

Letters...

Panthers and the Panther Lounge

Dear fellow hockey fan:
I am glad that you have brought up the Panther Lounge's concern about student involvement... The Panther Lounge is not the only one. The temporary boost in school spirit is precisely that, **SHORT LIVED!** I am really tired of the lack of support to the less prosperous teams in this school. I have never seen a bigger group of **POOR LOSERS** than here at UPEI. There is support when we win but nothing but jeers and taunts (even from President Elliot) when we are not so fortunate! School Spirit at UPEI needs more than a sporadic boost... it needs constant support and pride is one of the elements! I love this school but that doesn't prevent me from being repulsed by the actions of some of the students i.e. two members of the Mens Hockey team (one of whom is a former Campus Police) were barred for **BRAWLING** at the Panther Lounge.

First the two did the P.L. staff a great disservice

and put them in unnecessary danger. It must be remembered that these two are **STUDENTS FIRST, ATHLETES SECOND!** I think that what they did to their fellow students (yes C.P. and Bartenders are students too) was really **LOW!** It only takes a few **BAD APPLES!**

I have rarely missed an athletic event during my 3 yrs. at UPEI and I have **RARELY** seen the Athletic Booster Club sponsor events at the Panther Lounge. The Panther Lounge does need the support of the student body, that I don't deny, but not at the cost of compromising the safety of its patrons or staff. I am in full support of the Judicial Board's decision, and I reprimand your suggestion that a double standard be expected for these two culprits or any other member of the UPEI population! How can punitive action be taken seriously if it has no effect, likewise, how can behavior change if it goes unpunished?

As for the **BOYCOTT** of the Panther Lounge, it only

stands to emphasize the lack of respect for authority that has been apparent from the start of this whole incident!

Signed,

Sorry you missed the **PARTY AT THE BARN,**
Carla with a K.

Dear Editor:

In response to the letter to the editor of March 17 regarding Hockey Panthers not being allowed into the Panther Lounge: Why should there be an exception made for anyone - just because they are one of the Hockey Panthers? Just because there are two no-minds on the team doesn't mean the school spirit should be dampened. I disagree with the statement regarding the togetherness between the team members, the university students, professors, supporters, and the surrounding community. If you took a survey at a hockey game you would see that there is a very low percentage of student support with the major-

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ity being from the community. These are the people who don't really see the image projected by the majority of the Hockey Panthers around campus!

These people should be promoting school spirit not setting bad examples! I believe there shouldn't have been an exception made - they are simply like the rest of us and I'm sure they wouldn't make an exception for anyone else. And why should they?

We don't mean to pick on the Panthers, as a whole. It wasn't the fault of the Panther Lounge but the individuals whose irresponsible and immature actions caused the change in plans to party at the Barn. Face it, guys, your two team members ruined the night for you.

-A non-hockey fan who didn't get to party at Myrons.

PS: I also was not impressed at the actions by the staff of Myrons that night. I waited in line for 45 minutes before leaving only after the Hockey Panthers had walked right in past all of us without having to wait in line. They made it to the CIAU's before - what makes this time so special?

Dear Editor:

Last week's GEM included a letter to the editor written by "A Hockey Fan Who Celebrated At Myron's". This person believed that two members of the hockey team deserved special treatment the night the Panthers won the AUAAs and should have been allowed into the Barn.

Wrong. Wrong. Wrong. I don't know why the two hockey players were banned from the Barn and I don't care. If they were any other students, they'd have been kept out, and that's that. What the Barn did, "Hockey Fan", was make a policy decision not based on favouritism, or even on money.

Alan MacEachern

P.S. Why are people so shy about signing their names to these letters? "Hockey Fan", what are you embarrassed about?



Faculty In-fighting

Dear Editor:

The article which was published in this paper on March 10th by Mujeeb Rahman was a clear example of a smear campaign. It is filled with veiled innuendo and implied judgement. Indeed, if there were any valid criticisms to be made of the research on sexual harassment done by his colleagues, Beth Percival and Don Mazer of the psychology department, they could have been made in the more appropriate forum of the recent faculty presentation on sexual harassment.

To suggest that psychological research involving willing volunteers is a form of voyeurism is to suggest that all research is such and to imply that it stop. So much for scholarly inquiry.

To suggest that sexual harassment is just another term for courting shows a poor understanding of what sexual harassment is and overlooks the pressing and persistent and **UNWANTED** aspect of it.

To suggest that "sneaking in" questions having to do with attitudes toward women is irrelevant also shows a profound lack of understanding. Sexual harassment is directly connected to the social context to which it occurs. To ignore attitudes toward women is to overlook one of the prime causes of sexual harassment.

If there is any question of unethical behaviour it seems to lie in the direction of Professor Rahman. Indulging in an entirely unprovoked public attack on his fellow psychologists in the student newspaper without raising one objection in more appro-

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