

# Death to House Parties

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Before the Christmas break an estimated \$750.00 worth of damages was done in Blanchard Hall at an independent apartment get together, (it was not a House Party). This damage figure did not include the cleaning of carpets or repairs done to the building in general.

Following this incident, James Griffith head of UPEI student Services, refused to grant any liquor licenses for any of the residences.

In Mr. Griffith's opinion "This was the worst deliberate act of violence in 10 years."

Among many of the reasons Mr. Griffith gave for the present crackdown were "the abuse of alcohol, the damages done during parties and the pressure on the Campus Police and maintenance staff caused by the large numbers of people constantly moving from room to room."

However, Mr. Griffith specified that he discussed the situation with all the dons, head residents and House Presidents before hand.

Mr. Griffith said, "We are not really taking away anybody's social life ... I can agree that it is not a total deterrent. I would like to see the events (ie: Houseparties) at the Barn. They have the facilities to handle such events."

However, the majority of resident students have very strong opinions about the decision. Many considered the House Parties in the Barn too inconvenient. Others wondered "Why" they are having the present crackdown. According to one Marion Hall resident, "The parties we had last term were civilized." Most people questioned: "Why should everyone be punished for the mistakes of a few." One particular resident student described the crackdown as "Disgusting."

The presidents of the three respective residences aired many similar questions and complaints on the subject.

According to Tim Sears, Marion Hall House President, "Mr. Griffith took the rights away from all the residences because Marion Hall is always behind on payments for damages. The maintenance Department is not efficient enough to keep up with petty damages, which is not saying much for maintenance... Mr. Griffith is taking away the House Parties due to the fact of a few wrongdoings in Blanchard Hall."

When asked about having inter residence House Parties in the Barn Tim replied that "The Barn is very inconvenient. It makes it feel like a pub instead of a House Party.."

Debbie Callaghan, House President of Bernadine stated that "I would sooner have them back in residence."

Debbie also said, "I don't think it was fair that we were punished. It is

never at an inter-residence party that there is any incidents."

When asked if the House Parties in the Barn were inconvenient Debbie replied with a definite "Yes, however we are going to give it our best shot."

House President of Blanchard Hall, Dwight MacDonald, considered the crackdown to be "an infringement on our rights." Dwight could not see any reason for the crackdown in inter-residence House Parties, "They have always been civil."

Due to the apartment style living of Blanchard's residents, many people do not come in close contact with one another. Dwight MacDonald reflected the views of many Blanchard residents when he stated that "The House Parties give people the chance to associate with one another."

In the meantime the administration of UPEI will not back down on their drastic cutdown.

## Bowl for Millions

Big-Brothers-Big Sisters of PEI have announced the dates for the annual Bowl for Millions Celebrity day. Barry Johnston, President of the local association, indicated that Saturday, February 13th has been set as this year's Celebrity Day.

"The public have been fantastic in supporting us over the years" says Mr. Johnston, "and we hope for continued support again this year. Celebrity Day is an opportunity for non-league bowlers to bowl for fun as well as generate funds for a valuable community service organization - Big Brothers-Big Sisters of PEI."

"There are three ways in which bowlers can participate" indicates Mr. Johnston. "Regular league bowlers after obtaining sponsors can bowl one game of Big Brothers-Big Sisters on their regular league night using pinfall in the second game to determine sponsors pledge totals. Teams may also compete in the Big Brothers-Big Sisters

Bowling Tournament which has zone playoffs on February 6 and February 7. Details are available on the tournament at the local bowling houses. Registration for the tournament has been extended until January 22. The third way to participate is, of course, by joining us on February 13 for Celebrity Day at all of the local bowling houses."

Celebrity Day participants can bowl with a team or as an individual. Any firm, organization, or individual who wishes to participate can do so by acquiring sponsors pledges for their pinfall.

Participants as well as those sponsors are eligible for a number of prizes. Bowlers in any of the three participation categories are eligible for the draw for a trip for two anywhere EPA flies. Bowling shoes will be awarded to the team as well as the male and female who have the highest amount of funds collected.

## For the Love of Labrador

On Wednesday, January 13, the Canadian Studies program at UPEI hosted the Hon. Joe Goudie, Minister of Rural, Agricultural, and Northern Development in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador. During the 30 minute talk, followed by a question period, Mr. Goudie compared, in a colourful manner, the present conditions in Labrador to that of years past. He identified certain points which brought about the change, namely the establishment after the war of a military base at Goose Bay, the hydro development at Churchill Falls, and the iron-ore mining at Labrador City. Mr. Goudie, who is part Eskimo and the son of a trapper, spoke of the true sense of identity which the Labradorians possess and

also of the fact that they are proud of their survival, their land, and their resources. When asked about the gains or losses as a result of Confederation (1949) Mr. Goudie was hesitant as to the gains. It was evident that Mr. Goudie desired Labrador to become an independent province. "Down the road," he would say, "Down the road!"

In the evening Mr. Goudie and his assistant Mr. Richard Fuchs, showed an informative collection of slides taken in Labrador. This was attended by about thirty people. Mr. Goudie described Labrador as a place of extremes, and said that visitors invariably have one of two reactions to his homeland. "They either love it or hate it", he concluded.

## Movies

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