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Enrico Puavé labourer for the lovelorn

Dear Enrico:

At the risk of sounding like a YM reader type, I'm strongly thinking of, ahem, a make-over of sorts. I'm a Plain-Jane type, and realizing I don't really have any especially "visible" attractive features, I'm thinking I need a change in appearance. I'm just not "sexy" at all, and I'm also somewhat shy so this makes meeting guys harder. How much does appearance factor in? And can you suggest ways to meet people? (Under 19 (Me -- not the guys))

Thanks, JT.

The first thing I have to say JT is that there is no Plain-Jane type. Perhaps you don't feel that you have any "visible" attractive features, but even that wouldn't make you plain. People are always doing things so that they get noticed but you have to ask yourself if this is really a good idea, after all what kind of guys do you want to attract?

You might go for a pretty big make over, something that starts to attract people but not the kind of people you want to be attracted to you. Yes, men notice "sexy" women; I do all the time. But that doesn't make me want to go out with them. It's the girls I talk to that I like, the ones who have a brain, emotions, and all the wonderful things that appearance can't tell you about. Don't change yourself to attract men.

I think maybe that answers your question on how much appearance factors in. As for where you should meet men? Well age doesn't really come into that. I would never suggest meeting the right kind of person in a bar, I've met people in bars and they never turn out to be the same person later. Look for people in the sort of place where you're happy. Like in a school society for example, if you love books and English, then perhaps you'd like to start conversations in English class or at the English Society. Try to meet people who you'll like for the kind of people they are, and maybe they'll like you for the kind of person you are. Maybe the right Plain-Tom is out there for you.

If maybe you feel that you really need a change, then change something that you would have changed for yourself, to make yourself feel better. I.e. if YOU don't like your haircut, get a haircut, if YOU don't think you look good in blue, then wear black. And as for shy? Well, try to remember that there is no loss in talking to someone, even if it goes nowhere. Attempting to get to know people often pays off more than looking for men, you'd be surprised at how often, and even if you come off as being a little shy, don't worry. There are people who like shy people.

Dear Enrico:

I noticed that this is a neat place were people can hack off their feelings and get a good response from them. I would however, like to hear about your life before I tell you about mine. So please give me and the students here at UPEI your entire life history.

Curious.

Well, that's a tall order, so I don't think that Enrico shall comply with you. I shall tell you only a little -- too much and you may not believe me, eh?

First of all I come from an island across the water, where it is said that the lovers are better, at least better than here. Or at least that is what I am told, and what I choose to believe. Not that I do believe it, for the women here are wonderful, so maybe it's just the men who are not so good, which I have also been told, and so this is also what I choose to believe.

I am a man of many interests, but I spend most of my time thinking about relationships, whether I am in them or not. There are no experiences that are totally foreign to me; I have been around the block, in more than one city. And I would like to think that after all my varied experience I can give people advice that will help them avoid the mistakes I have made, or at least make them better. After all, even Enrico had a make-over, and neither the purple hair, nor the shaved head were right for him. But that is okay I was young and foolish then, I'm old and foolish now.

That is all I have to say for now, but before I go I shall wish the best for Ally McBeal, who I understand does not get a chance to date, so let us all hope that this changes very soon.

From the Archives

UPEI gets computer

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For the sum of thirty thousand dollars, the University of P.E.I. has purchased a second-hand computer from the University of New Brunswick. The computer, an IBM 1620, came on the market around 1960, then cost \$375,000. The IBM 1620 was succeeded by a newer model in 1965.

John Mainwaring of the Math Department is responsible for getting the computer operational at U.P.E.I. He hopes that it will be ready by the time classes begin. It will be located in Room 208 of the Duffy Science Center. It is hoped that there will be a full-time director for the computer center this term. "As of yet," says Mainwaring, "there is no one with the full-time job of being responsible for the computer."

Any member of Holland College or U.P.E.I. who learns how to use it may use it free. People outside the educational community will have to pay a

fee, but no fee has been agreed upon as of yet. As yet there are only two courses which will be using the computer as part of their program; an engineering course and a business course.

Mainwaring said he would like to see a non-credit course given so that interested students and faculty might learn how to use it. According to Mainwaring it is not that difficult to learn how to do simple operations with the computer and manuals on how to use the computer will be on sale at the University Book Store and the Computer Center.

The computer will be used by the University mainly for teaching i.e. how to program and use the computer and academic research. It is not expected to have any administrative use.

What the computer will do apparently depends a great deal upon the operator who is using it.

Evaluating math expres-

sions, sorting information into categories and processing surveys are a few examples of what it can do.

The card reader unit in the computer is capable of reading punch cards and while a good key-punch operator could do one or two cards per minute, the computer can do 500 per minute.

Mainwaring also compared the speed of a reasonably good typist to the speed of the computer. He said that a typist could do two or three printed lines per minute and the computer can do two or three hundred lines. (Of course the newest computer models can do over 1,000 per minute)

Mainwaring stated that the purchase of this somewhat dated computer was an interim solution; and that it was hoped U.P.E.I., Holland College and the provincial government would study the possibility of purchasing a newer model.