

# Editorial

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I made a mistake the other week. I totally broke a promise I swore to myself many times. What did I do? - I went to one of the local clubs.

First I must explain that I have only gone to the clubs a few times, yet every time I do I always swear that I will never go there again. This time I mean it! It is not that I do not like the music or the dancing (well actually, I do not care for either!), But what really turns me off of these places is the people. It is amazing what a few drinks, people of the opposite sex, and a lot of peer pressure can do to "mature" people.

I realize that people have to be 19 to get into these places, but I am sure that does not refer to maturity at all. Even before you go in the door you usually see a bunch of people who have not yet mastered the skill of "mature drinking". These people still seem to think that they are in High School, and that it is so cool to be totally drunk.

The moment you get inside you see another group of drunk groupies. Many of these people are university students and should know that any place that is charging admission to go into a room that is small, too hot, and too crowded, where the main objective is to buy drinks at twice their normal price, is being ripped off. It seems that all that is needed to attract these patrons' attention is some loud music, fancy lights, and a "cool" atmosphere.

Now I am not against having fun, or going out, but I could hope that the students of this university would give a more mature picture of students to the general public, then the picture they receive now. A picture of lines of students lining outside of clubs to get in, a picture of staggering drunks walking down the street at night, and a picture of groups of students hanging around street corners trying to look cool.

Every time I happen to go to one of these watering holes, I am reminded of those stupid beer commercials on TV. If you look around the clubs you will see a bunch of guys trying to look like studs, drinking their drinks as coolly as possible, desperately trying to

impress the women. They dress like the commercials, drink like the commercials, and even stand around like they do in the commercials.

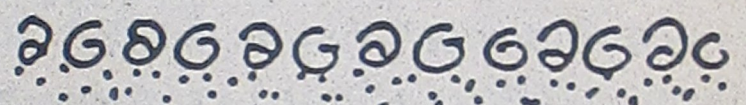
Then there are the women. They are even funnier than the guys (I always thought women were more mature than men, I was wrong!). The women are acting like they are in a beer commercial too. Many in there slinky cloths, drinking not one beer but two (I guess that is to help control their drinking??) and failing desperately at trying to look like they are not there only to pick up guys. Any feminist would be ashamed of the women at the clubs. (The men are acting exactly like the a stereotypical man.)

The only comfort I get in my disgust of these people is in the knowledge that some day they will look back and see just how silly they look.

Laughing before the rest,

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