

THE

GEM

"Journalism: a profession whose business it is to explain to others what it personally does not understand." - Lord Northcliffe

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A Letter From One of Your Arts Reps

Dear Students,

This year has been a successful one with many new ideas implemented and a renewed sense of spirit among the Student Union as shown in greater attendance at events and participation trends on campus. I am writing an open letter to all at this time because of the call for nomination for council.

As your Arts Rep. this year I would like to thank you for voting me in last year, I have enjoyed my term and hope I have represented my constituents fairly. This is my last year at UPEI and I am grateful for the opportunity to have been on council. Any-

one who is thinking of running for positions on council I would just like to say "Go For It." From my experience I can honestly say it is worth while. All the pertinent campus news events come to council and it is great to hear them first hand. Decision making and meetings are informative and enlightening. The greatest aspect of being a councillor however is the phenomenal amount of people you meet and friends you make. If anyone who wants to run would like to hear more about what council does please feel free to ask me or any councillor. Best of luck to all those

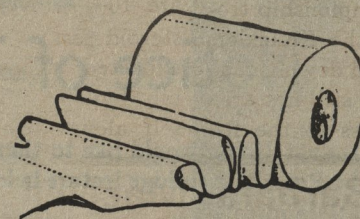
who do run until the end of the semester, as your arts representative I am available at all time through the Student Union secretary, vax mail (account name Kilfoil), the Gem office, and at the mini-centres on Tues. at 1:00 There are many important matters which we would like input, S.U. logo contest, Student rules, regulations, and disciplinary procedures revisions and Student Judiciary Committee review or any and all of your concerns. I hope this has been a great year for you also.

Sincerely,
Laura Kilfoil
Arts Representative

Anyone can contribute to The GEM. Submissions can be dropped off at the Barn, sent through VAX MAIL to GEM, or stuck on our door down in the basement of the Main building. Our phone number is 566-0629 or 566-0530.

We cherish typed and double spaced submissions and submissions on computer disk or through VAX mail. For legal reasons, all submissions must include the author's name and phone number. However, names will be withheld from publication on request.

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From The Cluttered Desk of Your VPO

MaryAnne FitzPatrick
(VPO)

Well, I had originally planned to write something for the Gem once-every-two-weeks-or-so, but, as I've been lucky if I made it to some classes once-every-two-weeks-or-so. However, now that Winter Carnival is over I can sit down and babble for a while, so here it comes:

I would like to thank the Winter Carnival Co-chairs for making my life easier during the festivities of Jan. 28 - Feb. 4. Kirsten Lund and Mary Nicholson did a great job, so give them a big pat on the back if you see them! Many people have told me that this was the best Winter Carnival ever. I think that has everything to do with you the students. Participation has been phenomenal this year (lucky for

me!) Thanks for coming out to support the Student Union. We try our best to serve you, but without your support we have nothing.

Speaking of support, I'd like to comment on last week's review of Winter Carnival. I'm very pleased that Teri-lyn and Laura-Leigh made it out to the events, even if I don't agree with some of the comments. It's very important to me, as entertainment co-ordinator, to know how well received the acts were, and reviews are a good way to let other students know as well. I could sit down and write review, but how credible would they be, coming from me? (I hire 'em so of course I like 'em!). So keep it up Gem, the coverage is great. Al-

though I think the fact that "The crowd was large and the dance floor jammed;..." is a sign of a successful event! As well, there were fewer people downstairs (at the Razorbacks pub) than at any other main event for as long as I can remember! By the way, congratulations to Glen McCarville, Kirstin Lund and Chris Martin, out winners for Campus comedy on Feb. 3. It took a lot of courage to get up and entertain us, which you did very well, Thanks!

While I'm being thankful, I'd like to thank my mother for bringing me into the world (Stop it MaryAnne. You kill me) I'll have another piece of babble in the Gem next edition so until next time, have a great break.

MaryAnne

Seniors

Hi, again! Anybody who is a senior but will not have enough credits to graduate in May (i.e. will graduate at Christmas 1989), is more than welcome to participate in all Senior Week Activities. Just ensure that your name and correct mailing address are on the Senior Class mailing list. Do this at the Registrar's Office before Tuesday, February 28, 1989. Winner of the February 10 Senior Class 50/50 Draw was Shannon MacDonald with \$44.00. Special thanks to Rhonda McLellan and Jack Wheeler who graciously sold tickets. Also, honourable mention to Peter Murphy who sold a "little" bit.

Lisa Doyle
President

