



# editorial

I finally return to write the last editorial for the last issue of the year. I would like to thank all our readers and wish you all luck with the next few weeks.

I'd like to aim this editorial at any students who are thinking of becoming involved with student organizations next year.

The most important thing that student organizations do is to get students who have interest in a specific field working together. It is not to have that group of people to do a job that can be termed professional.

The majority of students don't understand this. As a result, the organizations do not spend enough time on recruiting students who would like to become involved but are either not self-confident enough or do not know how to go about it.

These organizations become a semi-professional enterprise run by a small number of students. Since the number is small and they do not spend time instructing new members, their job is done very well.

The jobs done by student organizations are not so important as to place the needs of the individual student in the back seat. It would be better if a job was done as if it was done by a bunch of amateurs who learned from the experience, than by a small group of students who are semi-professional.

Although university teaches us a lot, it gives little practical experience. Student organizations provide this much-needed quality in learning. They cannot do this if they stress the end-product more than how they achieve it.

It was for this reason that our graphics artist, assistant editor, and myself refused to work on the last two issues. We took a long look at the operation of the newspaper and decided it couldn't really be called a student newspaper if it was put out only by six people.

The three of us decided there should be only one more paper (which is this one) but the rest of the six decided to put out the last two anyway. We feel that it is not worthwhile to spend all that student money if we are not really helping students. Nothing in our paper is so relevant that it could not have waited two weeks.

I hope that people who are running things next year keep this in mind. The students come first, not the student body. Aim to get as many people as possible involved and worry less about how professional it is, and you will have a better year next year.

# LETTERS

Editor,

Being the only profoundly deaf student at U.P.E.I. for the past four years, I would like to take this opportunity before graduation, to extend thanks and offer some comments.

I've found my four years challenging. It has been difficult at times and has meant a lot of hard work.

However, I have many reasons to be thankful.

The professors have been cooperative and understanding, and of course I found the fellow students the same way.

To all, I would like to say, learn a little more about deafness as a handicap. Accept deaf people into your group and community. Communication is never that difficult and

remember that deaf people

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We would also like to thank all those people who submitted articles, stories, poems, ect. and who gave moral support when needed.

We applaud the honest professors who subscribed to our newspaper and condone those filthy wretches who didn't pay their three dollars but read it anyway.

Special thanks to Jonh Cairns, who never failed to meet his deadline (the editor would like to know his secret) also President Ronald J. Baker, who kept us going without realizing it.

It has been an experience, working as editor-well worth going through once, but not twice. Anyone intersted in my job, please contact the student union. Don't worry about inexperience; I'll be here for a few years yet.

Larry Green  
SUN Editor

are not happy "in a silent world of their own". Every human being wants to be part of the main stream of society.

I only hope that I have in some measure paved the way for other deaf students who may enter U.P.E.I.

Thank you all again. We have a wonderful university and only hope you can keep it that way.

Elaine Campbell

Dear Editor:

In recent, successive issues of the SUN, you published one letter from off campus criticizing an advertisement for contraceptive materials and two letters criticizing the first one. This note continues that discussion.

It seems to me the first letter was misread by its critics. So far as I can

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