

EDITORIAL

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Once again, twenty-five reasons not to vote in the SRC election

Listen you guys, If anyone thinks I really am advocating not voting for your student representatives on November 21, get out of here and go back to high school. Learn some basic things, like common sense. Doesn't anyone know satire when they see it? Sheesh.

1. It might be raining, snowing, or hurricaning that day.
2. You might miss the bus, and be stuck in your apartment.
3. You have to spend the day doing your homework, so you can watch Dynasty that night.
4. Someone might accuse you of giving a damn about student politics.
5. You have a hair appointment.
6. You had every intention of voting, but thought, "Who cares, anyway?"
7. You figure your vote will have no effect, and the dinks will be elected regardless.
8. This is the day you quit smoking, and you can't handle the pressure of decision-making without relaxing with a cigarette.
9. You've been reading Camus, and you've entered such a state of existential *angst* that you spend the day sitting on your windowsill staring at the rain, snow, or hurricane that's blowing outside.
10. People have told you that you *must* vote for A, others have said you simply *have* to vote for B and you don't want to offend either side.
11. The Social Club is a far more hospitable environment than those drafty building lobbies where the polls are set up, and besides, you're waiting for a candidate to buy you a drink.
12. You've decided to subvert the whole democratic process by advocating violent overthrow of governments, rather than free elections.
13. You're a typical product of North America high schools, and can't read the ballots anyway.
14. You realize there are two camps in UNB politics: the fashion punks and the preppies, and you can't relate to either, because you're a granola.
15. Your prof has been such a bitch/bastard in not extending your assignment deadline that you've had to pull an all-nighter and slept through the day. The nerve!
16. Your dog ate your ballot.
17. Your little brother used your ballot for finger-painting.
18. Your little brother ate your ballot.
19. Your mother cleaned up your room, and threw your ballot out. (These might work for homework, but not for elections. So forget it).
20. You haven't got a thing to wear.
21. SRC elections are a joke, and you're not laughing.
22. You've lost your lucky coin that you toss with.
23. You can't remember the rest of "Eeny Meeny Miney Moe."
24. You do remember "Eeny Meeny Miney Moe" but you refuse to utter such a racist poem.
25. You don't want a hole in your I.D. card.



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By DAVID MAZEROLLE

This has been an interesting week. No sooner do I get back from Ottawa than I step into a controversy where the dreaded specter of LEGAL ACTION rears its ugly head.

Last week we published excerpted chapters of Matin Yaqzan's letter entitled "An Open letter to the Jewish People." We received some questions regarding our responsibility in this matter and so sought legal advice on the publication of the rest of this letter. It was felt we would be ill advised to publish Mr. Yaqzan's letter as it now stands. Respecting Mr. Yaqzan's wishes that his letter be published unedited or altered, we feel we must discontinue the publication of his letter.

The views expressed by Mr. Yaqzan are not those of the staff and editorial board of the *Brunswickan*.

Brenda Paul and I covered the conference of the Canadian Federation of Students in Ottawa last week. We found the Federation to be another bloated organization of students playing at being big-time power brokers. I feel they get the idea, "Hey kids! Isn't this keen, coming to neat hotels like these, having meetings where, if we can't handle any dissent, we'll simply tell them to shut up." What power! What thrills! The federation's only area where they show any vision is in lobbying in Ottawa. Besides lobbying, they concern themselves with getting student discounts at stores. They should, with their size and potential financial clout, be interested in setting up student-owned businesses.

I wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Donald Paul of Shawville, Quebec for providing us with a base of operations while on our Ottawa trip. The Pauls are the proud parents of the *Brunswickan's* own Brenda Paul, and finer hosts you'll never meet.



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Any of you who were hoping to get raunchy with Carole Pope and Rough Trade were undoubtedly disappointed when the concert was rescheduled. Organizers at CSL hope to hold the show once they can sell more tickets. According to John Bosnitch, if the concert had gone on, they would have lost \$10,000. As it was, they only lost \$1000. Nice to see that Campus Services is looking out for student pocketbooks.

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