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letters

Thanks for the support

An open letter to all Arts
students:

First of all we would like to
thank you for coming out and
voting on Friday. A special thank
you goes to our campaign
workers and the Arts Involvement
Campaign Committee
who put in many long hours on
our behalf. Thank you.

Our being elected is a cry
for recognition by the Arts
students. Foremost our responsi-
bility lies to you. We have an
open invitation to any Arts
student with opinions and ideas
concerning any student issues.
We have started contacting the
other candidates and elected
G.F.C. representatives to form a
cohesive voice for the Arts

students. We have begun talks
with the Arts Faculty concern-
ing initiating our policies.

Secondly, since the fate of
Arts students is interrelated
with the fate of other students,
we are organizing a viable
constructive Students' Union
council. We invite all other
elected representatives to come
forward with their ideas, meet
with us, and work with us.

No longer is the Students'
Union and its policies going to
be independent of the student
body. TOGETHER the S.U. coun-
cil can work for the students.
Thank you.

Kim McKenzie
Ken Reynolds
Arts reps S.U. Council

READER COMMENT

Species of disturbance

I'd like to take this last
chance opportunity to propose
the banishment of a certain
Undesirable Element (UE) from
this campus. I'd also like to
suggest that there be a quota
system created that would pre-
vent an excessive enrolment of
this same UE.

Members of the UE can be
found in five major groupings.
The first of these is the *Ob-
noxious Orals* (OO). These are
the alleged students that slouch
in back-of-class seats and
crackle cellophane wrappers at
strategic moments (like when a
prof. gives the date and place of
a mid-term exam). It usually
takes a crackler at least half-an-
hour to munch through a
sandwich, which means that the
camp-fire snapping noise is
often accompanied by a
revolting smacking and chom-
ping and crumb-spitting. While
the rest of the class silently
considers a professor's state-
ment, an OO can often be heard
competing with the hum of the
air-conditioning as he/she
masticates food quite audibly.
This type of UE is often a
"snorter" as well, punctuating
class discussion with a soaking-
wet sniff, followed by a loud,
moist swallow.

A second type of UE is the
hystericum shriekus (HS),
usually of the female species.
An HS almost always knows
when there are hung-over peo-
ple in the class, and chooses
these grim moments to offer her
piercing giggle, sitting back in
satisfaction to watch the win-
dows crack and her victims
shudder. I would like to suggest
that all HS's have their vocal
cords removed and donated to
the Psycho-Aggression
Research Society.

A third member-group of
the IIF most often goes by the

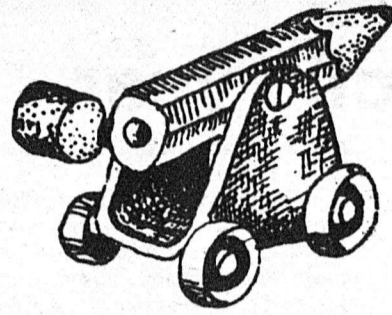
name of *Jock Block* (JB).
Members of a JB usually sit in a
shoulder-to-shoulder bolder-
and-bolder circle at the back of
the class. These creatures con-
tribute to the academic pursuits
of the university by laughing
raucously at the utterance of
erotic words in class. Words like
armpit, cum, protuberance,
holy creche, bare-naked and
chest. The word "titillating" is
also a popular, chuckle-
provoking one for this group.

The fourth group, POFS, are
not to be confused with other
common university species
(profs, poofs). POFS are those
students that smile a lot, and
have noses that are an odd,
earthy-brown color. They can
also be seen clustered in a
sticky knot around the
professor's desk after a lecture
finishes. The full name of the
POF species is *Plain-Old-
Fashioned-Suck*.

The last group in the UE is a
composite one, containing all
the left-overs of those already
thrice-rejected. These are the
pencil-tappers, the belchers,
the hand-raisers, the jigglers
and the noddors. Loud page-
turners deserve special atten-
tion, because of their unique
habit of sitting happily at their
desk turning page after page of
their voluminous notes, obliv-
ious to the shattered
nerves that result from this
continuous whip-crack sound.

It is my humble opinion that
the U of A should open up
enrolment to foreign students,
but close it to the ranks of the UE
within our midst. Thanking you
in advance for your careful
consideration of this matter, I
remain....

Sincerely yours,
Ralph Nader
Extermination III



editorial

Speech a disappointment

The Council changeover meeting last night in my
opinion, represents not only a change of faces, but a
change in policies.

I don't want to sound as if I'm pre-judging this new
executive, but I feel that comments made in the
inauguration speech of the new president, Len
Zoeteman, deserve some critical comment.

To be fair with Len, I must say that an unbiased
news story of the comments he made in his speech
should accompany this editorial, but time constraints
of a major nature prohibit this. So I'll try and temper my
criticisms to reflect this unfair situation.

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Zoeteman's speech was entirely devoid of any
commitment on the part of the new executive to do
anything — other than expressing enthusiasm about
taking over their new job. There was no commitment to
do anything specific on any issue, like I expected an SU
inauguration speech to contain. (I've seen three of
them.)

Leadbeater's "leaving of office" speech contained
references to goals achieved to the achievements the
executive had made. I expected Zoeteman's speech to
contain some type of policy statement or basic aim
with regards to next year's activities, but I received
none at all.

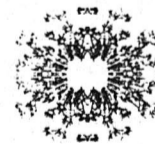
What Council was given was a five minute long
speech introduction with no body or conclusion. All he
said was how enthused he was, and how he looked
forward to a lot of interaction and debate from Council
in the year to come. Every type of formal speech of this
nature contains similar material, but they usually get
over that and down to business.

Maybe Zoeteman had no business to discuss.
Maybe the executive as yet, have no basic goals that
could be related to Council (and indirectly to the
students who elected them). Frankly, I'm not entirely
sure.

But I'm disappointed students couldn't get an idea
of where the year will go in terms of student politics.

I'm disappointed that no real meat was contained
in his speech, and I hope both Len and the rest of the
executive will be more vocal on different issues in
specific as the year progresses. It would have been
beneficial to both Council and students, if Zoeteman
had used the many hours he said he used to prepare his
speech, to give us something concrete to listen to.

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