

An Open Line Of Communication

To The Editor:

A recent issue of much controversy has been the question of freedom and responsibility, and many have voiced some concern (some vehemently so) over several recent events which seem to threaten our freedom as students. I hope to add here some new insights, and perhaps a voice somewhat different position.

Each society has laws which (ideally) serve to promote and preserve social order, and make life together good for all individuals. Each person in society has two options with regard for the law: it may be obeyed or disobeyed. Because laws are not always just, it is not always right to obey them. However, when a person

decides to break the law, which is clearly his or her freedom, he or she must also realize that there may be ramifications. When one chooses to exercise the freedom to break the law, one must be ready and willing to accept the responsibility for his or her actions as well. If a law is unjust it should be changed, but until it is, those who break it and get caught will suffer the consequences.

St. Andrews has rules and regulations which are stated clearly in the Saltire. The students have been quick to cry for the right to choose their own life style, a right which is inherently theirs anyway. What has not yet been mentioned is the fact that the Administration has

rights as well. It is their right and some would argue their responsibility) to enforce the rules that have been established for running this college. Thus, each student who breaks the rules must be willing to accept the consequences if he or she is caught.

Another point must be made here. Students are admitted to St. Andrews, pay their registration fee, and in so doing, literally agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the college before they ever know what they are. Students never see the Saltire until they arrive here at orientation (if they are lucky enough to get them then!). Each year, a new class of students arrives, agreeing to abide by the

rules they have never seen. Shouldn't something be done about this?

In closing, let me say that what is needed at St. Andrews is an open line of communication - something that has never, as far as I know, existed here. The students are suspicious of the Administration because we never hear from them except in rare cases (and some who have heard from them have not been heard of since). When rumors are started, and the Administration makes no

response the students will naturally assume the worst. We students want to hear from our Administration. It is only because we care very deeply for St. Andrews that we want to know where it is going. When an untrue rumor is started, we want to hear the other side of the story. I believe the students and the Administration can learn from one another. Anyway, doesn't it make sense to try?

Sincerely,
Thomas R. Brown

News On C.U.B. Structure

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The purpose of this article is to introduce you to the new College Union Board structure to be implemented this fall. This new system will enable the CUB to function in a more organized manner and to provide a greater variety of entertainment. An additional note of interest: the social rep from each residence hall will be responsible for programming in his/her hall and will not be responsible for all campus events unless voluntarily joining a committee. The following is a description of the new CUB structure:

PRESIDENT: elected, responsible for entire operation, works with Director of Student Activities; administrator.

VICE-PRESIDENT: elected, responsible for working with the social reps in planning programs, overseeing performance, serves as liaison.

SECRETARY: appointed, by President, responsible for paperwork, report-gathering, serves as agent for President.

TREASURER/FINANCIAL ADVISOR: appointed, by President, responsible for keeping books, advising committees on financial status and matters, checks spending procedures, signs all money requests, responsible for drawing up budget based on board input.

EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR OF PROGRAMMING: appointed by Executive Board, responsible for all overall coordination of all committees for programming, answers directly to President of CUB, has voting privilege on board.

SOCIAL REP: elected by dorm, responsible for programming in the residence hall, voting member of CUB, has option to work only with dorm programming or to serve as committee chairperson or member, will partake in leadership/programming workshops (nine members with nine alternates)

CHAIRPERSONS: appointed by President and Board of Directors through self-nomination, responsible for forming a committee, developing and budget, programming on given dates for that interest area, work closely with Executive Coordinator of programming and Director of Student Activities, planning and implementation of programs, do not hold voting privileges.

COMMITTEES: Movie, Farrago (management and coffeehouses), Bands/Dances, Special Events/Lecture, Publicity.

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Professional, hired representative of Student Life Office, advisor to CUB, responsible for working closely with President (CUB) and board members, serves as resource person, signs all money requests, ultimately responsible for program planning and implementation, keeps college activity calendar (publishes monthly calendar), holds training sessions and planning meetings with executive board. Signs all contracts.

If you've been to the Belk College Center lately, you've probably noticed a few new faces smiling at you from the table near the Student Life Office. The Director of Student Activities has initiated a new service for you - the "checkout counter"! Available nightly, Sunday through Thursday, from 7 p.m. - midnight, there are a variety of table games (Risk, Monopoly, Life, Sorry, etc.) playing cards, and magazines to check out. All you have to do is leave an I.D. and use the Belk Center to play your game in. In addition, information will be available to visitors of the college.

rights and start being more concerned about the victim's (that's all the normal people here) we'd get a lot more of the burned out space cadets who wander the coswalk aimlessly... "it is rumored" You would be

the type to listen to rumors. Don't attack anyone unless you've got some facts, chump. You want assurances of your security? Don't do drugs - and you'll have nothing to worry about, will you?

Depression Cont.

model than an illness model of counseling. It's a preventive kind of model in which you are helping the person to make plans, to give direction to their lives that build on the strengths which are uniquely theirs."

I asked Dr. Thomas to discuss some of the ways and means by which students can "cope" with depression and its effects.

DR. THOMAS: "Depression is so related to the unique life experiences of the person that to generalize may speak to one person and may leave someone else cold, you know it's sort of hard to say."

"I would make a broad generalization, that admittedly is easier said than done but I still think it's important and that is that we so often find ourselves becoming reactors to life rather than initiators of life and when that happens then much of what happens is beyond our control."

"If we react to what has happened out there, and that is mainly our style of dealing

with things, then we are never really in control of our lives in any significant sense. We can always feel threatened then and become easily depressed if somehow or other we are always uncertain and therefore insecure about life."

"And as a basic kind of style of life I would say that the more that students or anyone else can get handles on what is really important to them, which is basically their value system, and then what kind of life experiences will be more satisfying and fulfilling to them, which is basically their interest patterns and so on, and then use that as a point of departure for trying to chart some of their life, they'll be less apt to be overwhelmed by forces going on around them and therefore less apt to respond depressively to them. In very mundane and very concrete ways I think it's crucial for persons to have to least one or more meaningful friendships, relationships, persons with whom they can be quite open in just an informal, casual, on going kind of thing,

not to take the place of any formalized counseling or therapy but just relationship needs being met."

"And that will tend to preclude at least intense depression. Anyone can get depressed under a number of problems and it can happen literally to all of us. But I think one can minimize that with significant relationship and the absence of that tends to bring on depression more quicker, quicker than anything I know of."

If a student is interested in seeing a counselor at the Career and Personal counseling Center they should call to make an appointment, and if there is a particular counselor they would like to see they should then request him/her.

Beginning this year a counselor is also available to see student upstairs in the Belk College Center (in the office to the left of the entrance of the Student Personnel Services office) on Monday or Wednesday afternoons on either a walk-on walk-in or appointment basis.

To Those Who

Wander Aimlessly

Dear Editor,
We received this anonymous response to our Dialogue of 7 March 79, and in the interest of having the reactionary faction of this campus heard from in this matter, we would like to see this printed in the LANCE. Furthermore, we invite the author of this statement to identify himself in the interest of arranging a further exchange of ideas and opinions.

Hal Bailey
Will Haselden

Your recent dialogue was way, way off the mark. There is no alarming trend here; as matter of fact, I find it rather commendable. Judicial procedure? Did you just float

down from a cloud, or what? St. Andrews is not a court of law. If the four poor, innocent, just-trying-to-get-along students were so alarmingly mistreated, why haven't we heard from them? You use the term "liberal-minded" as if that were necessarily a good thing. Not so. What this school needs is a little more conservative outlook. If you have been harboring under the cruel delusion that liberalism is something to be admired, I strongly suggest that you take time to reaccess your values.

The administration acted irresponsibly? The administration acted irresponsibly?!? What about the potheads? One of the

administration's chief responsibilities is to weed out the bad apples. This is exactly what they are trying to do, and their job could be a great deal easier if some of the students would leave them alone. I don't feel as if I have been "dealt a blow." I would have felt that way if the dopers had been allowed to stay, though. Another thing: dope is not a problem on this campus? By calling the administration naive, are you trying to insinuate that they don't recognize dope as a problem?

Pat McNeely was guilty, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT. Stop criticising the police. If you people would stop being concerned about the culprit's