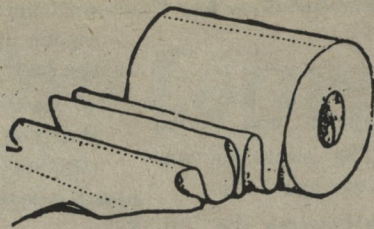


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Letter from the SU President

Hi UPEI students, how have you been? Things are still going just great with the Student Union. Our student council is making good progress so far, and we have met three times since September. Now that the fall elections are over, we have full council, and can really get busy with some meaty work. One of the more important things that council will be discussing over the next few months is the possible construction of a new building on campus in which the student union facilities would be housed. I won't get into this now, but I strongly urge you to attend any council meeting you wish, to sit in on the discussions. If you can't make it, don't worry, we will

be holding a general meeting (at least one) to discuss this matter. You can also expect a lot more on the subject from the campus media such as the GEM and CIMN. Please don't hesitate to stop and ask me about this subject or anything else. I'll be glad to chat.

On a lighter topic, I want to say thanks again for making things happen with the Student Union. There is a lot of enthusiasm so far, about our organization. This is evident with the tremendous turnout that the events are having. Its great that you are so keen this early in the year. I mentioned in my last article that I was sorry for not getting out to see people more. I

managed to get to talk to some people and I will continue to try and see as many people as I can. Please feel free to come to the barn at anytime if you think any of the executives can help you with something or if you just want to say hello. Thanks again for all your enthusiasm. I hope to see you at the Red Rock challenge this week, and be sure to get out and see our candidates Friday here on campus.

Thank You

Dean MacMillan

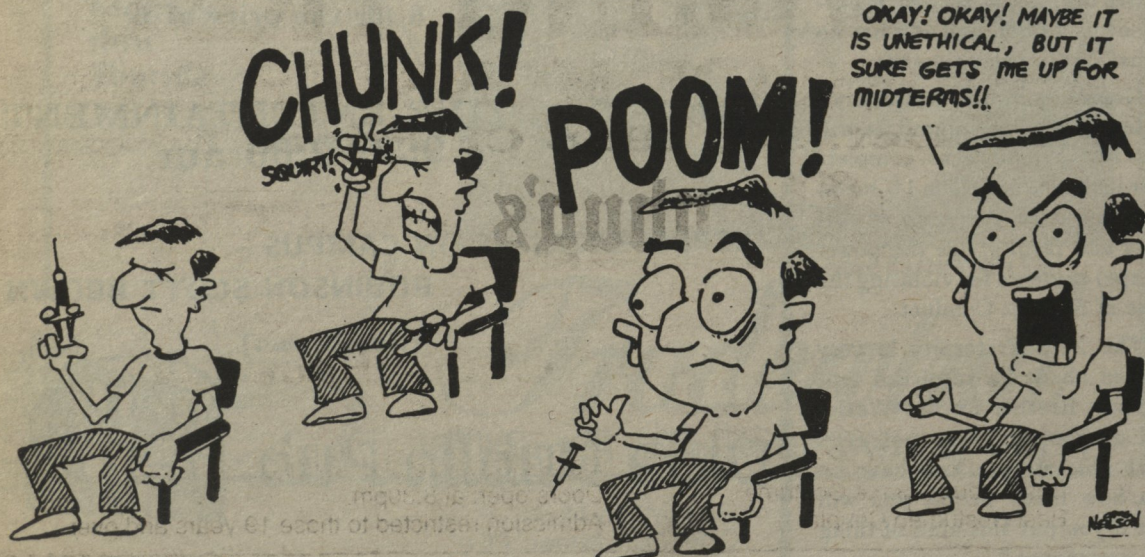


This is a letter to all of the socialites of UPEI. Please have a little respect for your fellow students. I don't know about the other residences, but Blanchard Hall is pathetic. Day and night all week long loud music can be heard up and down the hall. There's nothing wrong with enjoying your music, but please give other people in your hall the choice of whether or not they want to listen to it. I was actually told by one of my 'neighbours' on one occasion when I asked him to turn down his music, that people aren't supposed to study on Friday nights. If fact, he's in third year and never studies (too bad I don't know his name, he must

be pretty smart and would make a great tutor for all us dummies who have to study). Music is one thing. Must you also play sports in the hallway, especially at 11:30 pm! One more thing, when your having a party or a few guests over, why not close your hall door. That way you won't be disturbing everybody else in the hall. I understand that some people are at University to party and think that when living in residence that's all that your supposed to do. I dare to differ. I'm here to learn. I'm sure this letter makes me sound like an old grouch. I'm not, ask my friends. I love to have fun. I just don't believe in doing it at the expense of

others. Tonight I decided to forget about trying to study in Blanchard and went to the library. Yes, a bad move, but I wasn't at the carols. I had a STUDY room booked. So did the people on either side of me (you were in rooms 220 and 222 on Tuesday night about 8:45pm). I know 'Don't Do It' is a popular song, but if you want to listen to it why not use the pit, or what about the cassette players with headphones located elsewhere in the library. Another solution would be to go to Blanchard Hall. Just stand in any hall way and your bound to here it sooner or later.

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