

# Attitudes are More Important Than Facts

# Ghiz Gives Believe & Succeed Speech

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UPEI Students, do you lack self confidence? Do you wonder whether or not four years at this University means anything? If you are in these categories the "Believe and Succeed" program of speakers, organized by Dean MacMillan, Student Union President, is aimed at you.

MacMillan believes that there is a lack of confidence in many of the students at UPEI, and that an encouraging word from someone who has been successful can make a difference in building self-confidence. "Students inspired feel better about themselves" MacMillan points out, and a major goal of "Believe and Succeed" is encouragement from someone that students can emulate and give positive ideas rather than negative ones. MacMillan notes, "Negative ideas can snowball, but positive ideas can snowball, too" and speakers such as

Joe Ghiz, can instill positive ideas in students.

Premier Ghiz was the first of many speakers in the group of inspirational speakers at the University. Ghiz pointed out that he did not feel qualified to speak on the topic, even though he has been a very successful lawyer as well as Premier. Ghiz's main point is that a person can only be successful if he or she believes they are successful, and not by measuring success against what others perceive it to be. If a person can do the best that they can do then they can be a success.

Ghiz also noted that until a person tests their potential there is no way to know what they can or cannot do. The most important element according to Ghiz to achieving success is to work hard at whatever it is one is attempting to do, and that wealth is not the only determination of success and happiness.

MacMillan agreed with the overall message which Premier Ghiz gave to UPEI student, who attended the speech, and also concurred that wealth is not the only measure of success. He also argued that students do not necessarily need to leave the Island in order to achieve success. He points out that there is a tendency among many Island students to believe that the Island does not have an economy which leads to success, but that this idea is not, by necessity true. "An important element in success is what you perceive. If you believe you are inferior, you will have trouble achieving success." MacMillan stated.

The program of "Believe and Succeed" will continue and it is hoped that a recent UPEI graduate who has become successful will speak at a further date.

won't live with the fact that bothers you, then you can do something about it. Take Helen Keller as an example. The fact was she was blind and could never see or read. Her attitude was that she may be physically blind but she didn't have to be spiritually blind. As we all know Helen Keller did learn to read, she learned to see with her imagination and she lived a more complete life than some who have perfect sight. She has also been an inspiration to many who have come after her. This then is an example of the real meaning of "Attitudes are more important than Facts."

Until next week, Believe and Succeed.

"Attitudes are more important than facts". What do these words actually mean? It is quite simple. Facts are something that we live until everyday, for example it's a fact that we breath, eat, and sleep. Other facts also confronted. Some people are faced with the fact that they are blind, crippled, or that they are depressed or perhaps not doing well at work or school.

The real meaning of todays words of wisdom are this, if you accept things as concrete facts they will be something that you

will have to live with, but if you change your attitudes and say that things are not over and you

## 8-Ball Tournaments

Labatts and the Panther Lounge present weekly 8-ball tournaments on Tuesdays. Weekly prizes will be given out to the top three finishers of the night and they will qualify for the grand prize tournament at the end of the semester. Prizes for this tourney will be announced later.

The results of Tues. Jan. 17 are:

1st Place - Rich Little  
2nd Place - Ron Cameron  
3rd Place - Darlene Llewellyn  
Special thanks to Little Cristo's, The Bike Shop & Sport Lodge, and Piza Hut for their prize donations.

The tournament begins at

7:30 with a free beverage to a maximum of 16 entrants, so be there early!

Entry fee is \$3.00 and games are singles and must be single knockout.

Labatts products on special all night.

## Pet Peeves

Underwear that loses its elasticity.

People smoking in the washrooms.

No soap in the bathrooms in Main.

## Council

The first council meeting of 1989 was held Jan 15 at 7:30pm in the kelley board room. The first major item of discussion was that of the student graduate association which was addressed by Wendy Drake.

In short, Wendy and the grad students have made another proposal to council concerning their recognition as an official organization. Council decided unani-

mously to recognize current and future grad students, recognize the association as an associate member of the SU and give the grad student association voting privileges on council. However, this recognition is not instant, since the constitution must be changed. Ultimately, it will be you who will make the final decision come election time. Council is also looking for concerned stu-

dents to sit on an alcohol awareness grant proposal committees as well as a professor evaluation and constitutional amendment committee. If you are interested, leave your name at the information desk in the pit. Council briefly discussed a proposed Bulletin Board policy, However, the discussion was tabled due to the time it was already 12 O'Clock and we had more items on the

agenda.

The list of this policy is to limit the plastering of posters only to bulletin boards. Each poster must also receive a stamp of approval and an expiry date upon which time the poster will be removed by the promotions coordinator.

Councilors also received a chance to voice their opinions and concerns about the SU during a

very productive round table discussion. What is your opinion? Are you happy with what the student union is doing for you? Tell someone besides your best friend. The next council meeting is Sun 29 Jan at 7:30pm in the Kelley board room. Everyone is invited to attend.

Sincerely  
Paul Griffith  
V.P.C.

## Schedule for the Information desk

This is the schedule for the information desk in the Pit. If you don't see the Councilor or person who is supposed to be there please track them down and beat upon them for they are not doing what they said they would. The desk has recently been installed with a phone. This a service/or students you may use it/or a business call or something like that. It is not for Private shoot the breeze calls!!! Winter Carnival is fast approaching so watch for give aways at the desk as well buying tickets at the desk. Drop by if you want to know what is going on!

Sincerely  
Paul Griffith

STAFFING SCHEDULE -- MINI DESK

WEEK 1				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:30 - 10:30 VP Business Society Michelle Fletcher	9:00 - 10:00 Freshman Class President Kariann MacMillan	9:30 - 10:30	9:00 - 10:00 Business Rep. Shannon MacDonald	9:30 - 10:30 President Dean MacMillan
10:30 - 11:30	10:00 - 11:30 Business Rep. Valerie Adams	10:30 - 11:30 Sen. Class Secretary Christine Ready	10:00 - 11:30 Arts Rep. Susan Arbing	10:30 - 11:30 Arts Rep. Hans Connor
11:30 - 12:30 Promotions Co-ordinator Rob MacDougall	11:30 - 1:00 VP Finance Joan Masterson	11:30 - 12:30 Roby MacDougall	11:30 - 1:00 Junior Class President Laura Campbell	11:30 - 12:30 VP Operations MaryAnne FitzPatrick
12:30 - 1:30 Senior Class President Lisa Doyle	1:00 - 2:30 Roby MacDougall	12:30 - 1:30 Paul Griffith	1:00 - 2:30 Roby MacDougall	12:30 - 1:30
1:30 - 2:30 VP Communications Paul Griffith	2:30 - 3:30	1:30 - 2:30 Paul Griffith	2:30 - 3:30 Board of Governors Rep Lisa Chandler	1:30 - 2:30
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## Elections Committee Members

Nominations for Student Union elections will open in four (4) weeks time. The UPEI Student Union and chief returning officer are seeking members of the University Community to work polling stations during the 15th and 16th of March 1989. Committee members will also help promote and officiate the S.U. Elections.

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