

# Blood and Thunder

Deadline Wednesday 5:00 pm

## Sadistic

In regard to the article on "Killing for Sport". I kill to put meat on our table. My father does the same also. We've sat down to deer, moose, and bear. I eat wild meat about two nights per week. Do I kill for fun? Staving rather than eating is not fun! Am I humane when I kill? Very humane! Am I sadistic? Nope! I thank God for giving me the skill that I have. I am continuing the tradition of my forefathers and one day I hope my children will enjoy it. Sorry Mr. Griffith, the day I'm not allowed to sport my Winchester to give my parents 165 lbs of meat, I invite you to help me butcher my cows and pigs that I will then own. Then we'll see what's really humane.

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## Rebuttal Response

Well, well, well, I guess I am not too surprised at the response I have received to my letter "Raider Blues" in last week's *Brunswickan* and I am glad I received the responses I did.

This final reply is "respectively" presented to Mr. Hazlett, Mr. McCarthy, the Red Raider Team and coach Phil Wright. I would

like to clarify some things about my letter:

1) Shane did *not* write the letter or have anything to do with it. I, Scott Steeves, wrote the letter and clearly signed my name to it. I was disappointed to see remarks made against him when he had nothing to do with it. Mark, I wrote the letter and any comments about it should have entirely been directed to *me*. This was probably a minor oversight on your part but it was a mistake.

2) I do not see how my "so-so" basketball skills have anything to do with my opinions or my letter. If you think I wrote this letter because I was bitter about not making the team three years ago, *you're wrong*. If I was bitter about that then I would have written this letter at that time and not now.

3) I have been here for three years and rarely miss a Raider home game. In fact, I *enjoy* the games and I enjoy seeing the UNB team playing well. Sometimes these games may be frustrating, (to you and I both) but I still come to watch.

4) This remark is directed solely to Mr. Hazlett. I would have confronted you face to face with my comments Mark, but then the rest of the team would not have had the opportunity to hear them. To use the media was not my way of cowardly out of a confrontation with you but the media provides my exact words to the entire team. Remember that the letter was directed to the team, not just for your benefit.

5) I must agree with you Mark that I had written this letter hastily and without much thought. But this was based on watching a game between

UNB and the University of Maine at Fort Kent. To be honest, I thought that we should have blown them out of the gym by 70 points. The score may have indicated a blow-out (UNB won by 30) but with eight minutes to play in the game it was a two-point contest.

6) I also wrote the letter three days PRIOR to the UPEI series. And frankly, I felt quite badly about it afterwards because, to put it bluntly, you guys played great! To play against the 8th ranked team in the nation to

10 points both games was a fantastic display of courage and heart. This kind of play is what I am talking about. You guys can play well every night on the floor and you proved it to me and everyone else that weekend. You're right Mark, the improvements of the team showed through and I am sure I will see more in the future.

7) Another reason that I wrote the letter is that the Bloomers are 6 and 1 in conference play and they have 8 rookies as well. Again, I am not trying to put down the Raiders, but I am trying to point out that you guys can do the same, tough league or not. You did against UPEI and you can do it every game!

8) My next remark is one based on Mr. Hazlett's request for an apology to the coach, Mr. Phil Wright. Again my shortsightedness took the best of me when I wrote the original letter and I agree with Mr. Hazlett.

Mr. Wright, I do apologize for the remarks made on your behalf in my letter. I had acted hastily and without foresight. I hope that this apology will be accepted but I will understand if it

is not.

I am finishing off my letter with an apology to the team. I am sorry if I offended anyone directly as that was not my intent in the letter. I just wanted to give the Raider Team a shot in the arm, and I did. With the response I received, it seems that it worked. I should note though, that I do not regret writing the original letter and at that time I meant every word of it. I do not want to sound that I am apologizing for that letter because I am not sorry for writing it. I am glad you read it. READ it again, if you will, and think about what I said in BOTH letters. I wish you luck in your future games.

SCOTT STEEVES

## Cutbacks!

Dear Editor,

I read something in the January 28 edition of the *Globe and Mail* which I think is of interest to all students. Canada's Minister of Youth, Jean Charest, has announced cut backs in funding for university and college summer employment programs. This is to affect all of Canada.

The figures in the paper totalled 18 million dollars students won't have this summer. That means it's going to be a hell of a lot more difficult to find a summer job. Mr. Charest's reasoning for the cutback is the money is to be taken from post-secondary employment programs and channelled into high school employment schemes.

Whether or not you care about this today is a very important matter. If we allow approximately 20 million dollars to be taken from us, God only knows how much of a cutback there will be next year.

This is a topic which affects all

students who hope to find a job this summer. Apathy kills. Let's let our voices be heard in Ottawa. Either by postage free letters to your M.P. or a talk to your student union or however you want to protest it, do it! If you protest when the term is over you will be too late. The bureaucratic wheels will have been set into motion and there won't be any stopping them.

Paul Steele  
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## Smoking or Non-Smoking?

Dear Editor:

We feel there is sufficient concern about the new non-smoking rules in the SUB cafeteria to bring this matter to the attention of the readers of the *Brunswickan*.

As a smoker for over twenty years and as a mature student I find it extremely difficult to accept that we can be forced to abide by a rule which we had no say in. We smokers pay our tuition, our Student Union fees, our parking permits and all other fees and expenses expected of us on this Campus and therefore should be treated with equal respect with the non-smokers.

Health hazards are all around us - pollution from industries and cars - should they be taken off the streets? Nutra-sweet is believed to be harmful to one's health - is it being taken off the market or at least out of the cafeteria? Liquor is advertised all over campus and served in the Social Club located in the Student Union Building - is it going to be banned? Fried foods are bad for your health - are they going to be banned from the cafeteria? Walking across the parking lots on Campus is dangerous - are we all

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