

# bursaries

Ten UPEI students were recently named as recipients of the 1978-79 Student Union Memorial Bursaries. The bursaries, valued at \$150, were awarded to: David Bernard, Junior; Bertha Maxland, Freshman; Leonard Gallant, Junior; Shirley Gallant, Freshman; Suzanne Hooper, Freshman; Margaret Huising, Junior; Frank Kelly, Sophomore; Marilyn Morrison, Senior; Kerry Taylor, Sophomore.

The UPEI Memorial Bursary is a project of the Student Union. Initiated in 1976-77 by the Student Union in cooperation with the Department of Student Services, the bursary fund has grown steadily each year; this year saw the amount of the bursaries increase from \$100 to \$150.

The Memorial Bursary Fund was established for two reasons: 1) to assist students who are experiencing financial difficulty while completing their studies and 2) to honor the memory of those members of the University community who have died while



Back Row, L to R: David Bernard, Frank Kelly, Kerry Taylor, Leonard Gallant Front: Marilyn Morrison, Suzanne Hooper, Margaret Huising associated with the University. Currently, the list of people for whom bursaries will be named numbers 19.

The bursary fund is supported by a number of regular sponsors. These include the UPEI Student Union, Department of Student Services, Beaver Foods, Ltd. and Gulf Vending Ltd. In

awarded by the Senate Awards and Scholarship Committee. Financial need is the primary criteria for awarding the bursaries although academic standing and other factors may be taken into account in special circumstances.

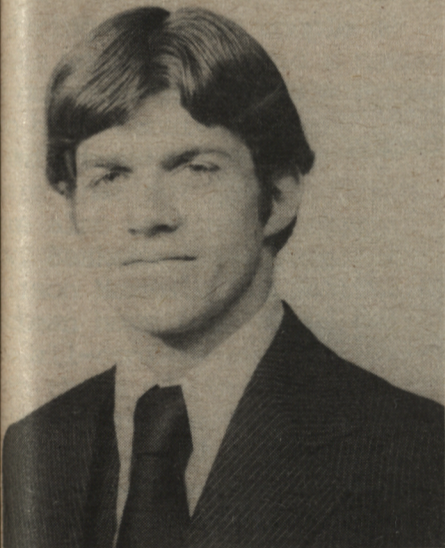
The Memorial Bursary Fund is without a doubt one of the most beneficial and valuable projects ever undertaken by the Student Union. It serves a very real and very urgent need, a need that all too often remains unfilled for many students.

The Student Union wishes to express deep thanks to all organizations, businesses, faculty, staff, administration and individuals who have helped in any way to make the Memorial Bursary Fund the success it is today.

The combined efforts of all these contributors is greatly appreciated by those students who are able to use the Memorial Bursary to help complete their education.

Congratulations are extended to all this year's winners.

# A GOOD THING ENDS



Don Fernald from The Guardian Kevin Feighrey, coach of the UPEI Panther basketball team will not be returning to his post next season, the Guardian has learned. "Finances have not influenced my decision," said the young Panther coach, "the package that was offered was adequate." The primary one is the personal reason that usually influence resignations. When questioned further however, Feighrey said the underlying reason is, "the gray area that is the future of basketball at

UPEI. However, the overshadowing factor is," Feighrey admits, "the position held by the so-called knowledgeable basketball people on the Island and their mentality."

"Now don't get me wrong," added Feighrey, "our team this year owes much to many, particularly (Coach) Hilton. He has helped me a great deal, and there is no better athletic director for a first year coach to work under than him. Also, certain people in the media, the faculty and administration, and the student body have been very supportive.

"I am referring to this other group," says the former Panther, who have hurt basketball on the Island and at UPEI. I think it would be a cheap parting shot to name names, but these people know who they are, and they know how I feel about them. It is these people who control the basketball associations on the Island, and turn them into sewing-circle cliques," he added.

The gray area that Feighrey refers to is not next

year's program, but the program "three or four years from now." He adds, "it would be nearly impossible to build continuity and quality into a program that might have an unstable future."

Feighrey led the Panthers to a 20-9 overall mark this season, and a second place finish in the AUAA basketball conference, the most competitive in the country. He was also named AUAA coach of the year.

Feighrey explains that, "it isn't the people closest to the club, nor those on the fringe, but rather the foundation of this program, the Boosters, Alumni, ex-players, and those who control the basketball associations on the Island."

"As especially concerns university basketball, all this group did is criticize our recruits, give negative defeatist feelings to our players, and also supported the atrocious officiating that we got from the Island crew. (Larry) McGhee is an example - the greatest basketball player and athlete this school has ever seen, and only a handful of people

recognize it.

"I substantiate my denunciations by the fact that the Island has never produced a player worth anything. There is always one basic factor missing, either attitude or ability. Is this the fault of the kids? Of course not. It is the coaches and referees or lack of same, and the failure to instill a winning attitude," he added.

Some people have already answered my criticism with, well, that's basketball on the Island. If that's the case, the buffs had better follow me, because it's time to move."

Feighrey is not bitter however, he says he hopes "my resignation and reactions will trigger further action on the part of people who really care about basketball."

As far as future plans go, the coach has three options open. One would be the academic route - Ph.D. at Queens University, the other two coaching-teaching assignments, one at a high school in New York City, and the other at a Canadian University.