

Male Writes on Women's Rights

TIME OUT

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What are you most afraid of on this campus? A large number of people at U.N.B. — just about everyone, in fact — will have to admit that other people scare us the most. We are mainly intelligent, fairly sociable and decently agreeable persons; yet we fear others of our own species. It hardly seems like the best and most natural state for human beings to exist in. We are fearful of others and they of us, because we are all selfish, indifferent to each other. We are so concerned about protecting ourselves from someone else, that we fail to realize his vulnerability to us. People injure other people because they are afraid of being injured themselves. A person who is always hyper-critical of others feels very unprotected; he can only justify himself by cutting down someone else. This being the case, it makes more sense to treat anyone as a friend rather than an enemy. If you put yourself on his side, the person has no reason to consider you a threat.

We all have become so frightened of others, that we are even willing to discard our convictions and honest opinions in order that we might be acceptable to the majority of people around us. Even those who ignore the conformities of general society, must conform to the often far more rigid views and actions of their own peer group. We are intellectually brow-beaten by widespread ideas simply because they are widespread. The flimsiest excuse one can think of for adopting a principle or set of values is that there are more persons advocating it. As a matter of fact, many of those persons may be simply mouthing something they allowed to be stuffed down their throats.

Socially, we are becoming so afraid of people, of "they", we fail to see that "they" is merely made up of a lot of "I's" as frightened of "they" as we are. Everyone is convinced that other persons do not need them, even though they know they need others. We are so sure of the self-sufficiency of the other guy that we fail to recognize when he needs help, and we are timid about offering assistance unless he asks for it. The fear of our help being rejected is so great that even obvious needs often meet no response. Killings, beatings and looting are increasingly taking place before witnesses who care, but who are so afraid for themselves that they do nothing to avert injury to someone else. Yet this is just an illustration in physical terms of something that takes place every day in our relations with the other guy.

We refuse to help because we are too concerned about our own welfare. Christmas is always supposed to be "a time for giving". Take that statement a little further than a new ball glove for your brother or five dollars to the Salvation Army. Try giving up your intense concern for yourself and transferring it into concern about what could happen to someone else if nobody cares about him.

Collected grievances, an alarming disturbance and a more or less disheartening view over the status of women on our UNB campus has precipitated several females to serious action. Regarding the present role of the female on campus with mixed feelings of horror, shock and dismay, they are presently organizing a party for the purpose of undertaking measures to emancipate, to restore and to uplift their sisters to a level comparable to their brothers.

After the alarming statistic, that 51% of the population of Canada are women, but only comprise about 10% of the "object" or spectacle.

Though the information at

student body, was brought to light, the question arose: WHY?

The female body is not the only one that's puzzled. The males no doubt would like to know, too. Where are the other? Where are you hiding, you other 41% Are you too stupid or too poor, or are you already married? Come forth from your kitchens and beds! Leave your husbands and families! Enroll in UNB. Your sisters hath need of thee.

When a certain female member of this society was queried to the more finer details of the movement, a closed lid secrecy was maintained. Such questions as: "Are boys allowed to your meetings?"; "You mean you want equal rights with males, such as admittance to our more holier

places like our washrooms, or positions on the football and hockey teams?" were not satisfactorily answered. However, it was determined that the group was in its early organizational stages, and that it would be modeled on tenets similar to those upheld by the Women's Liberation Front, which by the way maintains such beliefs that beauty contests should be abolished because women in this case are reduced to the level of this point is scanty as brief as some of their fashions, and though cloaked in a great deal of secrecy, as far as can be surmised by a male reporter, their meetings no doubt will be clandestinely held in the Ladies' powder rooms, to organize ranks and outline a firmer and more definite stand.

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Circle K Gives Away Turkey

The UNB Circle K Club took 16 unsuspecting students out to dinner last Wednesday night.

In their last scheduled meeting of the term, the local branch of the Circle K were expecting a turnout of Kiwanis members from the Fredericton Club, and members of the High School Key-Club. Guest speaker Byron Lawrence, co-ordinator of the Greater Fredericton United Appeal, and five members of the UNB club were the only ones to turn out.

The Circle K had contracted with Versafoods to serve 20 turkey dinners costing the club \$2.50 a plate. When only six people were at the opening of the meeting one of the members suggested that someone go out to the SUB, and recruit another 14 persons rather than let the food go to waste. At the final count, 16 students from outside came for the free food.

After the meeting one of the Circle K members commented that "We had to pay \$50

anyway, so what the hell. We decided to go and get some of the starting students out of the SUB."

Ryerson Suspends Teacher For Marijuana Conviction

Brian Humphries, an English lecturer, was suspended without pay this week by Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, following his conviction Monday (November 24), in Kingston, Ontario, for the possession and cultivation of marijuana.

Two petitions are currently being circulated on the campus asking for his reinstatement. The students' petition claims administration is unduly persecuting Humphries.

The second, sponsored by the other faculty in the English

department, says they do not wish to conduct those classes normally taught by the suspended teacher.

Humphries' suspension is the second like action this week.

The administration at the University of Saskatchewan has refused to re-hire teaching assistant Jeff Goodman, convicted last summer for the theft of a 39-cent can opener.

Students on the Regina campus are also circulating a petition requesting Goodman's rehiring.

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