in 2002 to Remember

February 7th (evening) and 8th (all day)
AACUSS Winter Workshop
Moncton, NB

For more info on the workshop contact online Denis.T.Léger@gnb.ca or call (506) 869-6119

June 22nd (evening) and 23rd (all day)
AACUSS Conference,
UNB Fredericton, NB

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