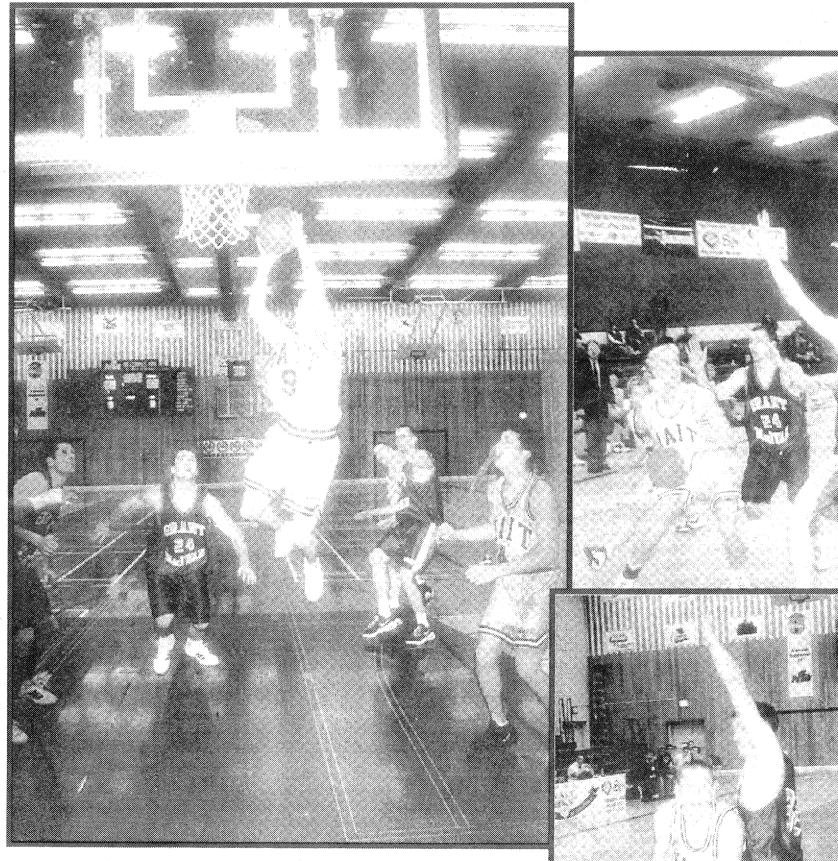
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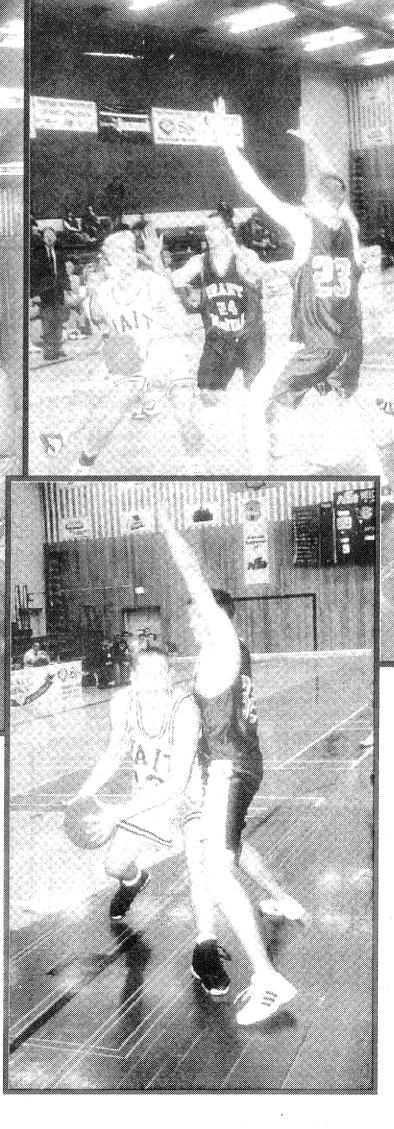
NAIT'S OFFICIAL STUDENT NEWSPAPER

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA



NAIT, who was ousted by GMCC Friday night, rebounded Saturday for a nail-biting finish.

The Ooks came up a little short, giving the Griffins a solid game.



Enough Already

Jenessa Kirkwood

o I came across this article on the web called, "CAN I MAKE YOUR BALLS BLUE, BILLY BOY, BILLY BOY?" and I couldn't help but wonder what it was all about. Giving views on the whole political scandal and who cares comes to mind. One thing the author of the article said I agreed with though: Clinton's stupidity and lack of common sense are reason

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enough to impeach him. This is exactly the whole world's view on it, I think, or at least Canada's, anyway! You really think that when you're that famous you can sleep with someone and expect them to keep it secret? I bet as soon as that happened, the first thing Monica Lewinsky did was run to her best friend and gloat about it! One thing though, why brag about Clinton, anyway? Maybe because he runs the country and is totally loaded?

Who cares if he is a pig? But impeachment? Why? Leaders of all countries have had affairs. Clinton was simply far more blatant. It's so true, it's just what any other person would do in his spare time, anyway (not saying that all men do this). I do know some who exist that don't cheat on their wives or girlfriends. But why should it be any different than if any other Joe was to do it? Because he is the President. Who cares if it has nothing to do with how he runs the country! He is representing the average American so they'll let him get off.

Those damn fascist rightwing, Republican crackers should leave him alone. The politics will just never stop, and I guess we have to get used to that kind of society. "It's like an old boys club full of Republicans that is on a witch hunt against him," one student remarked to me. My opinion is that it's gone too far. Like, I know he lied, but they're spending too much money on what he did in his private life. How long does he have before he's out of office, anyway? Let the guy finish his term in office.

Bumper to Bumper

Parking Woes at NAIT



Tyler "Needs room for his '72 Cordova" Harke

kay, boys and girls, time to test your math skills. How many dedicated, brilliant students are there at NAIT? Roughly 8,000? How many parking stalls are there? Exactly 2,080. Now, if my math skills are as good as they used to be (and they aren't) that leaves 5,920 of us without a place to stow our precious vehicles.

Now believe it or not, I'm not a total idiot. I realize that not eve-

ryone drives. Some students take the bus, some live close enough to walk, and there's probably some weird guy among us who sleeps on the eighth floor in the Business Tower or in the Naitrium or something.

However, I know for a fact that students often arrive at school only to be left without a parking place. Why? Because it's happened to me on more than one oc-

casion. You know how much it pisses me off when I arrive my usual ten minutes late for class only to drive around for another fifteen looking for a spot??

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Now, I realize that some people abuse the parking here and park where they shouldn't. I also must concede that it would help if I got here on time for once. But when I found one of our friendly (and I use that term very loosely) parking "security" people, he instructed me to proceed to the pay parking area and

nate to the NAIT, "We Overbooked So You're Pretty Much Screwed" fund? I'd rather take my chances at the mall. At least I could attempt a mission impossible, dash-for-theborder type of run.

Of the 2,000 + spots at NAIT, 71 are at the Westwood campus, which is several blocks away. 20 are handicapped, 174 are \$2.00 parking (which would equal about \$320 if you used it every day) not to mention the fact that some zones are so far away that you need to put a bike in the back of your car so you can ride it from your car to school!

According to NAITSA, there will be roughly 10,000 students here shortly after the turn of the century. That means even more cars. I sincerely hope that those students don't have to put up with parking conditions equal to what



that if I was, "lucky" there would be an open spot for me.

HELLO! What was that \$150 I spent on a season's parking pass for! Do I LOOK like I would do-

we have now. If they do, I give my full permission to park right on the front lawn — directly in front of administration.

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News in a Nutshell



Jenny Thornbird

Hormones In The Courtroom

A study conducted at the Georgia State University show that both male and female trial lawyers have 30% more testosterone than their colleagues in other areas of law. The tests were done by assaying a saliva sample. High amounts of testosterone are often associated with traits of dominance, persistence, and focused attention. The hormone also promotes an increased amount of sexual activity and is linked in studies to antisocial behavior and competition. In short, if you acquire the services of a trial lawyer for anything, you can be rest assured that their sex life is thriving and they're big fans of "Judge Judy."

The Rat Who Wracked Up Air Miles

A rat that grounded a Swissair jetliner for two days was finally captured. The jet, originally preparing for a flight to Vienna, was canceled when a flight attendant spotted the rat. An extensive search by mechanics failed to turn up any immediate signs of the rat, as they feared chewed-on, damaged cables showing up. The rat was finally trapped in the plane using cured ham as bait. Funny that they didn't use airline food for bait instead, eh?

• The Fast, Naked Driver

A 46-year-old Indiana woman was arrested in Alma, Michigan, after leading police on a high-speed car chase wearing nothing but her seat belt. Police in five districts originally received calls from several drivers reporting a naked motorist on the roads. The woman reached speeds of up to 177 km/hr, passing people by driving on the curb, as well as running traffic lights. Officers finally arrested the woman after she pulled into a parking lot. She was promptly covered up (with a raincoat no less) and taken to a hospital psychiatric word.

The Repo'd Kiddie Car

A repo man went to the police in Louisville, Kentucky, when he found

a child in the back seat of a car he had possessed in Clarksville, Indiana, earlier in the day. "He didn't make a whimper or anything, I didn't even see him. I just jumped in and took off real quick like any good repo man would and just flew." said the repo man. He ended up taking off in the car when the owner of the car stopped at a gas station. The owner, until Kentucky authorities reached him, thought his 16moth-old child had been kidnapped. No charges will be laid, but the car will remain repossessed and child-free.

Happy Valentine-Lewinsky Day

Townspeople in Turda, Romania, are holding a Valentine's Day contest for women who think they can best imitate U.S. President Bill Clinton's first meeting with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky. The participants will be required to "perform" their imitation in front of a wooden stand-up figure of the president. Props such as soggy cigars are not allowed. The winner of the contest will receive a free dinner on Valentine's Day at the restaurant of their choice, along with free hairstyling for an entire year.

• The Alligator Thief

A would-be thief in Chilliwack, B.C., apparently got the worst of it while trying to steal a pet alligator, police say. RCMP investigating a residential break-in found nothing missing, but plenty of blood left behind in a fish tank in a bedroom where a pet alligator resides. Police currently have no suspects, but hope that the thief will get an infection from the gator bite and show up in a nearby hospital. Maybe one of the safety tips for Crime Stoppers Week this week should be to buy a pet alligator to protect your possessions.

Crime of the Month

NAIT Campus Crime Stoppers Committee

n Friday, November 27, 1998, between the hours of 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., a green and blue Tommy Hilfiger jacket was stolen from locker T5003 on the 5th floor of the business tower. The jacket's value was \$550. The lock was removed.

Again, on Monday, November 30, 1998, between the hours of 8:10 a.m. and 10:10 a.m., a locker was broken into and another Tommy Hilfiger jacket was stolen. The locker was damaged. The jacket was worth \$350. It was navy blue with black patches, and had a yellow, fleece lining.

We need your help in prevent-

ing these thefts from reoccurring. If you have any information regarding these incidents, please call "Campus Crime Stoppers" at 422-TIPS. You do not have to reveal your name or any other informa-

tion about yourself. If your tip leads to an apprehension of the person(s) responsible, you will qualify for a cash reward.

Here are some tips in safeguarding your valuables:

- Do not leave electronic devices, money, expensive clothing, and jewelry in your locker. Locks can be easily removed.
- Keep your valuables on your person or at home.
- All students and staff can also keep an eye open for suspicious persons opening lockers with bolt cutters.
- Commissioners are the only people allowed to have bolt cutters and cut locks.

Crime Stoppers Awareness Week

NAIT Campus Crime Stoppers Committee

rime Stoppers Aware ness Week will be held from January 25-28 in an effort to education students on safety and security awareness on campus and to promote crime prevention. During the week, members of the committee will be set up at booths at various locations around the campus to display the Crime Stoppers Program

and give out helpful student information.

At the booths, students will be enlightened on aspects of various crimes such as book thefts, locker break-ins, cars stolen, property damage, and how these crimes can be prevented in the future.

All students are encouraged to stop by the booths to participate in interesting discussions and fun activities such as:

- Free pins, pens, keychains, and bookmarks
- Enter a draw to win a t-shirt
- Pick up some safety & security pamphlets
- A contest to win a jar full of gumballs
- Discuss how the program works and how it benefits the student

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his is Smoking **Cessation Week** so if you have been thinking about quitting or cutting down, this may be a good time to take the big step and butt out. Everybody knows the bad news about smoking — it lowers your life expectancy, decreases your fitness, and has people coughing, turning up their noses, and lecturing you on the health hazards of your habit. The good news is that nearly as many people have successfully quit smoking as still smoke. Life expectancy rates of those who quit smoking while they're fairly young are almost the same as for those who have never smoked.

Before you decide to quit, it is important to ask yourself some questions:

- Is this a good time to quit? —
 i.e. Not too stressful a period, not
 a lot of change happening in
 your life.
- Am I likely to be successful?

 i.e. Are you convinced you're ready to quit? Are you prepared to deal with the side effects? Are other people supportive of you quitting?
- If you've tried unsuccessfully to stop smoking in the past, ask yourself, 'what did I learn from that experience and what can I do differently this time?'
- Am I the type of person who should quit "cold turkey," or would it be better to cut down gradually?

Some strategies for quitting:

- Make it public tell your family and friends you are quitting, and let them know what is and what is not helpful.
- Be prepared for hard times, especially the first few days withdrawal symptoms will hit hardest during the first week and will gradually weaken over time.
- Stop smoking first thing in the morning. You have already gone 8 hours without smoking by then, so you are already a success.
- Find ways to replace smoking.
 Learn relaxation techniques if
 you used smoking to calm down.
 Carry sugar-free mints, cinnamon sticks, or gum. Consider
 using nicotine patches as substi-

tutes for cigarettes.

- Try to connect with someone who has successfully quit and have that person support you.
- Be mentally prepared with things to say and do when you feel the urge to smoke. Tell yourself how you are getting stronger, reducing your risk of cancer, moving towards running that marathon, becoming "superior" to non-quitters, getting closer to becoming an obnoxious ex-smoker, etc. Imagine your lungs becoming cleaner and air flowing more freely each hour you go without a cigarette. Go out for a walk, turn on some music and dance, clean a cupboard, or do anything else which is incompatibly with smoking.
- Throw away ashtrays, matches, and lighters along with your cigarettes and avoid as much as possible, triggers to smoking.
- Keep track of the money you are saving and plan to buy something you wouldn't normally buy with that money.
- Be prepared for social situations that trigger smoking—
 i.e. Going to a bar or restaurant, coffee breaks. Avoid alcohol if possible, as it weakens your resolve.
- Start doing activities that are not compatible with smoking, such as exercising.
- Give yourself positive messages such as, "I am a smokefree person," "I am a healthy individual," "I have a lot of willpower," etc.
- Emotions such as anxiety, anger, or depression, are likely to lead you to the urge to smoke. Have a written plan on how you are going to deal with these emotions in a more positive way.

Strategies for cutting down the amount you smoke:

- Count your cigarettes so you can establish your starting point.
- Set specific goals i.e. Cutting down by 50%
- Gradually restrict the places in which you allow yourself to smoke.
- Switch to cigarette brands you don't like, and start holding your cigarette in the opposite hand
- · Keep only enough cigarettes

for your reduced daily goal, and never buy cigarettes in bulk.

 Gradually lengthen the amount of time between cigarettes; try positioning lighting up a cigarette for a gradually increasing amount of time when you feel the urge to smoke. Smoke less of your cigarette and throw away the unused part.

Counselling staff are available to help you with this or other concerns. To book an appointment, come to Room O-111 or call 471-8921.

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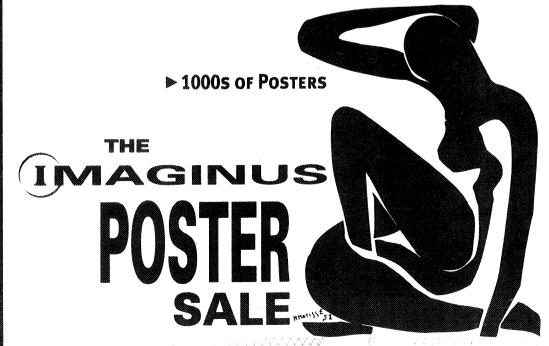
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The STBY How's The Weather?



Tyler Harke

oday marks the begin ning of a truly momen tous occasion at the Nugget. It's the mark of a new and distinct type of column entitled the STBY (or Sucks To Be You) files. It is this writer's distinct honour and privilege to oversee the birth and development of this file from its humble beginnings. So without further hesitation...

Sucks to be Iraq. Now that they've pissed off America, Great Britain, and the rest of the western world, they actually think the UN is going to pay reparations for damages to their military facilities. Nice try boys.

Sucks to be anyone flying out of the International Airport. Now they want \$15 every time we use their place. (Pretty hefty cover charge if you ask me.)

Sucks to be the 14-year-old who raped a female classmate in an empty washroom. The lil' bastard received a one year suspended sentence and one year of probation. Maybe he should have gotten jail time. He could experience what it's like to be on the other side of a "sexual assault." Betcha that would

Business Administration Society Notes

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 Responsibilities include:

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tion of 1999 BAS to 2000 BAS

2. Help to organize graduation3. Volunteer work (that looks

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Nomination forms are available at T114A. They are to be handed in by Friday, January 29, at 4 p.m. The elections will be held Friday, February 5.

Room Rep Party
Friday, January 29. Tickets are
available in Room T114A.

get the message across!

Sucks to be anyone who didn't have a four wheel drive vehicle last week (myself included). I got to play "follow the ruts" while semis splashed brown snow higher than the roof of my car. Coincidentally, Toronto has become the front runner in the North America's Most Pansy-Assed City contest. It's Canada. We get snow. Deal with it

Sucks to be the Edmonton Journal for their report on the NHL Player's Association and our hockey draft. In September, they thought they had an expose on player reps profiting off the NAIT draft. However, on the front page of Sunday's paper, there's a sweet piece of sucking up - otherwise known as a refraction. It turns out that all the money goes back to charity. I can see some Urkel-like reporter saying, "Did I do that?"

Finally, sucks to be first lady Hillary Clinton. As if her, Billy boy, and Monica aren't going to end up on Springer in a year (when they're all unemployed).



Jenessa Kirkwood

o, any of you have experience walking to school everyday with temperatures of 0 C to -30 C? Well, what bothers me is whether to dress up or down, and it never leads to good conclusion because the weather is always changing! That's not the real reason I guess, it's just that I wish the weather would stay the same instead of changing dramatically everyday. I went around the school to get your opinions and here is one of the responses: "It's not pleasant. As a person who is mobility challenged, I find this weather very challeng-

When not walking through this weather, many people are driv-

ing. I find myself driving around on an ice rink, then the next day, I'm in these ruts up to my ears! It took me so many tries just to get up to the side of the road? Now, guys, just because I'm a girl doesn't mean I can't drive. One student remarked,"When I used to have a crappy car and no garage, it sucked; but now that I have a 4x4 and a garage - hey, let it snow!" If you think about it, there is really no point bitching about it because who can help me, anyway? I guess I could go and call up Mother Nature?! Ha!

Some people have a better view on this weather, and some better than others. Sarcastically, this woman said, "There's nothing more romantic than a snowflake landing in-between you and your lovers eyes, and after a hot flash of passion! (laughs) Yes, in other words, I love it!" Or on the lighter side of things, "Personally, I'm all for global warming — in this part of the world at least." We can't control the weather, so we might as well enjoy it.

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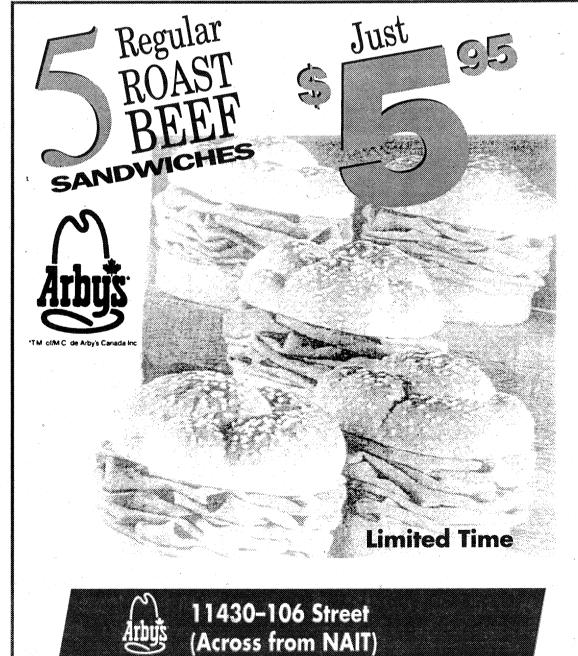
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A Civil Action of Their Own

Tyler Harke

wo men in their fifties have been charged with industrial sabotage and several explosive possession charges following a string of oil field explosions in northern Alberta.

The explosions took place during a three-month span from September 1 to November 30 of last year. That's when Weibo Ludwig and Richard Boonstra set about to blow up as many oil and gas wells as they could around their six family commune near the town of Hythe.

The two men were attempting to get even with oil companies in the area. The men, along with the other family members in the commune, feel that toxins from ten gas wells are causing various birth defects and still births in the livestock on the farm. In short, they believe they are slowly being poisoned.

The families do not appear to be hiding the fact that the two men are guilty of the crimes. There is even a sign on the fence surrounding the commune that reads, "Beware of the mounting anger of the local residents! Abandon any thoughts of further gas and oil exploration in this area!" They talk freely with reporters and visitors

because they know it brings attention to their plight. However, they are not quite as friendly to the RCMPs who are continuing the investigation.

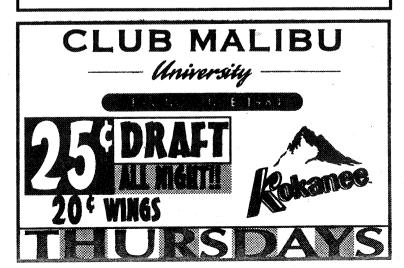
Weibo Ludwig's son Ben has asked the RC's for an investigation several times before. In fact, when the police came to raid the commune and arrest the men, they were able to witness the stillbirth of a baby goat. It had a twisted spine and exposed internal organs. All of which must have only increased frustrations for the families.

The two men will be in court on Monday the 18th. Locals appear to be relieved that someone has finally been charged with the crimes. Probably because over eighty percent of the people in the area work in the oil and gas industry and have been fearing for their lives while at work ever since the explosions started. The family does not exactly seem well liked by locals. Probably because the two men, along with Mamie Ludwig and Weibo Jr. have been arrested for similar crimes last August.

All of the controversy has certainly brought attention to the families' story. Whether or not it was all worth it remains to be seen.

Opportunity for Business Students

Business students: Are you considering Accounting? If so, consider joining the CGA Accounting Club. We have great opportunities in networking, career fairs, jobs, and much more. If interested, phone Miller at 479-4662 or drop by office 413-A.



Smoke? Better Keep an Eye on Mr. Happy then...

Jenessa Kirkwood

ave any of you males heard anything new lately on the effects of smoking yet? Well now, a new study has revealed impotence is caused by cigarette smoking. Ya guys, that is correct, your manhood can fail if you don't give that up soon. Now you can see

it on every box of smokes you buy, because Health Minister Allan Rock announced this will be included on a new batch of package warnings. Research has shown that smoking can cause erectile dysfunction and experts believe that men will be more likely to notice these packages rather than the can-

cer or death packages. Sponsored by the Physicians for a Smoke-Free Society, Rock is to reveal the proposed new health warnings. This is to mark National Non-Smoking Week. He is also planning to announce tough, new restrictions on advertising products as well as instore displays. So, men? Want to reconsider?

1999 Spring Graduation Ceremonies

The Registrar's Office staff and President's Office staff have been receiving a number of calls regarding this year's graduation ceremonies. The NAIT Planning Calendar for the 98/99 Academic Year and the Full-Time Program Calendar for 1998/99 both show an incorrect

date as they went for publication prior to Dr. Shaw's request for a change in venue from the Jubilee Auditorium to the Shaw Conference Centre. This change in venue resulted in a change in the date. Please note the following:

The 1999 Spring Graduation

Ceremonies will be held on Saturday, April 3 (Easter Weekend) at the Shaw Conference Centre, 9797 Jasper Avenue. Pamphlets outlining further information will be forwarded to Program Heads/ Team Leaders early in February fordistribution to prospective grads.

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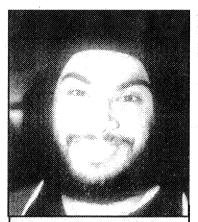
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5 on 5 Women's	Jan.13/99 (Mon.)	Jan 18/99 (Tues.)
Basketball	Mondays – 5-8 PM	(A.S.A.P!!)
Co-ed Volleyball	Jan.19/99 (Tues.)	Jan.12/99 (Tues.)
,	Tuesdays – 5-8 PM	
Ball Hockey	Jan.27/99 (Wed.)	Jan.1 9 /99 (Tucs)
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(Open)	Mondays – 5-8 PM	
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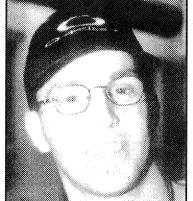
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What do you think of parking at NAIT?



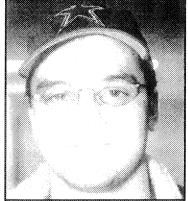
Kanwaldeep Sethi Computer Systems Technology

"Parking is not good at all for students. If you buy a morning pass, you're still not guaranteed a parking stall."



Rick Johnson Business Management

"I get to class at 10 am, and it's impossible to get a spot. Even people with passes can't find a stall."



Chris Debski

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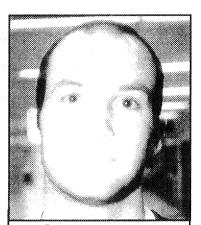
"I had a heck of a time getting a pass. I had to get other people to sign the application for priority on the waiting list. When we got letters from our employers, we got a pass within a week."



Michelle Sowa

Accounting (evening)

'It's pretty easy at night. ! came during the day and didn't know where to



Andrew Hore

Business Marketing

"Lot U parking is always full when I come to school. There should be a spot there when I get to school because I paid for the pass."

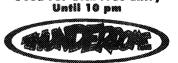
Medusa Had It Easy



Jenny Thornbird

he cable station The Learning Channel recently aired an expose on child beauty pageants. They followed the families of two contestants, 4-year-old Asia and 4year-old Brooke, through one of the many pageants their mothers make them enter. This particular pageant was called "Miss Supreme Queen," which involved singing, dancing, Western wear, swimsuits, and irresponsible parenting.

As far as families go, Asia's family consists of both her mother and father. Both parents were insistent their daughter derived great pleasure from dressing up in a glitzy bodysuit reminiscent of mal. Elvis during his bloated phase and singing tunes oozing with as much sensuality as a 4-year-old can le-



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gally muster. Brooke's family, on the other hand, is only made up of her mother and grandmother. Talk about estrogen power. They were insistent that their little Brooke derived great pleasure from donning a bathing suit and parading around in front of catty moms and pedophile dads. Heck... when I was 4, I derived great pleasure in my mom putting pigtails in my hair. How times have changed, eh?

While the girls are sadly enough given permission to prance around in midriff revealing costumes, neither girl is afforded the right to be a child. Brooke's grandmother commented, "The world revolves around beauty. They need to know that." She obviously has never seen Dee Snyder (lead singer of Twisted Sister) in full makeup. Beauty is not, and should not be important when you're 4, though. Boys at that age think girls are yucky, and adults who view 4-yearolds in a sexual way are not nor-

The parents of these beauty pageant contestants are the ones who value beauty over all other characteristics. They are living vicariously through their children. It's pretty sad that if one of these kids were to go on stage with a face dirtied up by chocolate, that only their parents would think it was the end of the world up there.

A perfect example of a parent living through their children is Patsy Ramsey. She's a washed-up, middle-aged, ex-beauty queen who could not win the Miss America title, so she was prepping her nowdead 6-year-old daughter (JonBenet) to become the ultimate peroxide goddess.

When Brooke's mother was asked if she considered her daughter a living Barbie doll, she answered in the affirmative. She does not have high hopes for her daughter. She doesn't think her daughter has the capability to be a future

To her, Brooke is a living, breathing doll that she can dress up in purdy clothes and parade around in front of judges like a showdog.

living, breathing doll that she can dress up in purdy clothes and parade around in front of judges like a showdog. To her, Brooke has no personality outside of twisting her fingers into her cheeks and smiling like a vapid supermodel. Thank god our parents didn't give up on us when we were 4, eh? Who only knows where we'd be now.

The talent portion of the pageant involved the girls dancing to songs that were intended for 1940's burlesque stars. They were singing

all decked out in sequins, lace, and fringes. I'm almost 23, and to this day I've never worn anything with sequins. What was most sad about the talent portion though, was that out in the audience, both Brooke's and Asia's mothers were singing the songs and dancing the numbers in-sync with their daughter's. They were beaming with pride, imaging themselves up on that stage instead. Unfortunately though, the talent judge was removed for awarding low scores to the contestants. Maybe he was watching the mothers. Because he was removed though, Asia's mother became visibly upset, saying that the talent portion was where her daughter shined, and because of this, she would not enter this pageant again next year.

The next portion of the pageant involved Western wear. The girls wore cowgirl outfits and danced a two-step. (I can't even out pants. She looked like Prince. Brooke's mother privately chided Asia's mother for allowing her daughter to dress up like that and embarrass herself. Surprise, surprise though, when Brooke got up on stage wearing a similar outfit. After this portion, the girls were then to model their swimsuits. Their flat chests really showed off those polkadots, let me tell you.

With the swimwear and Western wear and singing out of the way, the judges were left to make

tunes about lust and desire while a decision. Would Asia, Brooke, or some other terrific, talented, tike be crowned the Supreme Queen? The parents were nervous, wondering if their daughters were up to par. The girls were just fidgety, pulling off their gloves and ribbons and aching to go home and play with their My Little Ponies.

Finally, the judges' decision was announced — Asia was a runner-up while Brooke became that year's Supreme Queen! Asia's parents were disappointed. Immediately, they started discussing how they could make her more desirable for next year. (but I thought they said they weren't going to enter her?) They threw out the idea of buying chaps for her Western wear routine. Asia, on the other hand, appeared both thrilled and miserable. She seemed thrilled that the three-day pageant was finally over, but miserable that another pageant was coming up later that week.

As for Brooke's family, her leader, a journalist, a doctor, or dance the two-step) Asia wore a mother was ecstatic. Her little girl talk show host. To her, Brooke is a perverse cowgirl outfit with cut- was the Supreme Queen. She was the hottest 4-year-old in the show. Brooke did not have time to savor her victory though, as she had another pageant to enter the next day. I guess neither of these girls any day soon will be watching The Big Comfy Couch or playing with Barbies or anything else that normal 4-year-olds do; and normal... that is the whole key, isn't it? Maybe the saying, "Don't hate me because I'm (not) beautiful," stemmed from a mother/daughter thing — or are they the lucky ones?

Opinion From the second sec

We, The "Harmless" Females...

Jenny "I'm a nice one" Thornbird

nless you live in a deep, dark hole thousands of meters be low the earth, the name Mary Kay Letourneau is a name that should strike fear into the hearts of men and make women like myself severely pissed off.

Mary Kay Letourneau is the (former) teacher in Seattle, Washington, who had sexual relations with a 13-year-old ex-student. A little over a year ago, while serving prison time for her fling with the pre-pubescent boy, she gave birth to their child.

One would think that becoming a father at age 13 (even younger if you think about it) would be traumatic enough to scare off any boy. It should have even scared off Letourneau for that matter, knowing that the father of her baby is still a kid himself. I guess some people never learn though, because she recently got pregnant again with the boy's second child! (Of course, she's also back in prison for having this muppet sex, too).

So how did it all happen? Sit back and envision you're a boy 13 years of age. You have this incredibly sexy teacher pay a lot of attention to you in class. One day after school, instead of banging the chalk erasers together, you end up banging this teacher. Now that you've had sex and discovered that it's so much better than masturbating, you don't wanna stop having sex. Realizing this, that sexy teacher takes advantage of you and tricks you into having a kid. Scared yet?

It's episodes like this that make me hate my gender. I imagine Letourneau wanted to have a child with junior because, in some cathartic way, she loved him and

wanted a permanent expression (well, two, now) of their love. The plain truth is, some women will stop at nothing to become a mommy, even if it means going against their partner's wishes.

I mean, I admit it, most of us women are conniving, manipulative bitches. We know 99.5% of men like sex. We know that those men will do almost anything for sex. We know that it is the rare man that will turn down sex. Because of this, when some deranged biological clock goes off inside of us telling us we need to reproduce or die, it is fairly easy to entice a man and then "forget" to take the pill or "accidentally" poke a hole through that condom or diaphragm

Just this past year, I started to pick up the odd issue of Cosmopolitan. I've read articles in there about women tricking their men into having children. They felt their men were "selfish" for depriving them of a wailing waif. They also "just knew" that their men would be tickled pink if they "accidentally" became pregnant. What's even sicker about these articles is that the magazine seems to present this as being an okay practice for women. They have no problems sending out the message of, "We are women, hear our biological clock ticking and, if you don't, we'll force you to listen!"

Cosmo isn't the only one condoning this behavior among women, either. On The Ricki Lake Show, women told their men they wanted a child and, if they wouldn't give them one, they would take it. Ricki Lake practically applauded these women, saying, "C'mon, guys, it's just a baby!"JUST a baby?? It's no wonder Letourneau did what she did if this is the kind of behavior

that's being portrayed as the "norm" among women.

When my one of my younger brother's friends heard about this story, he almost admired the boy. His theory was that because the 13year-old had experience with an older woman, that by the time he reached high school, girls would be flinging themselves at him. Of course, what he doesn't realize, is if the boy's parents ever unground him, he'll now have to hire a babysitter before doing any of these girls. Teen boys with kids and experience with old women are not babe magnets. (Well, at least the first part of that sentence isn't babe magnet material.)

A few words of warning to those of you who think you're a studly NAIT guy: A lot of us women look at you as faithful lap dogs. When we say we're on the pill, you believe us. If we tell you to wear a condom, you do it. Stop being so trusting! You may think you're being responsible and are only along for the sexual ride, but we may have alterior motives. (Go figure that — a woman with alterior motives?! Get out of here!) Four years ago, a girl tried to trap my boyfriend by telling him that she was pregnant. She even convinced the doctor at the medical clinic to lie to him and tell him that she was. They had just broken up, and really, what better way to assure you don't get away, than by faking a pregnancy? Take notes, as this has now happened to more than just one person I know.

The straight facts here are, Mary Kay Letourneau is a horny slut. There really is no nicer way to say that. She's a dime a dozen, and I'm sure we all know someone out there who fits that bill. To the parents — lock up your sons from ages 11 to 18. To the studly NAIT guys who are old enough to be dinged with ludicrous child support payments --- spend your Valentine's Day with a blowup doll. You see, I'm telling you now, a word of warning to you all... not all of us girlfriends/teachers/ Monica Lewinskys/Lorena Bobbits out there are nice, fawny, innocent females. (tick, tick, tick...)

From the Editor

Child Porn: The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly



Mick Beale

on't let the title fool you. By good, I mean the peo ple lobbying against it, and the countries around the world moving to ban it. By bad, I refer to the recent B.C. Supreme Court ruling last Friday that the law against possessing child porn violates a person's constitutional freedoms. By ugly, I allude to the sad fact that there are people out there making money off innocent children. Innocent children who shouldn't be put into sexual situations. It's child abuse. If anyone would like to dispute this, I'll gladly meet you by the bike rack.

I agree with Whitney Houston. Children are our future. We should treat them right. The B.C. government believes that the current child

My grandmother must be happy. She now has proof that the Internet is evil and that there is no reason why people should spend time perusing it.

porn laws are constitutionally sound. This view is supported by an earlier decision in Ontario. This matter could end up in the Supreme Court of Canada, signaling to the world that Canada is a good place for perverts. I certainly don't want that, but perhaps there are people out there that need to have this topic out in the open to get help with it.

My grandmother must be happy. She now has proof that the Internet is evil and that there is no reason why people should spend time perusing it. INTERPOL's figures are based on materials seized, which in the United States alone, included 500,000 online photos

showing sexual acts involving minors. Because of the nature of the Internet, there is much duplicating and recycling of materials between web pages making it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to remove a child's photo once it has appeared online. Daniel Kahn, a French lawyer and expert on Internet law, said that much of this material is provided by sites in countries where it is legal—places that lack laws protecting children against kidnapping for sexual exploitation.

Japan has recently been criticized for slack policing of Internet child pornography. Hundreds of the porn cites that provide images of children have addresses ending with "jp." Canadian Internet addresses end in "ca" and Japanese ones end in "jp." It's pretty obvious where some of this stuff is coming from. Japan has no laws on child porn, only the vaguely worded criminal code on pornography which is basically against material depicting sexual organs. They can sidestep the law by using shots that show abuse or torture without sexual organs. Nude photos of women and sexual drawings are often carried by tabloid papers that are read in view of children while commuting, adding to the lack of sensitivity with regards to this subject in the Japanese community. For six years, Junko Miyamoto and his group have been working to ban child pornography, noting that "the situation is totally out of control."

The Japanese aren't the only one's being attacked. Germany recently ordered a nationwide drive to fight child pornography in cyberspace, responding to revelations that an international child porn ring apparently had links to the nation. A Dutch probe found a ring which is believed to have taken children as young as 12 months to sexually abuse them and spread the images on the Internet. Yep, there's some real sickos out there.

I'm not proud to be Canadian because of our seeming willingness to allow child porn. I don't think any of us are. Perhaps John Sharpe, the senior citizen from Vancouver who started this whole ball into motion after his home was raided in 1995, is excited. Thank goodness we don't live in B.C.. Until next week, don't forget to floss.

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Sports

Hockey OOKS Embarrassed



Andrew "I heard there's another Hore in the school" Hore

fter a solid two games against the Augustana Vikings last weekend, the OOKs were matched up against the 3rd ranked hockey team in Canada. The Red Deer Kings, who have jumped into 2nd place in the league, showed the confident OOKs exactly what it takes to win.

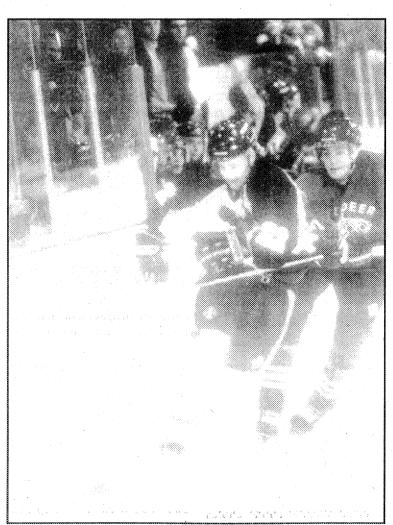
Game One was played in Red Deer on Thursday night. The game turned out to be a fast, playoff-type of affair, with both teams earning numerous chances to score. With goals by Derek "Jabroni" Stone and Troy "I'm now sponsored by Mike" McNallie, the OOKs took a 2-1 lead into the third frame. Red Deer came out in the third on a

mission, with a quick goal to tie the game up. The Kings then tallied again, leaving the visiting OOKs trailing by 1. A late, illegal stick call that went sour left Red Deer with an empty netter to seal the victory, and a hard fought game that came up a little short on our end. OOKS - 2/ Red Deer - 4

Game Two was played Saturday night at the OOK barn here at NAIT. We all knew we played a solid game on the road and that we could turn it around at home. One word could sum up the match on Saturday... JUNK. Red Deer showed our team that it's going to take a lot more emotion to knock them off. The game was a one-sided victory for the Kings with no more than a handful of positives for the home team.

OOKS - 0/ Red Deer - 6

Up next for the NAIT OOKs Men's Hockey Team is the Briercrest Clippers this upcoming weekend. Both games will be played at NAIT, the first one this Friday at 7 p.m., followed by the second on Saturday at 2 p.m. Hope to see you there! Until next time, keep your chin strap done up.



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OOK OF THE WEEK



NAME: Kelly Ainsworth
SPORT: Hockey
FACULTY: Business
FAVORITE FOOD: We're not sure he eats!!!
FAVORITE TV SHOW: Melrose Place
FAVORITE MOVIE: The Wedding Singer
FAVORITE BAND: n/a (doesn't have one)
FUTURE PLANS/ASPIRATIONS: To stop

COACH'S
COMMENTS:
Kelly had a solid
weekend against
Augustana two weeks
ago, allowing only one
goal in two games and
backstopping the
OOKs to two victories



Sports

Iron Mike Leaves His Mark



Andrew "How's my hair" Hore

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ike Tyson, whose licence was restored on October 19, 1998, by

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LAST WEEKEND....

MEN'S HOCKEY NAIT 2 RDC 4

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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

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MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

NAIT 3

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NAIT 2 GMCC 3

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NAIT 39 G

GMCC 77

NAIT 44 GMCC 63

MEN'S BASKETBALL

NAIT 65 GMCC 97

NAIT 80 GMCC 84

UPCOMING GAMES ON CAMPUS...

Friday, January 22

- Men's Hockey vs BBC at 7 p.m.
- Women's Volleyball vs KC at 6:30 p.m.
- Men's Volleyball vs KC at 8 p.m.

Saturday

- Men's Hockey vs BBC at 2 p.m.
- Women's Volleyball vs KC at
- Men's Volleyball vs KC at 2:30 p.m.

the Nevada Athletic Commission, was back in the ring for a chance to save his career. After the "bite fight" in June '97, Mike has been in a somewhat state of confusion. His first fight back against South African Francois Botha was a door-die situation for Iron Mike. If he was to lose the fight, Mike's career would be over all over again - back to the WWF. If he was to win the fight, Mike's career would flourish — bring on Holyfield and Lewis. Mr. Tyson made no mistake on January 16, knocking out the big ape from South Africa in the 5th round. Mike struggled through some rust in the match though, leaving Botha ahead in points before the big K.O. Up next for Mike... A chance at the heavyweight champ? Who knows, let's just hope he stays out of trouble in the meantime.

Alumni Award of Distinction

ominations are now being accepted for the 1999 Alumni Award of Distinction. This award formally recognizes and honors the diverse achievements and contributions of NAIT alumni. The award is presented during graduation ceremonies and recipients are permanently recognized on the 'Alumni Wall of Honor' located on Main Campus.

Melanie Bachand was one of three recipients of the award in 1998.

Since graduating, in 1976, from the Dental Assisting Program, Melanie's contributions to the Dental Assisting profession are truly outstanding. She has held numerous volunteer positions and in her role as Executive Director of the Alberta Dental Assistants Association, she facilitated the transition of the Association from a small self-interest group to a strong, self-governing professional association.



Melanie Bachand

Do you know a worthy recipient?

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NAIT Basketball Teams Defeated by GMCC

Kevin "I'm a sports guy this week" Pedersen

ast weekend, both the men's and women's basketball teams lost to GMCC. The games were disheartening, but the fan attendance made up for it. Saturday night's game, between the men, was a close battle. We'd be up by two. They'd be up by two. It went back and forth for most of the second half, with a last minute win sealed by the wrong team. It was good basketball.

"I think that more girls should go to the men's basketball games because they'll get to see lots of bums and men touching one another. In fact, I think that the homosexual community would enjoy the games as well," one Nest employee/student commented. Another male fan indicated that the girls are more fun to watch. I'm not sure that either of these people are die hard basketball fans, but they do give our athletes support, which is the important thing.

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Exposing

"Thin Red Line"

Mick Beale and Chantal Young

lucky to score some press screening tickets to Thin Red Line last week, or so we thought. If you haven't seen the film yet, and want to, surely you can understand our excitement. If you were suckered into actually paying to see this film, I pity you.

"But it's got George Clooney and John Travolta in it, Chantal!" Yeah. If you added the entire screen time of Travolta and Clooney, you'd end up with enough time to tie your shoes. Actually, if you added up their time, Woody Harrelson's and Sean Penn's, you wouldn't even have enough time to have a shower. Considering the movie is fifteen minutes shy of three hours, putting

...after waiting over an hour to actually see the enemy, you are bored.

every shot of these actors in the trailers for the film should indicate that they actually play a part in the film.

The plot is thin. Their is a lot of philosophical pseudosymbolism getting in the way of character development and excitement. The shots of the Guadalcanal jungles and the assault on an enemy bunker are exciting, but after waiting over an hour to actually see the enemy, you are bored. Saving Private Ryan was more exciting.



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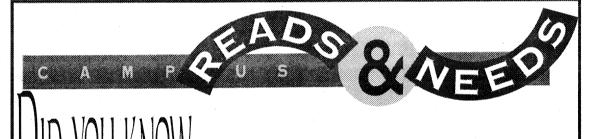
About a million times more exciting, and a lot shorter, too. People were leaving the theatre after the two hour mark. The rest of us stuck around, hoping that something would happen. Nothing really did.

If you plan on seeing this movie, skip down a couple paragraphs. This movie had a thin point— the beginning shows two men getting away from war, AWOL, visiting a beautiful jungle village and living with the people of the jungle in harmony. They go back to war, destroy the island that the village is on, then see the damage war does. Great symbolism. Thanks. Throughout the movie, there is narration. It doesn't have any point, nor is it just one person telling how they feel. You don't know which person is conveying thought.

There are only a handful of character's that are actually developed. One is Nick Nolte, who plays a long-serving officer who doesn't care too much about the soldiers' lives. The other is Sean Penn, although it is still pretty weak. The weak character development methods remind me of the fiancee' in Titanic. "I'm so shallow that I'm going to pull old ladies and children out of the lifeboat." John Cusack has his moments, but other than that, the faces that you see over the marathon of scenery shots are not developed in any way. One character that Director Malick attempts to define is that of the young deserter named Witt (Jim Caviezel). The problem with him is that he bears such an uncanny resemblance to another central character, played by Ben Chaplin. Their wives even look the same in the flashback scenes, so their stories blend together. Crappy.

Don't see this film. Rent a good movie like Platoon or Hamburger Hill. Better yet, watch the History Channel and actually get something out of three hours besides a stiff back and a headache. This film definitely gets two thumbs down.





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Daria Morgan

Capricorn

(December 23-January 19)

Tomorrow the universe will stop expanding and start contracting. You will be the only one who notices. Also, you will develop a strange desire to wear golf shoes when having sex.

Aquarius

(January 20-February 18)

This weekend, everyone around you will make you severely annoyed. The important thing is to remember that, in the long run, they're all dead.

Pisces

(February 19-March 20)

A classmate will pass by you in the hallway when you suddenly recall a hilarious Monty Python skit and you burst out laughing. Later, you'll notice that classmate anxiously looking at themself in a mirror.

Aries

(March 21-April 19)

It will occur to you that there may be something behind the heroic and daring exploits of your friends for snack foods as of late. You will soon find that you are right in this assumption as you watch your significant other wrestle an Ook from the Men's Hockey team for a bag of Ranch potato chips and a Hostess Ho-Ho.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20)

Today is an excellent day to

with a straw and a blew bubbles in it? Or you could just pout at someone today instead. (be sure to go for good lip extension though)

Gemini

(May 21-June 20)

Rhubarb pie is the only antidote for your lack of sex life, trust me on this one. Also, someone's been teasing your cat again.

Cancer

(June 21-July 22)

Today is an excellent today to wink at people as you are walking down the hall. When they turn around to look back at you, make sure to flash them an innocent grin. This way, you will have a lot of alibis.

Leo

(July 23-August 22)

Following up on your accidental discovery of the "sock dimension" in your significant other's nasties, you will spend the weekend partying at Ezzie's. There, you will discover the "pen and pencil" era where you will be poked repeatedly. This will also ruin all chances you had for being accepted into the local convent as one of the main guidelines is, "thou shalt not be pokethed for 5 years."

Virgo

(August 23-September 22)

After feeling distinctly depressed following the hot beverage in the lap episode (hasn't happened yet? it will), you are now on cloud nine. The only problem is though, is that the party is on cloud ten. Take the booty train, but remember to keep both feet on the ground at all times.

Libra

(September 23-October 22)

This is an excellent day to pre-

tend you have various infirmities. act childish. For example, when is CLUB MALIBU University

the last time you ordered a drink Pretending to have a hunchback is my personal fave, and is also often combined with an incredible drooling problem.

Scorpio

(October 23-November 21)

You will have sex with someone today who will repeatedly insist on calling you "Svend." Humor them and ask them if they would like to see your clogging technique with the sheep and a masseuse named Helga.

Sagittarius

(November 22-December 22)

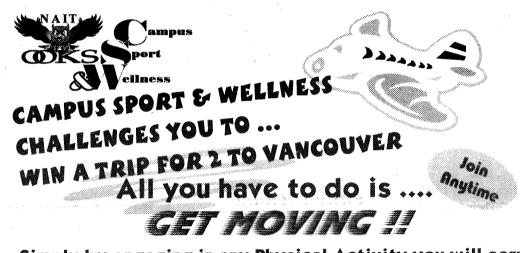
Today is a good day to let yourself go. Just be back by midnight or your diaphragm will turn into a pumpkin.

If today is your birthday:

Today would be an excellent day to race one of those little Shriner cars up and down the parking lot twenty thousand million times.

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Sagittarius



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ntertainment



David Veilleux

s seen in a review in an earlier Nugget, our staff was introduced to an excellent up-and-coming new band known as "A is A." Their name represents Aristotle's meaning of the beginning of truth and logic, in other words, 'getting back to basics.' "A is A" does exactly that. The result is a simple yet effective sound that is hard to come by in today's teenybopper music scene. In a rare treat for us, the band dropped by for a chat while on a railroad pre-promotional trip across Canada. When I was introduced to Karen Holley and Mark Delahantey, I expected the typical rocker holier than thou attitude. I was in for a pleasant surprise, as they turned out to be two of the nicest people I have ever interviewed. Most artists forget the little people, but these two definitely do not—they remembered Mick from his rampant partying to their music over a summer in Waskesiu, in Prince Albert National Park.

Karen is a native of Sault Ste. Marie with an incredible singing voice and infectious fun attitude. She met Mark, a Boston-born Montrealer, first when he headed up the band, "Gilt." Although the band eventually broke up, Karen and Mark stayed together and formed a performing and song writing partnership known as "Poetic Justice." Combine all that with the contemporary hard-rocking sounds of their excellent debut CD, "Thinking Chair", and you have the makings for a band to remember. Joining Mark and Karen and

If you want to hear a great band playing consistently rocking music, look no further than "A is A" and their inaugural album "Thinking Chair."

completing "A is A" are Bruce Moffet on drums, bassist Stan Miczek, and Gary Moffet on guitar/production. You may recognize these names from Sass Jordan's band. If you want to hear a great band playing consistently rocking music, look no further than "A is A" and their inaugural album "Thinking Chair." This disc is a must have for the discerning NAIT student. Unfortunately, at the time of our interview a touring date was unclear. But rest assured, the Nugget will make sure to inform you whenever this band comes a' calling.



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Bad Apples Spoil Bunch



David Veilleux

irst of all, reports of my death where only slightly exaggerated. I was about as ill as one can get from the flu but I made it back - all so I could diligently report entertainment news to you! I may be opening up a can of worms better left closed here, but what the hell.

Over the Christmas break, a ski-trip was held by the good folks at NAITSA. You may have read the article by "Crazy" Mike Anderson last week, and while he did an excellent job reporting the events, I feel you should also get the story from moi.

The plan was to spend a few days in Cranbrook, B.C., and ski at Kimberley and Fernie. Parties were to be had in Cranbrook and everyone was supposed to have a good time.

Day One:

At the bright and early time of 8 a.m. on January 29th, 180 or so skiers and boarders gathered at the

Nest for what was to be a fun, non-stop gong show. Ah, how little they knew. It all started innocent enough, with everyone getting somewhat sloshed on the three buses that set out to Cranbrook. I myself adopted a get drunk, sleep, wake up and get drunk again approach on the trek to B.C. While the people on our bus were far from subdued and pretty damn they messy, seemed to have

good time on the way. Case in point, the guy we had stuffed up in our overhead compartment seemed to be having a hell of a time. The mood changed quickly though, as we had to stay on the side of the road halfway between Fernie and Cranbrook for a couple of hours as the bus ahead of ours ran off the side of the road. Wasn't much their driver could do, as the road was literally a sheet of ice. Well, we finally got into Cranbrook at around 11, only a couple of hours late. Oops, we also missed the welcoming party at the U of A's hotel. As persevering NAIT students, we



A tight fit. Who says bus storage compartments are only for baggage.

decided to whoop it up in our rooms and party like it's two days before 1999.

Day Two:

Amazed that I woke up at 8 in the morning, I wandered down to enjoy our complimentary continental breakfast and scurried onto the bus to Kimberly for an awesome day of skiing. All seemed well, as we rested up after skiing and went off on the complimentary pub crawl in bustling downtown metropolis of Cranbrook. It started, and ended for most, at Juggies: a

kickass little pub with tons of character. Oh sure, if you wanted, you could hop on the bus and ride to the next bar, a whole three blocks away, but most opted to stay put. Much alcohol was consumed and I managed to keep myself mostly out of trouble. (Note to self: I really need to control my libido.) The whole thing kind of unraveled when we got back to the hotel. An innocent enough hall party started on the second floor and most people partied responsibly. Notice how I say most. A few of our more overzealous partygoers managed to rack up quite a lot of damages. That sucks, as the sins of a few had to be paid for by many. Not only did everyone on the trip have to fork over \$20 each, but I had to pay an extra \$50 because someone got careless with the keg in our room. Not only did these irresponsible pricks f*ck up our trip, but they f*cked up things for us in the future as well. Am I bitter? No. If I didn't have such a good time, I'd be really ticked.

Day Three:

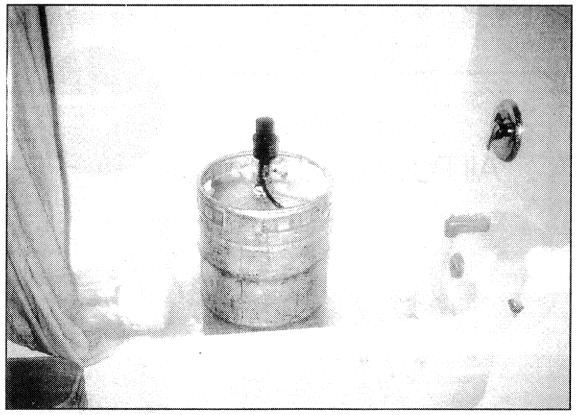
The full effect of these damages did not become evident until today, New Year's Eve. The tarnishing of NAIT's reputation had begun, and the town of Cranbrook seemed to cower in fear whenever the soccer hooligans from NAIT, easily recognizable by our yellow wristbands, wandered by. We were looked upon with suspicion when we attended the New Year's hall party, and everyone expected total chaos when the hall ran out of booze at 11:00. We showed our true colors though, and the night went off without a hitch. I learnt that one can get really drunk, and as long as most everyone else is too, you can get away with murder.

Day Four:

We kept our collective cool when we found out the U of A didn't want us at their little party on New Year's Day. Fine, we'll just make our own party, maybe a couple of NAIT students will go over and copulate in their pool to show that we don't mind. Most of us decided to party at the aforementioned Juggies. I had a great time, even when I found out I missed out on a little loving (She knows who she is. Doesn't fate suck?).

Day Five:

Another early morning was followed by some leisurely skiing at Fernie (I tried out some snowblades and wow, I'm hooked!). The bus ride home was noticeably subdued, and I slowly started to come down with my previously mentioned kickass illness. All in all, a good time was had by many, but that was slightly overshadowed by the stupid actions of a few. I, personally, had a great time and made more than a few new friends. Lasting memories of time spent with pals and gals, *wink*, were abundant. Ask anyone who went, it wasn't all doom and gloom. My advice to those of you that screwed up this trip... Try growing up, it'll do you good. And do us all a favor next time, don't bother coming. Trust me, nobody likes dickheads like you.



The keg in question.



Touch Base with the Touchtone Gurus

David Veilleux

he good folks at NAITSA would like to extend an invitation to get down at the Welcome Back Winter Bash Hall Party. This little get together will be presented at the Edmonton Aviation Museum (11410 Kingsway Ave) and will feature the Touchtone Gurus. Who might they be, you ask? The Gurus are comprised of Paul Dasiuk and Angelo Frasetto on vocals and guitar, Kyle Kildaw on drums, and Stephen Bunka on bass. These guys provide an awesome live show, and their sound is seriously groovin'. Make sure to attend for a chance to see a kickin' band with all your friends. Tickets are only \$10 and the show goes

...an awesome live show, and their sound is seriously groovin'.

from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. With \$1 beers and \$2 hiballs, this'll be a night to hazily remember. Tix are going fast, (No really, they are!) so snap a couple up and come have the time of your life.

Source: www.canoe.ca

Canadian Box Office

- A Civil Action
- Patch Adams
- Stepmom
- You've Got Mail
- Shakespeare in Love
- A Bug's Life
- The Prince of Egypt The Faculty
- Mighty Joe Young
- 10. Enemy of the State

Edmonton Album Sales

- Big Shiny Tunes 3 -Various Artists
- MuchDance 1999 -Various Artists
- Americana Offspring
- Best of U2 U2
- 5. Double Live - Garth Brooks Women and Songs 2 -Various Artists

- Soundtrack Armageddon
- Spirit Jewel
- Sabrina The Teenage Witch Soundtrack
- 10. CMT 99 Various Artists

Canada Singles Sales

- 1. Goodbye Spice Girls
- Baby One More Time -
- **Britney Spears** Candle in the Wind -Elton John
- Music Sounds Better With You - Stardust
- Some Kind of Wonderful Sky
- 6. From This Moment On-Shania Twain
- 7. Because of You 98 Degrees
- 8. If You Could Read My Mind - Stars on 54
- Sweetest Thing (Part 2) U2
- 10. Sweetest Thing (Part 1) U2

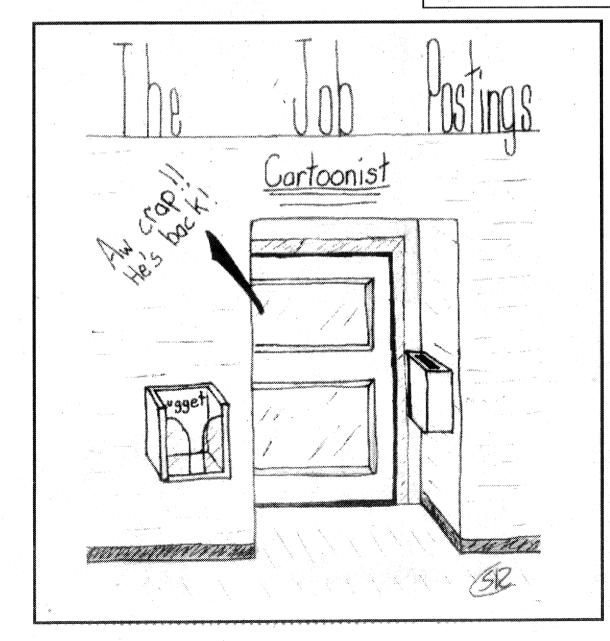
Nugget Survey

The winner of the \$50 bar tab at Nashville's at West Edmonton Mall is Diana McCall. She filled out the Nugget survey that appeared in last week's paper. Thanks for participating and enjoy the tab, Diana! (We'll be expecting you to buy us drinks)

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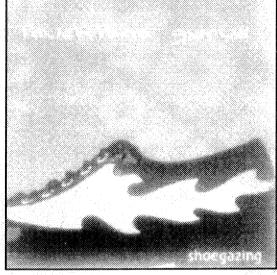
Touchtone Gurus

Shoegazing

HardCore

Catch them live Saturday, January 30th, at the Edmonton

Saskatoon fourthough some, have young, played together for quite some time. Their second album entitled Shoegazing consists of nine razor sharp rock tunes that keep you attentive. From the Gurus first single (released January 1, 1999) On the Shelf to the catchy



Canadian music scene. Kyle music collection.

Trickle Down and the melancholic Kildaw, Steve Bunka, Angelo sounds of Take My Hand, the Frassetto, and Paul Dasiuk make group has what it takes to be a up the cohesive blend of marquee band in the well-endowed Shoegazing. A must buy for your

Aviation Museum.

wonderfully acoustic cd, Tom Fidgen's music would likely kick all ass as a live event; something I look forward to hopefully in the near future (anybody at the Sidetrack listening?).

You know,

though, I would be getting really ill at all of these artistic types coming out of Cape Breton — that is, I would be if it weren't for the fact that they're all so damn talented. Fidgen once fronted for Sunfish (no relation) a few years back and toured with Our Lady Peace and the Tea Party. They rocked and then they split. Their loss.

And now Fidgen's solo career is poised for blast-off. Human By Trade only has 6 songs on it, considered either a long EP or a short full-length disc, but whatever the case may be, it's a verbally stunning set of compositions.

It becomes immediately apparent that Tom Fidgen has a bright career ahead of him. HBT contains five of his lyrical, yet real songs, along with a cover of Spirit Of The West's "Political." The mood is sombre yet optimistic, reflective, yet entirely revealing. It has a kind of raw, emotional force that enchants the listeners, drawing us into both wanting to hear more and give it some time so that we can think about ourselves and life in general.

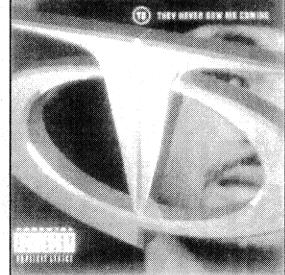
Whew!

CD Review

They Never Saw Me Coming Clockwork Entertainment/Epic Records

StarFish

ust a warngoing to be just a little bit merciless with this review. You see, I didn't care for this disc at all. Not at all. In fact, I hated it. It really blew. It didn't sit well with me from the very first moment. I was extremely hardpressed to listen to every second of every song. By the fourth



anymore and had to turn the whole thing out while I was at it, too.

But why? Why, I say? This guy (and many other assumedly nice folk) put a lot of time and effort and money into making this piece of dog sick under the best of intentions, striving in peace and harmony to create something worthwhile, artistic, popular... and yet they all somehow failed so, so yes.

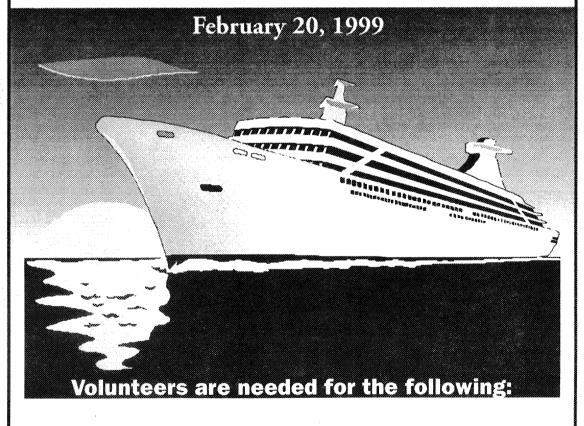
track, I just couldn't take it miserably. Again, I ask why?

Could it have been that the thing off. Damn near threw the lyrics held such a cavalier attitude toward the use of the word 'nigga?' Or that the songwriters made repetitive use of violent themes and drug-related issues? Or was it that the music itself was just so boring that it could have been made by a machine you plunk quarters

The answers: yes, yes, and

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The Grapevines entitled, "To my beautiful Blaire," and "To all the beautiful women at NAIT," will not be printed because they are lacking a FULL NAME and/or a STUDENT ID NUMBER from the submitter. Surprise, surprise.

To What Gives?

I sympathize with your heavy course load of seven courses, I myself have sixteen currently, with two more later in the semester. No, I'm not exaggerating. I would have loved to attend Rusty like I said, but I'm also a single parent who has to travel 45 minutes to 1 hour in rush hour traffic to pick kids up from daycare after school. I also drop off another student to save on parking and gas. Maybe that's not as common all that are here at NAIT, but other students have jobs which they rush off to after school. My point remains — why couldn't the concert have been during lunch? It would sure be a welcome break in a busy day.

To the Dental Assisting girls, For the Thursday night beer gardens - HAHAHA, you freaks! We can't believe you needed an escort! Worried about a group of mechanical boys, or just frigid over boys in general? Wussies! The Cytogirls

A Full-Time Student

To Dan - The Den's Dark One, From CST to Millwrighting... now, that's a switch! Let's get together and catch up. Show me what's in your tool pouch — I'll let you ZAP my input area. It's been so long. Those nybbles and bytes were dreamy. Still up to it? Your "Den of Iniquity" Hand Maid

E1472,

You've got a fan from the office across from you. Why don't you stop by sometime?

To my baby oil, I miss you so much honey. We'll be scorin' on the welcome mat this weekend! Your Blue Leaf

To the blonde fox.

You prowl the business tower leaving behind wagging tongues and jealous little girls. Every guy knows who I'm talking about. Long, blonde hair; sleek, tanned body; glasses; and a set of legs that just keep on going. I think you works at Chaos and were a Sunshine Girl. Just keep smiling and dressing the way you do to make The Swinger one happy camper because I'm pitching a tent! Drop a line in the Grapevine.

The Swinger

To Mint the virgin, Classi

Stop harassing all of the girls in school. We know you just want to get laid, so why don't you just save your money cleaning dishes at Cowboys and then maybe you can save up enough for a quick f*ck—or at least an inflatable doll and some porn.

The Girls with Experience

To the slob at the Nest,

We'd just like to give you a tip: If you want to pick up women, you should not far and burp in their face because that is a real turnoff. You're going to have to change your rude and gross habits if you want to get anywhere in life. From the Girls from the Big Field

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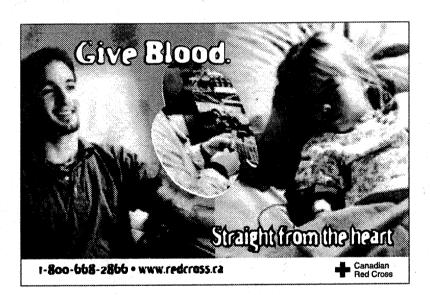


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