

'Frosh kits' to be burned?

Due to some miscalculation, the Students' Union has been stuck with a surplus of the "This, that, and everything" kits that were sold to unsuspecting first-year students last week.

These kits contain the following items: 1)a balloon, 2)a Bic pen, 3)a postcard, 4)a datebook from the TD Bank and a notebook from the same place, 5)tickets to certain campus events 6)cinema and sport schedules 7)a timetable from the Royal Bank, 8)a Ski Club pamphlet, 9)three \$.15 free pop tickets for Hannigan's 10)an AGT address

and phone notebook, and a few other pamphlets. A few of these frosh kits also contained "surprises" in the form of gift certificates for A&W, Kentucky Fried Chicken, or the U of A Bookstore. These, and a few other things have been taken out to be returned to their original sources. The remainder is now lying on big heaps on the floor in the SUB Club Room, a veritable treasure trove for anyone who wants Bic pens (\$.25 value), postcards (\$.10 value), and Hannigans coupons (\$.45 value per set). A lucky person may even find gift

certificates worth up to \$5.00 each.

Reportedly, these surplus materials are to be burned.

However, a wiser course would be to donate these materials to some charitable institution. They certainly would be able to find good uses for the hundreds and hundreds of Bic pens and postcards. As for the balloons—every kid loves balloons, so therefore I recommend that all

the remaining balloons should be turned over to a children's home.

And the waste paper remaining (pamphlets, cards, coupons, etc.) should be turned over to a recycling plant, not burnt. The envelopes can mostly be reused.

The cost of inefficiency is great. But when this cost can be converted into doing a good turn for the needy, it should be done.

Ralph Watzke Ar.2

COMIX!

Comics are a necessary force in journalism and I hope you'll use them this year in your paper. I really dug them last year because they were different than the rest of the material in the paper. If you want to get a point across comics are usually the best way to do it. Unfortunately most people will look at something with pictures in it before they'll look at print. You have to consider this fact. If the strip has some half-assed art the people will generally read it before anything else in the paper.

Try to vary the subject material of the comics too. Political strips after awhile can be quite boring; vary the topics with things about everyday freaks like Harold Head or some type of Joe Varsity student.

I hope you don't get tied up into all the political committees like the Young Socialists for example. The lighter you can treat a subject the better.

Norman Frizzell

WIVES!

All praise to Doug Black, who managed to clear out some of the empty bottles from SUB, I have never seen Room at the Top so CLEAN. Before now we've had to turn the lights down to hide the dirt.

M. Gilliland
President
Graduate Students'Wives' Club

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party you slant is in favour of your support? Or is there such a lack of news on campus that you must thoughtlessly blow up issues and sensationalize them?

I always thought the purpose of a newspaper was to report the news, not create it. But maybe Gateway is different!

Vera Radio

Ed Note: gateway apologizes for factual errors in the story about Student Help, and especially for implying that the report which recommended the policy committee was authored by the Students' Union Executive.

However, We must point out that there were not two stories about Help but rather one story

and one editorial. We are still of the conviction that the report on Student Help, if accepted, would have been very harmful and we are glad that it was shelved. We also make no apology for the editorial assumptions about the implication of the report.

We take exception to the part of Vera Radio's letter which says that the Directors of Student Help were not in favour of the coverage we gave them. We do not usually seek the approval of groups or of individuals before we write stories.

However, in this case, The Gateway is negligent in not investigating the situation thoroughly and consequently mis-informing the students.



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