

## SECURITY: AN IDOL

What is security? How does it function? Why do we need it at U.P.E.I.? These are questions, the answers to which is necessary for harmonious, co-existence with each other at U.P.E.I. Junior McLeod, director of security, has a few answers for us. -Editor

An interview with "Junior" McLeod, Director of Security

**Stan Dalton:** "What is the functions of the security department?"

**Junior McLeod:** "We are not here to please students. But we are here to maintain law and order. None, if students who are no different than anyone else, and are living on our university and staying in our residences, must live by the law like anyone else.

(Junior went on to describe the various ways in which his men carry out their duties.)

**Parking patrol:** Other universities (though not all) charge a fee for parking; U.P.E.I. does not. Those who are not students at U.P.E.I.

and are parked in our parking lot, will be towed away at the insistence of our security force. "This is for the students' protection"

Junior said. **Emergency Alert:** at any time a student suffers an injury or succumbs to a disease or injures himself because of intoxication, or drugs, the security men have in the past, and will continue to, assist wherever possible. This is, again, for the protection of the individual whether he be a student, faculty member, or non-academic employee.

Junior was somewhat saddened because there are many who look upon police or security forces as hostile, antagonistic forces whereas, in fact, they exist for the protection of the individual and his society.

Junior and his men find themselves in the impossible position of being the mediators between the society and the individual through enforcing those rules and regulations necessary for the maintenance of both.

It's easy for them to make mistakes because they must interpret, to the satisfaction of both society and the individual. Often, they must interpret with little time for reflection or to consult their book of rules. What they do depends on however, is that every in-



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dividual at our university exercise a good amount of common sense with regards to the property of others and the university.

Security does not create the laws, Junior explained, "we enforce the rules of the university and the laws of society" often in cooperation with other police agencies such as the Charlotteville police force and the R.C.M.P.

Although Junior spoke at considerable length in our interview, the substance of his remarks point to the fact that security is not out to get the student or anyone else, indeed it is quite the opposite; the well-being of the individual is their prime concern as well as the protection of the institution itself. Furthermore, security wants to work with each member of the community, not against

him. Junior thinks each of us is responsible for the community; a responsibility which is to the advantage of each in the long run.,

He suggested some ways this may come about: if you notice anything you consider unusual, contact security; when you see someone causing malicious damage, whether of another person or property, contact security. If you lose something, or have found something (i.e. wallet, glasses, etc) contact security.

On the whole, Junior was quite concerned that we realize security is there for our protection and for no other reason.

Those of you who are uncertain of how security functions may speak anytime with Junior or his men, and they would be only too glad to tell you more.

-Stan Dalton

## WOMEN UNITE!

On Friday, October 19, there will be a meeting of all women interested in getting together with other women. A number of us would like to examine the meaning of being a woman today - what is expected of us and what we would like to be. Rather than considering these questions individually, we are planning to exchange information and compare experiences in the hope of gaining greater perspective on our lives, find encouragement and assistance from women who share our concerns, and in the process, learn to develop better friendships with other women. In addition, some of us are interested in creating new opportunities for ourselves

and each other. Courses in automobile mechanics, carpentry, household repairs, or in women's history, psychology, sexuality might be of interest to many women. A birth control and abortion counselling clinic could be started. The possibilities are endless.

While the specific interests of each of us will be different, we are hoping that all women who see some purpose in meeting with other women will come to the Co-Ed Lounge, Marion Hall, at 7:30 on Friday, October 19.

-Dianne MacDonald