

THE GEM

"You should believe all you read in newspapers, as this makes them more interesting." - Rose MacAulay

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We cherish typed and double spaced submissions and submissions on computer disk or through VAX mail. For legal reasons, all submissions must include the author's name and phone number. However, names will be withheld from publication on request.

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Editorial

Well, this is the final issue of the Gem for this academic year and I must say that it has been quite an er, um, experience. There were some rough spots, but on the whole, I would have to say that the newspaper did quite well.

Most people don't realize how much work is done in putting a newspaper together, not just for the editor, but for everyone on the staff. But this year, I must say that I was quite fortunate in having staff members that were cooperative, helpful, and always willing to go the extra mile. (They paid me to say that.) There were plenty of times when I just felt like putting the pen down and leaving the work for someone else. But, unfortunately, the other Gemoids encouraged me to go on. I would like to thank them for helping out, and for always being full of energy, even when things looked hopeless. (Hmmm, this sounds like I just won an Academy Award.)

I would like to thank the Student Union for noticing what was happening at the Gem. Traditionally, the student newspaper and government tend to disagree on most issues; however, by the grace of fate, we managed to work well together. [Editor's note: in other words, we've been able to keep them in their place!] Hopefully this mutual respect will continue in the semesters to come.

Perhaps some of the most important people to the Gem are those members of the university community who submit informative articles on a regular basis without becoming full fledged Gemoids. You people know who you are, and we sincerely appreciate your efforts.

My final task then (other than seeing that this issue gets to the printer's on time) will be to thank you, the students who read, criticise, and make the GEM better. Thanks to you, we have a reason to keep printing each week.

Sincerely,
Cora-Lee DesRoches,
Editor-in-Chief

A Humble Opinion

(Spoof on Aloud Thought)

Happy everything everybody!

This writer's naivety exceeds all tales of woe. I cannot write about problems, unless and until, a solution is given. This writer cannot insult anyone, because I like; perhaps love everyone (In a spir-

itual and Moral sense). I know to some that I've "Strayed a long way", but hey why complain and together, rather than crying, resulted in an harmonious feeling. Naive you say? Irresponsible? I can only judge from experience. This is my humble opinion.

Manager

"As nearly everyone knows, a manager has practically nothing to do except to decide what is to be done; to tell somebody to do it; to listen to reasons why it should not be done, why it should be done by someone else, or why it should be done in a different way; to follow up to see if the thing has been done; to discover that it has not; to inquire why; to listen to excuses from the person who should have done it; to follow up again to see if it has been done, only to discover that it has been done incorrectly; to point out how it should have been done; to conclude that as long as it has been done, it may as well

be left where it is; to wonder if it is not time to get rid of a person who cannot do a thing right; to reflect that he or she probably has a family, and that certainly any successor would be just as bad, and maybe worse; to consider how much simpler and better the thing would have been done if one had done it oneself in the first place; to reflect sadly that one could have done it right in twenty minutes, and as things turned out, one had to spend two days to find out why it has taken three weeks for somebody else to do it wrong!"

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