

# Power Mongers in a Powerless Student Union



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editorial

One thing that disappoints me greatly about the up-coming election is the generally poor quality of the candidates, not to mention their pettiness.

Last year there were some names among the defeated candidates which would have made excellent Union officers - and all those who won did at least a fair job (last fall I would have said with the exception of Tom

Hayward but he has since shown his - I hope - true colors).

However, this year, on the whole, we have a big group of malcontents to choose from. If from this group you can find a good executive (and even harder - a good Council) for next year then I must admit that you are better able to find the good points in a candidate than I am.

For example, of the eight people running for Arts Rep, there might be four good candidates among them. Its so bad that I intend to vote for Mary Vessey, Mike O'Brien and Gerald McKenna not because I think they're good but because I don't know them. Possibly they'll be better than the ones I do know. I hope so.

Most disappointing about these candidates, though, is that they appear to be running for office not because they want to help students or to become involved not for the money but rather they are running because of the power.

Most are power-tripping, probably only Howie Adams, Cheryl Cannon,

and Elizabeth Burke are not power-tripping. However this, unfortunately, does not mean that they would be the best candidates.

An example of this tripping is the consistent answer we got from candidates to questions during their interviews with the paper (see pages 6&7)- "Well, I don't wish to answer that question at this time.... that will be revealed during my speech on Monday night... my opponents might pick up on that and I'd have no speech."

My opponent might pick up on that and I'd have no speech...Good Lord!! Is the purpose of running to get elected or to do something for students? Maybe I shouldn't have asked.



## I Love At

Dear Editor,

Having perused this week's edition of the Campus paper, I discover that under the letters to the editor, one letter which I presume to have been written by a member of our "educated" student body. It concerned the posting of "Love Jesus" posters on the bulletin boards around campus.

It was to my great disappointment that I discovered that, for all the writer's reference to science, the only educated things about the letter was (perhaps) his ability to use large words in their appropriate context.

The writer's reference to science and reason as an argument against these posters and religion in general is hardly a valid one. It is a proven fact that the greater the scientific and technological advancements of a society, the greater its turnover to religion.

Having never been an atheist I do not suppose to understand his total viewpoint on the subject, but it appears to me, that even an atheist should be able to comprehend the concept of love. I don't suppose he would have protested if there had been a deluge of "Love Athiest" posters.

Perhaps the writer of the letter would be interested

in the fact that the theistic viewpoint is itself a religion. He also cites the placing of the "Love Jesus" posters as "self centered acts of irrationality," unfortunately his own letter falls into this very category.

It appeared clear through his narrow minded and violent attitude that his real reason for writing the letter was not his honest feelings upon the subject, but a futile attempt to gain attention.

I remain respectfully  
Marion McGaughey

## P.P. We Like You

Dear Editor,

We would like to direct this letter to P.P. who wrote regarding the Jesus Love posters.

Although our friend claims to be an atheist, it seems that he or she knows very little about "true" Christianity. For those who have put their trust in Jesus, it no longer remains a "blind faith" but becomes very real and meaningful to them. It is all the more important to put our faith in Jesus, in an age when science is

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