

— Our favourite letters —

"Here at Dal, the sensitive, intelligent, cultured chap doesn't exist at all..."

Angeline Fourrette,
September 28, 1989

"Is it fair that a person bound to a wheelchair has to enter through the back door of the A&A just because a ramp might look 'out of place' in the front of an old building?"

Craig MacKinnon,
October 5, 1989

"Ms. Leiterman asks if there is a 'less archaic explanation' for the advice to female students to avoid wearing revealing clothing at night. Unfortunately, there is not — not, at least, until 'archaic' attitudes towards women disappear."

W. H. Lord,
October 12, 1989

"Grow up little boys."

Angeline Fourrette,
October 12, 1989

"Besides the aforementioned characteristics, Desolee, we contest that we are swarthy, obnoxious, philandering beasts, seeking nothing more than the immediate satisfaction of our primate (sic) instincts."

We drink
We belch
We grab a mate
Prepare our seed
And copulate."

'a bunch of jocks'
October 19, 1989



"Re: Big Circumstance review by David Deaton. 'Don't criticize what you can't understand.' — Dylan

It is a sad fact that small puddle mind cannot comprehend vast ocean mind."

Dawn Suzuki,
November 2, 1989

"First, my sentence read 'The problem lies in the socialization of men to confuse sex and power to eroticize conquest (not 'women,' as was printed) and to not take women seriously.'"

Barbara Harris,
November 2, 1989

"Our apologies for the typos. The letter we received was not typed, but due to its nature, we deemed it worthy of our attention. Please make certain your letters are typed, double-spaced and include your name and phone number. This way, we can avoid these ugly mistakes."

Editor's note, in response to the above,
November 2, 1989

"After all, we expect our editor to display courage and moral fortitude. ... Are we pulping trees into paper to print a Gazette so spineless that a protoplasm looks tough in comparison? ... You had better believe we are sincerely yours."

Charlie Cappadoccia,
Lisa Barry
John Carmichael Angus,
Peter Ross,
November 9, 1989

"However, is it consistent to be concerned about the environment but not about the people who live in it? Some of the most ardent environmentalists are at the same time pro-abortion. Does this make sense?"

Charmaine Wood,
November 16, 1989

"Yes, we should all be against war, but not to the extent that this paper is."

Peter Patterson,
November 23, 1989

"It was a great pleasure to realize that my article about Hardial Bains ... was read by at least two people."

... It is exciting because I took 'careful notes' too and my article was based on these notes. This fascinating phenomenon may be the vital proof for the theory of parallel universes? It seems that in my universe the Leader said something else than he did in the universe of G. Brown.

... However, I suspect that the printing of this letter is sufficient shame for the Gazette. I don't want to destroy their reputation, so I'll end here."

Piotr Trela,
January 11, 1990

"I was repulsed by the article 'Drawn From the Fire — Children of the Intifada. ..."

By the very gravity of the injustice performed by all sides of the conflict they demand balance and a full comprehension of the history and present reality. This article dealt with neither, and I hope that in the future the Gazette will forego such reprehensible material."

Barbara Leiterman,
January 11, 1990

"A warm embrace and a hearty 'bravo!' to those with enough courage and fortitude to put out a Gay/Lesbian St. Valentine's Day supplement!"

"...Keep up the good work." Name Withheld By Request,
January 18, 1990

"Your paper isn't any more open minded than he was for wishing him and others dead; even if it was a joke. Time to recognize the fascism in us all..."

Mr. B. Streekes,
January 18, 1990

"Congratulations on your morally and environmentally disastrous issue. Never before have we been more offended by an advertising supplement placed in a newspaper..."

Peter S. Ross, Brian Dixon,
February 1, 1990,
re: Hollywood Jeans

"...For years these racists, sexists and homophobes have had the freedom of expression and they still don't shut up. For years these people have suppressed their victims..."

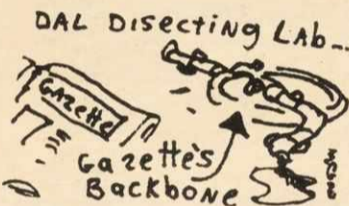
Anne Marie Walsh,
February 15, 1990

"...Do you have any backbone at all?"

E.A. MacKay,
February 8, 1990

"We took the backbone out of the Gazette so you could fold it and take it home."

Editor's Note,
February 8, 1990



"...Death threats against Gays and Lesbians, messages advocating sexual assault of women and racist epithets are all commonly found around campus."

Joseph Peterson,
March 1, 1990

"Next the editors decided not to print letters from the people. The people said 'BOO' but it was too late!"

Howard Brown,
March 1, 1990

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"...My problem is not with homosexual people per se, but with the extent to which the virtues of gayness are extolled in your paper ... there is no SPAD group (Straight People At Dal) or straight pride parade..."

'Nipun Vats',
March 8, 1990



"There is no SPAD at Dal? Ever been to the Grawood and watched the rock videos? Dalhousie University itself, as is most of society, is a straight pride parade. Everyone else covers the straight pride parade constantly, on T.V., in mainstream newspapers, ever-

thing!! We try to offer an alternative to the straight pride parade.

However, if you want to put together a supplement like our GLAD friends did, then you and a group of your friends have to organize it. GLAD organized the GLAD supplement, not the Gazette. Any group on campus that has the wits to write four or five articles, any group that wants to poke their noses into the office here is welcome to put together a supplement.

I must admit that to poke your nose into the Gazette office might seem like a scary thing to do. Common misbelief says that the Gazette if staffed by evil freaks, hippie activists and jerks. To tell the truth, we are all very friendly. If you poke your nose into the office, we are likely to give it a friendly kiss. You (this means you) are welcome to come to the Gazette office. You can come to yell at us, you can come to figure out what we do, you can come and sit on our broken down furniture and have a coffee with me.

It is your paper, and if you don't like what is in it, you are cordially invited to come and learn a bit about newspapers, and then change this one, if you so desire."

Sandy Mackay, editor,
March 14, 1990

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