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of day, let alone see if I measure up to their qualifications. It seems that your editorial is just more rhetoric, and that in the interest of profit, you have allowed an advertiser to use an old technique to draw crowds — the illusion that sex is available for viewing.

Rob Pratt

Student inspired by man in a wheelchair

Dear Editor:

On March 6, 1990 I went to the Map Library where I very rarely study. I saw one of the most touching sights of my life. I witnessed a handsome young man, about my age — he was no more than 23 or 24 years old, sitting in a wheelchair. He was definitely a paraplegic with limited use of his arms. I sat there and pondered how unfair this fuck'n (pardon me) life has to be. He probably was once a muscular young man — able to do battle at the call of his nation, able to jump hurdles, able to walk along the shores of the most beautiful beaches, able to experience the joy of sex, and able to stand on his own two feet.

But no more. Fate has decided that he will spend the rest of his life confined to a wheelchair. He is unable to do battle if called upon by his country, unable to jump hurdles, unable to walk along the shores of the most beautiful beaches, unable to experience the joys of sex, and unable to stand on his own two feet.

I ask myself, why do I feel sorry for this young man? Should I feel sorry? Maybe I should just forget about him. Let him be.

Interestingly enough, he was reading a book entitled, *The Man Made Mind*.

George Rappos,
4th Year Arts

CYSF correct in denying an abortion referendum

Dear Editors:

Re: "Council members "hypocrits" as they vote no to abortion referendum," March 6.

Hypocritical or not, for one reason or another, the CYSF may actually have acted correctly in denying the proposed abortion referendum. I feel the CYSF decision comes down to a matter of numbers and principle.

Maybe the OFS has something to gain by taking a stance on the abortion issue. Does York? And why the rush to align with the OFS suddenly?

Queen's University held a similar referendum. However Queen's has been well-documented as a blatantly sexist hotbed this year and considering the small, homogenous sample, the results may not be all that valid.

More importantly, while abortion may well be a student issue, Judith Pearson (who decidedly expressed the Women's Centre's overtly pro-choice stance) must be dreaming if she thinks that anywhere near to 40,000 York students are going to exercise their collective political voice in the near future. Look around you. Less than 10 per cent of the student population — the highest turnout ever — voted in the recent campus elections.

Even if a respectable polling were to take place, what kind of majority vote would it take to tip the balance and qualify as an

"official" stand? Fifty-one per cent? Ninety-eight per cent? And can the "losing" side of the decision be ignored? With such a violently dichotomous issue such as abortion, the answer is obviously no.

It is my sincerest hope that all parties concerned can come to some sort of appropriate decision on this issue — a decision that accurately reflects the feelings of the student body, if that is possible.

Pamela Jarvis

Presidential candidate reveals campaign dirt

Dear Editor:

Manuel Noriega would have been proud of the recent Third World Experience at York called the CYSF general elections. Firstly, as the presidential candidate who came last, it is incorrect to call this letter a "sour grapes" reaction. This letter will point out the reasons this election will go down as one of the dirtiest in the CYSF history.

An election so mired in irregularities and inconsistencies was further plagued by Chief Returning Officer (CRO) Garry Choo who, had he even read the CYSF constitution, surely could not have grasped its meaning. This campaign saw flagrant and abusive violations of rules against poster in classrooms.

When I went to Choo to complain, the response was one which ranged from indifference to an invitation to follow suit and poster in these areas as well. WHERE WAS THE OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS???

It takes an average of two hours for student affairs and caretaking to rip down AIDS Awareness

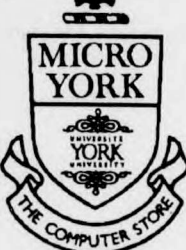
Week posters which are in the wrong places. This act is performed with furious delight and yet, posters belonging to presidential candidates Peter Merrick, Jean Ghomeshi and Ed Kim were on classroom walls for five days and nothing was being done.

On February 28, I called Norm Noddle at physical plant who assured me that all candidates would be dealt with. When I talked to student affairs, I was told that the fines would be \$50 each. This is bullshit. York students can now expect to see hundreds of AIDS Awareness Week posters gracing the walls of York classrooms everywhere, since a low fine will not deter me in the future either. Strike one.

Secondly, how can an election be considered fair when the CRO waits for such a long period of time before acting on complaints? I launched a complaint against Kim because one of his posters appeared in the Bethune display case in Central Square. The Government Affairs Tribunal (GAT) dismissed the complaint, yet I have not received anything in writing from them. Certainly, it can be said that the CRO is consistent in his failure to investigate complaints and enforce the rules. Strike two.

Thirdly, when Choo was informed by myself and others that Kim's posters were adorning the bookstore windows adjacent to the ceilings, I was told to (a) forget about it or (b) remove them myself. It is illegal under the CYSF rules to remove posters of

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