

EDITORIAL

Cool ain't enuff

Thank God the 1985 SU election campaign is over.

Many students are almost irreversibly confused after two weeks of malicious rumours and nasty comments, but now the Gateway explains it all for you.

Probably the best candidate for the office of VP Finance is David Kueffler. Kueffler has a fair bit of administrative and budgetary experience, being involved in numerous government youth organizations and the Alberta Young Tories. He stands for fiscal responsibility, maximizing the value of SU fees, and is the most likely candidate to keep the SU in the black.

The race for VP Academic has produced two competent candidates: Caroline Nevin and Donald Stanley. Both candidates are credible and capable. Nevin served as Clubs Commissioner in 1984 and Stanley is currently a science rep of student council and sits on General Faculties council.

Brinton McLaughlin is the best qualified for VP internal. He has experience as a science rep on council, sits on the Campus Law Review Committee and has turned the Exam Registry into a financial and popular success in his term as the registry director. McLaughlin also has good rapport with the people he works with.

A new comer to student politics, John Cameron is our choice for VP External. During Wednesday's all candidates forum, Cameron was confident, but not cocky. He suggested a few good ideas and shows promise.

Sarah Wright would be a good Board of Governors rep. Once again, the position could do with a new face and fresh ideas. Wright has served as an Arts proxy, attending several council meetings this year and shows much enthusiasm for the job.

Could this actually be the year Don Millar ascends to executive office? Millar's long-time involvement with student government and student issues may lead some students to call him a political hack, but gives him the experience and expertise the other presidential candidates do not have. Millar ran a clean campaign, sticking to the issues, while other slates hurled slanderous abuse against him and his running mates. However, Millar will have to play conciliator as SU president. He has a reputation of fighting ardently and partisanly on certain issues, but he will have to take into account the 24,000 other views on campus.

The Gateway would also like to give an honourable mention to the Skip Slate, Muffy couldn't make the forum Wednesday, but Skip, Chip, Cliff and Biff showed they are fairly cool guys. Their idea for MTV and leather couches in trail is a classic.

Gilbert Bouchard
Suzette C. Chan
Kent Cochrane
Susan Sutton
John Watson
Neal Watson

No's for Nothing

What motivates those running the campaigns? The 'Yes' people are concerned with issues that affect our education — and in that conviction are sincere. They can be judged as making a constructive effort with student's concerns at heart. The 'No' sides motives seem far from constructive; it appears that 'No' campaign workers feel the need for student representation at the federal level, but are neither actively involved, nor intend to initiate any work on establishing a new national student organization. The fact that some 'No' workers feel the need for national representation (as 'No' campaign organizer Ken Bosman told me he did) seems to contradict their stance on this issue. Rather than working against CFS, shouldn't they be working within CFS to right perceived wrongs? Outright opposition to CFS does nothing to further any kind of representation at all.

When we vote today and tomorrow our decision must be made upon the basis of what CFS has done since we have been members, and what it has the potential to do. For if we vote 'no' there is no evidence from amongst the 'No CFS' camp to suggest that they will do anything in the near future to make sure we will have the voice that the U of A needs in Ottawa.

Apathy has ruled for too long on this campus. The choices we are asked to make may seem banal, but as the federal government funds 50 per cent of post secondary education in Canada the decision we make toward CFS becomes one of urgency. This decision will ultimately affect us all. Make sure you get out and vote.

Andrew Spence

Another apology

I would like to apologize for a mistake in my January 29, 1985 editorial where I erroneously stated that Floyd Hodgins asked Gayle Morris and Brinton MacLaughlin to take a leave of absence from their position. The mistake was made with no malice on the part of the Gateway.

Gilbert Bouchard

Q: Escaped lunatic?... A T.A.?
QUACK!
QUACK!



A: Students' Union election candidate looking for attention.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

The cost of profit

I was so pleased to read in the latest Gateway that Housing and Food's SUB Way food outlet has been successful in these "tough economic times." It should be interesting to see what H. & F.S. does with their new "tidy profit margin."

I suspect they won't do anything constructive with it though. Why, I believe it was just last week that all kinds of brand new office furniture were brought into room 44 Lister Hall. Goodness knows that an efficient bureaucracy can only run with new office furnishings.

No one ever thought of using that money for the restoration of services lost by the resident. Extended meal hours, weekly room cleaning (instead of bi-weekly), H. & F.S. supplied linen (instead of our own), and a nurse in residence are a few of the things we used to have before "tough economic times" made them unavailable.

Well Gail and friends, congratulations on turning a profit in SUB, but just remember all of us who sleep under your rooves and eat your food. Profits are hard to come by without any customers.

Trent Tucker

Some other time

At 12:00 noon today I was sitting in room 1-29 of the Education building, ready for an interesting and informative lecture. Much to my annoyance (and that of many of my classmates) the class was delayed while a campaign worker for one of the slates running in the upcoming election delivered a five-minute campaign speech.

I strongly resent the disruption of lectures by student politics. There are many legitimate ways of reaching the student body; any interested student can read pamphlets, posters, or the Gateway, or

attend an all-candidates meeting if he or she wishes to learn more about the candidates' positions on the issues.

I am not being apathetic (as the above mentioned campaign worker suggested when I had left the room for the duration of her speech, I have voted in each of the two previous elections for which I have been at this university, which is more interest than was displayed by 85 per cent of the student population. However, while I am interested in where my \$54.50 Student Union fee goes, I am far more concerned with getting value for the over \$800.00 I spent in tuition fees.

Political announcements (especially one-sided ones) are an inappropriate use of class time. I urge all lecturers to refrain from permitting their students to be subjected to this abuse of their time, and I urge students to protest to the candidates concerned.

Sara Forrest
M.L.S. IV

Queen's likes CFS

The upcoming referendum on CFS membership will be crucial for the students of U of A, and their colleagues across Canada.

The Canadian Federation of Students has emerged as a potent and diversified voice and service for students across the country. The moral and financial commitment of students from coast to coast is imperative to its survival. Both the service and political divisions of the Federation has attracted an excellent staff who work hard and effectively on behalf of all of us. Your support of the referendum, and subsequent membership in the Federation, will help to strengthen the fabric and integrity of the CFS.

Queen's University is a committed member of CFS-O/OFS and will be running a CFS Membership Referendum this fall. U of A can lead the way! I hope you will.

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Super reporters Susan Sutton, Kent Cochrane, and Bill Doskoc discovered a hamburger stand operating out of the janitorial storeroom in SUB yesterday. According to information solicited from clandestine ground beef salesman John Watson and Andrew Spence, the stand is illegally operated by Shane Berg and Hans Beckers. Promotional photographs for the business were taken by Alex Miller and Martin Schug. Alasdair Deans procures pickles, Brad Clark special sauce and Don Grygas soy bean meal. The stand was inadvertently discovered when a Bear-Apes double-whop fell on Mike Evans and killed him. Ha.