

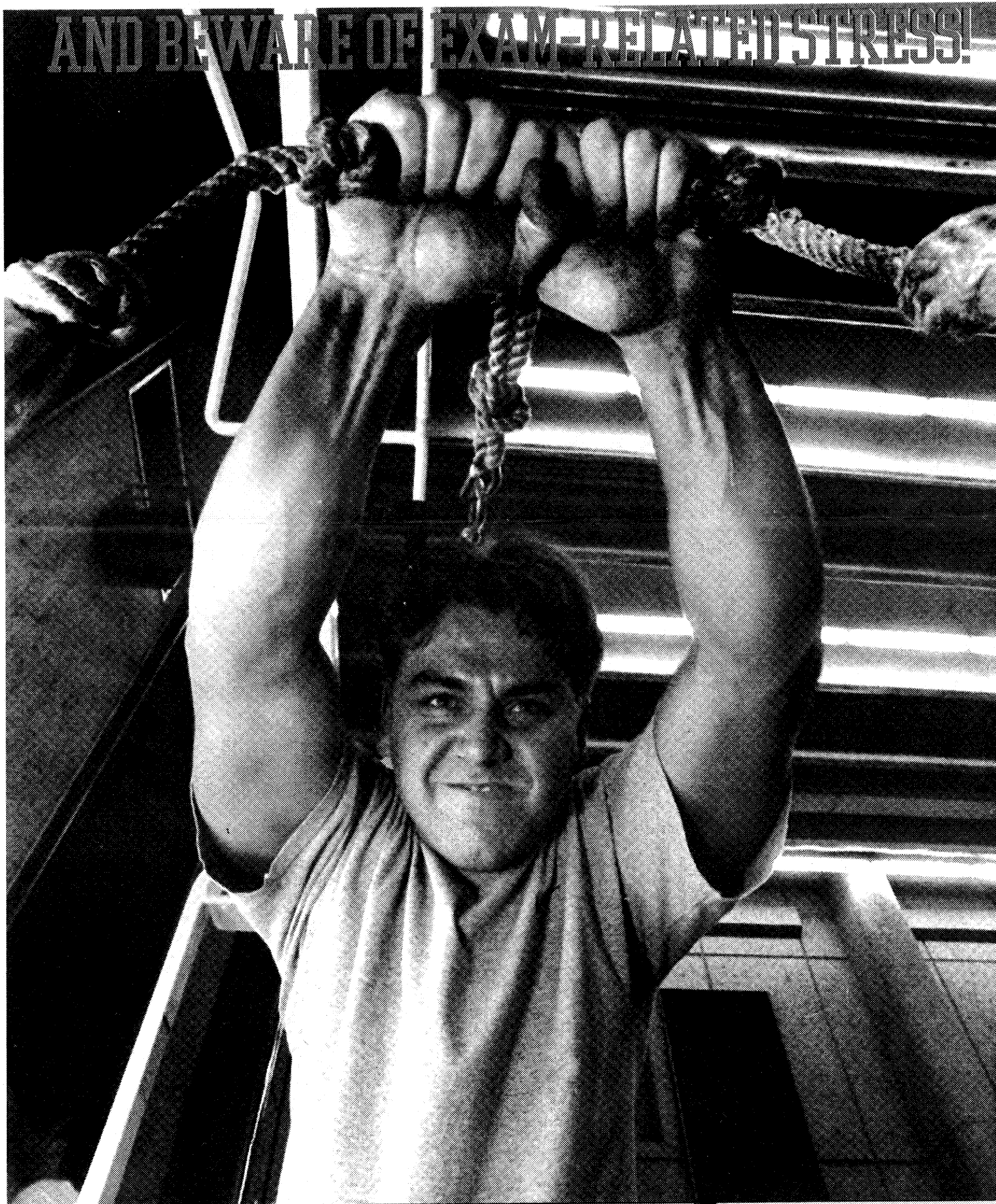
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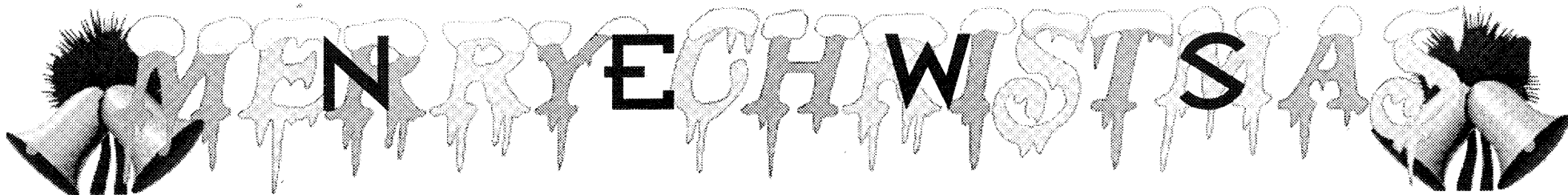
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KIDS' X-MAS FUN-FOR-ALL

by Angela Doyle

The NAIT Children's Christmas Party has become a NAIT tradition. Going on for over twenty years, it was started by a staff social club group. Over the years it has grown to a point where its organization involves the help of NAIT, NASA, AUPE, and Campus Sports and Wellness.

This year it will be taking place Saturday, December 7, 1996 from noon to 4 pm. It will, as per tradition, involve swimming, bowling, skating, games and a train ride, and a Santa Claus and Gift Booth. Tickets are \$6 and include a gift, snacks and a drink.

In the past years, there has been an occasional problem finding vol-

unteers to work at the party. This year there has been no problem.

According to Denise Wenzel, who has been involved in coordinating the event for six years, in the past three years, students have begun not only to volunteer for the party in greater numbers, but also are more likely to bring their kids to the celebration. This year, the highest number of students ever have volunteered.

The Children's Christmas Party is a great way to earn technology volunteer points. Wenzel says that not only do volunteers have a great time at the event, but are also invited to a party for the volunteers in the following evening.

WIN House (Women In Need) Needs YOU!!!

Christmas is the time of year when food, clothing, and toys are needed most!

Help a mother, a sister, or a daughter by donating any new or slightly used items you can. Your help is appreciated, and will definitely go to a good cause.

You will find three boxes for your donations inside the Reads n' Needs Bookstore

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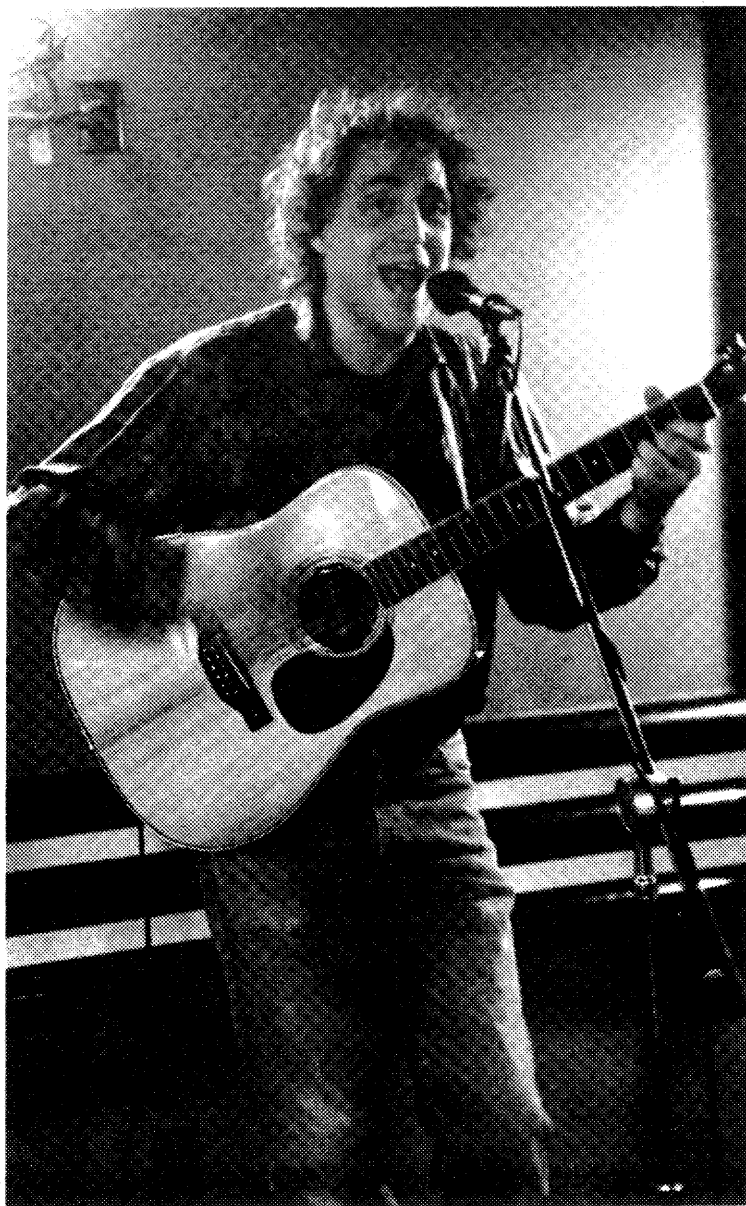
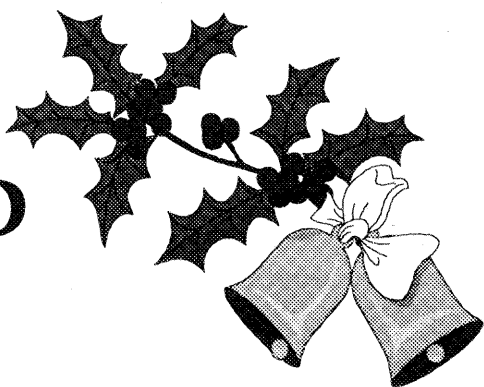


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Folk singer John Horrocks entertains the Nest crowd on Wednesday.

HAPPY DE-STRESSED HOLIDAY



by Michelle Gatien

Does the thought of shopping for those millions of Christmas presents make you quake inside? The thought of that turkey dinner make you think, "Hmmm maybe this year we can start a new tradition. How about ham in a can?" Doesn't it seem crazy that we get all stressed out about Christmas, which is supposed to be the "most wonderful time of the year"? Here's a few ideas to "de-stress" ourselves as we get ready for this most festive time of the year.

For all of us who are planning to host a Christmas dinner or just plan to help at one, here's a few hints to simplify your life. Instead of doing all the work yourself, make it a potluck dinner or get a few assistants to help you out. Accept the offers to help; don't be a martyr. Try and convince some-

one else that it's *their* turn to host this year's party. When all else fails; eat out.

Going shopping? Make it simple for yourself. Make a list of where you have to go, what you have to buy and organize it by location. That way, you're not running around like a chicken with your head cut off all over town. Set price limits for your gifts to avoid that heart attack in January when your credit card comes. Better yet, leave the card at home and pay with cash. Oh, and don't shop at the last minute. You'll probably end up with presents you don't really like at a price that is just way too high.

Don't expect more from yourself and your family than you normally would. People are stressed at Christmas and could very well be a little temperamental and snappy. Remember, we're all hu-

man. If you really don't want to go to Great Aunt Matilda's house, don't. It just works yourself up and then you get angry and don't have any fun at all. That's what the holidays are for, having fun with those you're close to.

Don't forget about yourself. Pamper yourself. Treat yourself to a Christmas present. Go tobogganing or skating with a close friend. Snuggle up next to a close friend and rent ridiculous movies to laugh hysterically at. Whatever you do, just have fun with it.

Remember, don't get stressed out too much about Christmas. It's supposed to be fun. Just concentrate on the thing that counts most, not how many presents you get, but spending time with those you care about.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, Happy New Year!

Sex with Sue Johansen

by Minette Brese

Before a crowd of 300 students, condoms and question cards were dispersed and all inhibitions were left at the door. Soon, the nation's sex guru took the stage for a two hour sex talk that was both honest and informative. Yes, Sue Johansen visited NAIT last Tuesday as part of Alcohol Awareness Week, to encourage student responsibility.

Known distinctly for her approachability and openness, Sue tackled every topic ranging from male/female sexuality and mas-

turbation, to pregnancy and alcohol. The most amazing thing about Sue is that nothing shocks her; you can ask her anything (especially those questions you cannot ask your mom). Sue also stressed the importance of "...survival skills for the 90's" and the significance of updated sex education.

So, if you did not get a chance to ask Sue that question that has been bothering you, I suppose it will have to wait until her next visit. Or you could ask your mom...?

What's Going on At Westwood?

Westwood Campus will be holding a tree decorating contest starting December 2. Each class has picked their own theme to decorate their tree with. The trees will remain up until December 13 in the campus's gymnasium for everyone to enjoy.

This is not all that's been keeping us busy at Westwood.

This Christmas we are also associated with the charity WIN house which was developed for the support of battered women and their families. Donations of food, clothing, or Christmas gifts can be made at the Main Campus. We hope to see some new faces at Westwood enjoying our Christmas festivities!

XMAS LIBRARY HOURS

The Library and Media Workshop will be open the following extended hours!

Nov 30 & Dec 1: 2nd fl. Media workshop 10:00am-10:00 pm

Dec 7-8: 2nd fl. Media workshop & 3rd fl. library 10:00am-10:00 pm

Dec 14-15: 3rd fl. library 10:00am-10:00 pm

Xmas Hours

Regular Hours from Dec 16-20

Closed 2:00pm Dec 23-Jan 1

Jan 2-3: open 7:45am-4:30pm (closed 12:00-1:00)

THE NON-NAKED NET

by Susan Fahy

Have you noticed that there are now 9 student-use Internet stations in the LRC? Things just keep getting better all the time. Could be just my imagination, but it seems to me that students are using the Internet more as a course related tool. Maybe there is just more usable stuff out there now.

Speaking of usable stuff have you taken a look at the online version of the Bargain Finder? It's the World Wide Web edition of 50,000 Alberta based ads. Looking for a car or a tablesaw - this is the place. At the moment it appears to be free! It's an attractive site, but I do recommend you take the 5 minute Guided Tour to make it faster to use.

<http://www.bargainfind.com>

Questions and Answers

Q: If I use a Net site in my report, how do I put it in my bibliography?

A: That will depend on what type of bibliography style your instructor expects you to use. It is best to speak to the person who will give you that final mark. However, if you want a site that gives you a good variety of different formats for citing online works take a look at:

<http://www.iona.edu/library/cite.htm>

or

<http://www.library.kent.edu/refcoll/citation.html>

Q: Can I use the Internet to find a telephone number in other Canadian cities? I really want to look at the yellow pages so I can find employers.

A: Yes, although I don't know of one complete source. Try the following 2 sites:

<http://spruce.labcoll.nf.ca/~sandram/yellow.html>

or

http://s9.bigyellow.com/t_explore_the_net/t_northamericadirect.html

If these sites don't have enough information you should try a search combining the terms "yellow pages" and "Canada". How you enter that will depend on which search engine you are using.

Searching

Try using OpenText as your next search engine. Go to the Power search capacity. The 'power' here is the ability to focus your search on just one narrow part of each web document. You can actually limit to just the title. Boy, does this get rid of a lot of the irrelevant stuff:

<http://index.opentext.net/main/powersearch.html>

Personal Stuff

Want to know what that disease you have really is?? Jonathan Tward's Multimedia Medical Reference Library is a great resource, if the in your face advertising doesn't drive you nuts first. Try

some of the multimedia audio files. They take some patience to download and can start up when you are least expecting them (they scared the living daylights out of me), but add an interesting dimension. Comprehensive information on a large variety of medical conditions:

<http://www.med-library.com>

Free Stuff

Looking for software to download from the Internet? CNET's download services DOWNLOAD.COM and SHAREWARE.COM "draw from the Internet's largest and best software libraries and corporate archives".

Not sure what software to download? Check out the descriptions of more than 200 recommended PC and Mac downloads in CNET selections:

<http://www.cnet.com/Resources/Software/index.html>

Body Beautiful

This e-zine is aimed at those of you who workout with weights. This site is devoted to the use of weights in exercise-whether it is bodybuilding, toning, powerlifting, or conditioning for sports. Also covered are topics such as nutrition, weights for children, supplementation, the pros and cons of steroid use, and more:

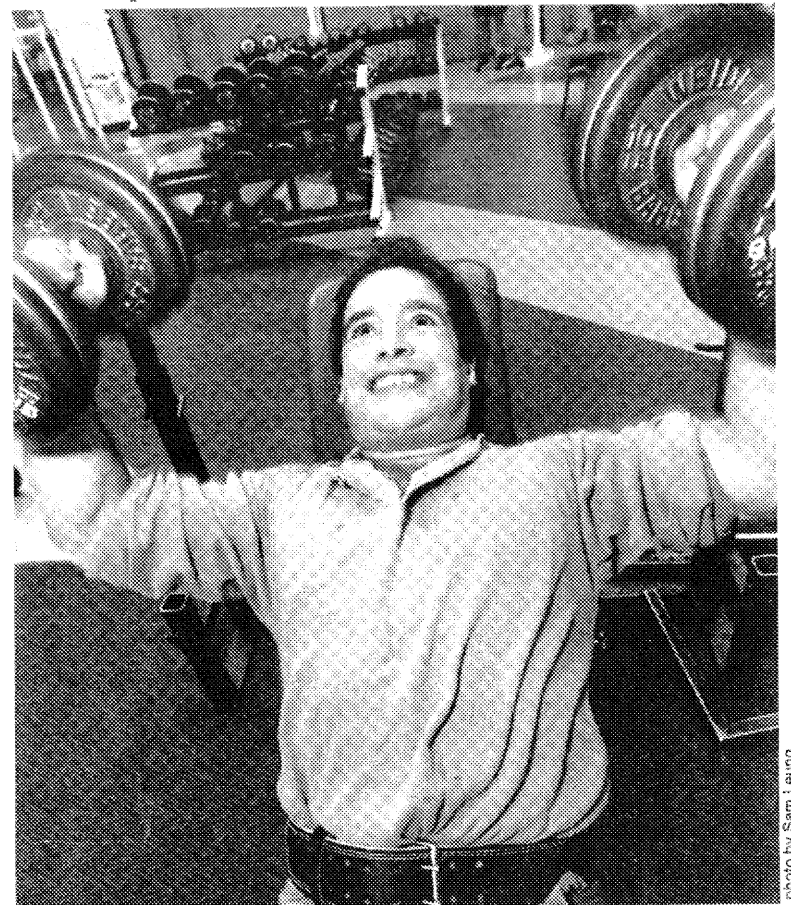
<http://www.weightsNet.com>.

Just Plain Silly

Did you ever play with a Mr. PotatoHead When you were a kid? Well, old Mr. PH has now moved into the virtual web arena. Try the new and improved version - it's harder to lose the parts, but the URL is no picnic to remember:

<http://westnet.com/~crywalt/pothead/pothead.html>

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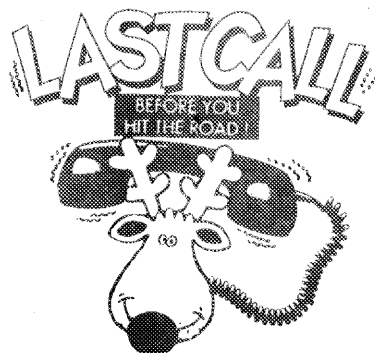


Murray, a 1st year Instrumentation Tech student puts his heart soul in lifting barbells. Remember...No Pain—No Gain!

photo by Sam Leung

OPERATION RED NOSE

Help Us Keep
the Streets Safe



The NAIT Students' Association invites students and staff to join us to help keep the streets of Edmonton safe.

Last year we had
over 20 volunteers driving
people home safely.

Drop by Rm E131 and fill out a
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471-8855 for more info.

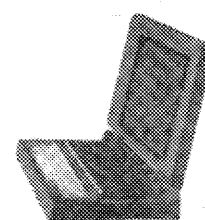
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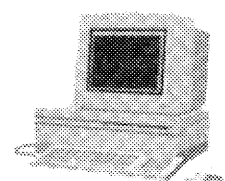
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SELF-EMPOWERMENT SESSION

You have to stand up and stay strong for what you believe, no matter what the consequences. Can you truly be happy if you sacrifice your integrity to save your face in this competitive world? I've had to face that question more than once in the past few months. It seems unfair to me that there are people who consider themselves superior or more important than yourself, and impose themselves on you, using empty, bogus threats to impose their "authority" on you.

Those unwilling to accept changes in you, or face changes in their world - for better or for worse - are obviously out of it. I

don't mean that you should force someone to change because you believe they should; in fact, I believe quite the contrary. A person should change themselves, their direction or their environment only if they want to. No one but yourself controls your destiny and where it leads you.

I appreciate the people around me who help me change because I want to. I strongly dislike having people around me who put roadblocks up at every turn of the path of my life. I do not mean to buck the system, I simply state some things that need to change in our environment so that the world as a

whole can improve. If these statements are found to be unfavorable to one or a few persons, I'm sorry. But I am not one to be quiet when I deem it necessary to speak out. I know my beliefs are shared by many people - thus I surround myself with these people. While I do not wish to completely isolate so called "negative influences" from my life, I wish to keep them at an arm's length.

I am young and I've seen and experienced only a little of life's joys and sorrows, but I am my own person and I know myself well enough and I know my world well enough to know what's right

and what's wrong. I've always tried to do right, so when someone tells me that I'm wrong when I know I'm right, it confuses me, scares me and angers me because all I want is to be a good person who can contribute to society and make a difference in this world.

Where do I go from here? Do I continue on my journey through life not really caring what others think? Do I stop what I'm doing to live my life the way others want me to live? I think I have to listen to myself, follow my heart and live my life to the best and the fullest I can.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

At first I didn't think anything of it. The Nugget suggestion/submission box located by the cafeteria in the Engineering Annex. Why would I ever need to use it. I didn't have anything to say let alone any grapevines to write until last week.

I DID put submissions for the Nugget in the suggestion/submission box by the DEADLINE specified in the paper. How was I supposed to know that they wouldn't get picked up. Through the slot, I can still see the papers

upon papers piled into it, it isn't enough that our supply store is no longer existent and if it wasn't for the Architecture paper store, a lot of Architecture and Engineering students would have to trudge over to main campus for a few basic needs. We aren't that far away, but if a submission box is provided here, we shouldn't have to walk to main. This opinion is being sent to the MAIN CAMPUS SUBMISSION BOX because I want everyone to know that the students in the Annex are being neglected.

If it's not far for us, then it's not far for you guys. I wonder how WESTWOOD feels, they're farther than us.

Signed Sonya and a few other angry UPT's

And what's up with the Cafeteria. If it has to close at 2:30pm, why can't we get a decent meal after this? I've seen the vending machines in the tower and the Annex's DO NOT COMPARE. After a while, chocolate bars and chips just don't cut it. Even the TV dinner idea is better.

Editor's Response

I regret any inconvenience that this may have caused you. We can't access that box as the key that opens it has been lost. At the start of the year, I posted a sign on that box advising students to avoid leaving submissions at that location. Obviously, that sign has long since been torn down by some unauthorized person.

Another sign has been posted and we are still continuing our efforts to remedy the situation. I will post in the first Nugget of 1997 a summary of progress towards achieving this goal.

-Scott Hayes

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Merry Christmas

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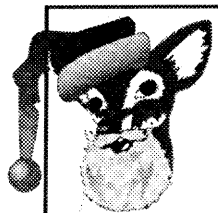
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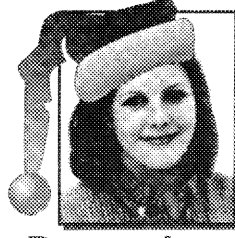
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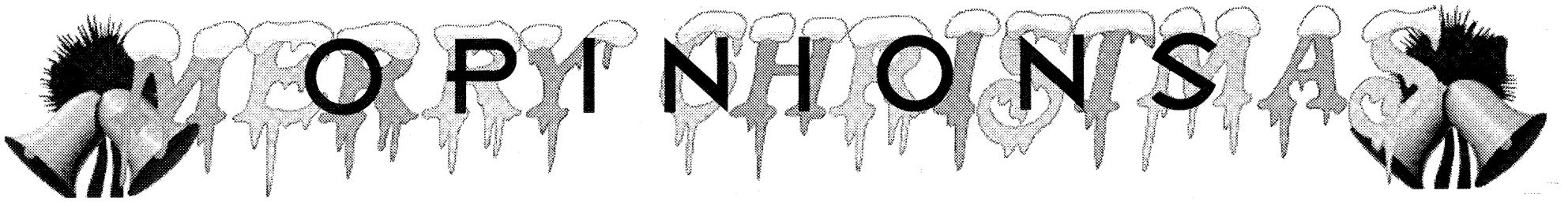
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THE HALLOWED HALLS OF NAIT

by Eric A. Robinson

It is hard to conceive that in the late 1960's NAIT electrical and electronic instructors were still teaching the finer details of tubes. True transistors were around, but horribly costly and none of us instructors really knew the inner working of transistors sufficiently to be able to teach the subject properly.

In a similar fashion, computers as we know them today, hadn't even been conceived. NAIT did have a computer (6th floor NAIT tower, I believe) that ran on FORTRAN IV only, but you had to write your programme then pass it to some very sophisticated girls at a wicket who then punched in your programme onto a set of cards to hopefully punch your programme in correctly and then one kept their fingers crossed hoping that the computer would accept your programme. Nine times out of ten it didn't and you started the whole process again.

From behind a glass wall, one could look at the computer operators, in air conditioned comfort, sitting at desks with large computer cubicles surrounding them. Occasionally one would get up and start to rearrange the plugs on a programming board. Each wire attached to a plug was exactly 14" long and represented a delay of exactly one nanosecond, a most important delay on those old computers.

Having set the scene for you I can now start this story from the hallowed halls of NAIT. I had been told to prepare for a new course. I was to teach Binary Math and Boolean Algebra. Only one text book was available, plus a stolen work book from the desk of a friend's PDP-8 computer.

I certainly was aware of Boolean Algebra and other number bases, but everyone around me was talking about new math and started going off into never, never land with weird and wonderful examples that they claimed made math so much easier. Bah! This is area A and this is area B; now if we globally encompass them we now get A+B here and A-B here and so on. Grief, if I've got to teach this garbage to students I'll never get them to understand the verbiage let alone the subject.

I pulled out the text book and started preparing my lectures. Yes, I'd better start with binary math and do some calculations in that mathematical base, then I can go on to trinary, octal, bi-quinary and hexadecimal bases. Now what about the laboratory side of things?

A Friday afternoon at 4 PM is not the best time of the week to start working up your laboratories and lectures for a lecture at 8:15 am on Monday morning. Chuck Ayles, the head of Department, Electrical, came into my office

and plonked a square suitcase onto my desk.

"This is the laboratory for your Binary and Boolean class. We've got six of them. They've come from Square D Company and have cost an awful lot of money. All of these segments are NOR gates! Do you know what a NOR gate is?"

"No."

"That's good for I don't know either. Let's try out some circuits."

It was 1am Saturday morning when our respective wives phoned and asked if we were coming home that night. Boy, these NOR gates sure got interesting quickly.

On the Monday morning the 8:15am two hour lecture was a snap. The students felt that this binary math was a breeze and latched onto the subject very quickly. The rest of the course proceeded in a similar fashion.

I also started teaching night courses in the same subject. One of my evening students was a junior draughtsman from the Shell refinery in S.E. Edmonton. He was currently on the team designing the valve field for the incoming and outgoing oil products.

He inquired if this binary math could be applied to the work that he was doing. I assured him that it could. The next week he had with him a huge sheaf of drawings depicting the single line drawings of the incoming oil products from across the province and outgoing oil products to north American destinations and where the various controlling valves were located.

Over the period of four evenings we had the problem sorted out, the number of oil valves required were reduced to the extent that Shell saved \$3,000,000 on the intermediate draughtsman for those efforts. The entire class congratulated him for we all felt that it was a worth while project in which we could all participate.

I also arranged for one of the researchers from Motorola to come and lecture the students on the subject. The gentleman certainly caught the interest of the students when he described the Beaujais-Ojerlay method of automatic circuit checking when sending a string of pulses.

All of a sudden the students sat up and decided that this ring-around-subtraction needed to be learnt for here was a circuit performing that very function. This circuit is now so passé that most consider that this circuit sailed with Noah on the ark.

The day time students also caught onto binary math and Boolean algebra and I was hard pressed to keep even two hours in advance to them. They also wanted a project. I suggested that they design a circuit to keep the scores on a bowling lane. Four weeks later we had a circuit and a display box that automatically counted the number of bowls that

you had made and your score. A later modification to this circuit included the bowler's average.

The display was entirely in binary but with a little bit of work we could add a digital to analogue converter to display the binary data in everyday English. As a by the by digital to analogue and analogue to binary converters were part of the course, also led light displays had not been invented.

The little old lady, carefully looked at our mass of wiring, moved the wires apart ...and then as calmly as all get out she start to rewire.

We were thrilled that this had been accomplished. With the assistance of an English instructor we penned a letter to Brunswick Bowling Lanes Ltd. inquiring if they were interested. The response was that they felt that the idea had considerable merit, but that they

could not see their way clear to sponsoring a project that would not have any use to the average usual or league bowler. We were disheartened.

Open house loomed on the horizon. Here was another chance to provide the students with an interesting project.

"How about designing a game of tic-tac-toe?"

The idea caught on immediately. The circuit that physically played a game of tic-tac-toe looked like a palatial palace for a spoilt bird. You never saw such a mass of wires in your whole life, why any passing bird who had the money could have rented out this nest of wires for a sensible amount of dollars.

However, it worked and worked well. Chuck Ayles, Electrical Head of Department was beams all over the place. This would be the show piece of the Electrical Department's Open House effort, yesiree!

Crowds of people gathered round the circuit. We had set up barricades in case some horrible little brat decided to un-plug a wire on us. The students were thrilled to pieces, their circuit was actually working and was indeed the electrical department's centre piece of that year's open house.

Along comes a most delightful white haired lady barely 5 feet in height, yet quite sprightly inspite of here completely silver hair. She started playing the game form the nine punch button array that we had set up.

Her face was truly angelica when she told us that the circuit was cheating! Indeed the circuit made certain that it won every time unless you entered a specific key when you started the game. We were both horrified and mortified. This couldn't happen to our wonderful effort but it was happening.

The little old lady, carefully looked at our mass of wiring, moved the wires apart to see the very terminals themselves and then as calmly as all get out she start to rewire. Half an hour later she straightened her back.

The game was again working wonderfully, the little old lady was beaming half a mile across her face. She turned tot he students and advised "There now you'll have no more trouble, the game well work correctly now."

She turned on her heel and walked away to become lost in the crowds of open house. We were non-plussed. Dutifully we drew up the circuit so that the correct circuit would not be lost. I made a few discreet inquiries.

It turned out that this little old lady was an electrical professor from Toronto, who only a year before had been advised that she would have to teach Binary Math and Boolean Algebra and had happened to use the same game on her students with the same Square d equipment and had just happened to have come up with the same circuit problem. Out of courtesy to NAIT she made the correction for us and didn't expect any thanks form us for her assistance.

Christmas for Everyone

And these are the answers:

Scott Hayes, The Nugget Editor-in-Chief

1. My Crime Scene CD that someone stole.
2. Food memories, especially buttertarts.
3. Elle MacPherson (He tried to say his wife, but I wouldn't let him.)
4. For Alanis, fake nails. For Ralph, nothing; "Haven't I already given him enough?"
5. He won't miss the Nugget, because he'll be working here throughout the holiday.

Michelle Gatien, The Nugget News Editor

1. A good camera and a date for New Year's Eve.
2. Going to Disneyland.
3. She declines to comment to avoid self-incrimination.
4. For Ralph, a lump of coal. For Alanis, a date for New Year's Eve.
5. Monday night's organized chaos and bouts of insanity; "no, wait. I am insane."

Me, The Other Nugget News Editor

1. Canadian Airlines to stay in business long enough for me to get to Victoria so I can see my best friend and her new baby.
2. Rowe's house two years ago with the happy Rowes, cousins, friends, and bad boardgames.
3. Main cute guy from *Relativity*.
4. For Ralph, some personalized toilet paper so he'll be inspired to wipe his own bum, in order to free up time for the sixty percent of Albertans who have been busy doing it for him for the past three years to think for themselves.
5. Periods of obsession inspired by incredibly wrong, but well read writers of letters to the editor.

Wade Fennig, The Nugget Sports Editor

1. George Strait Box Set (Second year running for this wish, Santa.)
2. Ooks Hockey team's trip to Switzerland last year.
3. Faith Hill.
4. For Ralph, a slinky "to play with while he's on lying on the ground." (???) For Alanis, one of her older albums.
5. Barely getting stories in on time, under the scrutiny of the very patient Nugget staff.

Miranda Jordan, The Nugget Entertainment Editor

1. Realistically, a leather portfolio. Otherwise, she'd like to buy the world a coke.
2. In grade four, Miranda desperately wanted a "My Child". On Christmas Eve she could stand it no longer, and she gashed a hole in the one

(compiled) by Angela Doyle

Instead of suffering my scroogy rant on the massive over-consumption Christmas demands to be of quality in the collective consciousness, I thought I'd give a happy, lighter-hearted overview of the opinions and secret desires of a sampling of the NAIT population. In January, after you've all gained five pounds, and created a couple tonnes of garbage over the holidays, you'll be ripe for conversion to believe in the truth. (Insert evil laugh here.)

These are the questions:

1. What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas?
2. What is your best Christmas memory?
3. Who would you most like to bump into under the mistletoe?
4. If you were given \$10 to buy a present for Ralph Klein and/or Alanis, what would you buy?
5. What will you miss most about the Nugget over the Christmas holidays?

correctly sized present. It was the desired doll. Her mom, however, freaked and threw all the presents in a garbage bag and said no one would be getting any presents that year. Christmas morning came, and fortunately, fuzzy faced "My Child" was back under the tree.

3. "Does it have to be just one person?"
4. For Ralph, a mickey of cheap booze, or a cowboy breakfast at Humpty's.
5. The big, happy Nugget Family.

Sam Leung, The Nugget Photographer

1. A laptop computer or a camera.
2. When he and his girlfriend (now ex) spent Christmas away.
3. Carole King
4. For Ralph, a case of beer.
5. His busy schedule.

Crystal Harris, The Nugget Typesetter

1. Cable for Kerri.
2. The Christmas her uncle didn't show up.
3. Ken.
4. For Alanis, a haircut.
5. The comfy Nugget chairs.

Bruce Keith, The Nugget Production Editor

1. Two 200 CD players.
2. In Mexico.
3. Olivia Newton John (10 years ago)
4. For Ralph, a cheap bottle of wine. For Alanis, a picture of himself so she'll recognize me.
5. The happy Nugget deadlines.

Linda Campbell, The Nugget Advertising Manager

1. "As Lucy from Peanuts would say, you can't go wrong with cold, hard cash or real estate."
2. "I remember sitting in church watching my older brother turn green and wondering what was going to happen. I had never before, or since, seen that particular hue of chartreuse on anyone. Oh, yeah, he did make it out in time. It must have been the cabbage rolls."
3. "How short does the list have to be?" (she's getting back to me.)
4. "For Ralph, one of those fake diplomas you can mail order from the back pages of some US magazines, since no educational institute in Alberta will

give him one. For Alanis, some smooth little pills."

5. "The admiration and esteem of The Nugget staff which is heaped upon me every week. Of course it comes disguised as insults and abuse."

Doug Popowich, NAITSA President

1. Money and a girlfriend he likes.
2. Candlelight service.
3. Michelle Gatien, Miranda Jordan, and Angela Doyle.
4. For Alanis, edible panties. For Ralph, astroglide.
5. The pictures.

Tara Tanguay, Financial/Academic VP for NAITSA

1. A real job, a CST diploma, and Brad Pitt.
2. Japan 1994.
3. Brad Pitt.
4. Some lipstick (for Alanis or Ralph?)
5. Mark Mahl's "PROMOVILLE's".

Scott Fediow, Activities VP for NAITSA

1. Top of the line ski equipment.
2. Can't remember- too drunk.
3. Any great kisser.
4. For Ralph, \$10 isn't enough for what he drinks.
5. "The new and informing weekly poop."

Ed Veldkamp, Communications VP for NAITSA

1. Four more hours of sleep every day, and "lots of powder snow in the Okanagan at New Years."
2. "How big the pile of presents was when I was a kid and how much fun it was to open mine. Now it's more fun to watch my nieces and nephews open their gifts."
3. "The woman who will become my significant other. Actually, anyone would be OK!"
4. For Ralph, "a heart three sizes bigger, because his is 3 sizes too small." For Alanis, "a real hairdo."
5. "The battles between Angela and anyone who disagrees with her."

Rico Suavé, a.k.a. Athletics VP for NAITSA

1. A wife.
2. "One with lots of food."
3. Sharston Leeshman.
4. For both, cookies.
5. The front cover.

Mike Anonymous, Computer Engineering

1. A new motherboard.
2. Eating, food is good.
3. Uma Thurman.
4. For Ralph, toilet paper, so he can clean up his act.
5. Controversy. CD reviews are good and more relevant than last year.

Corey Chevrax, Computer Engineering

1. Lots and lots of money.
2. Santa getting stuck in chimney.
3. Cindy Crawford.
4. For Alanis, one of her older CDs, and force her to listen to it over and over. For Ralph's wife, a beating stick, so she can knock some sense into him.
5. Grapevines, although they're too tame now.

Jennifer Meeks, Graphic Sign Arts

1. Good health.
2. Woke up to find a big guitar under the tree with a big red ribbon.
3. Harry Connick, Jr.
4. Books for both.
5. Grapevines.

Micheal Anonymous, provincial champion of anonymous sport (unnamed and sportless because of fear of Ralph's cutting power.)

1. New knees and back, and a little more brain power so he wouldn't have to study as much.
2. Same Christmas as me.
3. His mom (avoiding the wrath of the lovely Heather.)
4. For Alanis, a high five. For Ralph, put the money towards exposing Ralph's stupidity so all will realize he is not thinking, and that he is only a pawn. Better yet, take some of Ralph's stuff and see how it improves Canadian society.
5. Angela's articles.

Pamm Jansen, Pre-Tech

1. Sony Discman.
2. The year everyone including the dogs didn't fight.
3. Tom Cruise.
4. Put Ralph's money towards Alanis, and buy her a nice dried flower arrangement.
5. Grapevines.

Colleen Schmidt, Student Services Clerk

1. Puppy.
2. In Hawaii.
3. Richard Gere.
4. For Ralph, sour milk.
5. Hearing about the everyday goings-on of the school.

Byron Jones, Construction Engineering

1. Money, he's a student.
2. Holidays spent with entire extended family including uncle from Australia.
3. Shania Twain.
4. For Ralph, a bag of onions. For Alanis, a psychiatrist.
5. Angela's inspiring articles. (so he's my friend, okay.)

Mike O'Brien, Construction Engineering

1. Huge sock filled with socks and underwear.
2. The excitement of waking up before your parents, waking them up, and opening presents.
3. Shania Twain.
4. For Ralph, a big pile of something....
5. Shania Twain.

Perry Nash, Construction Engineering

1. Mrs. Claus.
2. X-mas of '95, because all of the family was together for the first time in twenty years, and despite the fact the dog chewed off his brother's nose.
3. Jenny McCarthey.
4. For Alanis, a jagged little pill. For Ralph, an oversized condom, because he looks like he needs a new suit.
5. Classified ads about waterbeds, and Grapevines.

Anita, the waitress from New York Steak

1. A rottweiler to be named Barthalamew.
2. Two years ago spent with her kids.
3. A specific city employee.
4. Nothing for Ralph or Alanis, but a \$20 bar tab for herself at her place of work.
5. She doesn't read the Nugget.

John Haas, Construction Engineering Instructor

1. A better 1997.
2. The early years of life, when he still believed everything adults told him, and Christmas was filled with mystery.
3. His wife.
4. For Ralph, an egg timer, because timing is everything.
5. He doesn't read the Nugget. However, Mr. Haas proposed alternate questions; is there an need for The Nugget? What is the purpose of it? Should it be controversial? How much do the students actually read? Does it need to be refocused? Should the emphasis be more on informing outside parties?

ENTERTAINMENT

St. Albert West Side

West Side Story

St. Albert Children's Theatre
The Arden Theatre, St. Albert
Tonight through Sunday, 7:30pm
curtain, Sunday 2pm matinee

review by Michelle Gatién

The original production of West Side Story opened on Broadway in 1957. Also made into a movie in 1961 starring Natalie Wood, this cornerstone of modern musical theatre is known world-wide; it's story, universal. St. Albert Children's Theatre has brought a true sense of reality to the show; it's a show about teenagers acted by teenagers. You see, the cast is composed of actors aged 11-19.

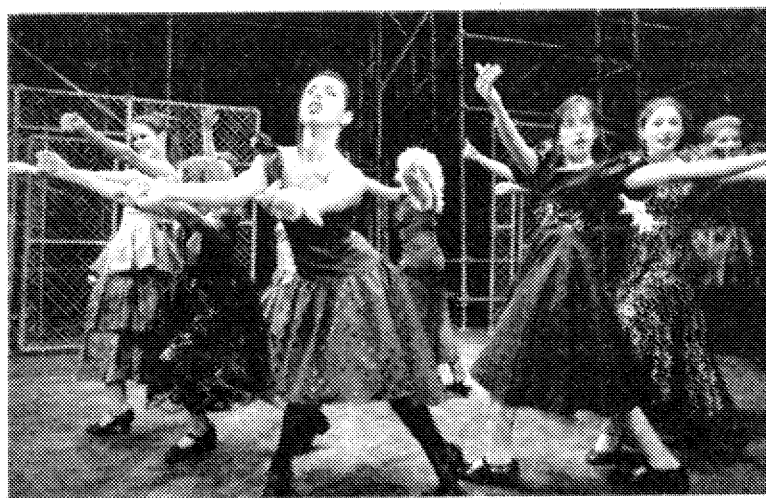
West Side Story was created by some of the twentieth century's greatest minds; composer Leonard Bernstein, composer/lyricist Stephen Sondheim, and librettist Arthur Laurents. The original production was directed and choreographed by Jerome Robbins. Based upon the story of Romeo and Juliet, SACT takes us through the story of the bitter tension between two rival street gangs, the Jets and the Sharks.

Janice Flower and Bruce Cable have successfully directed the 43 member cast through this theatrical masterpiece. They had their work cut out for them though, West Side Story is a challenging, nuance-filled script. "It's classic Bernstein and Sondheim, you can't go wrong," musical director Bruce Cable told me during a break at the dress rehearsal. Krista Monson, the choreographer, kept herself really busy trying (albeit successfully) to keep the entire cast moving through the many dance sequences in the show. Their hard work paid off, this is the truest production of West Side Story I've ever seen.



Above: At the rumble, Riff (left, Bruce Luthor) and Bernardo (right, Mark Haroun) fight to the bitter end.

Below: The Shark girls live out their American Dreams in the song "America."



Because it's a show about teenagers, it only makes sense for the characters to be performed by actors of a similar age.

Kevin Cripps delivers an impressive performance as Tony, the co-founder of the Jets. "It's nice to play someone my age, someone I can easily relate to. Other char-

acters I've played like Daddy Warbucks (in SACT's 1995 production of Annie), have been older so it was harder to relate to, whereas in this show there are feelings that I can relate to as my character of Tony." Kevin's decadent baritone voice makes his songs "Something's Coming" and

"Maria" a pleasure to listen to.

Carolyn Wayne, as Maria, wowed the audience with her sweet voice. Carolyn told me that "this is a very hard role because Maria goes through so many emotional changes throughout the show." Carolyn's portrayal of Maria is convincing and well-per-

formed.

As Jet's leader Riff, Brice Luther is energetic, enthusiastic and dynamic. Brice describes Riff as "the coolest guy in the world. You see, Riff is this guy who's racist, a hard core New York guy who doesn't like Puerto Ricans. He's very one sided. His friend Tony is in love but Riff doesn't really care because all he wants is to rumble with the Sharks. This show is a dancy, razzzy, jazzy show based on one of my favorite Shakespearean plays."

Mark Haroun finds the role of Bernardo, the leader of the Sharks, different than most roles he's played in the past. "It's a challenge playing Bernardo because it's more serious than other roles. It's fun though." Mark may have found Bernardo a challenge but his performance is excellent and well-done.

The entire cast of West Side Story is strong and dynamic. I especially enjoyed the "Gym Dance" scene and "America". I enjoyed Jackie Gregorich's performance as the feisty, energetic Anita, Bernardo's girlfriend. There's even a NAIT student among the cast. Matt Dykes of RTA plays Arab, one of the Jets.

Carve another notch in St. Albert Children's Theatre's belt for their enjoyable production of West Side Story. The success of this play fits right in with the other shows performed in past years by the company such as this year's quirky Fringe hit Lucky Stiff (which, by the way is being revived this spring with the original cast, April 29- May 2).

Tickets for West Side Story are \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for youths and seniors. Call the Arden Theatre box office for more information at 459-1542. Tickets are going fast so get your tickets soon!

101 Dalmatians

Starring Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels, and a bunch of spotted mutts

Screenplay by John Hughes
Directed by Stephen Herek
Disney Pictures

review by Miranda Jordan

Like most Disney films, 101 Dalmatians was one of the most highly anticipated movies this season. This real-life remake, which includes Jeff Daniels, Glenn Close and 101 adorable Dalmation puppies, was a somewhat likable version of the original cartoon.

Glenn Close plays the villain role of Cruella Devil in Dalmatians and even though it appears she gave this movie her highest effort in hopes to entertain children and families everywhere - she falls short and I was never

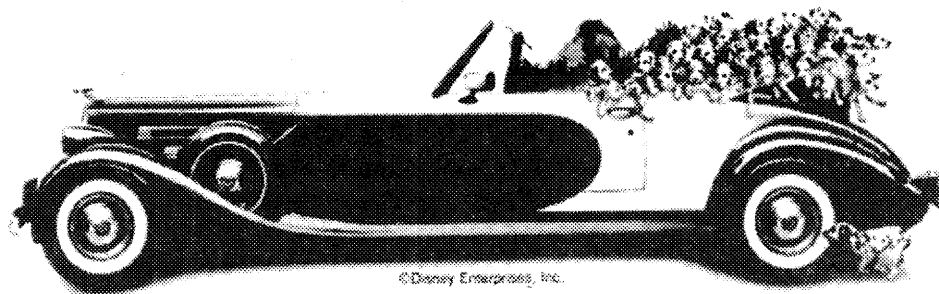
quite convinced she was the most appropriate choice. Perhaps it was the mental barrier in my mind that wouldn't let me see past her portrayal of an obsessed lover who boils rabbits in rage in FATAL ATTRACTION. Glenn Close is a fine actress with credits such as House of Spirits and Hamlet, which is

why I think somebody not so well known should have played the part in lieu of her practice playing the bad guy. As far as her makeup and costumes go, she turned the cartoon Cruella remarkably into real life; however, Cruella didn't have cleavage like that in the cartoon.

Jeff Daniels also is a major

player coming down to do Disney as he plays the devoted husband. Again, he is not well-suited for this part because his role looks less than challenging. His lines are minimal and the wholesome, happy, supporter he depicts is bland. With credits like Speed and Dumb and Dumber under his belt,

DOGS FOR DAYS



I expect more than a short-lived, calm role in a safe-bet movie. Maybe it was the safety of knowing Dalmatians would be successful in the box office, regardless of bad reviews is what caused these big names to settle on these roles.

The cute dalmation puppies hold the greatest entertainment value of this flick. Extensive training was required for all of the puppies to move in sequence and because of the large number of them was an undertaking that proved to be a great accomplishment.

Although my preference lies with the original, 101 Dalmatians is a movie that will please a majority of movie-goers. The cast was disappointing but the classic story line holds true. This re-vamped film doesn't need my approval to be one of the highest money-makers of this season.

FIRST NIGHT

How are you going to spend it?

Do you have plans for the biggest night of the year? If not read on for some ideas. Depending on how much you want to spend and what kind of music you like there's something for everyone.

For country music lovers the "Nitty Gritty Dirt Band" is coming to Edmonton. Tickets are \$32.06 at Ticketmaster. This is a no minors event as there is a bar and concessions. Opening bands are "Jason McCoy" and "Twang Bango".

Hoping to see fireworks? Reds at West Edmonton Mall will have them indoors! There will be live music and one lucky person will win \$5000. Tickets at Reds, 481-6420, or listen to Power 92 as they're giving away 92 tickets to the party.

How about a little "Spam" with your 3 course buffet dinner? At the Grinder rock band "Spam" will entertain. Tickets are \$30, call 453-1709.

"The Smalls" will be playing at Public Domain. Tickets are \$20, 423-7860. The club will also have a raised cage dance floor.

At the Agricola, "Maracuih" and "Picasso's Life" will rock in the New Year. This is a no minors event. Doors at 8, tickets \$19.97 at Ticketmaster. (Ha Ha, if you have to spend it with your family, First Night, downtown Edmonton, can be fun. It's cheap, you won't get a hangover, and there's fireworks to bring in the New Year.)

For a traditional New Years Eve the Westwood Inn has comedian Rick Bronson then dinner and

a dance. \$37 ticket includes a roast beef buffet, wine and champagne at midnight. Cocktails at 7pm, dinner at 7:45. Tickets at Ticketmaster.

If you'll be in Banff skiing, after you hit the slopes, hit the Banff Springs Conference Centre. For \$53.50, "Captain Tractor" will perform.

If you don't have your ski package yet, give Downhill Riders a call at 489-SNOW.

If you're a hockey fan, the San Jose Sharks will be playing the Calgary Flames. Tickets range from \$22.50 to \$83.50, at Ticketmaster. Game time is 6pm at the Calgary Saddledome.

Hey big spender, 49 bucks gets you in to the Sidetrack Cafe. This includes a 4 course dinner with champagne. The "Big Juice Band" (swing) and "Godiva" (an 80's cover band) will be playing. Call 421-1326.

If the club scene's not for you, "My Fair Lady" is live at The Citadel. Showtime is 8pm, tickets are \$27.50 for students. Call Ticketmaster.

Some clubs don't have plans yet but if you're looking for some fun for under \$20, I suggest People's Pub (431-0028), The Rebar (433-3600), or The Rev (423-7820). Or if anyone you know is having a party, that's your best and cheapest bet. Wherever you go though, do it safely. Stay the night, take a cab, try Operation Rednose, or the LRT. Happy New Years!

PS. Don't drink the champagne, it's not worth it in the morning.

CELEBRITIES

AND WHAT RANDOM PEOPLE
IN THE HALLS WOULD GET THEM FOR
CHRISTMAS

compiled by Miranda Jordan

Madonna • a rubber padded room for baby & herself
Oprah • a box of kleenex
Michael Jackson • a bigger mask
Alanis • a hair cut
Kevin Costner • a terrific script worthy of his presence
Prince • a name that can be spoken that consists of vowels and consonants
Dolly Parton • a new spinal cord
Patrick Stewart • hair
Adam Duritz (Counting Crows) • a wash and a shave
Dennis Rodman • some breasts
Kate Moss • some breasts
Pamela Anderson • a \$10 000 gift certificate to any plastic surgeon (not that she needs further enhancement)
OJ Simpson • some new gloves and a new bronco since the upholstery on his other one is blood stained
David Schwimmer • a new monkey
Roseanne • some more lipo
Mel Gibson • nothing

Elton John • a star on the Hollywood walk of fame
Yul Brynner • a plane ticket to Siam
Rosie O'Donnell • Tom Cruise bed sheets from K-mart
Shania Twain • a full meal (she's got to get sick of living off of rice sometime)
Courtney Love • lip liner
Garth Brooks • some bigger jeans
Bill Clinton • Ross Perot's bank account and a big doobie
Kurt Cobain • 9 lives
Matthew Perry • A new Pretty Woman
Ellen Degeneres • some JP's, a girlfriend, a book, a cup of coffee...
k.d. lang • a big slab of prime steak and a leather jacket
Whitney Houston • A new husband
Sheryl Crow • a nose job
Bono • Crystal Harris would give herself away
John Wayne • Colt 45
Bill Smith • A transportation plan and a snow shovel

WHAT'S HAPPENIN'

THURSDAY, December 5

Smoking Bert and the Pipefitters
Cork's Bar 104070 - Whyte Ave
(Rock)

The Brewtals with Amber 416
The Rev 10030 102 ST
(Alternative/Punk)

FRIDAY, December 6

Molly's Reach with 100 Mona Lisa's & Sugar Crash
The Rebar 10551 Whyte Ave
Tix \$6 at door (Alternative)

Groove Yard
Gasoline Alley 10993 124 ST (Rock)

SATURDAY, December 7

Little Big Band
Yardbird Suite 10203 86 Ave (Jazz)

'Twas The Night Before Christmas
John Walter Museum
1 PM Tix \$3
call 496-2966 (Theatre)

Catfish

The Grinder 10957 124 ST
9:30 PM no cover (Rock)

SUNDAY, December 8

They eat their veggies
Riverdale Community Centre 9231 100 Ave
Vegetarian potluck dinner
Bring your own cutlery, bowl, plate and cup

THURS-SUN

Kid Country
Mustang Saloon
16648 109 Ave

THURS-SAT

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The Side Track Cafe
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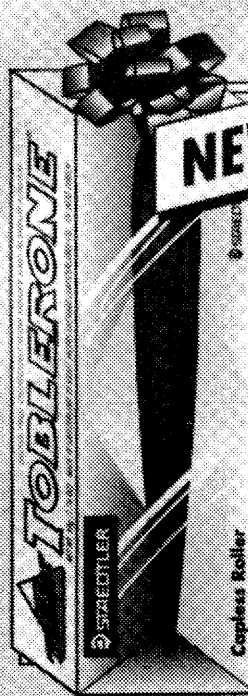


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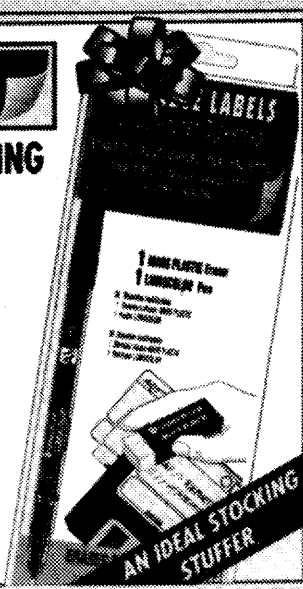
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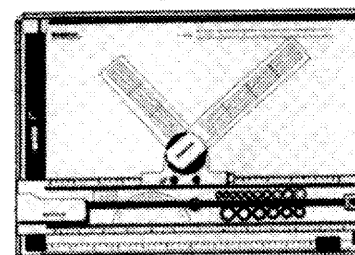


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Xmas Rock

Christmas Rock 4 Choice
O Come All Ye Faithful
 Various Artists
 Columbia Records

By Miranda Jordan

O Come All Ye Faithful is an untraditional compilation of Christmas tunes vamped up to a hard-core level by some of this generation's momentous bands. This benefit collection includes Christmas tracks by Sponge, Juliana Hatfield, Wool, Bush, Luscious Jackson, The Presidents of the United States of America, and Cranes—to name a few. There is a total of 13 songs each one with a uniquely deranged sound. This isn't the regular Christmas album to plug in when company is over drinking egg nog while you're all gathered around the fireplace roasting some chest nuts. It doesn't carry the happy-happy-Christmas in Kilarney sound; Each song sounds like a regular rock song encompassing Christmas as the topic to be sung about. The strongest songs on this album are Make It Home by Juliana Hatfield and Good King Somethingorother by Bush. Wool's single, X-mas It's Christmas, and Happy X-mas (War Is Over) by the Cranes are worthy contributions. Henry Rollins sings a pathetic rendition of Twas The Night Before Christmas, and The Presidents of the United States of America sing a floppy song called Christmas Piglet. Christmas Piglet is an ear-sore and sounds too choppy and thrown together to gain my acceptance. Overall, the songs featured on this album are fair in listening value. Though I hardly appreciate the evidently clear minimal efforts put forward in the composition of it.

More Christmas would take this album further and by Christmas, I mean the album's cover, the lyrics, or new instruments incorporated. The songs sound so regular, they don't even sound like Christmas songs. Maybe that's something that might appeal to some; but I'd sooner listen to some old Kenny Roger jingles on 8-track with my Dad. I'm a firm believer that even though some Christmas songs are corny, they should be annoyingly cheery. After all, they're only played once a year.

O Come all Ye Faithful is dedicated to the memory of Shannon Jowny and Jeanne Nichols who were brutally murdered on December 29, 1994 by an anti-abortion zealot. They were both health care workers. It also commemorates the deaths of several other people killed by anti-abortion extremists. Buying this CD as stated on the inside cover means "you celebrate the most spiritual of gifts, a woman's right to control and care for her own body..." It is also outlined that it is a woman's right to decide what to do with her body and that abortion should be legal and accessible. The internet address for pro-choice and feminist information is <http://www.feminist.org>. I realize pro-choice isn't the view of everyone and I am not attempting to plug a certain point of view. I am not disclosing my personal opinion on this heated-issue, so please don't misunderstand. The intent of the CD is to raise money for activists and to provide a collection of good songs in the process. My intent is only to review the music.

So overall, the CD is average. The album is not as strong as what it should be since it has a line-up of big names smeared all over it. However, if you're in the market to try something different, you might find these songs to be original, year-end holiday tunes.

Have They Found Your G Spot?

Speedy JIG Spot
 Virgin Records

Review by Tiffany Akins

Nope, it's not Sue Johanson's radio show. They're called Speedy J. They hail from Holland. And their sound is ambient.

The album had been collecting dust at The Nugget ever since I can remember. This may be because the cover is so drab. Just a box with the album's name and songs and some post production mumbo jumbo. No pictures, no photo of the band. Hasn't your mom ever told you not to judge an album by its cover?

I opened it up to find that there aren't even liner notes, but there are 2 CD's.

The first one is titled "G Spot". It must be a one computer band, there are no lyrics. It's just a beat with layers of sound effects and computerized melodies. Now, I am not a

techno or dance fan, but I can handle this. The beats are fast enough to groove to. I'd expect to hear it at the Dance Factory or at the Rebar on a Friday or Saturday. It sounds like it belongs on the "Hackers" soundtrack.

The Second CD, "live", is different. Again, it is ambient music but it's a bit more moody. The CD opens up with a minute of mysterious windchimes and gradually weaves itself into space music. You'd expect to hear this if someone on a movie was floating through space. You know those short computer animated breaks on YTV, this stuff is similar to the accompanied music. Very relaxing and mind opening.

My boyfriend and I were listening to Speedy J and I mentioned that I like their sound. His response, "maybe you'll turn into a rave kid." Let's not be too hasty, but Speedy J has opened my mind to ambient music. It's a treat for your ears, all the cool sound effects. You don't have to be a club kid to enjoy this double album.

Xmas Dance

Christmas Dance Countdown
 PolyTel Records

by Nerissa Fletcher

It was approaching Christmas and I was doing what I do best. Shopping. My quest for gifts brought me to Radio Shack. One would think I'd entered a dance hall instead of an electronic store! There was a CD playing and people were toe tapping and practically dancing in the aisle.

The next half hour of my life consisted of my discovering the CD had sold out of the store, then discovered the CD had sold out of the entire town of Edson. So I did the next best thing. I returned to Radio Shack and asked nicely if they would consider selling the presently playing demo. That's how I got my copy of the Christmas Dance Countdown.

This is the Ultimate Party CD if you're into dance music. Like any typical dance album, the songs are run together so you can boogie non-stop. Unlike a typical dance CD, the music is divided into six categories. Some of these categories contain a mix of seasonal and non-seasonal music. They are as follows:

- 1) Christmas Dance Mix: 21 Christmas tunes mixed in with funk, techno, and pop.
- 2) Christmas Countdown (holiday cheer mix): All Christmas songs; no non-seasonal tracks
- 3) New Year's Countdown Rhapsody: Two songs to ring in the new year; including the countdown set to music.
- 4) Five Break Five Dance Mix: Five Christmas songs followed by seven non-seasonal tracks. No lyrics in this section
- 5) It's Christmas Time: Grab a partner for this one!
- 6) Without You: This isn't a Christmas song, but it requires dancing with a partner and gazing into his or her eyes as you slowly waltz around the room...

If you're throwing a Christmas party and you don't want to fuss with changing the CD every five minutes, This is the CD to buy. If you just plain love dance music, don't pass up this album.

(Merry Christmas everybody)

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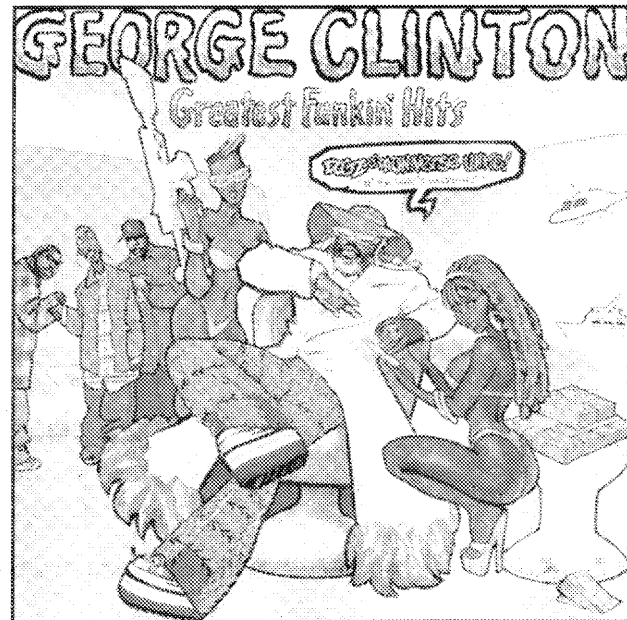
review by Jon Brenda

Last week I asked some clerk in A&B Sound about George Clinton. His immediate reaction was "Isn't that the president?" Well, for the record, no. Bill Clinton is the american president. In fact, I'm pretty sure they're not even related. But George is certainly as influential as an american president in certain circles. Funk circles, to be exact. You see, George Clinton is the evolutionary link between James Brown and modern hip hop.

To put George Clinton's influence in context, check out some of the guest artists that appeared on the remixed versions of his old songs. There's Coolio, Ol' Dirty Bastard (of the Wu-Tang Clan), Digital Underground, Busta Rhymes, Q-Tip (of Tribe Called Quest), Vanessa Williams, and Ice Cube. Wow. Who isn't on it? But in addition to the modern Hip Hop bands, George Clinton has influenced musicians as diverse as the artist formerly known as Prince, Talking Heads, U2, and new-age guru Jean Michel Jarre.

This album is kinda hit and miss though. The best song is the remix of "Flashlight" featuring Q-Tip, Busta Rhymes, and Ol' Dirty Bastard. It's just so damn funky! However "Booty Body Ready for the Plush Funk" makes me cringe, and everything else on the album falls somewhere in between.

George Clinton's contributions to funk are legendary. This CD provides an easy to digest overview of his music, with some cutting edge rap and hip-hop thrown in for good measure. If this sounds like your "thang", you know it is. As the liner notes have it: "This comp of slammic trax be representin' the merger of funk and hip hop planets under a groove, not to mention some retro track from the original funkateer."



The Fruitcakes from Hell

by Michelle Gattien

No. No. Not your second cousin who's totally insane but that dark, fruit and nut filled cake that someone invented a long time ago, supposedly as a Christmas treat. It's rare today that you'll find some one who will readily admit that they like fruitcake. When I asked people "What would you do if someone gave you a fruitcake?" I got some very interesting and creative comments. Here's some of their answers:

- Put in my freezer and keep it there 'till it rots
- Give it to my mother/wife/dad/ etc. (or any other unsuspecting victim)
- Fruitcakes make good door-stops
- I like to play catch with my fruitcake
- Nothing
- I'd take it to a party I'm going to this weekend

- Save it and give it back to the person who gave it
- Throw it out
- I don't know. I may eat it or I may not
- I've always needed a new foot-stool
- My coach says they're good to take on skiing trips
- If my mom made it, I'd eat it. If someone else did I'd use it as a gift to give to someone else
- I'd eat the whole thing, if it was a light fruitcake. If it was dark I'd give it away.
- Chuck it
- Fruitcakes make good weapons for women walking to their cars at night
- What a waste of good fruit. Isn't fruit supposed to be good for you
- I'd cut it up and put it out in the NAITSA office for others to eat
- Let it rot

- Make a wreath out of it
- Grind it up for kitty litter. Of course, the cats would get sticky feet
- Use it as a frisbee. Although you may kill someone
- Use it as a lampstand, I surely wouldn't eat it
- Use it as a paper weight
- Use it as blocks so my car won't roll away
- I'd take it home and share it with my family
- Put it in the emergency food supply
- Throw it as far away as I possibly could
- Put it in a can and blast it out of here
- I'd taste it. If it was good I'd eat it. If not, I'd throw it away
- I'd use it as a floral base and make a floral arrangement
- Give it to someone I don't like
- I'd give it to the bum who lives in the dumpster

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Have You Heard...?

by Tiffany Akins
and Miranda Jordan

Last weekend the University of Saskatchewan Huskies won the Vanier Cup. They must've been celebrating pretty hard because they forgot the cup in their hotel room. The Hilton is kind enough to ship it to them.

3 weeks ago, the ex-fiancee of "Alice in Chains"'s lead singer died. He's pretty upset about it; it's thought he might get back into his cocaine kick. His friends are on a 24 hour suicide watch. Apparently, she died of a cocaine overdose.

The "Goo Goo Dolls" are in search of a new record company. They're fed up with the unfair royalties, only \$0.25 per record.



Isn't it ironic! Jon Bon Jovi is currently in production of "Homegrown", a movie about people who grow pot and how they get ripped off. Now the film is based on a true story: \$7000 worth of pot plants were stolen off the set. This goes to show that potheads aren't too bright: the plants are fake.

The red-headed character who played Amber on the film Clueless, and currently plays the role of Amber on the spin-off Clueless

TV show admitted to forcing herself not to eat so she looks good on camera. She is now seeking help for her anorexia.

Leonardo Dicaprio is going to be in a new movie about the Titanic in the new year. As what? Can't wait to find out.



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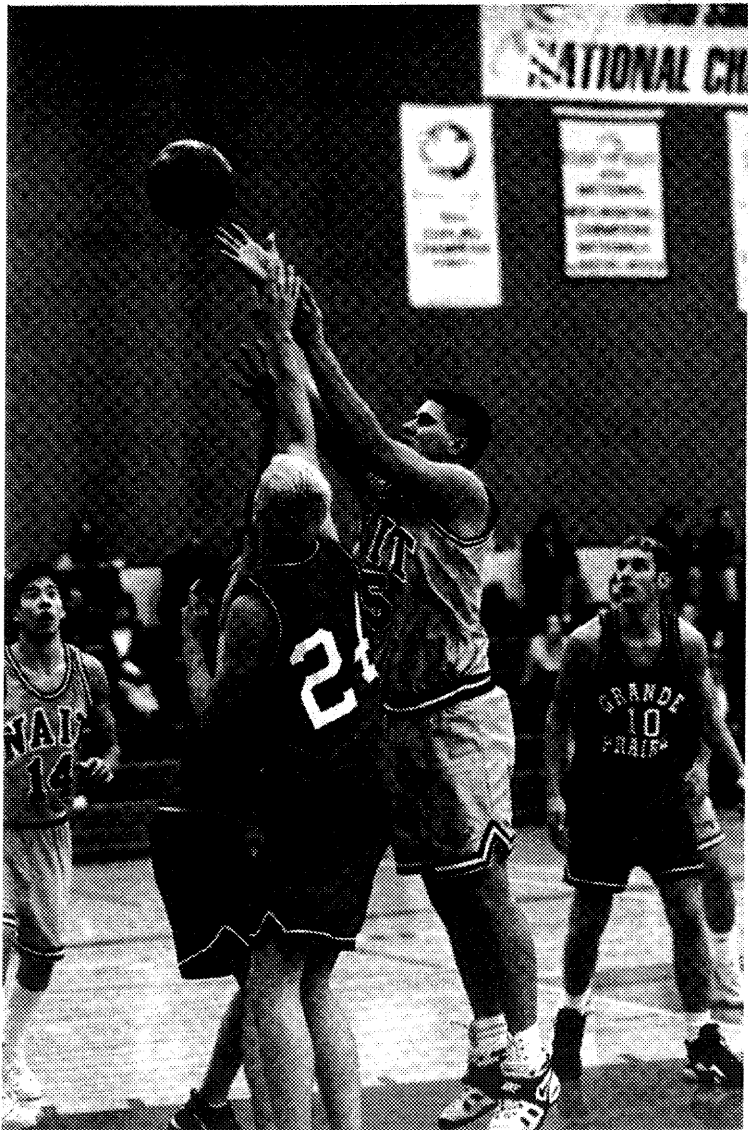


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RANDOM THOUGHTS FROM AN EMPTY HEAD



WADE FENNIG
SPORTS EDITOR



Ook forward Greg Dedeugd finger rolls the ball through the hoop during Friday's game against GPRC. Ooks 91 GPRC 71!

With all the egos in professional sports today, it is refreshing to see young individuals enter their sports with a humble attitude. Granted in some cases they are very few and far between, but there are some out there. This week's example takes us to the Ottawa Senators rookie defenceman, Wade Redden. I'll admit to being biased in writing this article. Why? Because I had the pleasure of getting to know Wade a little bit this summer as we played in a few ball tournaments together. "Junior", as I affectionately call him has been having a very solid rookie campaign. He holds a very calm demeanor which he transforms to his play on the ice. He has been described as having "ice in his veins", because of the fact he makes very few mistakes. You probably won't see him on too many highlight reels scoring on end to end rushes. He's an intelligent player who calculates every play, usually making the easiest one possible. In a nutshell, he gets the job done.

Now behind all his natural ability and a contract that would knock a dog off a gutwagon (\$850,000), you'll find an easy going guy. Without blowing any

smoke, he shows that nice guys don't always finish last. One of the ball tournaments we played in this summer was in his home town of Hillmond, Sask. Obviously, he was a major focus of attention everywhere we went. Yet no matter what we were doing, he always

"Junior", as I affectionately call him has been having a very solid rookie campaign.

took the time to sign an autograph or just sit and talk to those who were interested in his new contact etc., etc. He did it without thinking because that's the type of person he is. Now to the average Joe that might not seem like much, but imagine getting stopped every ten seconds for an entire weekend while being hounded with the same questions like, "think you'll make Ottawa this year?", or "what

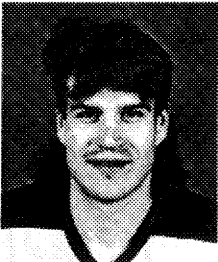
did it feel like to sign your first contract?" time after time. I could guarantee most would fold up like a card table. Credit a strong home front for creating this worldly individual. Wade's parents Gord and Pat Redden have seen their youngest go from a six year old puck chaser to an NHLr in a blur. Combine this with Wade's older sister Nikki, who graduated from Physiotherapy at the U of S and brother Bart (who himself is an accomplished hockey player for the North Battleford North Stars of the SJHL.) and you've got yourself quite a successful family.

This Friday, Wade and the Ottawa Senators will come to town to face the Oilers. Amongst the crowd of onlookers will be a thousand or so people from the Lloydminster/Hillmond area who have come to see a kid named Wade Redden. "Junior" will once again be under the microscope in front of friends and family. Certainly not the first time. Certainly not the last. With ice in his veins he'll play the game and talk with all of those who came to see him after the game. Win, lose or draw. Whether he played well or not. Like a professional. Because that's what he is.

DARBY "COKE MACHINE" WALKER'S

Mike Peluso

Position: Left Wing
Shoots: Left
Height: 6'4"
Weight: 200
Birth Date: 11/08/65
Place of Birth: PENGILLY, MN
Currently Resides: Hackensack, NJ
Year Drafted: 1984
Round Drafted: 10
Overall Choice: 190
Current Status: On the Roster
(as of December 2, 1996)



Peluso may not be in the top five "heavies" in the league, but he's the type of guy who goes balls out every shift, hitting everything in his path. He's fought everyone from BIG BAD BASIL McCRAE to the "GRIM REAPER" (Stu Grimson), and has knocked out his fair share of chicklets along the way.

Career Stats for Mike Peluso Regular Season

Season	Team	League	GP	G	A	TP	PIM	+/-	PP	SH	GW	GT	Shots	Pct
1985-86	ALAS	NCAA	32	2	11	13	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1986-87	ALAS	NCAA	30	5	21	26	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1987-88	ALAS	NCAA	35	4	33	37	76	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1988-89	ALAS	NCAA	33	10	27	37	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1989-90	INDI	IHL	75	7	10	17	279	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1989-90	CHIC	NHL	2	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1990-91	CHIC	NHL	53	6	1	7	320	-3	2	0	0	0	29	20.69
1990-91	INDI	IHL	6	2	1	3	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1991-92	CHIC	NHL	63	6	3	9	408	1	2	0	0	0	32	18.75
1991-92	INDI	IHL	4	0	1	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
1992-93	OTTA	NHL	81	15	10	25	318	-35	2	0	1	0	93	16.13
1993-94	NJER	NHL	69	4	16	20	238	19	0	0	0	0	44	9.09
1994-95	NJER	NHL	46	2	9	11	167	5	0	0	1	0	27	7.41
1995-96	NJER	NHL	57	3	8	11	146	4	0	0	0	0	41	7.32
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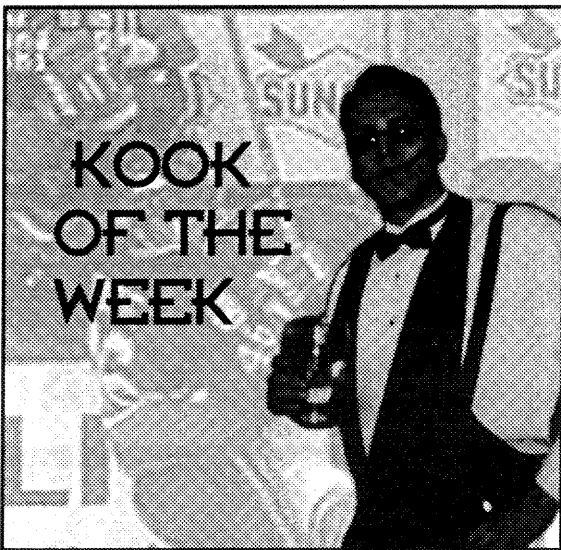
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FRIDAY STINKS VS. SATURDAY DELIGHTS

by Craig Wourms

It has been a few weeks since you last heard from the women's volleyball team, but believe me many things have definitely been going on.

The league games started away from the comforts of home with a trip down the street to G.M.C.C. to do battle with the Griffins. One BIG PROBLEM, nobody told the Lady Oaks that they were supposed to be playing volleyball that night. So the Oaks got their asses kicked by a mythical creature. After Friday's match the coach did the ritualistic *small dance of rage* and the team got ready for the rematch the next evening. Saturday night on our home turf the Lady Oaks seemed a whole lot more comfortable and surprised Grant MacEwan with a completely different style of play and ability, but we still lost 1-3.

The following week after a no net practice, a little bit of vomit and some aching muscles the Lady Oaks were off to play the Lakeland College Rustlers. On Friday night the team stunk in almost every aspect of the game but they did show mental toughness because we won that match 3-2. So after another lovely Friday night match the coach did a larger version of that same *dance of rage* and on Saturday the entire team showed up and played. After losing the first game 16-17 the Oaks started using the game plan, controlling the tempo, picking on each weakness of the Rustlers and won the match 3-1.

This last weekend we headed north to Grande Prairie Regional College in what is always an unpredictable set of matches. Friday night, as you have already noticed, the trend continued and the Lady Oaks walked into the gym, forgot to show up, and were severely beaten by the Wolves. However, this time there was no dance of rage, the coach simply handed his clipboard over to the players and let them figure out for themselves what it takes. Something must have happened over the next few hours because for Saturday's

match the Lady Oaks finally played volleyball for the first time this year. The team talked on the court, did what they said and competed above their competition. One weakness did evolve from the match however, the NAIT mindset has to change. Everyone must start believing that we can go into any school and beat anyone, whether it be the weak of Keyano College or the strong of Grande Prairie & Red Deer, until each person decides to say "Screw the traditional powerhouses. We are the new strength in the league." NAIT will always be a pretender and not a contender.

LAST NOTE: Thank you to all the fans who are coming out to watch. In only two matches the attendance is over 450 and that is pretty darn good for college ball, so come out & see what it is all about.

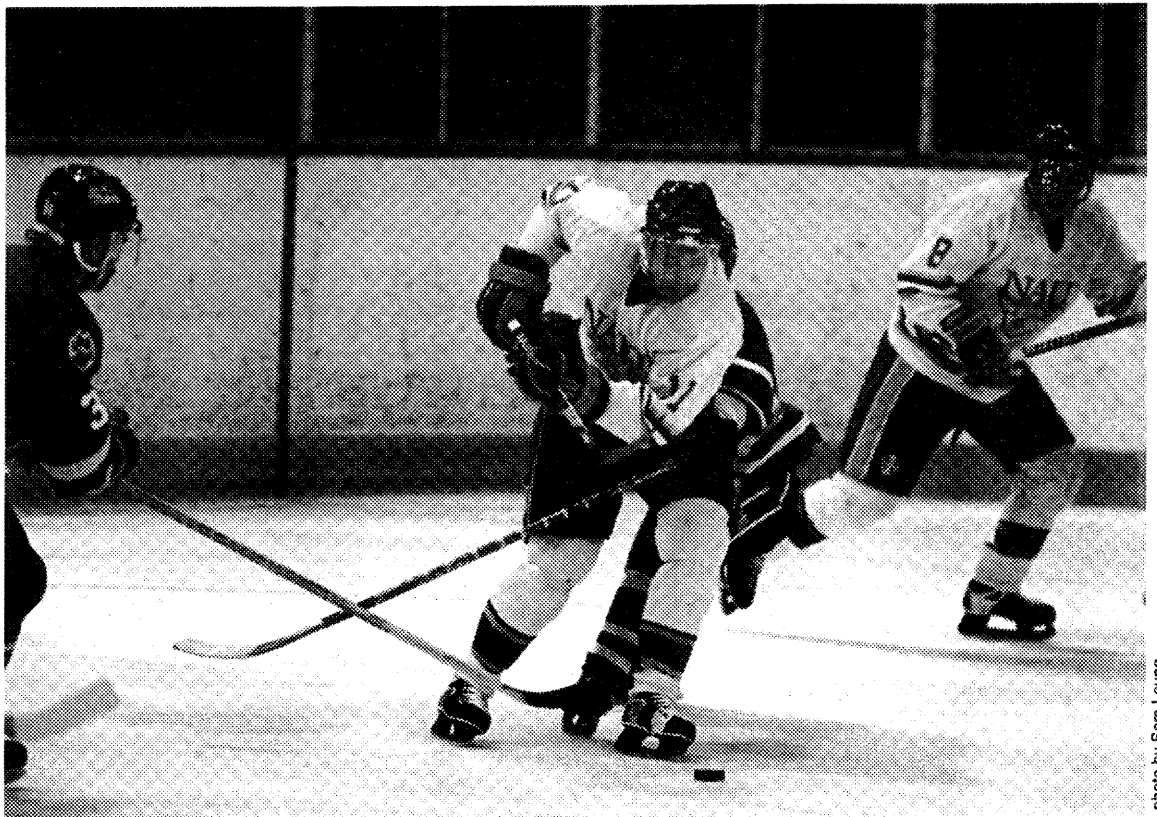


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The Oaks move the puck down the ice through two MRC players, trying to generate some offence. Unfortunately the Oaks suffered a disappointing 9-1 loss to MRC.

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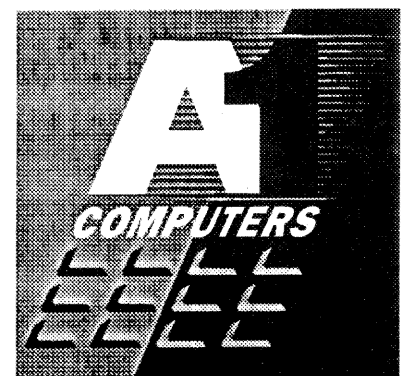
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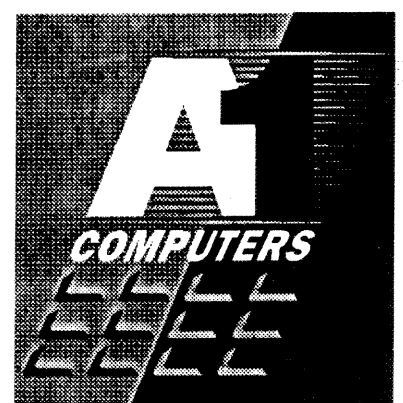
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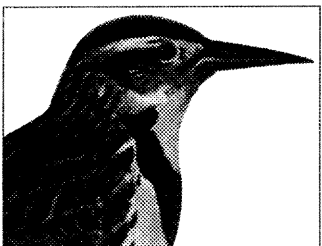
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One Flew Over The Oaks Nest

By Wade Fennig

As the Holiday Season approaches, NHL teams and their players have been scrambling once again to get their Christmas lists in to Jolly Old Saint Nick. Santa knows who's been naughty and who's been nice, and won't be fooled by any trade involving Louie DeBrusk straight across for two elves. Sorry Mr. Sather.

The Detroit Red Wings have been seduced by the Christmas spirit, knowing it is truly better to give than to receive. With that thought in mind they have a smorgasbord of Koho Sandwiches with extra slivers for Colorado Avalanche winger Claude "Kmart is cheap but I'm cheaper" Lemieux. Under normal circumstances Santa would not fill such a pugilistic request, but in this specific case he'll oblige. He himself is pissed off at Claude and has a score to settle. It has been rumored that while at Lemieux's house last Christmas Eve, the Jolly old man was run from behind into the kitchen table while going for the milk and cookies. Nuff said.

The mothers of Capitals Chris Simon and Blues Mike Peluso have once again placed a request to give their colorful sons hair cuts this Christmas. Santa understands the concern of the proud moms, but emphatically denies any such requests due to the multiple concussions he received last year when both kooks opened a case of whoopass on him for attempting to trim their locks. He will, though, deliver the boys an entire Finesse hair care kit each so they're at least looking presentable.

The Calgary Flames, who have been literally and figuratively blown out as of late, have asked Santa if he could get

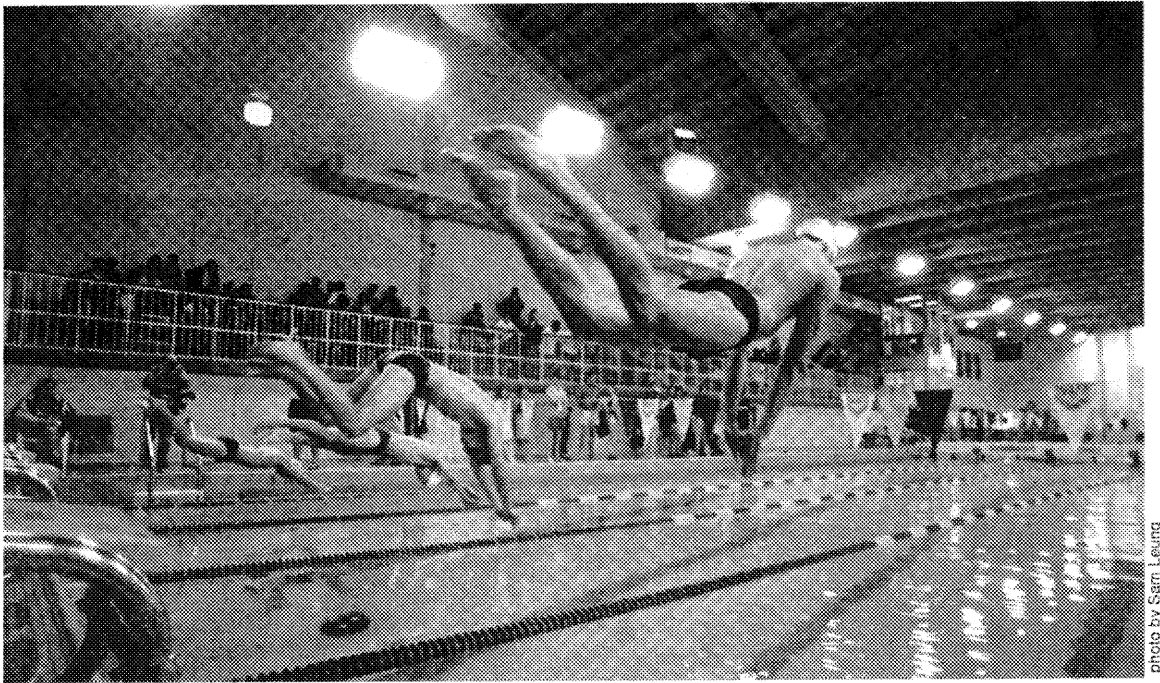
goaltender Rick Tabaracci back from the Tampa Bay Lightning. Santa of course cannot fill this request but will drop off a beach ball in each Flames' stockings so that they can warm up Trevor Kidd properly.

Pittsburgh Penguins goaltender Ken Wregget has asked for a dozen survival kits, complete with compass and Swiss Army knife, so that he can give them to prima donna forwards Mario, Jaromir, Petr Nedved, Tomas Sandstrom etc. in hopes they can locate the defensive zone. Santa will gladly fill this request and throw in flares and a pair of steel toed boots because what those loafers really need is a kick in the ass.

The Edmonton Oilers have a few requests for the big man this year. They understand why Santa doesn't want anything to do with Louie DeBrusk, but still hope he reconsiders their new offer. This time they've added the rights former Oilers' Stu Kulak, Ray Cote, Matti Hagman, and Peter Driscoll in the deal for the two elves. Santa has always had a soft spot for Kulak and is currently wavering on the deal. In addition he would have loved to give the Oilers the pair of hands they ordered for courageous captain Kelly Buchberger and speedster Todd Marchant if they promise to make the playoffs.

So there you have it. As the Jolly fat man continues to sift through the plethora of requests he's received, I'd like to close with my sincerest regards to all of you over the holiday season. Always remember, like a spear to the groin, it is always better to give than to receive. I LOVE THIS GAME!

Santa...will drop off a beach ball in each Flames' stockings ...



More than just a bunch of well-built guys doing the flippy-floppy for marks. See Swimming Oaks Shine, page 15.

SET POINT

by the setters

On the weekend we traveled to Grand Prairie for our third match before Christmas break. We went in with visions of a home upset dancing in our heads. However, it was not meant to be. On Friday night the game was a battle from the get-go. We were up early in every set but managed to stay up for only one as we were beaten 3 to 1. Although we came out of Friday without the "W", we considered it a moral victory as we

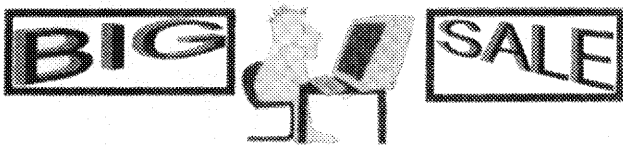
played as a team and at most times dominated the Wolves. Our down fall has come at point 12 or 13 in nearly all the close losses we have taken this season.

On Saturday we were bound and determined to turn the tides on the Wolves in their own building. We somehow managed to leave our skills on the bus, and played poorly. All that we had done well on Friday was done bad on Saturday. Needless to say, we fell 3 straight and weren't home with a

2-4 record.

It's clear that if we find a plateau at which to maintain our game, we will earn more victories over good pre-games. Although we may be one of the most skilled ACAC teams in Alberta, we haven't been showing it. It's time to stop saying "We are a better team and should have won", because that doesn't win games. We have a choice group of athletes, and we should start proving it.

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Ooks Skip Rob Fossum (Chemical Engineering) demonstrates the concentration needed for a perfect shot during a game Saturday in the Avonian Curling Rink.

SWIMMING OOKS SHINE

by Jeff Riddle, Assist. Coach

NAIT Hosted the Fall ACAC Championships for swimming this past Saturday and The Swim Team performed well in front of a record crowd of spectators. When all the numbers crunched down, Mount Royal College posted a clear win with NAIT topping the rest of the pack for 2nd.

There were a number of excellent races, but from the Ooks Perspective the race of the day was the men's 4*50 freestyle relay at the start of the meet. NAIT's team of Mike Bole, Jason Fletcher, Steve Sharp and Tim Wuetkerick touched out Mount Royal with a New Record of 1:44.87.

NAIT's only other win came in the men's 400m where Tim Wuetkerick clearly was the class of the field. Tim was also the 5th highest scorer of the meet with 21 points. Other top ten scorers were, Kristy Paulhus (10th), Jaime Hansen (9th).

The Ooks will take a break from competition until January 18/97 when they head down to Calgary for a Mount Royal hosted event. The Ooks will be taking in a Training Camp January 9-12/97 in Canmore.

Congratulations Swimmers!

Results Nov 30/96 ACAC Fall Champs - Swimming Hosted by NAIT

Team Points

- 1) Mount Royal College 309
- 2) NAIT "Ooks" 164.5
- 3) Red Deer C.C. 158
- 4) Grande Prairie Wolves 149
- 5) Grant MacEwan 101.5
- 6) Concordia College 34

Men's

- 1) Mount Royal College 126
- 2) GPRC 113
- 3) NAIT 76.5
- 4) GMCC 43.5
- 5) CC 32
- 6) RDC 20

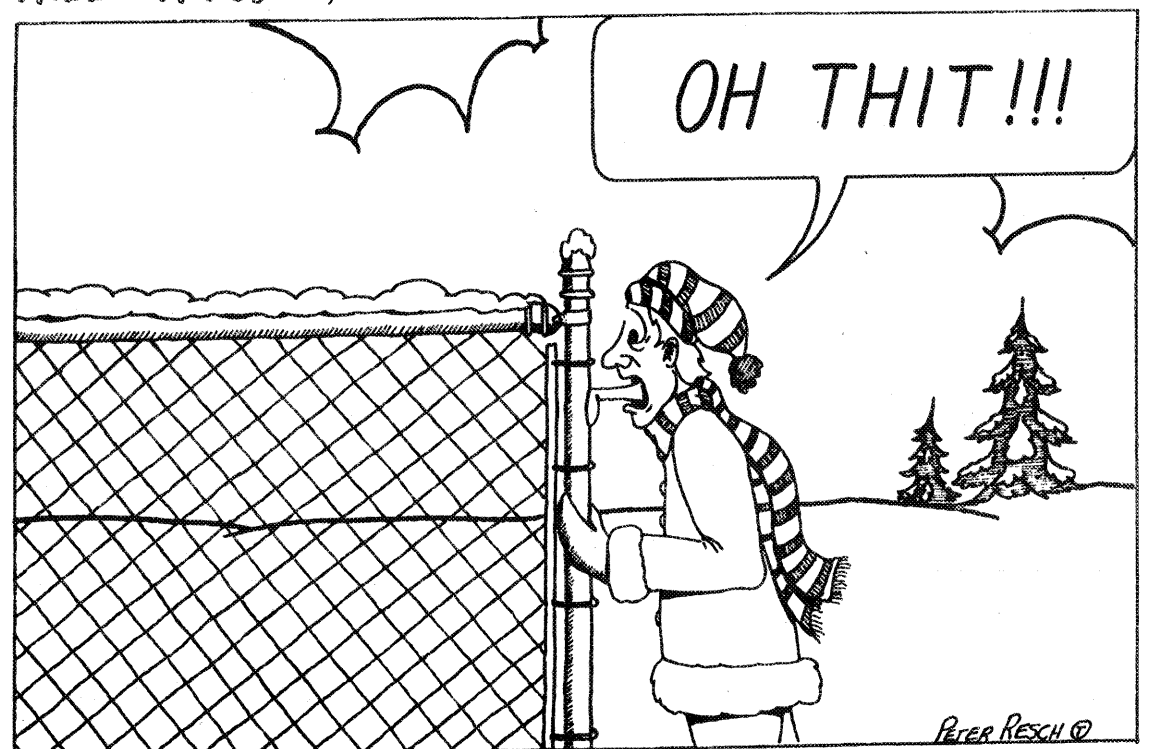
Womens

- 1) MRC 155
- 2) RDC 124
- 3) NAIT 74
- 4) GMCC 48
- 5) GPRC 44
- 6) CC 02



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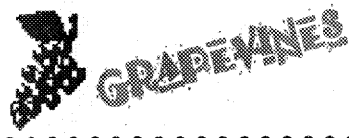
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To K Bishop in 2nd year Instrumentation?
I heard a rumor that the old "Vanier" boy was at NAIT! Curious to know who this is? I'll give you a hint: My brother Dean is wondering how your brother Ben is doing. Figured it out yet?!? Well, respond via the grapevine if the rumor is true. Signed L.R.

To the men of Telecomm.
We would like to thank you all for making our lives more meaningful. You made our cabaret a thrilling experience. Hope to part with you soon.
Love the Animals in the X-wing

To the Mysterious Drink Lady in the NEST, I'm sorry I missed you. By the time I found out where you were sitting you had already left. We are, however, having a cabaret on Dec. 6th at the King's Head. I would be more than happy to meet you here and return the favour. Otherwise, maybe we'll meet up at the NEST.
The Cute Blonde Paramedic
To Turbo Sloth, A wasted youth is better by far than a wise and productive old age. ('Loaf still rocks!')
Cats Eye

To beautiful business ball player - you're just as cute playing wallyball as you are sleeping in the Naitrium - see you on the court!
Cats Eye

To Chris V - 2nd year Bio Sci, We heard your name is Zeus. Show us your "Lightning Rod." From 1st year cuties

Strawberry's Twin, Did you know Barbie has a sister? Well, keep wearing that cowboy hat and you might just get lucky.

There once was a 'Misty and Sheri', Who's friendship had seemed so merry, Then Misty got hitched, And her good friend she ditched, BITTER? Oh yes I am...very. JUST KIDDIN! CONGRATS. Call me

To R.F. in Bio Sci. I miss your marvelous mammories. Let's get reacquainted. Please reply to your Bio Sci Buddy.

Hey Strawberry Shortcake, Heard you're having trouble finding a girl, well we found one for you - her name is Barbie

To the select few in Carpentry, We see you sitting with those girls at lunch everyday. Are you purposely trying to make us jealous? To the blonde, I'll give you a yo-yo to play with! To the short, dark-haired one, your laugh lights up our lives!!
Love the onlookers

Dear Tan Man, I hear from your classmates you got my message last week, I'm in your tech. not your class. I see you out in the cold smoking, shivering, wishing I could be there beside you to warm you. Interested? Love Hot Rod

Hey Hot Rod, I thought we were an item. What gives? How can you fall for a guy with such a pathetic phony tan? Let's talk thing out. Jilted

To men's B-Ball: Need help staying warm on those cold winter nights? We'll send you a postcard of the sun! Love As Always & Forever - Women's B-Ball

I met you at King's Horse on Saturday and asked you to come to Ezzies, but you didn't show up. Did you get a better offer? Reply via grapevine if interested. Signed Disappointed

Dean in 1st year Business, Muffins aren't for everyone... a muffin a day will keep the girlfriend's blues away. Concerned Individuals

To the little Red Smurfette, Beware of the spider's web, Caine

To Dickie & friends, We look forward to Saturday. The hot tub is primed and we're fully stocked. Even the cats are ready. Don't disappoint us or our activities at the Coliseum, Shaw Theatre and the "railing" are out. Love the Animals

To the Telecom Guys, Can't wait to see you on the weekend. Hope you don't let us down.

Tortieres (Meat Pies) on sale Starting Dec. 12 in Takeout Market in Cafeteria. \$6.50 Great Bargain!! Phone 7655 for advance orders of 3 or more.

To Chemtech Ladies, Our last cabaret was not a good time for you guys so we have an even bigger Cabaret set up for this Friday, Dec. 6. We leave the school for good in two weeks so you better take advantage of the offer. Do bring your labcoats, don't bring your boyfriends. EMT - P Class (2nd Year)

To the exotic girls in the business tower, me and my friends have had our eyes on you since the beginning of the semester. We see you in the lounge in the tower most days and are dying to finally meet you. We will meet you at the King's Head Pub on Friday, Dec. 6 at 10:00. Show up if you're not afraid.

Scotty, the whip is cracking, and the leash is tightening. Have another drink and toke and the whipmaster will go away. The Boyz

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December 16, 8:00 pm only

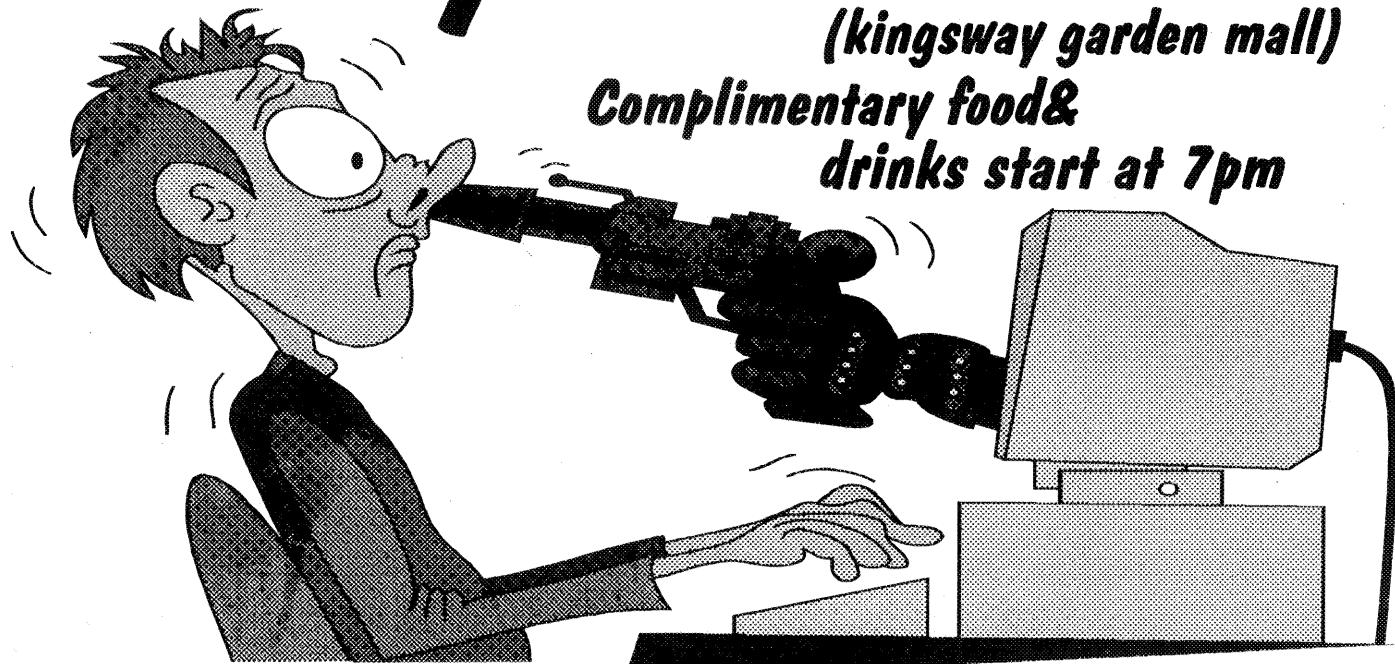
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