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# Blood and Thunder

## Moose Money

Dear Editor:

I have recently learned that a group of students running in this Spring's Student Governing Council election have formed a party. I have also learned that this party is being funded by Moosehead Breweries (in excess of \$2000). Members of this party also passed out beer tickets at the Social Club with their party logo on it.

Putting aside my feelings of personal disgust at having a major corporation meddling in UNB student politics, I would like to ask one question of Mr. James Downey, our president. Does Mr. Downey approve of a brewery sponsoring a group of students in a UNB student election?

Sincerely,  
Anthony S. English

## Alcohol - Free Prez?

Dear Sir:

I am dismayed at the actions of United '88 Party, the four students who are running as a team for the executive positions in the upcoming elections. From their posters and the free beer tickets they are distributing, it is clear that they have solicited the sponsorship of a well-know brewing company.

While I admire the concept of corporate sponsorship, I abhor United '88's ploy of advertising the sponsor's product (beer) in an effort to win votes.

I have two grounds for complaint:

1.) In an effort to promote themselves, United '88 is promoting alcohol on campus. I feel that is fundamentally wrong for a prospective SU president to link himself, so blatantly, with a beer producer. It seems quite hypocritical for a candidate to be giving away free beer in an effort to "buy" votes when the Student Union (of which he may soon be President) is so active in promoting responsible use of alcohol (through such programmes as Alcohol-Free Orientation). Personally, I do not consider United '88's gimmick a responsible use of alcohol.

2.) Through the use of this strategy to win votes, United '88 has stooped to a new low that is quite unbecoming of a prospective SU executive. The Student Union President occupies a very important position that is obviously lacking in United '88's campaign. It is all very well to promote good times but effective student government demands an executive that fights for real concerns and issues facing UNB students (employment, fees, library funding, etc.) that my vote might be 'bought' through such a cheap political manoeuvre.

I urge all students to look beyond the material benefits (a potential "buzz" at the Social Club) and look to the policies that United '88 Party and all the other candidates espouse in the forthcoming elections.

Yours faithfully,  
Ted Wilson  
Candidate for Forestry Rep.  
to SRC

## Noisy library

Dear Editor:

If anyone is interested in a social gathering in order to meet and talk to new people, or to see old friends, just head on up to the Education Resource Centre at Marshall D'Avray. What? You thought it was a library? So did I, but lately it seems that one has to go down to the cafeteria to get work done.

Compared to the other libraries on campus, it is amazing how much noise is tolerated at the ERC.

It used to be a great place to go; you could even work together without the threat of being hushed to death, but recently things have gotten out of hand. Just visit any weedkay afternoon and see if you can read a page without having to repeat most of the sentences because of the noise.

Although I've always found the staff to be very helpful, I believe it is time for the workers to take steps to ensure that people in the library are whispering quietly instead of talking in their normal voice.

If this isn't possible, let's just move all the books down to Harriet Irving and change the Education Resource Centre into a pub. At least then, I wouldn't be confused by the function of the place.

Arlen Christensen

## Terminal Ache

Dear Brunswickan Staff:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which has been sent to Dr. Downey by the users of the computer terminals in room HB-17 of Sir Edmund Head Hall. Attached to the original letter was a list of 127 users of these terminals who support its content.

Dear Dr. Downey:

Recently, the Baird-Turner Engineering Library replaced some of their computer terminals with new IBM units. We, the undersigned Computer Science and other students, feel that although these old terminals do need replacement, the new terminals could be better utilized elsewhere. We feel that the degree of usage of the replaced terminals is insufficient to warrant installation of the new models.

As an example, we feel that the present terminals available to students in the terminal labs at Sir Edmund Head Hall have outlived their useful life span. These terminals are plagued with constant malfunction, and are in some cases unsuitable for use. For example, incompatible character sets, non-existent program function keys (which are necessary for some applications), non-standard keyboard layout, plus a number of smaller incongruities too numerous to mention.

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