

editorial

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The Saint Thomas Student Council has shelved the *Aquinian* issue for another week. One has to question the reasoning behind such a move. Perhaps it is hoped the issue will have died down some and with less attention focused on them the council will not have to explain their actions. This motion is mistaken though because the eyes of the media and UNB's SRC will remain on STU's council until the situation is remedied.

It is not bad enough that STU's council has put off the issue but they refuse the right of UNB students to speak, claiming we have no interest in the *Aquinian*. Students here read the *Aquinian* and therefore are interested in its future. The media at UNB in certainly interested in what happens and have a RIGHT to be at those meetings.

Why does the Saint Thomas Student Union feel they can do whatever they want and not have to explain their actions? It may be because democracy no longer exists at Saint Thomas.



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BY DEBORAH GENEAU

The dismissal of the *Aquinian* editorial staff by the STU SRC is a deplorable and fanatical act. They defend their action by saying the *Aquinian* staff is guilty of financial mismanagement. They accuse them of an \$1800 debt. In reality, however, the *Aquinian* is not in debt. Outstanding advertising revenues owed TO the *Aquinian* total over \$2600. This 'debt' justification for closing down the *Aquinian* is obviously a smoke-screen. I would like to know what the REAL reason was for such drastic and unprecedented behaviour.

The *Aquinian* had been doing a marvelous job reporting on campus happenings. Aside from the confusion over what Brostowsky really said or really meant, the *Aquinian* news stories are interesting and enlightening. The job of a campus newspaper is to report to the students on what their SRC is doing, what the administration is up to, and where the last firecracker exploded. It is a mode of communication between administrators, representatives and the students. Everyone knows that dialogue is essential to effective self-government and self-determination. The STU SRC has effectively destroyed this channel of communication.

I strongly urge the newly elected St. Thomas representatives to reconsider the action taken by their predecessors. Go to the students with a referendum. You are representatives - find out how the students whom you represent feel about the destruction of THEIR newspaper. The students, not elected officials, should make the decision concerning the newspaper. To my knowledge, the students of St. Thomas have not been approached on the subject. To my greater surprise and disappointment, the students have not even voiced an opinion.

The *Brunswickian* has taken a stand on the issue and our SRC fully supports us. We (the Bruns) will not cooperate with any new editorial board appointed by the STU SRC. The *Aquinian* was allowed full access to our machines, darkroom and equipment. Those privileges will not be extended to the new STU paper. Typesetting, photo development, PMT's, general equipment and the use of light tables must be obtained elsewhere.

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The CSL Bookstore has acquired two more photocopiers. They now offer reductions, enlargements and copying on both sides of the sheet. All for only five cents.

The CSL Bookstore has a great deal of potential. I sincerely hope that they continue to expand in their extent and quality of service to students. In my opinion, variety, quality and reasonable prices are severely lacking in services offered for what is largely, a closed community. I am also tired of seeing monopolies running this campus.

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Is it so difficult to drive a car? Maybe not, but unless you can park that car properly, I don't believe you should have a licence. The SUB parking lot (in particular) is a prime example of some driver's stupidity, carelessness and laziness. I am convinced that how people park is directly proportional to the thickness of their skulls.

By taking up 1.7 parking spaces and leaving the rear half of your auto blocking the thru-way, you are (believe it or not) wasting valuable (indeed, coveted!) space, thus, incurring a barrage of curses and infamies upon yourself and your mother.

Get with it.

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