

# "Upperclassmen are good heads- Just ask them; they'll tell you"

Dear Sir or Madam:

Why should you consider me, a "lowly" Frosh as a person rather than a vegetable? In the first and foremost place vegetables are grown and brought up in a garden - earthy though they may be. No doubt a few days of my years were spent in Grampy's garden but by no means was I raised in the filth of a garden.

Vegetables are too unthinking and unknowing but we as Frosh are bubbling, vibrantly inquisitive -- eager to learn all about on-campus and off-campus so that we can generate such enthusiasm and as shown by the higher upperclassmen - work Frosh, stand up Frosh, sit down Frosh, sign your name Frosh.

We aren't completely ignorant of the worldly campus life. We're ready for English 100 because we know "she sings well" - pity those upperclassmen. After all, they're stuck with wasting our time as well as their own!

But furthermore, vegetables are edible "the gems of the earth" and we may be the "gems" of this particular part of the earth, but we feel we are hardly about to become a permanent part of the new S.U.B. cafeteria.

Therefore, since I think we have very little resemblance to vegetables, we should be considered as people and the wonderful upperclassmen we will be.

Kathy Walker

People are above vegetables because they have brains. Brains enable upperclassmen to speak, walk, eat, etc. They also enable upperclassmen to watch Frosh speak, walk, eat, etc. Therefore how can they maintain that a frosh is a vegetable? It's like calling an upperclassman a vegetable, something a good frosh would never do. . . .

Bonnie MacKenzie

## Frosh are Not Vegetables

Frosh are infinitely more useful than vegetables. Vegetables can only be eaten, which is not culturally appealing. The poems and chants recited by Frosh are delightful to the ears of the cultured.

Vegetables are also incapable of carrying trays, lighting cigarettes, and performing other invaluable services. Frosh are skilled in these tasks, and constantly receive opportunities to practice their accomplishments. Because Frosh are indispensable to supreme beings, they should be considered as superior to vegetables.

I am not asking that Frosh be rated as approach-

ing the glorious position of an upperclassman, but some recognition of the value of a Frosh is merited. Frosh traipse all over the campus to learn their way around to a degree which satisfies the sophomores. This deed takes a great deal of time and effort, and vegetables do not even try to do this for the wonderful upperclassmen.

Margaret Roy

An upperclassman is a Frosh who thinks he doesn't need a name tag. However, some dumb ones, like John Ure, still can't remember their name in the second year. Their stupidity is even inferior to their looks. Their only usefulness is a good laugh and eventually a . . . Most of the time they wander about aimlessly, get stopped, or follow around someone with class (a Frosh). The only reason they made it through the first year was because they were Frosh. Upperclassmen can't read too many words so you have to make paragraphs about them short.

E. R. Head

## Defence of a Frosh

I personally don't think Frosh should be treated as vegetables. First of all, vegetables are to be eaten, and merely the thought of devouring a Frosh as a noon-day meal is sickening. All Frosh are people, no matter what the upperclassmen think. They are humans with feelings and emotions just like everyone else. It isn't our fault it's our first year at college. We have to start somewhere. We can't skip the first year. Being treated like a vegetable gives one an inferiority complex. A Frosh just shudders with fear at the thought of being chopped up in some foul stew and then being gobble into some fat stomach. So please treat us as the people we are, not the vegetables we aren't.

Donna Jessome

## Why Frosh Should Be Considered People Not Vegetables

Frosh should be considered people not vegetables because Frosh who are told to be onions can get carried away with the idea. Frosh also, believe it or not, eat, sleep, drink, and participate in all kinds of things upperclassmen do. Amazing, eh! Since a vegetable can do nothing. The stupid upperclassmen contradict themselves by ordering Frosh to do their own work. Amazing how a vegetable works. Just think of all the harm done to the poor Frosh who cry themselves to sleep every night because they think they are some kind of vegetable lying there rotting.

Margie O'Hara

Frosh - a derogatory label suggesting sub-humanism - is unjustly stapled upon any and all geniuses unfortunate enough to suffer an earlier flowering (incubations? . . . hatching?) than an upperclassman (i.e. one who invariably suffers from a lack of any class at all.) Why should a biological occurrence separate scum? Who can differentiate between old "scum" and new "scum"? To paraphrase an earlier genius - "A scum is a scum is a scum". (I dare not contemplate the use of "A scum by any other name would smell as sweet") Besides the traumatic experiences suffered at the hands of sadistic almost invariably result in a determined revenge - i.e. not participating in the post Frosh activities, i.e. no money in new dues!! Therefore the whole approach of the upperclassmen back-fires - first in financial matters, secondly in the valuable friendships and aid of the Frosh due to upperclassmen's stupidity.

Ladies and gentlemen, I rest my case.

Jeannie Wong

The dire but beneficial Freshman's week imposed on new Dalhousie students by the sophomores is in my opinion uncalled for. The upperclassmen have been much too harsh and unscrupulous for I have known Freshmen who have done more than two hundred push-ups in three days! This statement is in no way hyperbolic. Very many upperclassmen have been quite easy on me but it seems to me that my punishment has been ruthlessly lashed on some unfortunate Freshman. I also detest the fact that some upperclassmen take the opportunity to pick on the Frosh during the Freshmen's week.

Frosh

