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Letters

#### Sex: who's counting

Dear Gateway:

Men "tend to be much more sexually active than women", according to an article on Page 18 of the March 6th Gateway.

With whom?

It is possible for men to be, on average, slightly more sexually active than women: there is rape and there is male homosexuality. But it usually takes "two" to tango.

Even if one is only counting sexual activity that is somehow "illicit", if a man and a woman are in bed, and the man is not married to the woman, the woman is not married to the man.

One possibility is that the professor quoted in the article is giving extra weight to adultery: with two people in bed, one, none, or both may be married to someone else.

Also: I've shown that the average amount of sexual activity per man cannot be too much different from the average amount of sexual activity per woman. What about the median? Perhaps the vast majority of women do lead lives far more chaste than the vast majority of men, because of a small minority of women whose sexual activity reaches astronomical levels. For example, prostitutes. Apparently, St. Augustine lives ("in her are contained...", etc.).

If men do "tend to be much more sexually active than women", in whatever sense such a statement is to be taken, then it follows that a woman who is generous with her favors sticks out from the crowd. If all men are lust-crazed monster. If a loose man were something unusual... then we'd need a word for it.

One might note the socio-biological reason for paying more attention to women's errors: no matter how much your husband fools around, they aren't going to wheel you out of the delivery room with somebody else's kid. Some women think that paternity is a concept that oppresses women. If that is true, then the equal responsibility of both sexes for child care is a concept that oppresses men.

Suppose that a man, ordered to pay child support, could ask that his putative children be subjected to a paternity test. Don't you just know that there would be an outcry from feminists at such a thing?

Instead of trying to avoid all responsibility for their sexual activities, feminists might better be asking themselves why they're doing this. If the real problem is that women are being pressured by men into having more sex than they want — and therefore they have a right to be less responsible for the results —then maybe it's time to start talking about the real problem. Otherwise, you're going around asking for things to which it is far from obvious that you have a right.

John Savard

### Congrats, sincerely

It was a long, tiring campaign and there are a few things I would like to say.

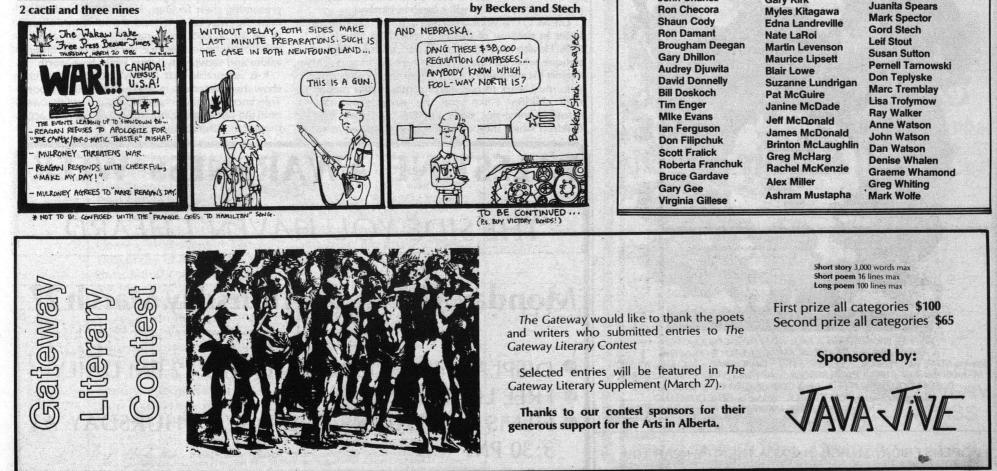
First, I believe congratulations are in order. Congrats Dave, Mike, Tim, Craig, and Barb, our new SU executive. Congrats, also, to Jim, our Board of Governors Rep once again. You all have a great responsibility ahead and I wish you all luck.

Secondly, I would like to thank all my friends and supporters. Without you my campaign could not have had any meaning. Special thanks to Larry and Floyd for all their help.

Thirdly, I would like to thank all the candidates. I learned something from each of you. It was quite an experience and we must go for beer someday.

Sincerely, Danny Beauchamp

P.S. I would also like to thank Paul and Shelly. They did a great job and hopefully they're still having fun.



### The Gateway's 75th Anniversary Party!!

For Ex-Gateway people April 11, 1986 6:00 - 11:00 pm Eat, drink and be controversial (like the good ol' days)

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## Gateway Election Procedures

The following motions pertaining to the March 20th editorial election were passed at *The Gateway* staff meeting on March 13.

• Questions put to editorial candidates must adhere to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedom, the Alberta Human Rights Act, the CUP Statement of Principles, and *The Gateway* Constitution.

• All questions must pertain to the portfolio and The Gateway.

• Each candidate may give an introductory speech not to exceed 3 minutes. He or she will then be questioned by staffers for a period not to exceed 15 minutes.

# The Gateway Editorial Elections

The following are eligible to vote in the election of *Gateway* editors for 1986-87. If you have made three or more contributions (photos, articles, layout help, etc.) this year, please notify Dean Bennett. The election will be held on Thursday, Mar. 20 at 4 p.m. in the *Gateway* 

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