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OUTRAGE

To: All Club and Society Executives

BEAVER THANKS

To the Editor:

The UNB Beavers Varsity Swim Team would like to express their appreciation to Carl Burgess, Pat McCarthy, Mike Coleman, Peter Tracey, and Eric Drummie for their help in organizing and running our Varsity-Mania event last Saturday night. We also would like to thank our sponsors, Greco Pizza, Coke, Moosehead, and the Social Club.

A special mention to the houses who came out to cheer on the team as well as their respective entrants in the Belly Flop Contest. Your participation, enthusiasm, and noise were a big help.

To all else in attendance, thanks for your support in our last home meet of the 88-89 season.

Sincerely yours
 the UNB Beavers Swim Team

STAFF FINALLY

Dear Editor:

We're celebrating at the moment 'cause one of us has finally made the "staff this issue" in the choice spot between Uncle Stevie's Kids and (Oh Lord) Rod the Bod! But not to be picky, ever thought to check to see the spelling? Cassandra has two s's and Carlisle has no y. But we love you anyway! (Me most of all).

Actually, what we're trying for is a chance at Mugwomp or a Feature article. I know, it's silly, but we all love to dream... our typist especially! You staffers might have met her the fateful day she realized she was going to be damn near banned!

Cassandra Carlisse

Dear Editor:

We are writing to express our outrage over the review of the "comedy" troupe, Corkey and the Juice Pigs, which appeared in the Nov 4th issue of The Brunswickan. The article stated that "one of the group's (sic) favourite skits is the gang rape" and that "to really appreciate it you absolutely had to be there." Although we did not have the pleasure of viewing the performance itself, we feel that the flippant reference to a social epidemic as serious as rape is an example of insensitive and irresponsible journalism. The media undoubtedly influence society's values and attitudes. The glib and puerile reference to rape in this article not only detracts from the seriousness of the crime, but also serves to perpetuate the patriarchal, misogynist values of our society that allow sexual assault to occur.

Every 17 minutes in this country a woman is the victim of sexual assault involving forced sexual intercourse. A woman is sexually assaulted in many other ways every 6 minutes. In 1987, out of 75 cases reported to the Fredericton Rape Crisis Centre, 10 involved more than one assailant. Sexual assaults, including gang rapes are not uncommon on university campuses throughout the country. To keep these statistics in perspective, bear in mind that only one out of every 10 sexual assaults is ever reported.

The media have a responsibility to raise public awareness about sexual assault and help to end violence against women.

Clarissa Hurley
 Maria Kubacki
 Kathryn Nielsen
 Diana Stewart

As V.P. (Internal) I am responsible for acting as a liaison between the student union and all clubs and societies. As a means to that end, I have arranged for monthly consultations where the executives of clubs and societies meet with the executive of the Student Union to exchange ideas and work out any problems that we may have.

We have had two meetings thus far (the last one was Wednesday night) and the consensus has been that they are extremely informative and helpful.

There has been one drawback, however: the attendance (or should I say 'lack of attendance!'). There are over 60b clubs and societies (of which about 45 are funded by the Student Union) that are recognized by the SU but the attendance at both meetings has been less than 30 each.

The whole purpose of these meetings is to hopefully enable you to run your clubs and societies more efficiently. I think that you have a responsibility to the people who elect you to do what you can to ensure this. I understand that exams are coming but we all have time constraints.

If you didn't receive my memo last week, then it's possible that your club is not on the mailing list. If so, please see me or Glenna Bell at the SU office to rectify the situation.

I would like to thank the following societies for their attendance: Business, Undergraduate, Mechanical, Geological, Engineering, Computer Science, Albert Ross, Civil Engineering and Electrical Engineering. Your input was greatly appreciated!

Sincerely
 Luigi Rocca
 V.P. (Internal)
 UNBSU

WANTED: News Writers

Brunswickan General Meetings

12:30 every Friday
 Room 35 in the SUB