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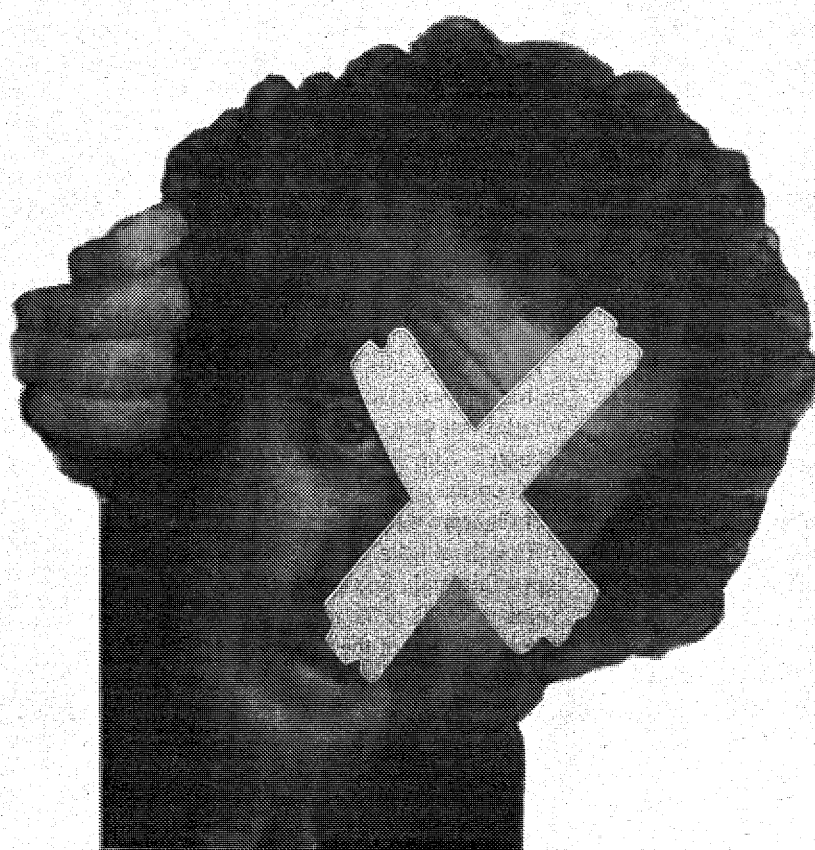
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## Three Down, One To Go

*Of the original four editors, only one remains...*

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## Convicted Murderers to Walk

by Paul Landry

**W**arren Allmand, the Commons Justice Committee Chairmen is calling for reduced sentencing for first degree murderers. His plan calls for the maximum sentence of 25 years without parole to be changed to 15 years without parole. He also states the high cost of keeping inmates in jail in these money pinching times as a reason, explaining that the burden to taxpayers is not worth our time. He believes that most people convicted of first degree murder are one time offenders, who were coerced into committing the crime through sheer strain of emotion, and have

no intention of doing it again.

The discussion was brought up amidst a growing furore over a loophole created when Allmand was the Solicitor General in 1976. During this time, while the death penalty was being removed and the 25 year sentence was being brought in, an unforeseen loophole was created where murderers could apply for a 40% reduction of their sentences. Allmand plans to introduce a bill for the 15 year sentences as a replacement for the old legislation.

Opponents to this deal are growing rapidly. Many point out the case of Daniel Gingras as an example. Gingras was serving a life sentence for second degree

murder at the Edmonton Max in 1987. After escaping while on a shopping trip to West Edmonton Mall, he went on a murdering spree, killing two people. He was recaptured six weeks later. Obviously, people point out, in situations like this, the 15 year bill would accomplish nothing but tragedy if implemented. They want Allmand to weigh the cost of even one life if a murderer is released after only 15 years behind bars.

Les Woodward, father of Wanda Woodward, one of the Gingras victims told the Edmonton Sun: "It costs \$97,000 a year to keep these people in jail. How much does a piece of rope cost?"

## Deadly Debt for West Edmonton Mall

by Julie Matthews

**T**he world's largest shopping mall could one day have one of the world's largest debts. Edmonton's biggest tourist attraction is in big trouble.

The Ghermezian family is pushing the mall deeper into debt every year. It has a city tax debt of 11.1 million that increases by 100,000 a month. Another 10 million in 94 taxes will be due in June.

The mall's big financial supporters are feeling anxious. Twenty-two different lenders formed a group to provide a 300 million mortgage for the mall. And plus that debt, the mall also owes the Bank of Montreal 12 million and the Alberta Treasury Branch 100 million.

The Ghermezian family

might lose their pride and joy if the lenders decide to wrestle control of the mall away from them.

Lorne Braithwaite, president and chief executive officer of Cambridge own 34 shopping malls across Canada including Millwoods, Town Centre, Heritage, South Gate and 30% of Edmonton Centre.

If the mall did go up for sale, Cambridge would look at improving it. They would convert some of the hard-to-lease space into condominiums for example.

West Ed has many empty stores despite its popularity. Part of this could be due to the rent. Mall rents may vary from as low as \$15 a square foot to \$85 a square foot in prime areas.

Nader Ghermezian says the mall has a present net cash flow

of more than 45 million, and that 84% of the money went to servicing the debt.

West Edmonton Mall needs about 100 million in renovations to make it more appealing to tenants and customers. And that money could only come if the mall could be sold for around 300 to 400 million dollars.

West Edmonton Mall lenders have to decide what to do. They could leave the Ghermezians in charge. They could seize control and get someone else to manage the place or they could seize and sell the mall.


Alberta's biggest tourist attraction is in jeopardy. It's giant amusement park will no longer be filled with joyful screams of children unless someone steps in to save our mall.

## Second Editor-in-Chief Turfed

by Paul Landry

**F**or the second time this year a Nugget Editor-in-Chief has been suspended from their position. Trevor Wince was removed from his position Monday by new Communications VP Lorraine Sitter. Trevor had replaced current Activities VP Carolyn Sitter earlier this year. Lorraine made the move Monday when she had received reports that Trevor was not carrying a full course load. According to NAIT's Constitution to hold a

NAITSA position you must have 3 courses. Trevor has 2. Trevor Wince, upon hearing of his suspension, resigned his position. He could have contested the decision at a publication board meeting, but declined to do so. He acknowledged his lack of classes and decided not to fight. Christopher Hayes has been elected to the Acting-Editor-in-Chief post for the last two issues of the Nugget. A new editor should be chosen for next year within the next few weeks.



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## Teale to Face Trial Without Prelim

by Paul Landry

**O**ntario Attorney General Marion Boyd will send Paul Teale to trial on two counts of murder without a preliminary hearing. Ms. Boyd called on her not often used authority to prefer an indictment on Teale.

But she won't tell anybody why, until next Tuesday at least, when the preliminary hearing was to take place. That's when the Crown will put their reason for the change of normal procedure in front of the judge.

Teale's lawyer, Ken Murray was "astounded they would do this on the eve of the preliminary hearing...my immediate reaction is that it denies him the right to a fair trial". However, it is the right of the Attorney General to call off the preliminary hearing in special cases, and it would be a hard fought legal battle to overturn the ruling.

Paul Teale is on trial for the murders of teenagers Kristen

French and Leslie Mahafey. His estranged wife, Karla Teale went to trial last year on the same charges. She was convicted on both counts. None of the trial details were released, in Canada, officially at least, so Paul would get a fair trial. Some people think that this is the reason for the exemption of the prelim. The Crown is thought to be worried about leakage to the American press, like the problem with his ex-wife.

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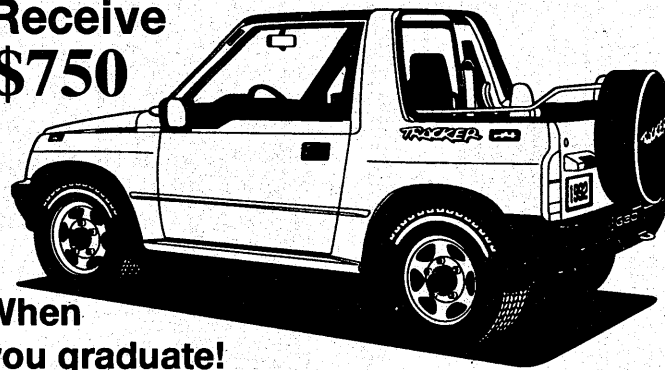


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## One More Week



chris HAYES  
editor in chief

One more week. Man oh man thank Buddha that there is only one more week that I have to put up with this crap. So far this year's Nugget has had the worst turnover of staff in Nugget history. Five ...that's right...five editors have resigned from their respective posts this school year. It all began with once Editor-in-Chief Carolyn Sitter (who now is the Activities VP) when she resigned her post after being suspended.

So when she left Trevor Wince (one time Entertainment hack for Nugget) assumed the mantle of command and became the next Editor-in-Chief. Once Trevor took over people started dropping like flies (this is a metaphor by the way)(a metaphor is a time honored device used to compare one abstract object to another object) News editor Rosie Polachuk soon resigned her position after Carolyn left. After a long stint with only one news editor (namely me) we anxiously welcomed the new news editor Vivian Demeule. Unfortunately, she didn't last very long (I still think it was because the rest of us editors

smelt like soup).

Now it started getting real interesting around her with new editors coming in and the old guard (Trevor, Terry, and myself) were still contributing our articles. The paper showed a real promise to end the year with a bang (talk of a nude issue was about). Last Monday everything started collapsing into the abyss. Terry Larose, sports editor extraordinaire, resigned his post after a heated argument with Trevor Wince about job responsibilities and the such. (This is the main reason we don't have much of a sports section ...by the way have I mentioned that submissions are always gratefully welcome) This Monday night new Communications VP Lorraine Sitter gave Trevor a call and suspended him until a publications board meeting could be called to have him removed. Trevor does not have a 'full' enough course load to hold the position of Editor-in-Chief. So Lorraine went to the next step and asked me to fill in as Editor-in-Chief (by the way if you can count how many times I used the word Editor-in-Chief you will win a prize!!!) for the rest of the year. (Of course that meant I could only do minimal damage because after this there is only one more issue to come out). My only objective is to last the next week without resigning, getting canned, or being suspended pending publication board meeting (I figure I'll make it until Friday). So sit back enjoy and if you have any complaints... take a number and get to the back of the line.

## Post Secondary Overhauling



Paul LANDRY  
news editor

Guess what guys? If you want to go to the U of A next year, your tuition alone could top \$4,000. And Lord knows what will happen next year at NAIT. See, our friendly old Progressive Conservatives have decided to get students to pay nearly 1/3 of our tuition costs. Wow, thanks guys.

Um, problem. I could barely afford the \$1000 tuition this year, or the \$1500 of miscellaneous supplies this year. (I didn't do that student

loan thing. See, I have this thing about owing our fair government tens of thousands of dollars). But that's just me. Now let's factor in the single parents, the dual parents regulated to one income families while the spouse goes off to learn something. Or how about those high school students from lower income families who suddenly won't be able to afford it?

Hmmm. I can see some problems arising. "Oh, but we'll increase student loans." You just don't get it do you folks. We still have to give this money back someday, with interest. And usually, when you get out of college and step into the workforce, trying to start a family, the last place we want to be is \$75,000 dollars in debt. Might as well just take out a mortgage.

Oh well, I here the U of Zimbabwe's pretty cheap when you convert your loonies over.

## Save The Tigers



Julie MATTHEWS  
news editor

Every child knows who the "King of the Jungle" is. The tiger has stalked the pages of many books as an invincible, powerful yet beautiful animal. But soon it will only stalk the pages of history.

The Bengal tigers that roam India's forests, and five other tiger species in Asia are in grave danger of becoming extinct. You might be thinking to yourself that this is just another silly scam and that the tigers aren't in real danger. But the reality is that in less than 100 years the number of wild tigers has dropped from 100,000 to less than 5000.

At an international conference in New Delhi last month, India's environment minister convinced nine of the fourteen "tiger range" states to join in establishing the Global Tiger Forum. This organization will coordinate measures to fight poaching and to preserve the tiger habitats.

China was among the countries that refused to attend the conference. Probably because they're mostly to blame. China and Taiwan have been identified as the main culprits in an underground trade market for tiger parts.

Ever since the days of the Maharajah's tiger hunts, the tigers' main enemies have been trophy hunters. But poachers now pose a new threat to the tigers existence.

Tiger hunting was banned in India and surrounding area almost 25 years ago. But poachers no longer are after the tigers' skin as in the past. They're being targeted for the skull, bones, whiskers, sinews and the blood. Tiger trophies are no longer important. There are booming markets for tiger parts to be used in ancient Chinese medicines and positions.

In Hong Kong and China and in Chinatowns across Europe and

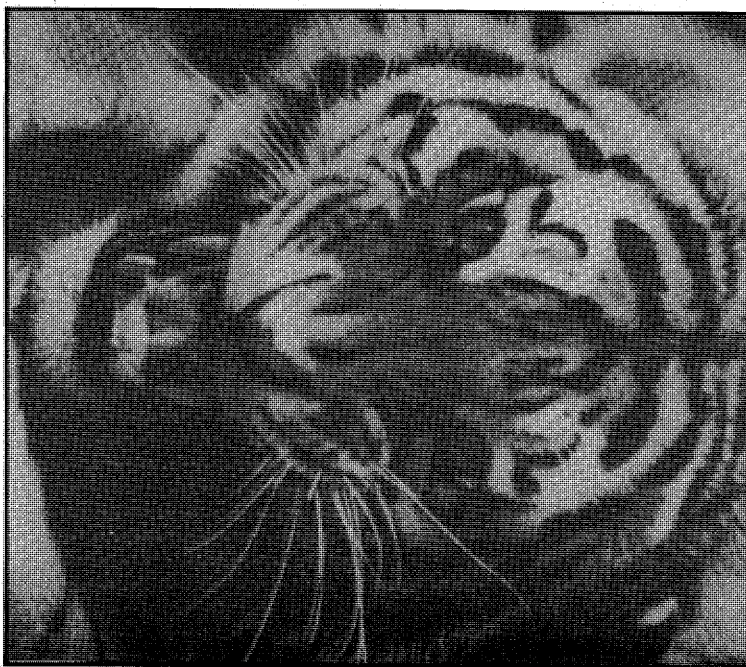
North America the Chinese do a steady trade in tiger wines, tiger balms and tiger pills. The tigers lose their lives to pamper the vanity of human beings. These tiger products are supposed to treat rheumatism, restore energy, treat typhoid fever and enhance sexual prowess.

Asian governments are implementing measures to catch and punish tiger poachers but the people are willing to take risks.

The reward for a complete tiger would amount to more than a normal year's income for a village poacher. By the time the bones, claws, eyes, penis and whiskers reach Taiwan the value skyrockets. Straight up.

One study for the World Wide Fund for Nature showed that a tiger penis can sell for \$1700 in Taiwan and powdered tiger bone for as much as \$500/gram.

We have to try to save the tiger. Otherwise our children will never believe such a wondrous animal really existed. It will only exist in storybooks. We have to do something before the sound of a shotgun blast muffles the tigers' last roar.



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## When What Comes Natural Isn't Natural Anymore

by Remata Kolbus

As a retired athlete (of 8 years) you are used to being in control of your body and how it works. You train long hours to develop and tone those muscles required to do what God has given you the talent to do. But have you ever wondered what it would be like to not be able to use a part of your body??

Through all my years of training I never gave it a second thought, that I would be ready to perform when called upon. Until a simple incident like severely pulled ligaments on the exterior of my foot, put me on crutches for 1 week+(not sure yet may be longer)

To put it bluntly this last week has been physically and mentally challenging. I have had to plan where I was going to go, how I was going to get there, whether or not I had access, think about how many steps or doors there were, or whether or not I should even attempt going.

Prior to this incident I never gave where I was going or how I would get there a second thought. I always knew I could go where I wanted, when I wanted in as short of time as I wanted.

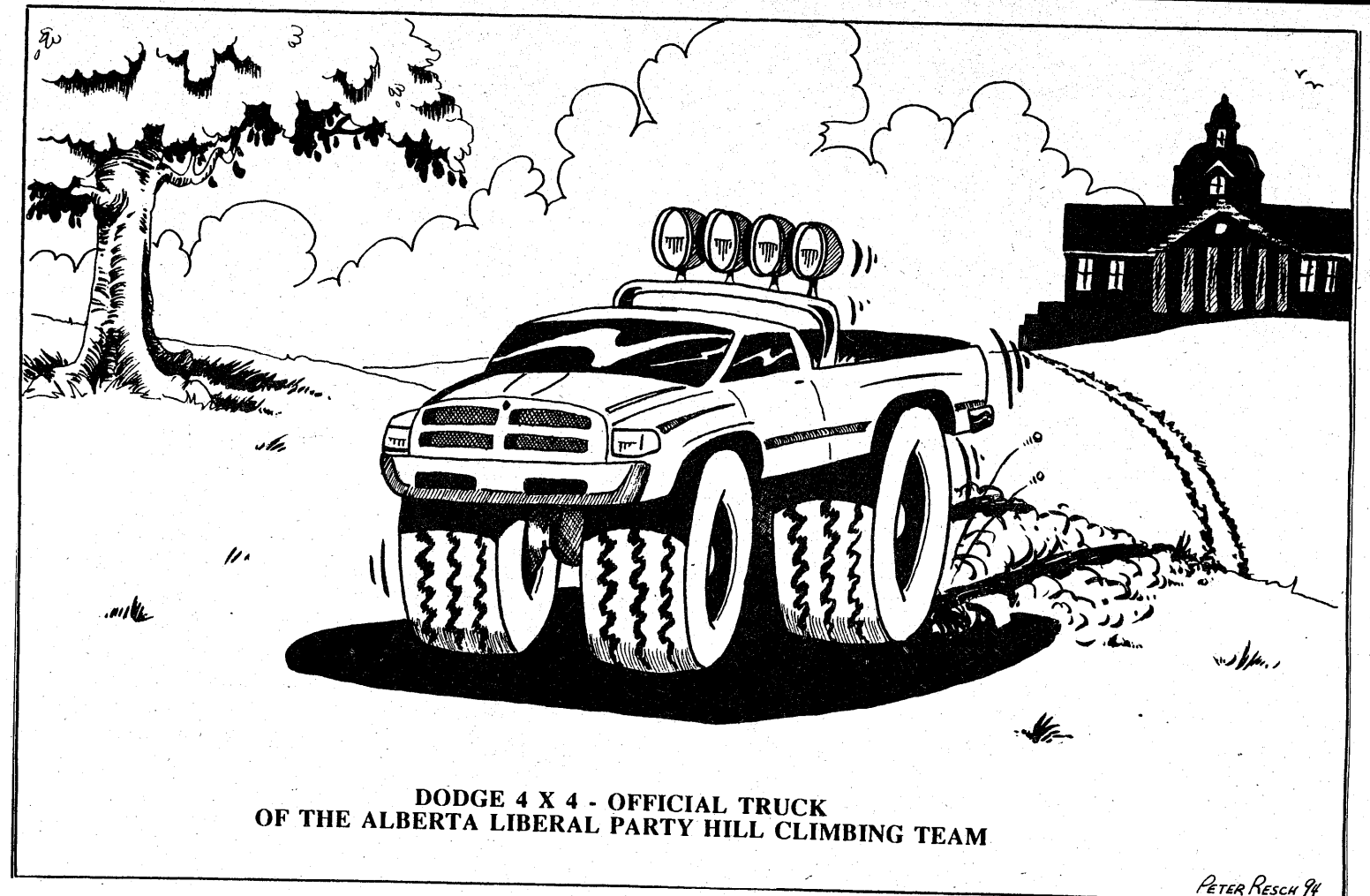
For those of you who have experienced what I'm talking about, you can relate to how much energy it actually takes out of you to get yourself around. For those of you that have never experienced such a thing. I don't wish it upon anyone.

To share some these experiences, this is what you can expect:

Heavy doors, lots of steps, gravel, uneven sidewalks with cracks, people not aware of you and the fact you are struggling to get through a door, exhaustion after you have only crutched 50 feet, people not getting out of your way - they want you to feel normal but what they do not realize is that you are fatiguing as they make this mental decision, shaky tired muscles and priceless looks.

I don't want to make this sound humorous or belittling nor do I want people to feel sorry for those of us that must use crutches, wheelchair or motorized carts to get around.

Many of my close friends, know that I will try and live my life as if I had no injury. As they say "I do stupid things." Well to me they aren't stupid, like going down stairs so I can get a book to study or work on the computer. But as it was so elegantly pointed out to me, "yes Renata you need to do these things, but you can't do it like you use to." To give you an example I timed myself how long it takes me to go down 10 steps first time 3 min. towards the end of the week, 1.0 minute (that's on my butt) another min.



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to figure out how I was going to carry a book and use my crutches without losing my balance or dropping the book (I still can't do it).

Hopping sure helps providing there is a clear path and a wall or chair to grab when your muscles decide to scream out in pain because they are not fit to carry all of your weight. Oh and I forgot to mention what its like to get hot food or a drink to another destination - providing you can get to it and open or pour it, with out dropping or breaking a pot, glass or plate in the process. Oh, and how about going to the bathroom (no one can help you there unless they are real loyal) or taking a shower. (Baths are a little easier) but my knees are scraped - God didn't design us to walk on are knees, all is not lost though I can still drive, but I drive a standard, so I had to borrow the company van and it costs more to run.

Now that I have shared this experience with you, your probably wondering what's your point? My point is this; I will heal through proper therapy and ultrasound. But what about those who won't because of permanent damage??

Earlier this year one of our fellow students was in an accident (tobogganing) that has left him paralyzed. He likely won't walk again. He will have to learn basic life skills all over again. Things we take for granted. Ask your parents what it was like the first time we could walk, run and be carefree?? Neil hang in there big guy, I know you can do it.

To Gordon Smith (Instructor Bus. Tower) and others: Wow!! You are truly a spirit of strength that many of us should learn from. This incident really is a character builder.

I want to take this opportunity to thank my friends on campus who have helped me adjust. Thank you, to all of you who didn't get on the elevator

right away, after I had been waiting to get on. You had the courtesy to realize I had been waiting. To those of you who took that extra few seconds of get the door out of your busy schedules. You helped me stay on my schedule. A special thanks to Donna (student) in leadership for your thoughtfulness in ensuring I was comfortable (Craig thanks for the use of your bag).

To Lynn, Troy, Ed, and Group members, thank you for making me laugh and for putting up with me whining. (I guess I wasn't to bad). Thank you for your help. I promise I will not talk on the phone, walk outside and carry something in my hands all at once again.

A very special thank you to my mom (who happens to be trained in orthopedic nursing) for laughing at me and making me stay disciplined to not just walk on my sore foot regardless of the consequences. Above all allowing me to vent my frustration at not being able to do the things I could normally. And of course your patience and the TLC sock (I got the message) I will not forget.

And Neil if you get this paper Hang in there, we are all pulling for you.

A special thanks to the NAIT staff and instructors for your understanding. The motorized cart was fun. No I don't have a license to drive one. Beep! Beep!

## Letter to the Editor

RE: Letter from Elaine Soetaert in the March 31 NUGGET.

Ms. Soetaert offered the following quote from Vanier Institute, "in fact there are about 1/2 as many

births to teen moms today as there were 20 years ago" as some sort of rebut to Julie Matthews quote in an earlier Nugget, "during the past two decades teen pregnancy rates and STD cases have increased." It appears Ms. Soetaert thinks these quotes are somehow mutually exclusive. They are not. A rudimentary understanding of English language (or a quick look in any dictionary) would clearly indicate "birth" and "pregnancy" are not synonyms. Neither are "rate" and "number". It is probable both these quotes are true: that teen pregnancy rates are up and the number of births to teen moms is down.

Minimal critical thought offers at least these 3 possibilities:

- 1) Changing Demographics:  
- the teen pregnancy rate is up (as a proportion of total teen population) but the number of births is down because there are fewer teenagers than there were 20 years ago.
- 2) Abortion as birth control:  
- the teen pregnancy rate is up and the birthrate of teen moms is down because many pregnant teens choose to terminate the life of the fetus before it is born (there were over 100,000 abortions in Canada last year).
- 3) Some combination of the above, or other possibilities not obvious to me.

In any case, Ms. Soetaert would be well advised to be "Ms. Soetaert says she is an instructor at NAIT - I hope she does not offer instruction in language or critical thought.

Sincerely  
Robert Wolfe

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## Elections and Luncheon Finish Off Year

NAIT's Aboriginal Student Club is planning their elections and two windup functions to close off the current academic year.

"Elections for the 94/95 year will be held April 5", explains presidential candidate Steve Gold. "Members are asked to cast their ballots in the Pre-Technology Office, E103, where the ballot box will be located until 4:30. After that voting will continue in Room E212 until 5:00 when ballot counting begins". A slate of officers can be found in E103 for any members not familiar with who is running for the executive positions.

NAIT's first Aboriginal Art Show and Craft Exhibition will be held on April 8 in the South Lobby. And a visit with Elders on April 12 will round out an exciting and informative year.

The Club has grown from four founding members in 1993 to a membership of over 50. "We know there are many more students of Aboriginal heritage attending NAIT and we encourage them to get involved in the Club," says Gold, who is a Mechanical Engineering student originally from Sarnia, Ontario. "Friendship and mutual support are just two plusses our members enjoy and we like to host various speaking events and video

presentations as well throughout the year." Employment opportunities also find their way through to Club members as well.

The Club welcomes non-Aboriginal staff and students to attend their activities as well. "Our Cultural Awareness Week in October last year was an indication of the sharing between cultures that can and should happen here at NAIT. We are a multi-cultural institution," says Gold.

The Club wishes to thank the past executive: President Shirley Mecredi, who is graduating from Business Management in April; Vice-President Steve Gold; Secretary Nicole Gutowski; Treasurer Annette Callan; and Social Chair Roy Goerz. As some of the positions were filled late in the year it is hoped the members will consider running again for the new team.

The Club also wishes to thank the NAIT community for the help and encouragement it has received as it evolved from its fledgling status last year to a strong and viable organization today.

More information about the Club can be obtained from the Pre-Technology office, E103, or by phoning 471-8534. Watch for more exciting events from this Club in the future!

## Students Head For Nationals

by John Holowchak

Two students in the Basic Banking and Business program have advanced to the Canadian finals in their respective sports.

Michelle Bishop, goaltender for the Edmonton Flyers ringette team (Debs division), will be joining her fellow teammates in Saskatoon, April 3rd, to compete in the playoff for the Canadian Ringette Championship.

The team advanced to the Canadian finals when it won the Alberta championship recently.

Suzanne Simmons will be participating in the Youth Canadian Darts Championship finals, in Toronto, May 20th. She placed second in the Senior Girls division, at the provincial championship, held in February. This is the fifth time she will be representing Alberta in the Canadian finals.

Good luck, ladies!

## Clean Your Teeth

Visit the Dental Health Month Booth in the South Lobby April 3 - 8, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The Dental Assisting Class of 1993/94 invites students and staff to participate in the Dental Health Month Activities.

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# J O B

**J**OBS! JOBS! JOBS! The Annual NAIT Promotional Management Awards Banquet, April 21, 1994, can do as much as land a job for a student.

Every year, this exciting class (Promotional Campaign Planning) allows students to choose from a list of clients and develop a full-fledged promotional campaign. Many of the campaigns are actually implemented by the clients; this is considered an honour by the student groups. One successful outcome of the course (Bus 477) and the Awards Banquet is Elaine Bubola, media assistant at Palmer Jarvis; a leading advertising agency. She found the course to be intense as well as best for hands-on knowledge. Elaine managed to get the job at Palmer Jarvis due in part from a connection she made at a previous Awards Banquet.

Even if the campaigns are

not used, the student groups have the chance to be recognized for their hard work at the annual Awards Banquet. A panel of judges are chosen to select a winner from the 21 completed campaigns. Besides recognition, the event provides an opportunity for students to network with industry leaders such as The Edmonton Journal and Palmer Jarvis to name a few. This networking can lead to future employment.

Student's reaction to Promotional Campaign Planning is as promising as the course itself; "It's been great working one on one with businesses in the community" says Judi Baine who has developed a campaign for Club 101, a health and beauty spa. Another enlightened student, Libby Peltier, recommends this course to first year business students who want a career in advertising and promotional campaign planning.

## The Nugget

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## Nineteen Mill And An Attitude



greg **MILLER**

entertainment editor

**G**reat. Just great. I lost the Lotto 6/49 again. Man, what does it take? I don't ask for much - just a cool nineteen mill to tide me over for eternity. One of these days the odds are gonna catch up with me and I'll win the big prize. I've probably bought 10 tickets in my life so I figure I'm due one of these weeks.

Hmmm. Now what would I do with nineteen million? First of all, I wouldn't quit school and I'd probably still look for a job

after I graduate. And I wouldn't let it change my life, I'd still be the same humble, regular guy kind of person I am today.

Heh. Heh...Ha! Ha! Ha! Yeah right, I'd be sittin' in Cancun quicker than you can say "That Greg - he's been a total jerk since he won that nineteen mill."

Seriously though, nineteen million is a lot of money, I'd be afraid that I'd become a totally self-centered, materialistic and corrupt. So, to alleviate the

problem I'd donate half of my...Ha! Ha! Ha! Gotcha!!! Too much money?! Who am I kiddin'? That's the cheeziest thing I've ever heard, I'd blow half of my cash on hats or something before I'd donate it.

However, one thing I would do is take care of my closest friends so they'd never have to work again. But then again, then they might become complacent, unproductive members of society. Then I would be responsible for their aimless, pathetic and free-loading lives. I don't need a label like that following me around. Why should I give them any money? What'd they do? I was the one who did all the work, so screw them.

Ahhh, to dream. Money, the source of all good.

## The Tale of the Easter Bunny

by Greg Miller

**D**ays off school, chocolate bunnies and a gouging dinner - that's what Easter is all about these days. I am here to remind the unschooled about the meaning and origination of Easter.

Back in the days of Jerusalem and sandals, there was this rabbit named Nicholas, who lived in a van down by the river. On Monday, Nicholas had become irritated with the amount of work that had piled up in his van. So he decided to take action, something that bunnies in his time were not known for doing.

Nicholas needed to get some fresh air so he took a stroll through the forest - little did

Nicholas know but Rick, the town priest, was watching his every move perched up in his tree fort. Rick knew that bunny dissent was high ever since Heyzeus, the local pawn shop owner was killed on Friday. However, humans thought otherwise, so they called the murder of Heyzeus, Good Friday, because the locals were sick of paying unreasonable amounts of gold for shoddy merchandise.

Nicholas then stumbled across a cave in the forest, and decided to take peak in. In a split second, Nicholas saw Heyzeus come scrambling out of the cave. Heyzeus was going so fast he missed Nicholas by a hare.

Rick noticed the commotion

and took off after Nicholas, Rick knew that the bunny had seen Heyzeus come back to life and wanted to make sure nobody found out. Nicholas surrendered when he saw Rick approaching. Rick demanded to know which direction Heyzeus had run. Nicholas, with his slight speech impediment replied, "east-er", and pointed east.

Nicholas promised Rick that he would keep the whole ordeal under wraps for one small favor - Nicholas wanted to deliver Chocolate Bunnies to everybody in the world for the remainder of time and call it Easter. Rick agreed.

And that's the story of Easter.

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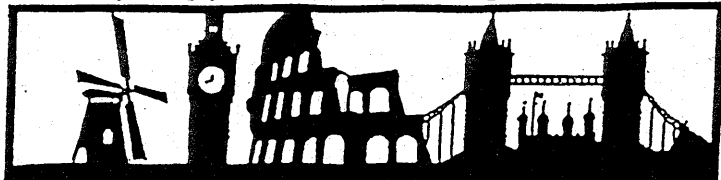
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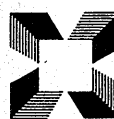
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## The Meaning of Life

By Christopher M. Hayes

**O**ver the long weekend I had the opportunity to watch Monty Python's "The Meaning of Life" for the sixty-third time. Upon completing this epic film I was struck by revelation. Actually it was more like pain when I stubbed my toe against my couch. however, in the eternity of pain that followed "it" was revealed. What was "it"? "It" was the answer to everything.

To get through life you need to have a degree of paranoia and happiness. If you always think that someone or

something is out to get you then you really enjoy the periods between paranoid sequences. In case you can't quite grasp this perhaps the following lyrics will help. "Listen here wolf-child. I speak to you of the science of mythology, I speak of maverick deviation, the psycho-tionie love-commandos. We shall be drunk and sized, we shall fear nothing. Demand the impossible, dream your destiny, define the logic of alphabets and enslave the king of the world". Man, Ricardo Montalban was really good in Wrath of Khan.

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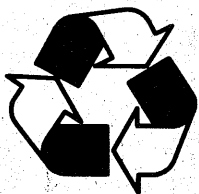
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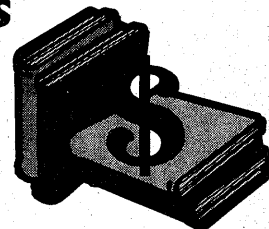
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## Total Irrelevancy - Space Killer

by Greg Miller

The worlds fattest, most over-rated idiot is coming to Northlands Coliseum August 27. Meatloaf and his gang of fatso's will definitely give any music fan indigestion. Meatloaf brings snapperhead tunes like "I'd do anything for food, but I won't do that", "Two out of Three servings ain't bad" and "Paradise by the Refrigerator Light" to the Coliseum concessions. If you dare, tickets can be picked up at any Ticketmaster location or Grocery Store.

- On the encouraging side of

the music biz is the tremendous success of Winnipeg based group, "The Crash Test Dummies". After their first hit in 1991 "The Superman Song", the Dummies have taken the United States by storm. Their latest album already has two smash singles in "The mm mmm song" and "Swimming in Your Ocean". Right on, finally a group can be original and find success. Are you reading this, Meatloaf?

- People With Nothing Better To Do Section - "Film Flubs" creator Bill gives recently handed out awards for the years biggest movie flub ups.

Once again Steven Spielberg steals the show with the award for "Flubbed Up Movie of the Year" in "Jurassic Park". Spielberg had a dinosaur sized ten continuity errors in his blockbuster hit. Other award winners were "The Bodyguard", who got burnt for showing Kevin Costner and Whitney Houston's arrival at the Academy Awards show at night. In fact, the arrivals always take place during the day. A Flubbie also went to Julia Roberts in "The Pelican Brief" where she was spotted wearing a wedding ring and the character she plays is single.

## The Atomic Improv

by Greg Miller

The Atomic Improv was anything but a bomb in the Naitrium last Wednesday. The high-energy comedy tandem of Donovan Workun and Paul Mather kept lunchtime and class-ditching students laughing for the entire show with their improvisational genius.

Paul and Donovan used the audience and it's feedback as a basis for their show. Improvising skits from audience suggestions

is pulled it off without a hitch by The Atomic Improv. As impossible as it looks to make up a routine as you go, the Improv makes it look easy.

"We do so many shows that you get used to it, it just seems normal," says Donovan.

Donovan and Paul have been on tour together for five years, and their careers are beginning to take off. A recent victory at Montreal's "Just For Laughs" comedy festival has given the two the confidence and notoriety

to get the necessary exposure. The Atomic Improv massacred six other teams in a "Just For Laughs" competition including teams from Orlando, Chicago and Toronto. Look for them this summer on CBC's "Just for Laughs" TV program.

The Atomic Improv was funnier than any stand-up comedy act around. Quick thinking and hilarious wisecracks will take these guys far. Even farther than a jammed packed Naitrium.

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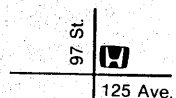
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## Grapevine

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Construction Engineering

To the lady in the backseat of a red late - 80's Z-24 who I gave the cheque to. I thought you were really nice. If you remember me, reply via the grapevine.  
Signed White.Honda

Dear Trin A7

I have not yet the courage to confront your beauty but every day I yearn to feel your touch. Why must you play so hard to get: Not looking at me, nor saying thank you when I lend you money for Sun Chips? I think about you every night and its beginning to hurt my heart and my hand.

I'll see you at Club Malibu next Thursday you gorgeous love thing!

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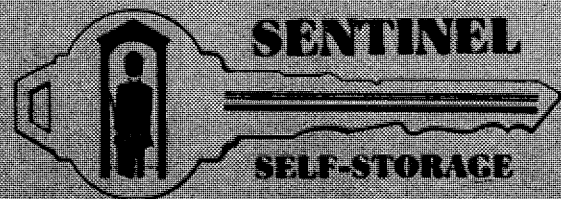
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