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I am very pleased to have this opportunity to welcome you to the beginning of the 1983-1984 academic year at the University of Prince Edward Island.

This is a very important year in the history of this University. As many of you will know, the governments of PEI, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia signed an agreement with the Federal Government last June which will provide 36.5 million dollars to design and construct the Atlantic Veterinary College at UPEI.

The detailed design work will take most of this year, and many people will be involved in this complex project. Although the construction of the main building on the playing field east of the Robertson Library will not begin until next year, it is planned to construct as many of the access roads and services as possible this fall. So, if you find your path blocked by a bulldozer or truck during the coming year, please be patient. It's all in a good cause.

It is important to realize that the Atlantic Veterinary College will be an integral part of UPEI. For example, the curriculum will have to be approved by the Senate, and appointments will have to be approved by the Board.

The College is going to have a major and very important impact on the University. There will be about 50 faculty for the 200 students in the four-year D.V.M. program and about 40 graduate students. The College will add a number of very excellent facilities such as electron

microscopes, etc., that will be very important resources not only for the University but the whole Island.

There is much more to tell about the College, and I hope the Editor of the Sun will be kind enough to invite further articles, so that you can learn as much as possible about what is happening.

The Senate and the Board are going to have a very busy year this year as they continue their examination of the long-term future of the institution and how best to cope with the chronic underfunding that has plagued this and other universities for over a decade now. It is very important that everyone in the University community, faculty, staff, students, alumni and lay people on the Board take the time to study and understand as fully as possible the issues that face the University, especially in the context of the times in which we are living.

To those who are here for the first time I would like to offer a special welcome on behalf of the University. We are glad that you have come to UPEI and hope that you enjoy your stay with us.

You will find many opportunities to get involved at a small university. Activities such as the student newspaper, the radio, the various clubs depend entirely on your support. You will gain a great deal from the experience as well as making a contribution to the life of the University.

Above all, please feel free to ask for help if you

are having a problem of any kind. There are two chaplains, two counsellors, and all the faculty and staff are willing to do whatever we can to help. Each of you is very important to us. (However, that doesn't mean you'll get a passing mark no matter what!)

A very warm welcome back to those of you who are returning I hope you had an enjoyable and rewarding summer. It appears from the early statistics that more than ever before are returning, and we may well have the largest enrolment in UPEI's history this year. We are glad to have you back and urge you to continue to make the most of your years at UPEI. The more you participate in the activities of the University, the more you will get out of it, and the whole university will benefit.

Good luck to all of you, and I hope you enjoy your year.

Peter Meincke

President

Dear Students:

On behalf of all of us in the School of Business Administration, I would like to welcome you to the campus.

The 1980's pose challenges which are extensive and at times awesome. Yet the opportunities have never been greater for young people who are committed to facing these challenges and finding ways to overcome them.

Might I encourage you to use your time at university not only to achieve knowledge in your chosen discipline, but to broaden your horizons, to know yourself and to understand and appreciate others. Please consider our time to be your time, and feel free to seek whatever assistance we may be able to give to you.

Yours truly,

Professor J.J.Revell

Director

School of Business Administration

Welcome to Students

I would like to extend the best wishes both of myself and of the Faculty of Arts to all our students this fall - to returnees, to newcomers on campus, to part-time students, and to centennial scholars. I sincerely hope that 1983-1984 will be an academically rich year for you all and that God will bless each of you in the achievement of your goals.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Ledwell

Dean of Arts

We regret that we were unable to contact Dean Dowling and Dean Campbell for welcomes. However, we are very confident that they would extend their best wishes and good luck to all of you.

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