

Letters.....

Dear GEM,

First, allow me to welcome you back for another year. I look forward to another year of your paper, and trust it will be of comparable or superior quality as those published last semester.

There are two items that I would like to see mentioned in upcoming issues. I didn't feel that they warranted a "Letter to the Editor" but thought I would mention them anyway.

Firstly, as you are probably aware, an alumni member from Hong Kong recently made a very substantial contribution to the "Challenge of the Eighties" campaign. I suggest that a thank-you from the student body is in order. (Perhaps one representing the student body as a whole, or a petition of actual signatures ???)

Secondly, the parking "prob-

lem" on campus. Now, the problem is not with the actual parking facilities but rather with the parkers. I have about had it with people literally parking their cars wherever they want. Already this year, I have seen cars parked in designated "RESERVED" areas, on the lawn, on top of painted cross-hatched areas of the lot, in lanes supposed to be used as connector lanes between parking lots, and the list goes on. I know the security personnel cannot possibly keep track of all of the "culprits." However, I do know that in the past they have towed cars that were improperly parked. Also, why not initiate a system of tickets and fines like our "friends" down town?

Perhaps I would be more sympathetic if there weren't enough parking spaces on campus (as is the case downtown, but that's an entirely different issue that I won't get into here). The fact is there are more than enough spaces, what with all the parking lots around. The problem, I suppose, is that not everyone can have a space right next to the door, or in the top level of the lot. If these bums are too lazy to walk a bit, then I suggest they cab

Dear Editor:

I think you are some kind of Communist. Where do you get off saying sexism, racism, oppression and war are bad things?



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it or arrive at 7:30 in the morning.

Incidentally, I am forced to walk most days, but don't mind it in the least. I figure there is less of a chance of me getting my car bumped from crowding, towed from being improperly parked, or more impor-

tantly, being in a very bad place in case of an emergency.

Thanks for your time, and I hope to see these issues addressed in upcoming issues.

Dedicated
GEM Reader.

Mr. Editor:

I would like to comment on the UPEI appointment calendar that is being passed out at the Campus Bookstore this year. It seems that whoever organized the calendar thinks that this university revolves around the Atlantic Veterinary College. Except for the sports teams, the letters "UPEI" never appear on any of the pages. For example, if one were to look at the square for Sept. 10, one would see "Non-AVC intro-level classes begin"; or Dec. 17, "AVC and non-AVC examinations".

If I were a visitor to this campus and picked up one of these calendars, I would assume that the AVC was the only important faculty here and that every other

faculty was "just a bunch of trivial courses". What ever happened to UPEI as a whole? In the last few years, it seems that the AVC has been taking over this campus and pushing the rest of the faculties into a corner.

I'm not saying that the AVC should not have come here because it is an important part of UPEI, but why must it always have precedence over other faculties such as Business or Science? Aren't they just as important?

I suggest that from now on, this campus be thought of as UPEI, with the AVC being only a part of the picture just like everybody else.

A Concerned Student.

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THE GEM

The gem cannot be polished without friction,
nor man perfected without trials.

— Confucius

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