

# Blood and Thunder

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Godzilla meets Vautour

Dear Mr. Vautour:

Thank you for the wonderful hatchet job you did on the "Atlantic Hardcore '84" festival. I also enjoyed that snide little remark about Pat Thrash's "Sunny demeanor." But, let us give credit where credit is due. The picture you ran next to Pat is that of Scott Finney; who is 15 years old (not 12!) and plays lead guitar for Standard Procedure (not Skinned Alive!). Continuing on with your series of errors, you stated "Of the 4 bands only Cancerous Growth showed any musical merit being masters of the 24/4 tempo." Again I think you have erred. True, Skinned Alive were not the tightest band in the world, but each member did their utmost to provide a good time. Slow Death. Ah yes, that was that awful band. Hey Chris, why don't you take a good look at what's going on. This is 'PUNK ROCK', remember? If you want perfect instrumentation and nice clean vocals, I'm sure there's just all sorts of 'SAFE ROCK' music at department stores across the globe.

Your biggest piece of misinformation is that of Standard Procedure. S.P. ripped through a manic set with only one false start. True, many of the songs were nihilistic, but you wouldn't know that, would you? I don't think I even saw you there during the SP's set. Also, many people thought that SP was better than Cancerous Growth.

You also stated that most of the people there did not know what this evenings music program would be like. That's a complete load of garbage. I guess maybe we didn't look "PUNK" enough to suit you. Contrary to popular belief, Hardcore's (oops! Sorry Chris, don't wanna confuse you), Punk Rockers, don't pack Ice picks, spit at their parents, beat up old ladies, poison puppies, or, shoot cops. I guess you must have been watching reruns of "Chips" or "Quincy". Don't you worry your pointed little head, though Chris, because we've all decided to

dye our hair blue, buy leather jackets with lots of spikes and studs. This way Chris you'll know who is a "Punk Rocker" and who isn't.

Sincerely,  
Billy Godzilla

P.S. STANDARD PROCEDURE are going into the studio soon to record for a compilation and will probably be releasing either an EP or A Cassette LP. Now what was that about no musical merit?

### MacKinnon disappointed

Dear Editor:

I must, at this point, express my disappointment with the student representatives. They voted in favor of making members of the Senate and Board of Governors ex-officio members of council with the privileges of tabling motions (and I assume of defending these motions) without the privilege of voting. This effectively, counter-mands the action taken by UNB students when they voted John Bosnitch out of office and off council.

After the election, Bosnitch was simply a student with the same rights and privileges as the rest of us. These did not include the privileges he has now been granted. He was elected to the Senate, not council, therefore he should not be able to partake in the policy making of the council to an extent greater than any other student who has not been elected to council.

Some may argue that any action taken by council is acceptable because they have been duly elected to office but when these actions reduce what is supposed to be democracy they are an abomination. Council has set an alarming precedence in arbitrarily appointing people to a body that is supposed to be elected.

The fact that these "appointed" ex-officio members have no voting privileges is irrelevant. Bosnitch was not voted back in because of his policies, and now he is being presented with the opportunity to re-introduce them and argue

in favor of them (which he does quite effectively). The recent Student Union elections

were a farce, and John Bosnitch, a man who espouses the principle of democracy through arguing in support of

such a motion has given democracy a figurative "slap in the face."

In disappointment,  
Mike MacKinnon

### Take a stand on Ethiopia

Dear Student Leaders:

The Students' Federation of the University of Ottawa (SFUO) has granted the sum of one hundred dollars to development and peace (Famine in Ethiopia), 2111 Centre Street, Montreal, Quebec, H3K 1J5. On behalf of the federation, I cordially invite you to take such a stand and, in this way, to adopt a concrete attitude and to show solidarity with the Ethiopian people who are presently subjected to such a cataclysm.

Sincerely,  
Bernard Drainville, President  
S.F.U.O.

### MacPhee gives word of thanks

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who were directly involved in my bid for the Presidency of the UNB Student Representative Council. I extend my apologies in advance to those whose names I may inadvertently omit.

First I must thank Cindy Davis; being the roommate of a candidate requires patience and understanding above and beyond the call of friendship. Next I must thank Claude LeBlanc whose support and tireless efforts on my behalf will always be remembered and appreciated. Special thanks to Paul and Sandra; Paul, who had never before

been involved in any way in student politics; his enthusiasm helped me over some of the rough spots.

To Mike MacKinnon, whose friendship I value highly, a very special thank you, I couldn't have done it without your support. To Dean Mylalsing, a very special friend, your work and encouragement will be fondly remembered...thank you. To Janice MacConnell, whose humour and friendship throughout the campaign was invaluable, I extend a heartfelt thank you.

I wish also to extend thanks to Nickie deVries, Phil Brown, John den Harton, Denise Young and Suzanne, Blake Paton and Evelena, Kevin O'Donnell, Sven Tretop as well as various AIESEC members for their work on my behalf.

For the personal support and encouragement thanks to Lois Corbett, Rick Cutherton, Mike Morehouse, Margaret Langelaan, Doug Burgess, Paul Wentzell, Dan McRury, Corinne Boone, and many others. A special thanks to Annette Cote who put up with taking phone messages etc., for me, as well as other candidates.

Last, but most most importantly, I wish to thank those students who had enough confidence in me to support me at the polls.

Though my bid for the presidency was unsuccessful in that I was not elected, it was successful in other ways. Many of you were strangers to me before we began working together and as often happens when people share a common goal, bonds were formed; friendships were made, and the friendships that existed prior to the campaign were strengthened. It is due to these happy consequences that I feel we were successful.

I feel I must at this juncture express my profound regret that there was a small group among the student body who could not separate political support and friendship; who felt that friendship was less important than political gain and allowed the latter to preclude the former. To these few people, who shall remain nameless, I can only hope you will come to the realization

that friendship is one of the most valuable things that one can experience and share. May the doors be open once again...

To John Bosnitch who ran a most ambitious campaign what can I say? Losing an election is a humbling experience, however it can be a positive and learning experience...let it be.

Congratulations to Larry Fox. Thanks for running a smooth and clean campaign. Good luck during your term of office.

Once again, kudos and thanks to those who worked and voted for me.

Sincerely,  
M. Kay MacPhee

### Bruns takes the rap

Dear Sir:

In your editorial on November 30, you asked if the *Brunswickan* had any credibility. Unfortunately, the answer is no.

I have only been on campus for a few months, so perhaps my opinion may seem unqualified; but I have found the intelligence of the student body has been underestimated.

The editorials by Mr. Lethbridge have been so blatantly condescending that they are ludicrous. Your entire news format seems to be one large commentary.

I am uncertain as to whether or not the *Brunswickan* wants to be taken seriously. After a promise to restore credibility, I am still faced with pictures accompanied by silly captions and one sided coverage of the news.

Sincerely,  
Traci Galbraith

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