

# Gateway columnist succumbs to Beelzebub

Dear Gateway:

In response to your article on page seven's "The Chopping Block" from your September 10 issue, I'd like to convey my great sympathies for your narrow-minded, understanding and obvious ignorance of who and what Jesus Christ is.

While it may be true that Jesus has been depicted as being reminiscent of some scrawny throwback to the psychedelica, it's very out of line to think that that is all Jesus is about.

You cannot and should not try to fit Jesus into a mold that we as fallible human beings have taken the liberty of creating.

Of course Jesus suffered for each and everyone of our sins as a sacrifice that we may be freed.

Therefore, the depiction of Him on the cross should serve to remind us of exactly who we are.

We are the creations of God who have turned away from their great Creator. Go ahead and snicker but look around and tell me there is no basis for this statement. Maybe you'll only have to look within yourself to find this out — if you're bold enough to admit it.

Jesus is not only seen in the light of the cross. Maybe you've never had the privilege to know Him personally therefore I don't blame you for your bias because you don't know any better.

As for me, I know that Jesus' teachings are not a mere "handout philosophy" as you put it.

I am able to see Him as a

good friend and one who can guide and forgive me even when I've let Him, others, and myself down tremendously. He has given me and many others *the* (not just *a*) reason to live.

It's great to know that had I been the only one on earth Jesus would have still given His life that I may be reunited with God. He has given me love. That is how I

see him.

It's also great to know that His love is there for everyone if they choose to claim it for themselves. The choice is ours.

The implications of the things that you said scare me, not because they will alter my belief, on the contrary, they have emphasized them.

I'm scared because I'm con-

cerned that you and many others may never get past that preconceived idea of who Jesus Christ is. If you cannot see Him as the man and God of love that He is, then I sincerely hope that there'll come a time when you will — before it's too late!

Yours sincerely,  
Miriam Tuazon

## Personalized service for the rich

Dear Gateway,

Physicians in Alberta provide a high standard of medical care, and in general are adequately reimbursed for this by Medicare.

Some people and some physicians wish to provide and to receive a higher standard of personal care, personal service, and personal convenience than is possible at the fees paid by Medicare.

While these latter components of the physician-patient relationship may not be medically necessary, and so are not provided for in the Medicare fee schedule, there is no compelling reason why they should not be available to those who are willing and able to pay for them.

In Alberta we now have the best of both worlds.

All Albertans are provided with a high standard of medical care, paid for by Medicare.

Any Albertan who wishes to obtain a standard of personal care, personal service, and personal convenience not provided for in the Medicare fee schedule is free to find a physician who will provide these things, and to make the appropriate financial arrangements with the chosen physician. The medical component is paid for by Medicare, and the personal component is paid for by the person rather than by the taxpayer.

As long as Albertans retain this freedom no government will be able to regulate, and so limit, the quality of care available to distorting the fee schedule in such a way as to discourage the provision of services which are desired

by some patients but which are considered by government planners to be "uneconomic" or "not medically necessary."

Yours truly,  
K.C. Smith  
Medicine III

## Let these turkeys go

Dear Gateway,

Thank God for Jens Anderson!

Having endured 'Let my People Come' on Tuesday night and been disappointed by the total lack of talent and imagination, I was greatly relieved when the Gateway Arts Editor saw fit to come down on it 'like a sledgehammer on a rotten egg' — unlike a host of others before him.

From the beginning it grated on the nerves ... no, even before the beginning: members of the cast took up posts in the auditorium soliciting enthusiasm.

As if that wasn't bad enough, Phillip Roy introduced the production and demanded a round of applause before they'd even

started — we didn't clap enough at first and were made to do it again!

As for the musical, the review in Thursday's Gateway says it all — all that is except that from where I was sitting the applause was only half-hearted, and I was aware of more energy in the audience scrambling for the door at the end than at any other time during the evening.

Perhaps the apparent enjoyment which baffled Jens Anderson was generated not from the performance but from the high price of admission. —If they didn't laugh they'd cry?

Sincerely,  
Helen Amerongen  
Dept. of Zoology

## Gateway good toilet paper

Dear Editor,

This is my fourth year that I will be turning to the Gateway to enlighten myself on issues that concern students on campus.

As well, my supply of toilet paper is always low so I have to supplement it with your Arts section.

However, I can no longer remain silent.

I wish to comment on your editorial column. Mr. Michalshyn, why don't you write on something that is of more concern to students, such as cutbacks and the housing shortages.

Of course the usual rhetoric (sic) that I'm not against your writings on Soviet world affairs but why not wait until later on in the year when the campus is running smoothly. (sic)

Andy Samoil  
Education 4

P.S. Why not editorialize on clubs on campus. Even perhaps on why the Ukrainian students club has so few members.

## Deweys? Phooey!

"Dewey's???"

Are you guys serious? Please tell us no.

Daniel Chow Arts III  
Sigrid Wernsdorf, Arts II  
Grant Littke, Arts IV  
Mark Haye, Arts II  
Wendy Halferdahl, Arts IV  
Rae Ann Robertson, Arts IV  
Keith Krause, Arts V  
Patrick Fafard, Arts IV  
Irys Hall, Science IV

P.S. Is there any connection to Philip Dewey Soper?

## More uni news please!

Gentlepersons,

As you may recall during last year I expressed some reservations as to the style of Gateway's coverage of events.

In view of the stance your newspaper has taken in these first two issues I would like to repeat for the sake of your new staff, these same reservations.

The Gateway was established as a medium (media?) for students to report and learn about events that affect them.

If we look to the constitution we find that the newspaper is charged with; complete and accurate coverage of campus events.

This being the case to say that you will not cover press release (news) or campus club (news), flies in the face of statutory responsibility and com-

mon sense.

Surely drawing some \$25,000 in salaries your editors can be induced to cover events that your volunteers can or will not.

It is quite true that there are severe curtailments when dealing with a volunteer staff. But, part of the duties of an editorial board would be to create an atmosphere where a large number of volunteers would thrive. This is hardly likely to occur if the perks of the paid staff include first choice on coverage and the leftovers go to the underlings.

I will not attempt to lecture you on an area I am sure you have spent much time considering.

I do expect however a reversal of your stance against coverage of campus news.

Should that not be forthcoming we would hope that the Students' Union consider your statutory responsibility and your reluctance to meet it.

Sincerely yours,  
K. Warner  
Science 1

## Friend in need

Dear Students,

I am presently confined at the Ossining Correctional Facility and I would be very grateful if I could perhaps establish correspondence with anyone wishing to do so.

Please understand — just because I'm in prison doesn't necessarily mean I am a criminal.

We all can make a mistake because imperfection is due - to anyone who's not perfect.

Nothing can really change a particular situation unless there's a will to do so. Is God the only one who forgives?

I hope it hasn't been accounted presumptuous if a man of low and humble station has ventured to make a friend.

Alphonso Hayes  
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Ossining Correctional Facility  
354 Hunter Street  
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U.S.A.

## Parking shortage

Parking space availability has been seriously curtailed this fall owing to a number of factors including loss of most of "B" zone space owing to the soon-to-be commencement of construction of a new Field House.

Other locations may be temporarily reduced for construction or similar reasons.

Parking Services is endeavoring to accommodate applicants but it is just physically impossible to meet requests and it is suggested that options such as car pools and the use of public transportation be utilized wherever possible.

W.F.G. Perry  
Director, Campus Security  
and Parking Services

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