

Today's the reason that love's in season

Relationships: What is in it for you?

by Karen Small

It has been said that two is better than one. In the area of love and relationships, both parties need cooperation, truth, patience, time and understanding to make it work. What do people look for in a relationship?

The following is what some students at UNLV revealed as most important to them. (Names have been withheld for privacy.)

Men:

Question: What do you look for in a relationship?

A: "I like a woman who can carry herself well and knows it. I like that in a woman."

A: "Honesty and beautiful eyes. Don't tell anybody, but I like to send love letters."

A: "Her brains. Someone who is sensitive and open to my thoughts."

A: "I don't know—I hate the women here. They just use you for your brains."

A: "Honesty. That's all I need."

A: "A sense of humor, nice body, and blue eyes."

Q: What if she's short of those qualities?

A: "Then she better get with the program."

Q: What program?

A: "She better be willing to learn how to make me laugh, watch what she eats and wear contacts (I like blue eyes)."

Women:

Question: What do you look for in a relationship?

A: "Creativity and an interest in me."

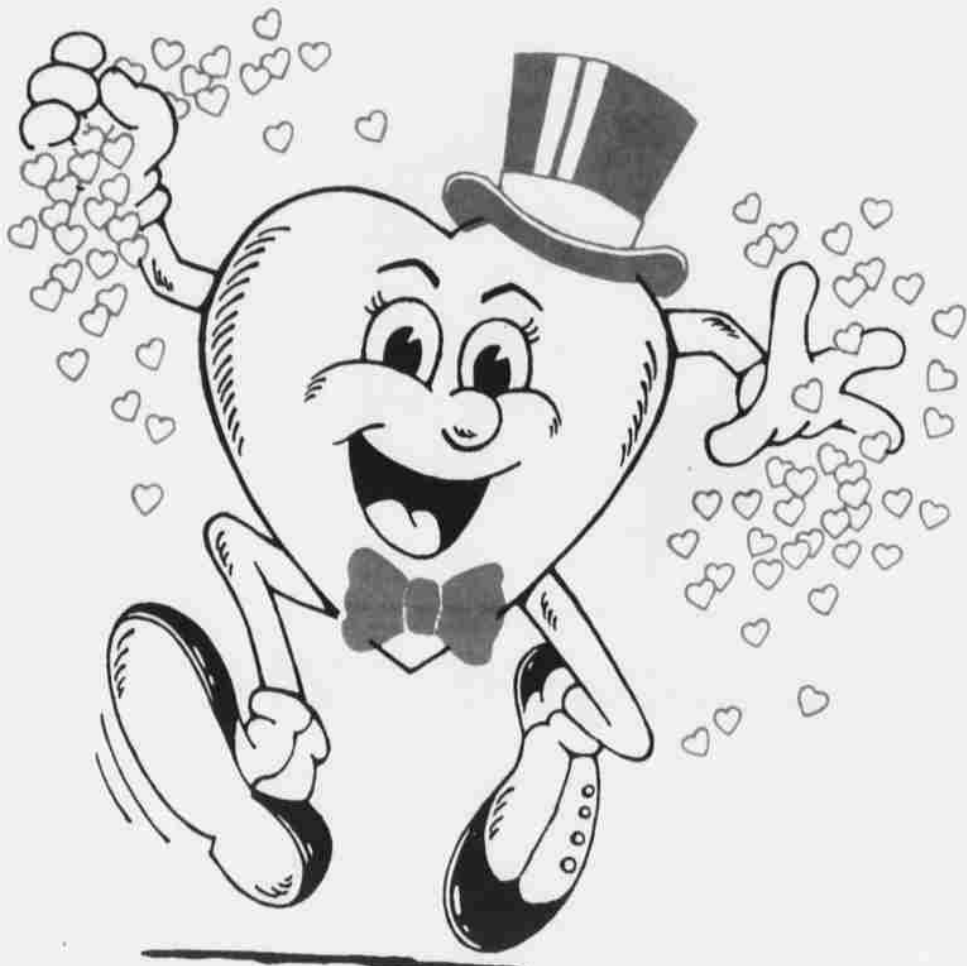
A: "A sense of humor and good communication skills."

A: "A nice body and brains."

A: "An interest in me. I have been hurt before, over my looks."

A: "Sensitivity, honesty and a clean mind."

A: "I've never really thought about what I want in a relationship, I just go out."



Having a heart for peace

by Susan Caruso

On February 14, we commemorate the martyrdom of a bishop named Valentine. Although we do not know the exact circumstances of his life, we know that he was a believer in Jesus Christ during the time when Christians were persecuted. He could have renounced his faith if he wanted to live, but his higher calling was to obey the laws of love given by Christ rather than to go along with the pagan system of the day.

Prior to his death, a Roman feast had been held on this day whereby men and women would exchange special gifts, usually jewelry. They would attend a special celebration and the lady whom the centurion would escort would bestow on him a favour which he wore on his sleeve. From this, of course, we get the expression "Don't wear your heart on your sleeve." This is where Valentine probably slipped up. He served a God that he loved. Being a bishop, he encouraged others to follow Christ's way of love. Valentine, so

to speak, had worn his heart on his sleeve, and for this he died.

As we begin to exchange cards, chocolates and flowers in an effort to communicate love to someone, let us all keep in mind the divine author of love. Perhaps this day should carry on throughout the year. It is lack of communication that causes divisiveness and war. Selfless love is what Christ lived and taught. If we begin with just one person, it can grow and spread and bring the peace that we all are praying for.



Don't miss the Valentine's Day Dance!

Friday, February 15
9 pm to 2 am
Alexis Park Hotel
(across from the Hard Rock Cafe)

Put on by the Entertainment and Programming Board and Student Government.
Tickets \$3.00 at door or free at CSUN.



The Perfect Valentine's Gift When A \$29.95 Box Of Candy Just Won't Do

An Illinois company called "Success 101" now has a video, "just released in time for Valentine's Day," full of tips "to legally and quickly check out lovers, mates, business associates ... anybody."

The \$29.95 video, titled "Do You Know Who You're Dating?," offers tips from Naperville, Ill., private eye Jeffrey Hartman on how to spot "tell-tale signs" of infidelity, how to glean "confidential information" over the phone and "how to get incredible information from garbage."