

# EDITORIAL

## Varsity-Mania vs Student Union

It amazes me that the Student Union feels that Varsity-Mania should fall under their control. How can an organization that did nothing but donate funds to Carl Burgess and company to buy some foam hands feel that Varsity-Mania should be theirs. These people should look at things a little bit harder. If they are basing their ownership premise on the funding of Varsity-Mania maybe it should fall under the control of Moosehead who was nice enough to fund a majority of the prizes, or how about Coke and CIHI radio. They certainly gave more then the Student Union did, and they were also much easier to work with.

It seems that the new and old Student Union Executive are forgetting one thing, that Varsity-Mania was created, controlled, owned, and operated by Carl Burgess and they are going to have to negotiate with him for the control of Varsity-Mania and no one else. I wonder if the Student Union would have been so eager to jump in if Varsity-Mania wasn't so successfull .

With the departure of *Campus Entertainment* it is obvious that the Student Union is trying desperately to replace it. But for the Student Union to step in and try and take Varsity-Mania into their control and take credit where credit is not due is a bit much.

Given the Student Unions track record with student activities maybe Varsity-Mania should stay out of their control.

The fate of Varsity-Mania is up to Carl Burgess. If he wants to continue as Varsity-Mania Co-ordinator and still be free to do what he wants, he will have to be careful.

I brought up the idea of Trade Marking the name "Varsity-Mania" with Carl some time ago. Actually I was going to do it myself but decided that since I would be graduating it would not be worth it. However I have heard that some of the new Student Union executive have threatened Carl with legal action if he should try to register the name as a Trade Mark, but who's idea was it anyway ?

I would like to point out to the Student Union that It doesn't matter who funds an idea/organization, that anyone can file for a trade mark, no matter who you are. If anyone should register Varsity-Mania as a trade mark it should be Carl.

Varsity-Mania is by far the best new idea to come out of UNB since ORIENTATION. We owe a lot of thanks to Carl Burgess however he controls its destiny, and no one else. I feel Carl should stay as far away from the Student Union as possible then he doesn't have to worry about being responsible to anyone but himself. There would certainly be no threat of being impeachmented from the so-called "Higher Authority".

## L.B.R. vs the Establishment

I live at the Lady Beaverbrook Residence. The residence is a very nice building. The conduct of the individuals who live there is similar to any onther house on campus (Don and Proctors included). However resently the conduct of some house members and the disipinbeary action taken agianst them by the Don and Proctors I feel is very questionhable.

One members of the house is presently appealing an eviction notice (trespass act) served by Dwight Scott, Dean of Residence, for conduct unbecoming of a residence student. Two others have been threatened with eviction by the Resident Fellow of L.B.R., Nancy Fair.

The conduct of the individuals was not saintly, but I have seen a lot worse and heard of a lot worse in other residence, and the punishment handed down to those individuals was hardly as severe (fines of varying amounts).

I think that if the Proctors, the Don, and the Resident Fellow of L.B.R. tried a little harder to gain respect and give respect instead of treating everyone like little kids, then maybe the students wouldn't be so resentful and anti-establishment towards them.

They should also try and solve the problems themselves and within the house instead of running to Dean Scott every time they have some trouble with a hard case, and if they are having trouble with a hard case then maybe they(the Proctors and Don) should not be there.

We are adults, not children, we are not visiting school we live here, so show some consideration to our problems - living in small and odd shaped rooms, time restrictions for eating, sleeping, and noise, and small amounts of privacy.

With all the problems that have arisen and with the moronic way they have been dealt with, it will be amazing if L.B.R. retains the stature it once had of being a nice place to live. Certainly as long as Dean Scott and Shirley Cleave, the Don of L.B.R. , are still in there respective positions there will always be problems in L.B.R. .

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