

Speaker Of The Student Union Does An End Year Review

This being the last edition of the Cadre, I felt compelled to summarize the Student Union's affairs over the past three months as well as look at some upcoming events for next year. Things have undoubtedly picked up around U.P.E.I. and the S.U. since the election of the new council. Student interest on the whole has picked up and more students are conscious of the ability of the S.U. to function for them. Participation at council meetings has increased and the students as a whole are at least aware that we have a Senate. There's even a few turning up for meetings as well.

Communication is taking on a new dimension and Rick Huyck hopes to keep the students informed as to what is happening. He is already busy planning for orientation. His main concern will be Freshman students. He hopes to make the freshmen more aware of his role in the university community and even more important, increase their understanding of the role of student union and other factions of the school and their ability to use these institutions to make their learn-

ing years more valuable to their future life. Even if they don't finish they might as well get what they can of value while they're here.

It is hoped that faculty will also turn up next September and help get this show on the road. Exposure to about four hundred freshmen other than on a classroom level may give them an experience that they might have been missing the last few years. Maybe a little contact between these two groups would give this university a bit of youthful exuberance. It's about time we attempted to abolish the "greater than thou" attitude and replace it with a little direct communication. Neither student nor prof is an island sufficient unto itself.

President Baker has as well an individual professor's ability as well as relevancy and course content. This data will then be tabulated and distributed to incoming freshmen thus providing them with a student's view of the courses listed in the U.P.E.I. calendar. It is hoped that this will provide in time an increase in prof-student communication on a one-to-one basis.

Tom Hayward, the new vice-president, has informed me that there still are vacancies in the following student union positions: 1) yearbook, 2) winter carnival and oktoberfest, and 3) movie club. If anyone is interested I suggest that he/she drop by Student Union and talk with Tom. There's definitely lots of jobs open in these and other areas. If students don't fill these who will? Tom also plans to start working this summer on a new S.U.-athletic complex. Hopefully by fall he'll have a few leads.

Ray Shalala, the new SU Treasurer, has informed me about his policy concerning finances at U.P.E.I. Any queries concerning residence fees late fees, bursaries, tuition fees or any related information. He hopes to provide direct communication between the vault in the ad-

ministration and the student himself. Ray will be more than happy to help. I'm sure Dennis Clough and Murray Stevenson are more than anxious to have students know where, when, and how their monies are spent as well as the reasoning behind these expenses. Ray, in conjunction with Mickey Place, the S.U. Business Manager, expects to furnish a monthly statement on where your money is going. He as well plans to make any Board of Governors Meetings public.

President Baker has also informed me that the rules of Senate have been collected and will soon be ratified by Senate. Any student wishing a copy of these rules may for the asking pick one up at the president's office or from myself.

Charles M. Mills
'The Mouth of the Students'

Help The Hondurans

In the wake of Hurricane FIFI, World University Service of Canada is appealing to Canadian Colleges and universities to raise funds in support of a World University Service of Honduras reconstruction project to help some of the 350,000 hurricane victims.

The project will provide 100 houses; 2 wells of drinking water; 100 sewing machines for cottage industry; 600 army cots for the homeless; and 50 sets of camping equipment for student relief workers.

To support this appeal World University Service of Canada has produced a sound slide show depicting life in Honduras both before and

after this September's Hurricane FIFI. Gale force winds and torrential rains brought severe flooding and wide-scale destruction roughly estimated at 15,000 dead; 30,000 isolated or missing; 10,000 homeless and 80,000 homes destroyed. University of Honduras personnel have each donated one day's pay for the victims in co-operation with the National Emergency Committee.

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Student Counselling. No one else. I must say I cannot recall the last time the President or Deans requested a file, but we have worked closely with Student Counselling services on some applications and that department has often obtained entrance and subsequently worked with some students.

Why has there been so little demand for these files? As most of the students who went in and asked for them this week found out, there is almost nothing in them. No secret service dossiers, no credit-bureau-type files are prepared on any student. None of the information ever follows the student anywhere, confidential or not.

This information, useless as it may appear, is kept. Probably the main reason for this is that the re-

port may prove useful to prevent unfortunate things from happening during the student's stay at university. Every now and then incidents occur that make us all ask ourselves "Could we have prevented that had we only known?"

There are likely other possibilities, but these are the ones that come to mind immediately. When this matter comes up in Senate again, as I have no doubt it will, Senate may wish to refer it to one of its committees for recommendations and these possibilities among others should be considered.

I wish to thank you, Mr. Editor, for the space for this lertthy letter. I do hope it serves some useful purpose.

Sincerely yours,
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