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BLOOD AND THUNDER

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Brunswickan for showing their Engineering Week support of Purple Day.

I would like to congratulate you and your staff for actually covering part of Engineering Week 1990. This has been the first time, in at least three years, that the Brunswickan has covered Engineering Week on time. Hopefully we will see more about what is happening "down the hill" in future

editions. This year's turnout for Engineering Week was one of the largest in years. I would like to send out a big thanks to all those who participated and helped out with the organization of events.

Also, congratulations to the Brunswickan for their excellent choice of a color scheme for Volume 125; Issue 3. For those of you who don't know, purple is the national engineering color. The first issue of our engineering newspaper (The ERTW) used purple for its color scheme. As well, the last Friday of Engineering Week (September 28) was Purple Day. We would like to thank the

Troy Morehouse, **VP** External Engineering Undergraduate Society

Varsity-Mania

I felt it necessary to write this letter in response to your recent "View from the Cheap Seats" column of September 21 on the topic of Varsity-mania. Mark, I was quite disappointed by your very one-sided view of the matter and of your unfactual description of some of the events of the past two years.

To start with, you state that I have left UNB. This of course is not true, and being a good friend of mine, you know that I have no intentions of leaving this campus in the near furture (sic).

Secondly, you elaborate that because of Moosehead Breweries' sponsorship of Varsity-mania events the fans turned into drunken, obnoxious hordes. As the person who created the program to begin

with, and ran it for two years, I have heard that complaint many times before. To be honest, Mark, there often was a lot of drinking involved with the events in the past, but that was no the result of brewery sponsorship. Any prizes from Moosehead that were given away to the winning houses were not consumed before or during Varsity-Mania Events. Any alcoholic beverages at the games were paid for by the students, under their own free will. Granted, there were always a few poor sports in the crowd, but that is common at most large spectator gatherings of any nature. Over the past years we made a concerted effort to clean up the actions of the fans, and we were quite successful.

Thirdly, about your report on the UNB Red Sticks' loss to SMU in the AUAA Finals two years ago. We had over 450 fans at that game, in the pouring rain. We all cheered enthusiastically and supported the Sticks down to the end. If you ask any of the girls who played in that game, they will tell you that the crowd really helped them, not hat the crowd hin-

dered them as you stated. Furthermore, if you refer to Coach Slipps letter to your Editor that was printed it The Brunswickan on the week following the game, you will realize just how appreciative she was of the crowd and the Varsity-Mania program.

As for this year, Mark, I can assure you that no alcoholic beverages of any kind will be given away as prizes at Varsity-Mania events. On the contrary, Moosehead Breweries is donating in excess of \$3000.00 to the UNB Athletics Department to help run the program. this is a fine example of Moosehead's continued support of student initiatives on this campus.

In closing, I must admit that your article did have some good points. I thank you for your compliments and for your pledge of support for the Varsity-mania program.

> Sincerely, Carl Burgess

Sound Check

It seems the UNB Student Union has room for two

newspapers on its budget this year. After leafing through the "free" issue of SoundCheck, one realizes why it is "free".

But is the paper "free", could we not trace back the funds for producing SoundCheck to the \$96 that full-time students must pay to the UNB Student Union.

Whether or not it is free, it certainly will make paper recycling companies happy and cat owners will be delighted. SoundCheck fits in the cat litter box perfectly, too bad it wasn't a bit thicker.

I'm not quite sure what CBC's Peter Mansbridge has to do with SoundCheck, but after seeing his photos in both The Aquinian and The Brunswickan, one can not help but wonder why another student campus orientated newspaper would decide to run both pictures again. But hey, the article was great and after reading it, one wouldn't have to attend the lecture. In fact, maybe Sound-Check will cover the lecture (gee, wouldn't that be interesting).

Apparently the STU Student Union has also decided to "support". In fact SoundCheck is proud to have STU behind it. Continued on page 12



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