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Dead Letter Office

Dear DLO:

I appreciated Sarah Murphy's article "Gays & Lesbians have poor representation at UPEI" last week -and I thank Mike for having the courage to speak out.

The story neglected to note, however, that on the executive of the Abegweit Rainbow Collective are: a UPEI student, a UPEI prof, a UPEI grad, and a Holland College student.

While off campus organizations are not sufficient to meet our needs on campus, they can be a good starting place. I would be very interested in joining other UPEI students to pursue the organization of an LBGTT support and advocacy group on campus.

In solidarity,

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Dear DLO:

I am absolutely appalled by the amount of profanity in the Cadre. Shame on you for printing so much filth. Is it really necessary for you to

spout off vulgarities to prove your points? What if a child were to read this? What sort of message are you trying to give to today's youth? That swearing is cool and when you grow up you can write F*** in the newspaper as much as you want? Good message. Congratulations.

-Mia Wallace

Dear Mia:

Mia, you know really all language is just a construct so try not to attach any deep meanings to the few words that you find profane. I mean there has to be more important things to worry about than the words "shit" and "fuck." 'Cause like I was saying "shit" and "fuck" are just constructs and when you were a baby you wouldn't have any deep feelings towards "shit" and "fuck." So I guess the message to the youth is follow your vision, hold onto your integrity, and get a good helmet-Ed.

Dear DLO:

Well you people certainly like to put out theme issues don't you? Last year you put out an "Apocalypse" issue (Game over, ha ha) and this year it's the Aaron Koleszar issue. Geez, I wonder what kind of stupid shit I could do to get my face on the cover of Time Magazine. Well, I could do something productive like curing a disease or write a novel, or I could get slapped around Seattle for two days while it's under martial law. And not only will I get on the cover of Time, but I will get to write an article for The Cadre telling all about getting slapped around Seattle for two days while it's under marshal law.

-Ben Willard

Dear Ben:

One gets the feeling from the tone and language of your salvo that you are most likely to make the cover of Time being slapped around. In fact we will consider having a "Ben Willard Issue" if you want to come by here and let us knock the shit

(sorry, Mia) out of you-Ed.

Dear DLO:

I take great offence to Tim Aiken's article about Wal-Mart. Obviously he has no idea what he is talking about because Wal-Marts are wonderful places to work at. I work at the Wal-Mart in Charlottetown and I can tell you that working there has been a much more pleasant experience than working at a place like Tim Hortons. Nobody there has to force a smile, because we all know that we are lucky to be working at Wal-Mart. As for the child labour thing, I really cannot comment on that because I never heard of Wal-Mart doing that before I read Aiken's article. But I will say that chances are that Wal-Mart isn't the only place to sell items made in foreign countries with child labour. In fact, I'll bet that Aiken himself owns things made by child labour. I'm not defending child labour, I'm just saying that Aiken is too quick to point the blame.

-Kathleen Kelly