

## Dating Violence

Last year I was going out with a guy who I really cared for. Unfortunately the relationship was a "violent" one where when ever he was drinking.

He never really hit me. He slammed me against the car and hit me with objects like his hat in the face which stung a little. He was always so controlling, I had to call him all the time and he would get mad if I was late. I was no longer allowed to hang around with my friends. When I was with then it always ended with him and I fighting. I really thought I loved him he loved me I never saw my the relationship as violent even though my friends said so. Not until he tried to rape me.

Our relationship was probably about to end before this happened but it just pushed things along. He knew how I hated going fast in cars and one night he wanted to have sex I said no, he started to drive before I could get out of the car. He was driving fast around corners without slowing down and yelling for me to take my shirt off. I was crying and screaming for him to stop, I was yelling telling him no I wasn't taking my shirt off finally he took me home. We broke up shortly after. I tried to remain friends though. We talked and called each other once and awhile even when I started going out with someone else. One night when we were both working the late shift and it was raining he asked me if I wanted a drive home, because we had been broken up a while and I was dating someone else I didn't think anything of it and accepted the drive. When we were going home he asked if I wanted to stop to get something to eat I agreed so we went through a drive thru and went to park the car somewhere. After we were done eating he started talking, could we get back together? I said no! The next thing I knew, he was on top of me trying a second time to rape me I screamed and fought finally he got up and took me home. I never told anyone about this second incident.

I know he now has another girlfriend, I hope for hersake he has changed. If he hasn't I hope she reads this and ends the relationship before she goes through what I did. I hope he reads this so he knows what he did.

Anonymous

## HOPE

After you raised your voice to me,  
Then your hand,  
Then your fist,  
I lost respect  
For you,  
For myself,  
For us ... what we once were  
And never will be again.

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**Self Defense (Rape Awareness)**  
Course, by Ron Fagen of Dartmouth,

N.S. will be offered within the next few weeks to all females of the UPEI community. It will consist if mental and physical defense preparation. Any inquiries can be made at the UPEI S.U. (The Barn) 566-0530. It will cost \$15 per person. It is about a 3 hour session.

Prince Edward Island Rape/Sexual Assault Centre  
566-8999

Anderson House	892-0960
Hospital	566-6200
Ambulance	892-5311
Police (city)	368-2677
RCMP	566-7100
Security (UPEI)	566-0384
	566-0373
Health Centre	566-0616