

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Concerning Mr. Foxe and others who might think along the same lines, I would like to inform them that being a foreign student here is not as easy as it might appear to you, or as smooth as the Overseas Students' Advisors office put it about two weeks ago. Indeed I for one would like to get out of this place on the day I write my final exam. Graduation ceremony is a luxury I cannot afford to wait for. If I can get a Concorde home, I will take it. This doesn't mean that I don't like it here but home is home and having been "civilized" here, I will have to go and civilize my brethren.

The first shock of my life here was to be told that my name is uncivilized. By the way, my name is Person Shokolokombangoski. Some call me Okolo, others Mbango and even others Shi. It doesn't bother me anymore and I don't even tell people my name any more because they wouldn't remember it anyway. My first compulsory lecture was in English. Thanks to the prof. for teaching me the difference between a verb and a noun while all along he was "killing" the Queen's language. As if this was not enough, the students were very happy that this was a very good guy just because saying otherwise could mean their failure in the course. When I said that the course was BS to me, a term I had learned two days after I arrived, I was told that profs are never criticized here because they are trees of everlasting knowledge, fountains of the saving waters. "I am sorry", I said, "My people are sacrificing too much for my sake and I cannot just sit back and watch their money going into the trash can. I came here to get rid of my "barberism" not to waste my country's money or milk the economy of this country. The Bible forbids it. The book of Genesis tells us that man was created in the image of God. As some wise man put it, I refuse to imagine a God who is poor, ignorant, superstitious, underfed and wretched. Yet the majority of the people he created in his image are just in that condition. But blessed are the poor in spirit for they shall inherit the kingdom of God. Why on hell should anybody preach one thing and do another.

Thank God one meal a day is all I need to keep my "slim-fit shape" which some people call "skinny". At least I do not have to go jogging to loose weight. I don't have to order a twelve inch pizza every evening after I have had a big feast at the cafeteria. When I run I do so because one of my ambitions is to beat the Kenyan Sports Star, Henry Rono, in the next olympic games. In case you have never heard about him, he is the first guy in the world to hold four track world records at the same time. I play soccer because one of these fine days, I may replace Pele. I don't hope to beat Graham Smith in swimming because I saw my first swimming pool here. At any rate, I cannot win them all.

I don't drink because it is a luxury that I cannot afford. I don't smoke either because my mother told me not to, but I like it that way. Whether you smoke or drink is none of my business but you are still my friend. My greatest friend smokes pot every other hour but

he is a great guy in many ways. How I spend my money is purely my own business insofar as how you spend yours is your business. There is nothing illegal with that. I buy my clothes when there is a big sale down town thanks to my mother for training me this way. I did not have to take a course in finance, economics or budgeting to learn that, yet a "prospective manager" blames me for having listened to my mother. If I am wise enough to shop around for the cheapest residence around — not UNB ones — somebody cannot stand the saving I am making and so comes out with a new definition of what a residence is and consequently cuts my allowance. Could you please leave me alone? Don't you know that I am barely surviving at the present moment? Please understand me. Let us negotiate about it! As if this is not enough, someone else starts to make me feel guilty for being me. Why should my chocolate tan bother you? Please understand that it has taken me all my life to get it and suntanning all summer wouldn't do the trick for you. By the way, I don't even use Coppertone!

Oh, I admire a good number of professors here when they are available. But to say the least there are others who are wasting the tax payers dollars. Whoever interviewed some of them; must realize that they just teach how important they are and how they were taught by great learners of the modern age. Why we fill evaluation cards at the end of each term, I can never tell but I can tell one thing, I am not going to fill them anymore because the whole thing is a big joke.

Of course, if I am smart enough to know the lazy ones who give the same exam word by word, year after year, it takes me only a week to find out who were his students five years ago and I sure will not even attend his lectures because I know the examination already. Why waste time, the employer wouldn't know how I got it and even if he does, it will be too late. If I get the type of prof. who is too lazy to mark just fifteen essays and contents himself with multiple choice exams, too bad for me. I am even worse off when I get a prof. who gives a countless number of assignments and picks them at random because he has no time to mark them all. Why in hell give assignments if you cannot correct them. My goodness, some of them do not even know their material, let alone those who cannot speak English but content themselves by saying what matters is the material I am teaching you! Yet, on graduation days, Dr. Andersor — if he has not been removed, according to last week's viewpoint — assures us of the high quality and standards which this University is striving to maintain. Whatever he means by that, I have no idea, otherwise how do you explain the situation where a prof. keeps on changing grades throughout the term. On the first day of class he tells you A starts at 80 percent but by the end of the term he tells you A starts at 90 percent! Holy Shit, does this guy know his job or why is he doing

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

SMOKER (Business Week Event) 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. at the STUD. Chugging contest and special films.

FRIDERICTON CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND CHORAL SOCIETY: Rehearsal, D'Avary Hall, 7:30 p.m.

SPECIAL GEOGRAPHY LECTURE: Dr. Edward Pleva will speak on "The Great Lakes and the Atlantic Connection", 8:00 p.m., d'Avary Hall, Rm. 143 Everyone welcome.

UNB WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION will be holding an important meeting in the SUB Room 203 at noon. All persons interested in women's issues are invited to attend.

UNB/NDP GENERAL MEETING: SUB 102 2:30 Provincial election to be discussed. Everyone welcome.

GENERAL MEETING of "UP THE HILL" UNB's annual yearbook — looking for photographers, typists, etc. No experience necessary All welcome. Rm. 31 SUB 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 11

BOOSTER CLUB MEETING 7 p.m. Student Lounge (2nd floor) L.B. Gymnasium. UNB VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM is holding its first practice at the South Gym third floor at 5:00 all those interested in wrestling for UNB Black Beas are welcome.

BUSINESS SOCIETY MOVIE: KING KONG with Jessica Lange, Jeff Bridges, Charles Grodin at Tilley 102, 7 and 9 admission 1.50 non-members; 1.25 members.

DINNER AND THEATRE NIGHT Spaghetti Dinner in the patio room and movie at T102 (King Kong).

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

FOK NIGHT at STUD Donuts, wine, 40 teas, coffee: bring your musical instrument and join the fun.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

BAD LUCK PUB Marshall D'Avary Cafeteria 8:30 to 1:00.

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HAPPY (22) BIRTHDAY Deb Doucet in Lady Dunn 347 see you at the Arms.

SKI CLUB anyone interested in helping run the Ski Club and/or ski team should come to SUB room 103 at 7 p.m. on Oct. 12 this is not a general meeting for all, but just an attempt to establish some basic groundwork for the club. The Ski Club will be meeting formally later in October.

LECTURE: Oct. 12 7:15 p.m. Bailey 146 Dr. Abby Shwarz from UNBSJ will be speaking on "Sex Reversal in Fish". Put on by the Biology Society. Refreshments served after. Everyone welcome.

CARIBBEAN CIRCLE: There will be a general meeting on Sunday Oct. 8th at 3 p.m. in rm 103 of the SUB. All people from the Caribbean, Central and South America are welcome. A new Venezuelan documentary will be shown. This film is in English, so, anyone who is interested in seeing it is welcome to attend.

GEOGRAPHY LECTURE: Dr. Edward Pleva will give an illustrated lecture on "The Great Lakes and the Atlantic Connection" at 8:00 p.m., Tues. Oct. 10, D'Avary Hall, Rm 143 sponsored by Canadian Geographical Society.

YOM KIPPUR is Oct. 11 (starts evening of Oct. 10) for further information about services please phone 455-8425.

ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS: "Up The Hill", UNB's annual yearbook is looking for photographers for the 78-79 edition. No experience is required. If interested call Pam Nobert at 453-4941.

NB RESIDENCE CO-OP Would like to have responsible women or men to share their houses, located at 833 Union and 565 Aberdeen St. Monthly rent includes food, furniture and utilities double room \$144. Single room \$134. Kindly phone Elliot or Peter at 472-8253 after 5 p.m.

SOCIALISTS UNITE! UNB/NDP general meeting Tues. Oct. 10/78 SUB 102 2:30 Provincial election to be discussed.

CHSR 700 will be broadcasting the UNB vs Mt. A. football game live on Saturday at 2 p.m.

PLEASE CONTACT: Would Tracey Riley, Nancy McIntyre, and Raymond Hachey please get in touch with Peter Sisk at 455-2389 regarding Red & Black. Last chance because we do not have your phone numbers!

## Vitamin C

First Vitamin C was hailed as a good defense against the common cold — then cancer — and now a researcher says it's great for preventing rust.

That's right, rust, not in your joints, but on your car, in your radiator or on any other metal surface that is subject to corrosion.

Nicholas Castellucci, scientist with the PPG Industries of Springdale, Pennsylvania told the American Chemical Society recently that ascorbic acid, or Vitamin C, could be used in metal processing instead of chrome treatments to prevent rust.

Scientists have been looking for a chrome replacement for the past 50 years, since chromate is highly toxic and can cause cancer. Now Castellucci thinks Vitamin C may do the trick. (Newscrip)