

LETTERS

LIBERTARIAN LOVERS

Re: Libertarians urge a new and liberated lifestyle (Excalibur, February 4, 1982). We wish to commend your article on Peter Danielson and Libertarianism. It is not very often that one is able to read about views other than those held by statist.

There is one point which we wish to dispute concerning the article. The term ultra-right tends to suggest association with fascists. The left-right political spectrum is an antiquated system that only denotes statist views. Libertarianism is a modern form of individualism (opposing statism). Libertarians contend that the only purpose of government is to protect people from force and fraud and hence does not fit on the outdated spectrum used in the article.

William Dunk
Paul Pivato

Students for a Libertarian Society (Toronto)

students do to maintain some type of protection, when campus security refuses to give more assistance after this type of incidence? I strongly urge women students to send letters of protest to the Director of Security.

My second point, is Staff Sergeant Judge's comment, "If it were a homicide and we were really desperate, we'd release it to all the papers. It's not that urgent." This is terrible. We are not in the Dark Ages. This is 1982. My point is, when are the police going to recognize that women are making efforts at protecting themselves? There are approximately 8,500 women on this campus in the day, more at night. Do women have to be murdered to be considered 'urgent' in the eyes of the police? If so, is this then the police's position on women in our society?

Thank you for letting me express my views.

Louise H. Mahood

self-destruction is all but encouraged. Is not the concern for any individual, which most of us feel, *denied* in Libertarian thought? Certainly! Therefore, the liberties held dear by possessors of social conscience are denied: this is a restriction of liberties.

Professor Danielson, our resident Libertarian advocate, fails to realize that in any governmental or ideological system, the morally reprehensible "liberties" of indulgent individuals are restricted for the sake of the majority, whose sense of liberty is based on concern and social conscience. In our western society (for the most part), the collective well-being of the individuals that form society is protected through restriction of unwarranted and (usually) unwanted and unnecessary indulgences.

The well-being of a society is (ideally) dictated by how the collective population fares in the face of moral and economic systems and modifications, thus, we enjoy relative wealth. The self-centred doctrine of Libertarianism ("...we try to make people aware of the constraints on their liberty...") can only encourage ruthless and ultimately selfish competitions and interests in a society where compassion has been the basis of socially "democratic" government (although I grant that pure democracy is impossible).

In an already selfish and overweight society, we have little to complain about, especially when the complaints concern supposedly inadequate "liberties". One has only to look at the 66% of the world's population who are oppressed and starving (and at the mercy of

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KUDOS AND CRITICISMS

Re: "Intruder attacks Vanter Women (January 28, 1982).

I wish to congratulate you on putting the above article on the front page of the *Excalibur*. It is important that newsworthy articles be printed, front and foremost.

I have two concerns that need to be brought to your attention.

First, Director of Security, George Dunn's comment that he does not intend to tighten security. Particularly his line "...students must take their own precautions. We do not provide night porters." I believe, Dunn's attitude does not reflect well on the university. I would also point out that if this is his attitude towards residences, then I would be very upset to have to live on campus. What more can women

DRAWING THE LINE

Re: "Libertarians urge a new and liberated lifestyle" (Feb. 4).

Where do Libertarians draw their seemingly arbitrary moral line? Why should "...individuals... be free to engage in...activities that do not bring harm to others"? So-called Libertarians are a strange breed: they do denounce "violence, fraud and coercion..." yet they feel that the individual should be free to subject himself to the same abuse from which Libertarians would protect the general populace. Should not the individual be government-protected from (to use the article's example) drug abuse to the point of death — which can easily be seen as a willing perpetration of physical "harm"? Murder is condemned,



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- 2:00 - 3:00 Opportunities in Israel, Bear Pit
- Hebrew University Representative, Randy Spiegel
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- 3:00 - 4:00 Films, Bear Pit

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- 11:00 - 12:00 Opportunities in Israel for the summer, Bear Pit
- 12:00 - 1:00 Film on Assimilation, Bear Pit
- "Community Action on Behalf of Israel" — Shira Bessin, JSF, CS140
- 1:00 - 2:00 "The Rise of Anti-Semitism—Echoes of the 1930's", Morley Wolfe, Ben Kayletz, Bear Pit
- 2:00 Movie on the Holocaust, Bear Pit
- 2:30 "Technology & Halacha" — Prof. Ze'ev Lev, JSF office, CS140B
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- 11:00 "A Christian Looks at Zionism" — Rev. John Stanley Grauel, Bear Pit
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- 12:15 - 1:00 "Syrian Jewry" — Maxine Blendis, Bear Pit
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