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Dear Editor;

I am writing in response to the woman condemning the Campus Women page in this paper. She has a right to her opinion, yes, but in stating such (publicly) it is her responsibility to be informed on the topic before judging a group of people so harshly and incorrectly.

Firstly, the purpose of the Women's Page is hardly to segregate the sexes, but to inform a class within this society of happenings concerning them, if that is segregation then so is the space devoted to the Psych, English, Music,...societies. At least your area of study is of choice, should we ignore groups where membership is not a choice?

Secondly, the purpose of "Women Libbers" is not to be like men but to create an atmosphere of equal opportunity. No feminist I know wants to be a man. I am constantly reminded that I am a woman by how I am treated in this society; we do not "forget" we are women, you obviously think your behaviours should be governed by the sex you happen to be.

We as women are not equal. We are not "crying" for respect, we are demanding it, as it is how anyone should be treated. Women have been "respecting" men for centuries, it has not been a two way street back. One in ten women in Canada are beaten by their husbands, one in four girls on PEI will be sexually abused by the age of eighteen, is that respect?

As for the name issue, you won't mind if we call you Herb, do you? As for your career, perhaps you should thank all the Women Libbers who suffered, fought, and gave so that you could have that opportunity; it is only in the last fifty years a woman could attend university, let alone have a career.

We also feel that being married and having children is incredibly fulfilling, but we are saying it should not be at the total exclusion of all else (including a choice in the matter).

Lastly, you seem to think of feminists as pitbulls with PMS, please take the time to learn that feminism is a school of thought promoting equal opportunity, choice, and respect for all people. It seems, my dear, that you are a feminist.

Margo Connors

Dear Editor,

In response to the October 12, 1990 editorial in the UPEI X-Press, I would like to agree with the editor that a major part of society now seems to be disappearing. This part of society is church-going and religious activities, and it used to play a major role in the lives of many individuals.

As many of us know, especially those who are historians, the church used to be extremely influential and was a major driving force in shaping the lives of individuals. Today, however, the church seems to be taking a back seat as the hustle and bustle of an increasingly complex world determines the direction of our lives. As the editor noted, catching up on sleep, working on assignments, sleeping off the night before, and just about everything else seems to come before, and just about everything else seems to come before church or, at least, prevents us from squeezing it into our schedule. I feel that this is an extremely dangerous trend which has already aided in eroding our societal fibre and which will continue to so in the future.

As a fourth year student at UPEI, I have an extremely busy schedule which includes many activities other than school work, yet I always find time to put church/religion at a place of importance in my life. I go to church weekly and try to model my life around Christian values. Although this definitely goes against the norm, I personally know at least 35 to 40 people in my age group (16-22 years old) who similarly try to follow the same principles, and I know of many more. It's good to know I'm not alone in my thoughts.

So why do these people feel that church/religion is