

# Mail's Our Bag (Con't)

## Bernadine Hours

Dear Editor,

This subject has been the butt of continual debate. Every year it is brought up and aired; the result always being the same - everybody left with the short end of the stick.

Bernadine hours.

It is really stupid to think that segregation exists in a university this size. It even infects our dining halls where the boys sit on one side and the girls on the other with the centre a meeting place where the two sexes intermingle. That is the unwritten code.

Strange when you think that most of these people have been living with members of the opposite sex since birth,

I'm amazed that you can't have guys in during the afternoon. Visiting hours again interfere with normal interaction. On weekdays and on weekends there is no place where company may go since the lounges are all shut down.

There are too many rules; the old ones are no good, implemented for the sole reason that they have become tradition. And we've been operating for what! Seven years! We're too young too be getting into a rut.

It's sad to see that many of the girls keep to their rooms or go home for the weekend where they are not under such heavy supervision. Such supervision should not be forced upon students since this is a time in our lives when we should be learning to make decisions for ourselves. The days of the ivory tower are ended (but apparently not here). It is time we learned to do things for ourselves and take res-

ponsibility, not fall into the stereotype role of needing a protector or provider to watch over us.

Last year there was a vote on house hours but there was virtually nothing done about it. Are we content to leave it at that? You hear a lot of complaining. It is a misconception that we are content and happy about our artificial hilltop.

Why are the same old gripes sounded yearly? There must be something wrong with the "system" when so many complain.

Up in the Air

## Council Replies

Dear Editor,

The intent of this letter is just to clarify a few points that were brought up in the article on the Senate meeting regarding the Council on University Life,

Firstly, the Council is being set up, not because of conflict between Student Union and Student Services, but to compliment and co-ordinate the work already being done by these two bodies. When the Council becomes functional, it will probably help to cut down the "red tape" that seems to be a prerequisite for having things looked into around campus. Also the Council will be able to handle the administrative end of problem enquiries. What is most important to note is that the Council will be dealing exclusively with student/university problems, not for the intent of by-passing Student Union and Student Services, but, as mentioned before, to compliment and assist them. It is common knowledge that both these organizations (and many other on campus and elsewhere) tend to get rather tied up with administrative detail, unfortunately required of them. When problems arise, they are more or less put in second place, by necessity rather choice. This is where the Council on University Life will step in - it will deal exclusively with problems on campus.

Another area that was unclear in the paper last week was the membership. Included in the Council are representatives from all areas of the university community. Half of the Council's membership will be students, the others will be from athletics, faculty, administration, alumni and Student Services. The Council will provide, and demand input from all areas of the university.

What is important is that the Council is new and its efficiency cannot yet be evaluated. It really deserves a chance. It took almost a year of planning, research, discussion and debate before it was presented to Senate so it was not just a fast idea that came off the top of somebody's head over a few beer.

It is hoped that Council will be ready to go by next semester at latest. It was devised to work and hopefully will.

Yours truly,  
Joanne Ings,  
Chairperson of the Committee to Establish a Council on University Life.

## S.U. Meeting (con't.)

would like to see this go through Senate to prevent any prof from refusing to allow questionnaires into the classroom.

Radio CIMN is hosting a 2½ day convention for the Atlantic Association of University Broadcasters. The S.U. has agreed to put \$100 towards this event with the understanding that any overrun will come out of the radio budget.

The Fall general meeting of the Student Union will be held Oct 5 at 6:00 PM in the Duffy Amphitheatre. General meetings are the sole body through which changes in the Constitution can be made. Also at the meeting will be reports from the President and Treasurer.

This meeting is now adjourned.

Micheal Hartshorn



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