

# Opinion

## Letters cont.

favour of the motion. However, I felt that since *The Grind's* only a club and generates materials for information just like any other club might do to inform the campus body, that if *The Grind* received 10,000 dollars so should every club on campus (all 125 of them).

The pro-*Grind* individuals like Floyd Hodgins and Peter Seseck were aghast that *The Grind* should be treated equally with other clubs. Well it all amounts to common sense and the motion failed.

Mr. Floyd Hodgins intends on attempting to transfer to the faculty of Arts and I have heard that Peter Seseck intends to run again for president of the S.U. It appears that these two individuals are also disturbed with the decision not to give their club 10,000 dollars of the students money. So now they intend on trying to impeach the Arts representatives to Students' Council. If you are now bored, then I am sure you can grip the scope of these two minds working away on these most novel ideas.

Coyote, you will never catch the roadrunner that way.

Jayson Woodbridge  
Arts rep. to SU

PS *The Grind* was just granted \$2,400 in March 1985.

## X-mas CANSAVE

Dear Sirs:

The Xmas season is near — a time of giving and sharing. I thought perhaps you would find room in your paper for a story on our efforts to raise money for CANSAVE (Cdn. Save the Children Fund) The Dept. has raised on average \$2000 a year for CANSAVE by two methods. We sell their Xmas Cards at this time and usually make \$1200 or so, and we run a bookbox that makes \$800 or so a year.

But for CANSAVE the \$800 is much more because the Prov. Govt. matches it and then the Federal Govt. matches that so the \$800 donated by U of A People becomes \$3200.

Here's how the bookbox works. It is located outside the English Dept. main office, 3rd floor Humanities. People donate all sorts of books and magazines to it and then anyone who wants can take a book for 25¢ or a magazine for 10¢. In a year some 4000 items move through the bookbox. All sorts of University people give books and all sorts of people, mostly students buy from it. We want the bookbox to make some money for CANSAVE but we also want it to be useful to students. Many kinds of books come through, some of them entertainment for enjoyable reading, but most of them books to augment courses or a students' library. Occasionally I've seen a student hopping with glee because he's got a text he needed for 25¢ instead of the \$20, \$40 or whatever he would have to pay in the bookstore.

N. Parke-Jervis

## Vis Art misfortune

Editor, Gateway

Many of us enjoy the art on display at various locations on campus. It provides visual stimuli, makes the environment more human, brightens up large impersonal spaces, and contributes to intellectual and personal growth.

I was distressed to learn that the "Painting the Town" exhibition in the Rutherford Galleria was removed a week earlier than planned and that the next exhibition, "Understanding China through Cartoons" is unlikely to be displayed in this area. Why is this happening?

The Director of University Collections, Helen Collinson, informed me that the reasons were theft and vandalism of the objects on display. The Rutherford

Galleria exhibitions are an additional project of Ring House, one that was originally strongly supported to provide visual interest in this "large open space" between Rutherford I and II and to improve the "quality of life" on campus.

It is disappointing that the majority of people has to be denied access to exhibitions of works of art just because one or two individuals consider it their right to steal or deface art works.

Bente Roed Cochran  
Committee for the Improvement  
of Teaching and Learning

## Birthright

To the Editor:

Re: article of Tuesday, November 26, 1985 "Postcard Campaign for Abortion".

Campus Birthright would like to clarify the work of Birthright.

Birthright is for life and offers an alternative to abortion for women distressed by a pregnancy. Our volunteers help women to explore their feelings about the choice they must make: to have an abortion or to carry the pregnancy (to term). Information in both these areas is given with compassion and understanding. We do not judge or moralize. We do not use pressure tactics or show graphic pictures in an attempt to influence the women who come to us for help. In all situations, it is understood that the decision is hers to make and that this decision will be respected. Birthright does not present abortion as a case of murder nor are we involved in political lobbying or public debate about abortion.

The function of Birthright, according to our charter, is to offer free, confidential pregnancy help in a caring non-judgemental way. The help we offer is designed to fit the individual needs of each woman who comes to Birthright. It includes things such as: free pregnancy tests, accommodation where necessary, maternity and baby clothes, and, above all, the compassion and understanding of someone who cares. This understanding and compassion is offered equally to every woman who comes to Birthright regardless of the decision she makes.

Bev LaBoucane  
Campus Birthright

## This is the last time!

Dear Editor:

Could I add a few words to the exchange over bicycling on campus that has been going on in the editorial pages these last few weeks?

John Doyle

Editor's note:

No sir, you most emphatically, sans question, cannot. We are sick, sick, sick of bicycles.  
Cheers!

## God defies logic

All known cultures, even the most isolated, speak of the existence of God. This suggests that knowledge of God is one that is innate to us — it appears to be of the same origin as the rest of what we are. Indeed, have you noticed that as skeptical and doubting as children are, they rarely doubt the existence of God. We seem to start questioning the existence of God only when we start trying to use our intellect to resolve the issue. As brilliant as our minds are, it is apparently not capable of resolving the issue any more than it is possible for a fish to think out what it means to be human.

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