LETTERS

LIGHTEN UP. YORK!

People of the York Community: Lighten up! You're driving me crazy. Your serious nature is unprecedented in any group of supposed intelligence I have ever seen.

Why are you this way I ask myself? Is it because you feel so god damn smart that you have to sit down on your brain and rationalize every word spoken out? Naw, that can't be it, if you were smart, you'd see that that was living in the past and you'd be worrying about the present.

Still, there are some of you who are hung up on the future as well—what's happening in El Salvador, Ethiopia, Uganda, Vietnam... the list is endless. As are all of your fragmented groups each standing up for its own little fragment of our fragmenting world. You don't accomplish anything and you're so caught up in your little fragment that you can't see that you're all striving for the same thing! Human rights and dignity.

But, for crying out loud — what about your present self? Do you know what the Canadian government is doing to our dignity passing off a budget like the one tabled — they're practically taking the livelihood away from half our country! And you're paying 30 cents to mail a letter now. (The posties were so embarassed about that, that they just put an "A" on the stamp so foreigners wouldn't know how much we have to pay!

Your attitude of seriousness for making everything that "Matters" is making hardship for you and your fellows. You're so caught up in your trendy little fragments that your letting Canada fall to pieces.

Remember why you're here—democracy, human rights, dignity... we're losing all of those damn you, and not there. Pretty soon we'll have to leave here and set up some fragment group out of some hell hole and sign petitions that mean nothing while we let our new society crumble further around us. Lighten up York! Your

priorities are backward. We can't help anybody unless we're in the position to do so — and why do we want to help everybody anyway?

Let's get together and improve our own situation for a while then we can all fragment and let our home fall to pieces again.

> Joel Baum President, "The Committee for Setting Priorities Straight" (C.S.P.C.)

GRAFFITTI CRIMES
Hitler was a saint.
What about next time?
He'll be a god.

This rather tasteless bit of graffitti shows that even in these supposed halls of learning we are surrounded by assholes.

I would expect this sort of childishly immature behaviour in a high school, but not here.

I thought that we should have a little more respect for each other. Apparently I am wrong.

These cheap tricks and stunts have no place in a liberal educational environment. I thought there was an openmindedness to the differences of others and that these overt forms of racism wouldn't be necessary or show up at all. No, you're wrong. I have no allegiance to any gods or group of of people. I guess that I'm a blind utopianist blindly hoping that people will grow up and show themselves to be human beings who understand and are willing to accept what goes on around them with compassion.

Perhaps we can all learn understanding. Do yourselves a favour, listen to the words of John Lennon: Imagine, and Imagine.

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