

Everybody's Frosh

Well, we said hello to Dalhousie last April in our first editorial as the 96-97 staff of the Gazette. Since then we've hired a typesetter and an ad manager, all of us doing our jobs for the first time. It's a little overwhelming, a tad frightening, and very, very tiring. Just like frosh week.

Admittedly, there are a few differences. We get paid for our new positions and took on the responsibility with some experience and a fair idea of what our jobs demanded. But it's not like being frosh doesn't have its own perks. No one took us on a bus ride to the beach. While you were lying on the beach we were laying out this paper.

The point is, we've all been frosh and in lots of ways always are. Every time we're faced with a new situation we're frosh, and this is a good thing. Frosh learn quickly, adapt to their surroundings, know how to have a good time, and most importantly, are humble.

Our good times just happen while we're working on the paper, as well as when we head down to the Grawood or Grad house for a few beers. We want to share this with you, by your reading, and if you're interested, your writing. The more people who come up to the Gazette office and say they want to help, the easier and incidentally more fun it is to put a Gazette out each week. We're scrambling for consistency but truth is, it's four in the morning and jokes involving the word "Moist" are extremely hilarious right now.

School officially begins today and it's great to be back, but it's different. Every year is a first year at the paper because of the volunteer nature of the staff. Just like everything else people come and go, which is why we end up starting fresh each year. Fresh means change, and change doesn't mean reinventing the wheel, it means taking the best of the gene pool and evolving from it.

Which boils down to this simple fact: there's nothing intimidating about getting involved at the Gazette, or anywhere else on campus, for that matter. Be you frosh or hack, things are always new at the Gazette. Stop by and we promise to get over the Moist jokes and go to bed earlier.

TIM COVERT AND SHELLEY ROBINSON

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