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The winner of this, our first award of this nature, has named himself for this honour elsewhere in this paper. On many occasions we have been blessed with his eminently forgettable ideas in the letters page and in various campaigns for election, most of which, he lost. He has relegated a philosophy that many people share to the level of something about as appealing as a bout with Vietnamese clap.

So, for his outstanding contribution to this university on levels barely worth mentioning, we award you Mr. Cariou with this little reminder of the esteem that you and your ideas are held here and there.

a book review

"Enough Room for Joy"

Love. You know, that force that drives the world 'round. Something that's sharing, caring, giving, and taking - the warm glow and the intense energy. Human beings unfold and blossom under love and tenderness.

Jean Vanier (son of late Vanier, Governor General of Canada) sensed the strength of this force and with the conviction of the Lord at his side he set about to make his religious vision see reality. It became L'Arche in 1964, a home for mentally handicapped adults and the spiritual fountainhead of a different kind of movement.

In Bill Clarke's book, *Enough Room for Joy* the dimensions of these communities are explored with a sympathetic ear by author Bill Clarke. Father Clarke spent two years as a resident of L'Arche (France) and the book recounts his impressions, thoughts, and beliefs of the experience. He returned to Toronto to Regis College where he is Vice-Rector and Spiritual Director.

L'Arche is unique because it is not an institution. It is a community. Clarke conveys the essence of the community by noting personal foibles, the keen and passionate human element that speaks to the 'boys', not an antiseptic orderly nor a dispassionate clinician. It is a

community for "victims of a world of excessive individualism and competition."

The joy, as Clarke sees it, is the spirit of concern and compassion that prevails in these communities. Vanier and the people helping him are interested in arresting the 'boys' lives of rejection and instead nurturing through patience and affection some expression of a fuller human being. Clarke conveyed intentions and beliefs well.

But he failed to translate the emotion and suffering he experienced and saw into anything more powerful or moving than mere narrations. Many passages seemed to be bouyed by a strained sense of hope. His method of describing L'Arche through for example, a structural perspective did not always allow him an expressive opportunity but many other occasions were lost as simply being flat and one-dimensional attempts.

On an introductory note Clarke comments upon the illogical mind of Claude. He asks such questions as "What time is orange?" or "How was tomorrow?". It served to remind me to some extent of a confrontation between a young man and a young woman mental patient in the novel *The Black Obelisk* by E. Remarque. The young man was eternally

confounded and bemused by their discussions. Mirrors were not just a matter of reflection - another part of yourself was betraying you. A strange swirling type of existential wisdom always seemed to cling to the woman.

Perhaps it was glimpses of something beyond that I was expecting from *Enough Room for Joy*. I'm not completely sure. About the only chapter which eclipsed my expectations was a personal tale of the dichotomous - like suffering and joy of the peoples lives. It touched me.

Anyway, if you're looking for a different kind of message, try reading *Enough Room for Joy*. The book may not have succeeded but the communities surely will.

John Kenney

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Observations

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"naked mountains clothed in forest."

He felt that the beginning of sthe cultural revolution came with a questioning of the patriarchal and matriarchal societies and with the recognition of the women's role in their country. Characteristically, the real

discussion topic was reached last. Ronning felt that China had failed completely in its relations with Soviet Union. He acknowledged the possibility of a war but again his eternal optimism dictated otherwise. As for the US, he felt that "relations between China and the US are gradually improving."

Contest results

The Gateway Annual Mindreading Contest Board of Judicial Advocates has, after a three-hour closed-door top-secret meeting, decided on the winner of its first annual contest.

The winning caption reads: "Hmmm. Wonder if I can run for mayor of Calgary."

It was a close race, and the Board, composed of senior Gateway editors, a citizen at large, and the bartenders at the Ritz, had a difficult time sorting through the thousands of entries that flooded the Gateway office over the past week.

The only problem in announcing the winner is that the person who signed the entry has a completely unintelligible

signature. This almost disqualified him from the running, but the Board decided against disregarding the entry of a typed entry form on the grounds of the inability of the participant to write with his hands.

Would the person who submitted this winning entry please come to the Gateway office rm. 282 SUB and claim his free all expense paid trip to RATT? Because of the risk of someone fraudulently misrepresenting himself as the winner for this valuable prize, witnesses to verify the identity of the winner, as well as on-the-spot reproduction of the signature will be necessary.

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FORUMS Director

A Director is required for the Students' Union Forums Program of 1974-75. Remuneration is in the form of an honorarium of \$400 for the year.

Responsibilities will include soliciting suggestions and receiving requests of members of the student body for forum topics and engagements with guest speakers; approaching guest speakers throughout Canada with invitations; organizing technical and other arrangements for forums, including publicity; attending to the comfort of guest speakers from out of town; and allocating equitably the year's budget of \$7500.

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