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available. It's just a known fact that when intoxicated people become clumsy, rough handling of people's belongings may occur. Overall, we are surprised of how hard you came down on the Biology Society regarding supervision (quote from Danielle, "Let me tell you that when you are hosting a party and are responsible for what takes place, you don't get to party as much as everyone else"), especially when it has been a little over a year since your Biology Society's Whale Watch tour, where three of your four executive members were intoxicated.

In regard to Mary's suggestion of an apology, that was done the Monday immediately after the party. Every member of the executive apologized to Jane personally, and she assured us that everything was o.k.; no damage was done, and all was forgiven. We took this assurance as her word and didn't feel additional action was needed. This seems much more appropriate than the public apology in *the Brunswickan* which Mary suggested.

We would also like to address the comments made by Danielle in which she inferred that this year's executive was not fulfilling the duties of a proper executive. We have been meeting since the summer, and have been diligent and hardworking in giving biology students the best year they can have. We resent the implication that we are not acting in the best interest of all students in the biology faculty and that we are jeopardizing the future by "destroying several years of hardwork in just a few months and a few bad parties." We have had tremendous success and positive feedback of our effort and dedication to the past seven events, and it is only going to get better!

In the future we would appreciate it if people who attend only one or no events would refrain from passing judg-

ment on all Biology Society events; we have devoted a lot of our time to organizing them, and consider them worthwhile.

In closing, we would like to assure our members that there are many events and great times yet to come.

Sincerely,
Biology Society Executive
1992-93

Defending the engineers

Dear Editor,

It is about time someone defended the engineers. I have, for the last few years, listened while engineers were berated for their egos. I am tired of it. Perhaps, if some of those people would take the time to get to know some engineers, their infantile, ludicrous, senseless and bigoted (sound familiar) minds would be enlightened. Yes, there are some arrogant engineers; however, my years in Arts taught me engineers do not have an exclusive on arrogance.

The suggestion that this is "puny talent" is ridiculous. I would sincerely like to see Ms. Laurence or Ms. Purdee practise an act, as often as those engineers did, and still make it seem unhearsable. In fact, I would like to see all those who complain, have the courage to perform and while addressing remarks to those who refuse to perform, I would like to say the suggestion that allowing women in the jugband was "defamatory to their gender" is ludicrous. Isn't it "nice" to see that the engineers cannot win whatever they do?

Here is an assignment - everyone run and get a dictionary. Now look up the word "joke". Yes there it is "something said or done for fun" - obviously you do not realize the engineers are not taking themselves as seriously as everyone else is. Here is a clue for all those, on

and off-campus, who still object. They are trying to be obnoxious... that is their act. Don't confuse acting with reality. Dan Steeves is not really Superman. either (Sorry to disappoint you). And the final lesson is - a door opens two ways... stand in the lobby until the act is over if it offends you so much.

Sincerely,
Sherry Munn

Deal with the real issues

Dear Editor:

Well, the referendum is now over so now the rest of Canada (all of) can go about their business, perhaps in ways that would greatly improve our economic and social way of life. Yes, have a constitutional moratorium and deal with the real issues.

For native people, it was perhaps a slight setback, but overall, a positive step, especially here in New Brunswick, where although the accord was shot down every where else it seems, New Brunswickers overwhelmingly approved the deal, a strong sign for the Atlantic native community.

It should be pointed out, and rightly so, that native women groups did not support the deal because of their lack of input into the process which led to the deal. They felt that they were being ignored. I do wish to point out the unusual nature in which the Mulroney government sought to quickly pass this accord, having very little time for groups, especially native, to be heard. Due to his own personal agenda, many people were excluded in the process.

In native society, the women play a crucial role, that is never in doubt. The role they do play in the decision making process is not surpassed by the native male. I must stress that is the

traditional way of our life, in which all native members play a crucial role. The process has been slurred by today's "modern" ways. For this reason I believe it be extremely important that we, the Native people, look back to our past traditions, our past way of life, and consider the strong benefits in which we once truly enjoyed. In doing so, we will once again be proud of our people, and share our way of life to the other peoples of this great country, Canada.

R.C. Gideon
Native aboriginal
Mic Mac Nation

A callous attitude to a solemn event

Dear Editor,

From speaking with other students, I have become aware that on November 11, midterm exams and seminars were scheduled at the University of New Brunswick for some graduate students.

This I find to be a most disturbing fact. I do not believe that this should have taken place, as we all should know, many brave and courageous men fought and died for our freedom. This day, November 11, is a sacred day in which we honor those people who gave their very lives so that we can live. By allowing classes in a centre for higher learning, this institute is generating a callous attitude to a solemn event. I believe that the people who are responsible for these actions have not learned a basic lesson, *Let Us Forget*.

As a student of Education, I am concerned that this university is sending a wrong message to the young people of today. As the years separate us from those events, we must not forget the lessons that were paid for in human misery. We must not let this day erode until it is forgotten.

November 20, 1992

I hope next year UNB will see that this does not happen again.

Gordon Bonnenfant
P.S. If you value your freedom, thank a Vet.

Don't be a butthead!

Dear Editor,

Over the past few months a controversy has been brewing regarding the use and misuse of the lounge in Head Hall. Allegations from both sides have clouded the issue. Student and staff privileges regarding smoking on campus have been cut to the point where close quarters become necessary.

Specifically in Head Hall the only place available is the Staff/Smoking lounge on C-Level. This past week a sign was posted informing students that due to 'abusive behaviour' the door will be locked for a period of one week.

Lets grow up!!!! In a place where students are suppose to learn [sic] how to make sound decisions regarding complex issues they are also subject to 'play by rules or I'll take my ball' mentality. Being fair to both sides I will say that immature actions by staff and students alike have created an unpleasant atmosphere.

'You are in 'my' seat', defacing private property, feet on the furniture, garbage on the floor, etc. these happen in pre-schools not universities. We are adults, we should act accordingly. This room is the last warm location available for our dwindling group. Policies need not be posted, but should be patrolled by individuals with common sense. Why don't we use our heads and put an end to the bickering.

Maybe I'll just quit?
A concerned smoker

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