



**catharsis**

by

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**It's not the arts but it's important now**

Although I am supposedly the Arts editor for the CADRE and in this position therefore I am required to submit articles in that relative field; this week I will dispense with the topic of Arts as such and contribute my own personal criticisms (negative as positive) on the meeting held last Thursday at the Panther Lounge concerning the role of students in the university, insofar as the Means and Objectives Committee is concerned.

Not being a mathematician by any stretch of the imagination I would surmise that roughly 150 - 200 students were in attendance at the meeting: some stayed for the duration of the meeting while others floated back and forth between classes.

The purpose of the meeting was for students themselves to hash out problems and hopefully make proposals in regards to what stand, we as students at U.P.E.I. want to take concerning the M&O Committee of the university. What role does the university play in regards to students, community, the island as a whole and is this role (whatever it may be) serving a purpose, and if so what might it be? The topics tended to stray away at times but some (a few) beneficial points were verbalized but not to the extent that I as a concerned student had hoped for. (it could be due to the fact that after all, this was the first of such meetings).

Before any course of action can be taken in this regard, I think a few pre-requisites are of the students importance! Firstly, the students on campus must be aware of the issue being discussed and before anything can result, I think a majority of the students should and must voice their respective opinions at hand!

It only stands to reason that if the majority of students do voice their respective opinions, something (hopefully) will be done or accomplished and if nothing else it will show that the students at U.P.E.I. are indeed aware and concerned about what is going on.

There seems to be a lot of "lack of communication" among the students on campus concerning the M & O Committee issue and this "lack of communication" has been attributed to many things but in general, "apathy" and the "I really don't give a damn" attitude have been among the most prevalent. How indeed does one get this type of person with the above mentioned attitudes to get involved and concerned? Personally I think this problem can be easily solved if this type of individual would stop taking the attitude "Unless the university can do something for me individually, I just won't get involved". Those types I refer to as "self referential maniacs" who to me far exceed the supreme egotistical type of person (in, of course the negative sense) All students should above anything else look upon ourselves as one mass unit - collectively and not as individuals! If the student union or senate pass some sort of law, it doesn't affect us individually but rather if affects the whole student body of U.P.E.I. If we ever hope to attain anything here at U.P.E.I. for ourselves (the students) we must proceed in the collective fashion to voice our opinions. Only when we have done this will we be able to go on to the next step as a whole student body; general concerns. Once the majority of students have recognized a problem then we will be able to determine what steps we might want to take on any respective issue.

**Nov. 5 - Nov. 11**

**art exhibit**

Confederation Centre Art Gallery: Eskimo Exhibition of Prints & Drawings Until Nov. 17

**film**

"Cats Cradle & Heatwave" Duffy Amphitheatre, Nov. 6 Wed. 7:30 p.m. ADM: Free

"Seven Golden Men"; Duffy Sun. Nov. 10, 8:00p.m. Adm: \$1.00

**HOLLAND COLLEGE:**

Tues. Nov. 12, 12 noon and 8:00p.m. "Seven Golden Men" ADM: Students 75¢ Others \$1.00

**PRINCE EDWARD CINEMAS:**

#1 "Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid" or "Up Your Alley"  
#2 "Three the Hard Way" or "Touch of Class"  
7:00 & 9:00 p.m.  
ADM: \$2.25

17 and under \$2.00  
Further info contact 2-8331

**poetry**

Peotry reading Nov. 6, Wed 8:30 p.m. Austin Clarke, Confed Gallery ADM: Free

**music**

Nov. 7, Thurs 9:00 - 12:00 Pig 'n' Whistle, U.P.E.I. Barn, Music by Man & Peace ADM: 75¢

Concert, Sun. Nov. 10 @ 3:00 P.M. Confed Centre, P.E.I. Symphony Society, Music of Schubert, Bizet, Strauss, Beethoven, Tursteeg.

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**THEATRE**

"Head, Guts & Sandbone Dance" (T.N.B.) Nov, 15 Tue. 8:00p.m. Tickets: \$3.50, 3.00, 2.50 powerful contemporary play by Michael Cooke

Tickets: Adults: \$2.25  
Students: 1.25  
Children: 75¢

For further info call 2-2467

**misc**

Lecture by John Galbraith "Some Thoughts of the Progress and the Public Perception of Education in Our Time" Mon, noon & 2:00 p.m. Duffy.



Incidentally while I attended the above mentioned meeting, I was engaged in a rather heated argument with a particular female who voiced her personal opinion insofar as the "fake" evaluation committee election was concerned. She stated that the people who handled the election were reactionary and more or less by having the election they turned students off in regards to voting and also that they (purposely intended) to make fools of the students who voted in the election! I would suggest to her to check her dictionary for the definition of reactionary it was a very unapropoe word to use on her part. I tried my best to assure her that this indeed was not the intention but this particular female whether through her stubbornness or sheer child-like naivety or whatever would simply not listen to reason. As was stated in last weeks CADRE issue, the intent was to make the general student body aware of whom they might be voting for, why, and in general, just be more

aware of their voting practices! I am hopeful that the majority of you can see the reasoning behind the "fake" election. In fact had I voted in the election it surely would have made me initially slightly irritated; but in the final analysis it would have made me realize my mistake (after swallowing my pride - which for some is a hard thing to do) and in the future I would definately take much more consideration in regards to my voting practices.

Some, maybe a lot of the student body might disagree with my comments (it's your prerogative and I respect your opinions) but I hope that at least by my mentioning these few statements, it will at least make you aware that some of us could do with a bit more rationality in our train of thought. In the future please think before you vote: it affects all the student body and not only yourself! Brutal clarity might be a good prerequisite as well as indicator to guide yourself by.