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We Are The Champions



Ooks raise the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association hockey supremacy title.



JOHN SHIELDS

There was a rare event in NAIT sports that happened right here in our very own arena on Saturday night. The Ooks were awarded the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association hockey supremacy title. The award recognizes NAIT's domination in college hockey over the past quarter century. President of NAIT, Dr. Sam Shaw, as well as past Presi-

dent S.G. Souch, were on hand to give some words on the great history of NAIT's hockey program.

One of the most recognized guests in attendance for the ceremony was former coach Perry Pearn, now an assistant coach for the Ottawa Senators. Pearn led the Ooks to six national championships and is the most recognized coach in Ooks' history. Pearn took the time to thank the program for giving him the chance to coach when he didn't have much more than PeeWee and high school coaching experience.

Many experiences and tales, were relived in the arena that night as players from the past crowded

onto the ice to accept the banner from the CCAA Commissioner. The players had just finished freshening up after the alumni game which, a few hours earlier, saw the players from the past don Ooks jerseys one more time.

It has been quite the quarter century for the Ooks, capturing nine ACAC championships and seven national championships over the past twenty-five years. We can only hope that the next twenty-five years of Ooks hockey will be as good to us as the past twenty-five. For those of you who weren't able to attend, make sure you check out the new banner hanging in the arena the next time you are there.

All's Not Well in Ottawa



JAMES OLSON

Monday saw the re-opening of the House of Commons and the continuation of the real Canadian soap-opera, Ottawa style. A few short weeks ago, Prime Minister Jean was optimistic about getting back to work with the Clarity Act foremost on Liberal minds. In the last few weeks, however, that optimism was quelled after an internal audit put Human Resources Minister Jane Stewart on the hotseat over sloppy management of a \$1 billion job creation fund.

Quebec Premier Lucien Bouchard and Preston Manning are eager to question Stewart about the

missing money, which Manning claims could actually be anywhere between \$1 and \$3 billion. The opposition is waiting to point a finger and the re-opening of the House will be the first chance they have to question the Liberals directly.

The Clarity Act, designed to clear up the rules of a Quebec referendum, is destined to be stalled by Bouchard and the PQ. Bouchard has started telling separatists to gear up for a new referendum, although he has stated one will not be held until he is sure Quebec Sovereignists will win.

"Ottawa's arrogance has few limits," Bouchard told PQ delegates last Sunday. "It treats Quebec as if it's nothing but a municipality."

Also, the new federal budget is due out February 28. Par for the course: the NDP want to spend more money on health care, and the Tories want tax cuts.



Canada's leading men.

Love Hurts



MIKE OXAMITNY

I don't know what it is about Valentine's Day, but it really pisses me off. For some, it's a time to share that special day with your loved one holding hands, staring into each other's eyes, sharing a moment that transcends all that we know as love and blah blah blah.

For me, it's a painful reminder

of buying crap, so that if things go well, it gets you rollin' around in the sack. If not, you just spent a whack of cash just to "cuddle." What a rip-off.

Here's the other thing: could it be on a worse day in a worse month? I mean, the only dates that I remember are my birthday, Christmas, and New Years, just be-

cause they are all 11 days apart. After that, it's a lot of apologies. Take this phone conversation for example:

"Yeah, I'm sorry honey (not really); I was just so busy with work (watching TV and breathing) that I forgot what day it was. I know you've been reminding me all week (nagging), but so much is

going on right now that I forgot. (Hey, that's kind of true) Can you ever forgive me? (For the love of God, please stop talking.) Yes I love you why wouldn't I..." (Hold phone away from ear for about 10 - 15 minutes, say I'm sorry every 30 seconds, and then start packing.)

This could have all been avoided if you were a last minute Valentine's Day shopper. This person is strictly male, aged 14-95, with a terribly worried look on his face. He gets this way because, after hanging out with his friends all night, asks with a smile, "What are you guys doing tomorrow?" Then

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Those Nutty Europeans



JAMES OLSON

These days, the news from Europe reads like an LA police report.

In Austria last Saturday, 1,500 anti-Nazi demonstrators took to the streets to protest what they consider to be a continuation of Hitler's legacy with Joerg Haider of the Freedom party becoming the newest member of parliament. Haider has been the target of unrelenting criticism, including that of the European Union, for praising aspects of the Third Reich. More recently, Haider has condemned the Nazis as barbaric.

Russia, making front page news for the last ump-teen months over the war against Chechnya, has declared itself victorious after the Russian army finally took the Chechnyan capitol of Grozny — or what's left of it. Grozny is now

a shell of a city after the Russian airforce bombed it to bits. Chechnyan rebels have fled to the country's mountains and the Russian army is now under investigation for war crimes against Chechnyan civilians.

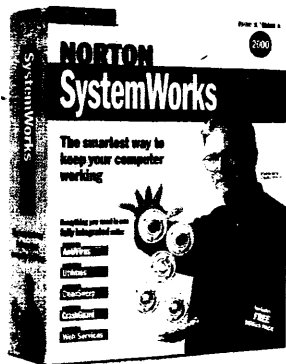
London made it into the lime-light over the weekend as a planeload of people, under the reigns of eight hijackers, sits at Stansted Airport. British authorities will not discuss the demands being made, but the Afghan Islamic Press in Pakistan say the hijackers want the release of Ismail Khan, who has been in jail since 1997. As of Tuesday, 160 people were still being held hostage.

Just west of Belfast, an IRA splinter group has claimed responsibility for the bombing of a rural hotel. A warning was telephoned in before the bomb went off and the area was evacuated. No one was hurt in the incident. The IRA has refused to disarm, draining hope out of the Protestant-Catholic government set up recently.



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Fox Takes Major Blow

The Fox Network has decided to cancel both "Beverly Hills 90210" and "Party Of Five" after the current season. Both shows have been less than reliable in the ratings department this year than they have been in other years; and, currently, it is costing Fox \$2.2 million per episode to run "90210." Besides poor ratings, however, other factors which effected Fox's decision to cancel both shows were the confirmed departures of Tori Spelling and Brian Austin Green from "90210" and Neve Campbell from "Party Of Five." "90210" will end a 10-year run while "Party Of Five" gets quashed after 6 years. This comes as a double blow to Fox as, just last week, Jennifer Love-Hewitt's spinoff show, "Time Of Your Life," was also cancelled.

Dog Gone Parking Brake!

Patrons at a Cranbrook, B.C., bank got a surprise the other day when a van crashed through its front window. The perpetrator was, thankfully, not a robber, but rather a German shepherd. A driving German shepherd? According to eyewitnesses, the owner of the van had left his vehicle running while he was in the bank. At some point, the van owner's dog, who was in the van at the time, somehow knocked the gear shift into drive and sent the van over the curb and into the window of the bank. Thankfully, neither dog nor anyone at the bank was hurt.

Egyptians In Mass Denial

Egypt's Health Minister recently released a statement claiming that Egyptians are immune to a form of flu that is currently sweeping through parts of Europe and the United States. He claims their country's climate is too warm to host the virus and that Egyptian ports, airports, and border checkpoints are being closely monitored for those arriving with tell-tale flu signs and are turning people away. Just in case he is wrong, however, Egypt's Health Minister has also issued a second statement, advising Egyptians to take vitamin C daily, avoid poorly ventilated areas, and to refrain from smoking and kissing. Needless to say, these official statements have taken quite the ribbing from the media. One reporter from the Middle East Times newspaper wrote, in to the Health Minister's claims, that he was feeling flu-like symptoms but that it "can't be the flu" because they're "not supposed to have that in Egypt."

One More Reason To Get Into Car Accidents

Some of the world's biggest players in the technology department are teaming up to make Internet access available in most cars by the 2002. Companies such as IBM, Motorola, and Intel will be working with General Motors and Ford, among others, to make this idea happen at a cost as little as \$300 extra to the price of a vehicle. The heavy hitters would also like to make 24-hour customer service available to the driver, giving auto makers another way to develop brand loyalty.

Respecting Your Elders

A group in Los Angeles that documents the lives of centenarians is now accepting nominations for the first ever Living Century Awards. The ceremony will be to honour those around the world who are at least 100 years old. The Living Century awards will have 16 cat-

egories including the oldest person, oldest couple, oldest still working, longest marriage, and most number of spouses. The winners of the Living Century Awards will be announced March 27. If you would like to nominate someone, you can E-mail the organization at awards@TheLivingCentury.com.

Women, Give Your Men A Kick In The Ass

Women have definitely come a long way in society over the years, but an opinion poll in the latest Voices Of Women magazine shows we still have a long way to go before our men pick up the slack and treat us as equals. All together, Voices Of Women magazine surveyed 2,177 and 826 men. While 61 percent of the women polled were employed, 41 percent of them say their spouses assume housework is still women's work and 36 percent of those women say they feel guilty if they don't get all the housework done. More than 80 percent of the collective poll say its acceptable for both men and women to share the household chores and child-rearing when both spouses work; however, women still do 76 percent of the laundry, 76 percent of the ironing, 67 percent of the cooking, and 58 percent of the grocery shopping. The only tasks that were evenly split down the middle between the men and women were planning the family vacation and making investment decisions. The survey found that men only have the dominating responsibilities for doing the household repairs (59 percent) and having the car serviced (57 percent).

Finally, The Ladies Get A Cheap Thrill

If you're an ornery college student and haven't been living in a hole, then you have definitely heard of <http://voyeurdorm.com>. If you have been living in a hole, however, <http://voyeurdorm.com> is a site on the Internet where, via a webcam, you can glimpse into the private lives of seven college girls

living in a house that has webcams mounted throughout it. Well, as of last week, the drooling field via voyeur sites has been expanded for the likes of us college women. <http://dudedorm.com> is a site along the same lines as voyeur dorm which features webcams mounted throughout a house occupied by seven men from the University Of Southern Florida. You can watch these men work out, sleep, study, cook, change, and even shower. The men were handpicked by Entertainment Network Inc. and not only receive free housing for living in the house where they can be ogled by millions of women a day, but also get free tuition for the duration they remain in the house. Not a bad deal, eh?

One Sick Bastard

How would you like to wake up after having a caesarean section to deliver your baby, to find the initials of the obstetrician who delivered your baby, carved on your stomach? Well, this is exactly what happened to Linda Gedz when Dr. Allan Zarkin of the Beth Israel Medical Center in New York City delivered her baby — she woke up to find the three-inch-high initials "AZ" carved on her stomach. Dr. Zarkin, who is reportedly suffering from a variety of mental conditions (that the clinic claims they never knew about), commented that he thought he did "a beautiful job" of the caesarean section on Gedz, and thus is why he carved his initials in her. Gedz is suing the mentally ill doctor and the hospital for \$5.5 million.

Stuck For Valentine's Day Ideas? Men, Pay Attention

According to a survey held by People-2-People where over 1,000 women were polled, the age of question of "What should I get her (for Valentine's Day?)" has now been answered; and boys, it's not lingerie. The number one answer as to what us women really want is a romantic weekend getaway (winning 35 percent of the votes).

Tying for second place at 14 percent was a love letter or a sentimental card, and the forever traditional candy and flowers came in third with 12 percent.

Butterfly Hunter Fined \$1,000

A German man visiting Sri Lanka was fined \$1,000 and ordered to promise in writing that he would never hunt butterflies in Sri Lanka again. A judge in the town of Ratanpura convicted the men last week of capturing, killing, and possessing three butterflies, which is a crime under Sri Lankan law and is punishable of up to five years in jail for each insect destroyed.

Lust Works In Mysterious Ways

When the question of, If you could date any celebrity you wanted is posed to people, typically, you get answers along the lines of Brad Pitt and Jennifer Lopez. Well, according to a survey on <http://dateable.com>, the top two celebrities that people would like to take out on a date for Valentine's Day are Bill Gates and Hillary Clinton. Also making the "dateable men" list were the likes of Drew Carey (who came in second place), and Howard Stern and Jay Leno (who tied for last). As for the other "dateable women," Drew Barrymore came in second with Ally McBeal's Calista Flockhart coming in last.

Yet Another Canuck Bitten By The Acting Bug

Alberta-born singer and proud lesbian k.d. Lang has been bitten by the acting bug. In the new movie "Eye Of The Beholder" (who also stars Ewan McGregor and Ashley Judd), Lang plays a dispatcher to undercover agents. As for her singing career, Lang says she has been writing some new songs very slowly. She is going to begin a mixing a new album called "Invincible Summer," which will end the three-year dry spell since her seventh album, "Drag," came out.

Have any questions or comments about Odds & Ends?

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The moment will soon be upon you to start thinking about repaying your student loans. To dispel a few myths and to help you along the path of repayment, I've answered your most frequently asked questions.

Most frequently asked questions by students:

- How much time do I have before I start making payments?
- What will my monthly payments be? What is the interest rate?
- Someone told me the government can forgive part of my student loan debt. How do I qualify?
- What if I have not found full-time employment? What if I find work but barely earn enough to cover my living expenses let alone make loan payments? What do I do now?
- Can I reduce my monthly payments?
- What happens if I don't make my payments?
- What if I declare bankruptcy?
- What if I decide to return to full-time studies?

① How much time do I have before I start making payments?

- When you graduate or leave full-time studies, you have a six-month grace period before you start making your first student loan payment. Before the end of the six month grace period you must complete and sign a "consolidation loan agreement". The loan agreement outlines your monthly payments and the length of the repayment period.
- Within this six month time period the bank will be trying to reach you. However, if you have not heard from the bank, maybe you have moved and have forgotten to send a change of address to the bank; you must contact the bank and make arrangement to repay your student loans.
- If the bank has not heard from you it will send your student loan to a collection agency and you may have difficulty accessing further student loan funding. It is important, therefore, to make sure your bank always has your current address

② What will my monthly

payments be? What is the interest rate?

Here is a sample of what to expect:

Size of Student Loan	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$25,000.00
Monthly Payment* for 5 years	\$207.65	\$311.40	\$519.00
Interest paid over 5 years	\$2,456.00	\$3,684.00	\$6,140.00
Total Paid after 5 yrs.	\$12,456.00	\$18,684.00	\$31,140.00
Monthly Payment* for 9 years	\$130.80	\$192.20	\$327.00
Interest paid over 9 years	\$3,080.00	\$7,366.00	\$12,278.00
Total Paid after 9 yrs.	\$13,080.00	\$22,366.00	\$37,278.00

*based on an interest rate of 9%

Did you know that as of 1998, you get a 17% tax credit on the interest payments you make on your student loan. In addition, don't forget that you get a tuition tax credit too.

③ Someone told me the government can forgive part of my student loan debt. How do I qualify?

If, after completing a two year program, the total amount of your student loans (Alberta and Canada Student Loans) is greater than \$10,000 you may be eligible for Alberta Student Loan Remission. The Remission program is a grant program designed to keep your student loan debt at a manageable level and is payable on the your Alberta Student Loan. To receive remission you must complete an application form and application forms are

available at the Office of Financial Aid, and any Career Development Centre.

④ What if I have not found full-time employment? What if I find work but barely earn enough to cover my living expenses let alone make loan payments? What do I do now?

If you have not found full-time employment at

the end of the six-month grace period you can apply for an additional six months of Interest Relief. During this time the government will make interest payments on your student loans. The program is designed to help you get through periods of unemployment, low income or a temporary money crisis, e.g. a medical emergency.

Interest Relief is available on both the Alberta and Canada Student loan and a separate application must be completed. You can only apply for a period of six months at a time to a maximum of thirty (30) months. When you apply for Interest Relief the bank will review your income and the size of your family, i.e. dependents. If you think you will need Interest Relief contact your bank for an application form.

⑤ Can I reduce my monthly payments?

If your monthly payments are too high, and you are having difficulty making payments you can ask your bank about negotiating a revision of your loan agreement and make smaller monthly payments over a longer period of time. Once you are back on your feet you can do the reverse and talk to your bank about increasing your loan payments and reducing the time it will take to pay off our student loans.

⑥ What happens if I don't make my payments?

It is very important to keep your student loans in good standing. If you are unable to make payments, contact your bank immediately. You may be able to renegotiate your terms, or apply for interest-relief. If you don't pay back your student loan, the bank will send your student loans to a collection agency. You may not get other student loans in the future, and you will not be able to obtain any other consumer loans for a mortgage, a car or credit cards.

⑦ What if I declare bankruptcy?

If you declare personal bankruptcy you will still be responsible

for repaying your student loans for ten (10) years after leaving school. Both the Canada Student Loan and the Alberta Student Loan are no longer guaranteed by the government. If you don't pay them back, the bank will start collection proceedings.

⑧ What if I decide to return to full-time studies?

If you decide to return to full-time studies and you are currently making loan payments, you must notify the bank that you are once again a full-time student. When you return to full-time studies your student loans are once again interest-free and you no longer need to make payments. To return your student loans to interest-free status, you must bring to the bank either a new student loan or a confirmation that you have returned to full-time studies. Confirmation for a Canada Student Loan is called a Schedule 2 and confirmation for an Alberta Student Loan is called a Form B. Both these forms must be completed by NAIT confirming your full-time status and returned to the bank.

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Johnny Cottontail and Oz

Chepters buys Reads and Needs

"We didn't see this coming," says NAITSA President Gavin Kopp.

In a surprise move by the large bookstore chain, Chepters, NAIT's very own Reads and Needs is set for a makeover some time in the next few months.

After purchasing the bookstore for the unprecedented sum of \$5 and a pack of smokes, Chepters unveiled plans to conform Reads and Needs to its own proven corporate image of success. The renovations include adding a full service Starbucks coffee bar, as well as a limited music store that will sell mostly country music.

"Our studies indicate that NAIT is mainly comprised of country music fans and the new store will reflect that," said one Chepters official.

A mechanical bull is reportedly bound for NAIT and will be permanently set up outside the

Shaw Theatre.

NAIT Open House

June Brooker and Kim Kennard filled in the troops on NAIT Open House. Volunteers are needed to man the guns. You can get more information and sign up in the NAITSA Office.

Constitutional Amendments

Two constitutional amendments were proposed and will be tabled again at the next General Council meeting for approval.

Famous Players Moves into the Shaw Theatre

Following the success of Silver City in West Ed, Famous Players bought out shareholders of the Shaw Theatre, reportedly for \$5 and a pack of smokes. The new theatre is scheduled for construction later on this year.

Preliminary guesstimates indicate that the new theater will be called "Famous Players Hick Town" and will show mainly country and western flicks.

"Our studies indicate that NAIT is mainly comprised of cowboys and hicks and the new theatre will reflect that," said one Famous Players official.

AUDITS!

Animal Health, Diesel Mechanic, Millwright and Carpentry, Personal Fitness Trainer and Chem Tech are up on the block for audits. The Audited Statements for the SA and the 00/01 budget will be presented in the Shaw Theatre on March 7th at the Annual General Meeting.

Springfling Looking Good

Activities VP Mike Anderson reports the plans for Springfling are looking good so far. The main acts will be announced at the March 7th meeting of GC.

The Fortune of the Fan Bus

One more fan bus is on the way during playoffs, watch for more details.

Naitrium to become a Nudie Bar

The week of buy-outs continues with the acquisition of the Naitrium by the Las Vegas based company, Perverted Nude Adventures Ltd.

Perverted Nude Adventures Ltd. has plans to remodel the Naitrium after a 18th century French brothel. The main stage however, will have a 21st century twist with virtual prostitutes and several Internet connections for cybersex.

An inside source said the Naitrium was bought for \$5 and a pack of smokes.

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MIKE
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his friend replies, "Well, I'm taking my little woman to *insert fancy restaurant here*; then we're going to see a movie, her choice of course; and then finally it's off to *insert fancy hotel here* for a night of sweet lovin'. And what are doing for Valentine's Day?" A last minute shopper would give the standard response of, "Good lord, what have I done?" Then would proceed to run out of the room screaming and swearing.

The best part for these chumps is that everything sucks at the last

minute. No restaurant or hotel reservations, wilted flowers from the Safeway florist, and the last of those heart-shaped boxes of chocolate from the Everything For a Dollar Store. Hey, big spender, you are sooo dead. This can be debated, but in this scenario, I think it would have been better to throw yourself in front of a bus than to come bearing these gifts. Not only did you forget, but trying to pass off this crap to a girl that can smell real Swiss chocolate from 50 paces and knows the difference between a dozen roses and a get well bouquet will sacrifice you to her God. Don't even try cheap jewelry or they will NEVER find your body.

Whatever you do, DO NOT dump your girlfriend on or near Valentine's Day. I had a friend who, one time, dumped this younger girl he was seeing because she was crazy or something the day

before Valentine's Day. Of course, he had no idea what day it was, and not only missed out on the last minute shopping, but managed to shatter a poor girl's heart. I don't remember what his excuse was, but he totally regrets dumping her now because she is smokin' hot. I consider myself lucky. I'll be spending Valentine's Day alone. I feel sorry for all those men who will be reduced to crying little boys after their sweetheart tells them, "Not tonight." (Not ever) You see, I didn't have to worry, and there was no panic or fear in my eyes. I even saved a bit of money. So, when you guys are running around fighting over the last chocolate-covered whatever, remember, there are a bunch of single guys kickin' back, hanging out, and looking like a pretty sweet future prospect to your soon-to-be ex-girlfriend.

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Ooks Drop Two, Fall to 3rd in Standings



**JOHN
SHIELDS**

There was a fantastic crowd out for the second half of the home-and-home series with the Mount Royal Cougars this past Saturday night. Alumni from the past were in attendance as well as media covering the banner raising ceremony during the first intermission. After getting spanked 6-2 the night before in Calgary, the boys in blue and gold were revved up and looking for a little payback.

It was, however, the Cougars who took control of the game early in the first period of what would

turn out to be a physical game on both sides of the ice. Goalie Kelly Ainsworth managed to keep the boys in it on a couple of beauties including a great toe save on a three-on-one MRC rush. It looked like the referee was going to let the players decide this one early, as there were few penalties called in the first. Later in the game, however, the players and the fans realized that the guy didn't have a clue and was just there for the skate. It didn't help things that a goal was called back on NAIT late in the first, which killed any momentum that the boys were picking up.

The Cougars struck early in the second as they managed to put two away within thirty seconds on Ainsworth, putting the Ooks down by two and setting the tone for the second as MRC managed to control the puck in the NAIT zone. In an effort to calm the squad down

and regroup, coach Terry Ballard called a timeout early on in the second. It must have worked, as the boys stormed the Cougars net and MRC goalie Jason Fricker had to pull a couple of saves out of his ass to keep MRC in the game. Fricker wasn't able to stop Ooks forward Ryan Begley, however, as he screamed down the wing and went stickside on Fricker, cutting the Cougars's lead in half.

The third period saw the Cougars strike again on a scramble in front of the net, and the goal turned out to be the straw that broke the camel's back for the hometown Ooks. The game got very chippy from there, with the frustration of three periods of poor officiating beginning to show. The game ended in a 3-1 loss for the Ooks, who now drop to third in the division behind the two Calgary teams. Next up for the Ooks is a weekend series against cross-town rivals the Grant MacEwan Griffins. Check out the action Friday night at 7 p.m. at the NAIT Arena.

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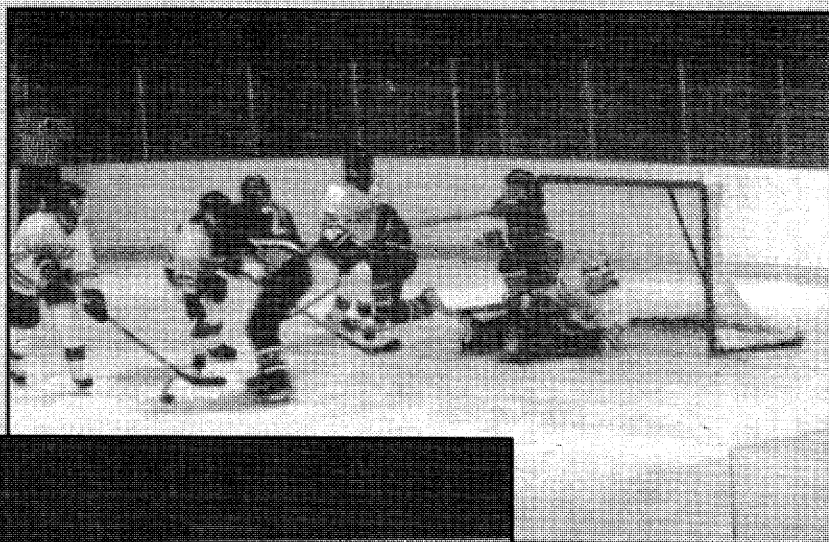
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ACAC STATS

Men's Basketball — Individual/Teams — STATISTICS

SCORING - POINTS PER GAME

NORTH DIVISION

Name	Team	Games Played	3PM	FGM	FTM	PTS	PPG
Mark Harvey	TKUC	18	1	138	105	384	21.33
Russ Devries	TKUC	18	56	60	69	357	19.83
Darren Graham	CUCA	18	1	120	90	333	18.50
Michael Wagner	TKUC	10	14	46	22	156	15.60
Andrew Boone	GPRC	18	22	90	33	279	15.50
Jason Nicolay	RDC	16	11	73	50	229	14.31
Slav Kornik	NAIT	20	25	61	89	286	14.30
Robbie Valpreda	GMCC	20	14	102	34	280	14.00
Mike Asmus	RDC	18	29	64	35	250	13.89
Tom Coyne	GMCC	20	20	80	49	269	13.45
Peter Buwalda	TKUC	18	2	87	55	235	13.06
Matt Burton	NAIT	20	24	62	56	252	12.60
Peter Kardos	GPRC	15	29	45	9	186	12.40
Mike Lecavalier	NAIT	20	13	77	46	239	11.95
Mike Wedman	AUC	20	3	86	54	235	11.75

Women's Basketball — Individual/Team — STATISTICS

SCORING - POINTS PER GAME

NORTH DIVISION

Name	Team	Games Played	3PM	FGM	FTM	PTS	PPG
Tamara Edwards	GMCC	20	21	109	82	363	18.15
Michelle MacKinnon	GMCC	12	17	50	61	212	17.67
Jody Potts	RDC	18	33	72	64	307	17.06
Krista Mitchell	GPRC	18	0	94	66	254	14.11
Jennifer Fead	NAIT	20	0	92	59	243	12.15
Brandy Ryder	NAIT	13	1	58	31	150	11.54
Erin King	GPRC	18	6	57	75	207	11.50
Erin Wisselink	TKUC	18	14	61	33	197	10.94
Natalie Sanderson	GPRC	18	0	61	71	193	10.72
Fiona Halbert	GMCC	20	8	70	46	210	10.50
Jill Potts	RDC	18	31	35	18	181	10.06
Steph Ruch	GPRC	18	13	56	30	181	10.06
Shawna Siemens	CUCA	18	0	56	66	178	9.89
Cori Rawlusk	RDC	18	22	29	52	176	9.78
Kellie Boysen	TKUC	18	6	53	51	175	9.72

Hockey — Individual/Team — SCORING LEADERS

Name	Team	Games Played	Goals	Assists	Points	PIM
Ryan Bennato	MRC	24	29	25	54	46
Sheldon Szmata	MRC	24	16	32	48	10
Rob Smashnuk	MRC	22	17	30	47	33
Tate Locke	CUCA	23	18	25	43	47
Mike Hofstrand	SAIT	24	14	28	42	16
Shawn Hove	GMCC	24	20	21	41	6
Aaron Miller	NAIT	24	25	14	39	12
Moe Halat	MRC	24	6	33	39	38
Evan Perry	SAIT	23	23	15	38	22
Darcy Haugan	BBC	22	25	11	36	12
John Specht	GMCC	24	16	20	36	16
Craig Bilick	SAIT	23	20	15	35	28
Ryan Dallyn	MRC	23	18	15	33	102
Kris Topp	AUC	21	9	23	32	30
Cory Pecush	CUCA	24	14	16	30	32
Taylor Wildeman	SAIT	24	8	22	30	18
Derek Stone	NAIT	23	4	26	30	39
Shawn Villeneuve	NAIT	19	11	18	29	71
Chris Jacobson	MRC	15	11	17	28	33
Jeff Edelman	AUC	23	15	12	27	2
Dave Greenhalgn	GMCC	24	13	14	27	68
Aaron Parenteau	NAIT	20	6	21	27	27

Men's Volleyball — Individual/Team — STATISTICS

NORTH DIVISION

Name	Team	Matches Played	Games Played	Kills
Jon Heinen	TKUC	18	63	197
Jonathon Grach	NAIT	18	63	175
Brian Gurnett	KC	18	68	175
Tanner Applegate	LLC	18	61	158
Kim Kozlowski	LLC	18	63	144
Christopher Mantel	TKUC	18	62	107
Adam Palmer	NAIT	18	62	105
Adam Ungarian	NAIT	18	58	101
Sean Thomas	KC	18	65	96
Terry St Amant	NAIT	18	54	87

Men's Volleyball — Individual/Team — STATISTICS

NORTH DIVISION

Name	Team	Matches Played	Games Played	Kills
Kim Bilda	NAIT	16	53	126
Laura Tuininga	TKUC	18	58	104
Cerissa Schaumleffel	LLC	18	59	99
Lisa Verveda	TKUC	18	58	92
Tamara Schuurman	NAIT	18	59	92
Coby Doef	TKUC	18	50	90
Charlene Tenbrinke	TKUC	18	53	86
Janelle Wagner	LLC	18	60	76
Lisa Buikema	TKUC	18	47	66
Sarah Armstrong	LLC	18	57	61

SEARS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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Kim Bilda

Sport: Women's Volleyball

Program: CST

Favorite Food: Veggie Lasagna

Favorite T.V Show: Blind Date

Favorite Movie: Fight Club

Favorite Band: New Meanies

Future Plans: Organic Farming

Coaches Comments: Kim has enjoyed a great season leading the North Division in Kills and ranking in the top five in serve aces. Although the lady Ooks are out of the playoffs Kim continues to work hard in practices and games to be the best player she can be.

ACAC Update

LAST WEEKEND...

VOLLEYBALL MEN

NAIT 3 LAKELAND 0

NAIT 3 LAKELAND 2

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM UNDEFEATED IN DIVISION WITH 2 GAMES TO PLAY...ALREADY QUALIFIED FOR POST SEASON PLAY!!!

VOLLEYBALL WOMEN

NAIT 3 LAKELAND 2

NAIT 3 LAKELAND 0

HOCKEY MEN

NAIT 2 MOUNT ROYAL 6

NAIT 1 MOUNT ROYAL 3

HOCKEY WOMEN

NAIT 3 GRANT MacEWAN 4

Badminton Finish Weekend With 3-2 Record
Finish Regular Season With 11-7 Record-3rd Place.

Qualify For Playoffs @ Gmcc In Two Weeks.
Men's Doubles (Austin Laiu And Shannon Lim) Win Acac Gold; Qualify For Nationals In Vancouver!!!!

COMING UP THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS....

FRIDAY BASKETBALL vs CONCORDIA 6:30/
8:30PM NAIT GYM

HOCKEY vs GMCC 7:00PM NAIT ARENA

SATURDAY VOLLEYBALL vs KING'S COLLEGE
6:30/ 8:00PM NAIT GYM

Harland Williams:

Harland Williams: The Comedian, The Actor, The Artist



CURTIS
COMEAU

Once I heard that Yuk Yuk's was bringing Harland Williams to Edmonton, I stopped at nothing until the manager Chrysi Ruben got me an interview with him. Again, Chrysi, I am truly sorry about the numerous bomb threats, but a boy's got to do what a boy's got to do. You may remember Harland from such roles as the motorcycle cop in "Dumb and Dumber" and the psycho killer in "Something About Mary." The Canadian-born comedian started out in stand up comedy way back in 1984 and has since earned himself quite a name in Hollywood. I spoke with Harland from his house in Hollywood Hills California.

H: So, what is the Nugget?



C: (shocked that Harland asked me the first question) Oh, the Nugget is a student-based newspaper for a college here in Edmonton. We're pretty laid back, it's a fun paper to read.

H: That's totally cool, man.

C: So, Harland, being a Canadian, how do you deal with all the smog in LA?

H: (laughing) Well, the air certainly

does have a flavour, sort of like an old dirty napkin, but I just told my lungs to go to hell and deal with it.

C: What made you pursue a career in comedy?

H: Umm, for two reasons. The first 'cause I love to make people laugh, and the second, well, I always knew it was my calling, ever since I was a little kid.

C: So, were you ever one of the starving comedians?

H: Not really. I always had a job on the side, so I wouldn't have to beg for table scraps. But some of my friends did...

C: So, eventually, you got on and toured with Yuk Yuk's.

H: Yeah, man. I have traveled a lot with stand up comedy. Germany, Ireland — you know, all over Europe. It was really cool. I love travelling and experiencing new things.

C: So, what was the "big break" which launched your career in Hollywood?

H: Oh, when I finally moved down to LA and I appeared on Letterman. I had done some TV shows before that, but Letterman is what really did it.

C: You have been in several movies with several big name stars. Did you ever find yourself star struck?

H: Not really, well, actually there are some people who really make you think, like on the "Wag the Dog" set, I couldn't believe I was in the same room as Robert DeNiro and Dustin Hoffman. It was really cool, man. In my new movie, "The Whole Nine Yards," I work with Bruce Willis. That was really cool. I was like, "Wow, it's Bruce Willis."

C: In "The Whole Nine Yards," do you play another comical character?

H: No, man, I play a FBI agent who is posing as a hitman. It's more of a lighter, serious role.

C: Did you like playing that character?

H: Yeah. It was really challenging though 'cause I am like this ball of internal energy, and sometimes, I just go all off and wing it; but, this time, I had to channel that energy

and be a bit more serious.

C: So, do you like watching your work on the big screen?

H: (laughing) Oh, yeah, but it's weird 'cause directors give me freedom to improvise and say what I want to. Sometimes, I go all out and can't remember what I just said. Like, this one time, I was watching a scene in "Something About Mary," and I went all off saying stuff like, "Seven chipmunks twirling on a branch, eating chestnuts on my uncle's ranch," and when I saw it on screen, I was like, "I don't remember saying that".

C: With all your success, do you still see yourself doing stand up?

H: Yeah, man. I love comedy and making people laugh. I don't do it as much, but I still do about 15 or so tours.

C: So, what made you decide to come to Edmonton?

H: When I was starting out, the people out west always treated me good — and besides, it's always fun to come back to Canada. Deep down, I am a hardcore patriot.

C: So, what about this art thing?

H: Oh, I have always been into art, man. I am the kind of guy who is fascinated by all mediums of artistic things. I love painting. People can check out some of my work on my website at <http://www.harlandwilliams.com>.

C: A bit off topic, but, do you like fast food?

H: (excited) Man, I am fast food!

C: Really?

H: Oh, yeah. There is this place down here called Fat Burger, I'm not kidding, Fat Burger, and they have this like huge burger that assaults the sensibility of weight loss. It's a bacon and fried egg cheeseburger, you'd love it.

C: To close out, I just wanted to ask you, what is your definition of success?

H: I think success is when you chase your dreams; and when your life ends, you can look back and see that you have caught some of those dreams.

C: All right, thanks for taking the time to talk, and I guess we will see you when you come to Edmonton on February 11 and 12.

H: No problem. Come and check out the show. See ya, man.

If you want to check out Harland Williams (and I suggest you do), he is appearing at Yuk Yuk's in West Edmonton Mall on February 11 and 12. His shows are nightly at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.. Make sure you call in advance and reserve tickets because his shows will probably sell out.

Harland's Film History

Rocket Man
Down Periscope
Half Baked



Mr. Headmistress
Dumb & Dumber
Wag The Dog
Something About Mary
Dog Park
Lucky 13
Big Money Hustlas
Superstar
The Whole Nine Yards

ALPHONSE is a Must-See



SALLY
POULSEN

In a city that counts Brad Fraser, Marty Chan, and Ron Jenkins as members of its theatre community, it's unlikely that one needs a reason to support the city's thriving talent; but, just in case you do, Northern Light Theatre and Fringe Theatre Adventures are unleashing him on audiences from February 4-19.

His name is Chris Fassbender, and he is one of the best reasons anyone in this city has to support the local theatre scene.

Fassbender, who is perhaps best recognized from his role as Jacob in this summer's Fringe Festival smash "The Bonehouse," is absolutely spellbinding in this one man show. In a rare combination of charisma, intensity, and expressiveness, Fassbender leaves an awe-struck audience in his wake. In short, ALPHONSE ought to be considered required viewing (even if it's only to witness the 22-year-old actor's explosive talents).

ALPHONSE is the sweet and poetic story of a 14-year-old boy who attempts to cling to his world of child-like

wonder and imagination. Fassbender leads the audience through a festival of characters from young Alphonse to his friend Pierre-Paul-Rene to the evil Flupan, a villain who has turned all of the pastry chefs of the world into popcorn.

ALPHONSE is written by Quebec-born Lebanese playwright Wajdi Mouawad and is translated into English by Shelley Tepperman. It is a truly moving tale of the difficult transition from child to adult punctuated by the music of Paul Morgan Donald and directed by Northern Lights Theatre's own Artistic Director, Sandhano Schultze.

ALPHONSE plays at the Arts Barns (10330-84 Avenue) Transalta Stage Right from February 4-19. Shows are Thursday/Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets vary from \$8-\$15. Call 448-9000 for more information.



Friday Night in Calgary: MRC vs. NAIT

Scott Brown

Special to the Nugget—Calgary

The Oaks were defeated in Men's hockey action this past weekend while Mount Royal Cougars defended and captured 2nd place in the league with a 6-2 victory.

The Oaks came out flying in the first with an unassisted goal by #10 Ryan Bagley, but their flight was cut short by four unanswered Cougar goals.

"Our boys were playing in another rink," said Oaks goaltender Kelly Ainsworth, a 2nd year Business student.

The Oaks played with the Cougars for the first period, but after the intermission, the Cougars came out roaring, with a goal by Mike Prochazka 3:25 into the period.

The key-play that clinched the Cougar victory came at 14:30 in the second period when Dusty Lattery scored the only short-handed goal of the game.

"We came out to win," said Scott Atkinson, Head Coach for the Cougars, "and that makes it three in a row for us."

The Oaks are now one game behind the Cougars after last weekend's loss, putting them in 3rd place overall. The Oaks lacked in defense as they allowed 52 shots throughout the game. When facing such an offensive team as the Cougars, it is not likely to win with so many chances allowed.

The only other highlight for the Oaks came at the beginning of the third period, with a goal by #29 Brad McCorry, assisted by #22 Brad Wilson. This attack would prove to be too little too late, as it was answered by two more Mount Royal goals.

After the game there was no hoots coming from the Oaks dressing room as the players pondered their loss, and quickly changed, to jump on the bus for the three hour trip home.



photo: Scott Brown

Curling Oaks Search for Gold

Men, Mixed, and Ladies Qualify for Provincials

NAIT's three teams will be heading north to Grande Prairie from February 25-27, 2000 to battle for the ACAC Championship.

The provincials, using a round robin sudden death (1 vs 4, 2 vs 3) format, will bring together the top four teams in each division.

The teams posted an overall 16-18 record during the regional tournaments hosted by CUCA November 19-21 and LLC January 28-30.

NAIT's consistent play during the fall regional (9-4) basically assured them a spot in the Provincials; and thus, they had the luxury of using the winter regional to sharpen their games up.

NAIT MEN

Always a very competitive division, the team finished 4th with a 1-2 record. They edged LLC 4-3 and then lost 2-8 to AUC and 3-9 to GPRC when both teams nailed them with four enders in the eighth end. The competitive play of the four teams during the regionals and the final standings showing only a two

game differential between 1st and 4th, sets the stage for some exciting games. You pick the winner.

NAIT WOMEN

The ladies were strong in posting a 3-1 record. Their only loss was to the undefeated LLC 5-7 and only a rub in eight, which game them 1 instead of 3, kept LLC's streak alive. In the other games, they were fairly impressive in beating AUC 15-6,

GPRC 10-7, and CUC 10-5. By the play in the regionals, one would expect LLC and NAIT to meet for the gold.

NAIT MIXED

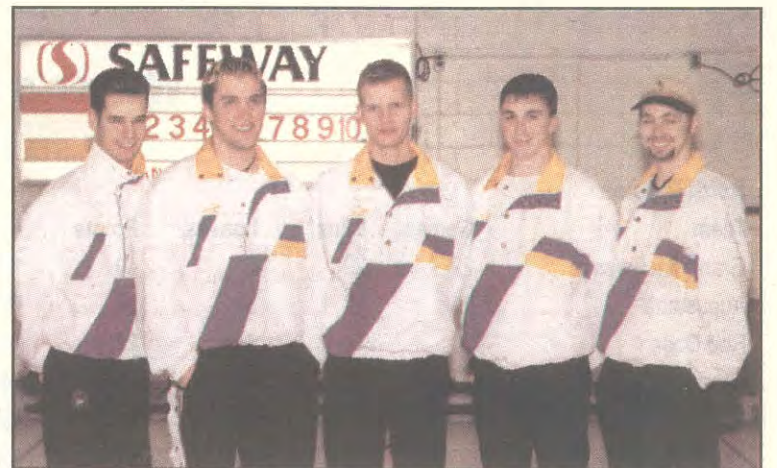
The mixed surprised everyone a little with their outstanding performance. They went 5-0 in the fall regional and were 3-1 in the winter regional, losing their last game to LLC 8-5. Easier, NAIT beat AUC

8-6 and GPRC 12-1. This will turn out to be a very competitive team.

All three teams have an excellent shot at the gold. With the personnel, the attitude, and the right rolls, the 99-00 squad has a legiti-

mate shot.

Congratulations on your fine showing in the regionals and best of luck in the provincials. Bring back the gold!



MEN'S TEAM: Jeff Erickson, Les Eglauer, Bill Poznanski, Jamie McPhee, Brian McEachern



MIXED TEAM: Rob Fossum, Alicia Pruden, Bill Tymchyshyn, Sherry Ronskd



LADIES' TEAM: Kerri Erhart, Tara Davison, Dawn Gewais, Jolene Scott, Nadine Desaulniers

ACAC STANDINGS

Men's Basketball

STANDINGS

North Division

Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Points	Pts For	Pts Agst	Home	Away	Streak
Grant MacEwan	22	16	6	32	1813	1618	9 2	7 4	W6
Augustana	22	14	8	28	1659	1530	7 5	7 3	W5
NAIT	20	13	7	26	1505	1415	6 4	7 3	W6
Red Deer	20	12	8	24	1488	1415	6 4	6 4	W2
The King's Univ College	20	10	10	20	1656	1567	5 5	5 5	L4
Grande Prairie	20	6	14	12	1437	1502	4 6	2 8	L6
Concordia	20	1	19	2	1318	1829	1 8	0 11	L4

Hockey

STANDINGS

Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Tie	SW	SL	Points	Gls For	Gls Agst	Home	Away
SAIT	26	19	4	3	0	3	41 141	84 11	0 2	8 4	1
Mount Royal	26	19	6	1	1	0	40 176	85 10	2 1	9 4	0
NAIT	26	15	7	4	2	2	36 121	98 8	5 0	7 2	4
Red Deer	26	11	13	2	2	0	26 91	95 5	6 1	6 7	1
Augustana	26	12	14	0	0	0	24 125	131 6	7 0	6 7	0
Concordia	26	10	14	2	2	0	24 98	126 3	8 2	7 6	0
Grant MacEwan	26	9	13	4	1	3	23 115	126 3	8 2	6 5	2
Briercrest	26	0	24	2	1	1	3 74				

Men's Volleyball

North Division

Team	Matches Played	Matches Won	Matches Lost	Points	Games Won	Games Lost	Home	Away	Streak
NAIT	16	16	0	32	48	13	7 0	9 0	W16
Lakeland	16	7	9	14	27	31	4 4	3 5	L2
The King's Univ College	16	6	10	12	25	36	3 6	3 4	W2
Keyano	16	3	13	6	22	42	1 7	2 6	L7

Women's Basketball

STANDINGS

North Division

Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Points	Pts For	Pts Agst	Home	Away	Streak
Grant MacEwan	22	20	2	40	1739	1173	10 1	10 1	W12
Augustana	22	17	5	34	1553	1119	9 3	8 2	W4
Red Deer	20	14	6	28	1426	1071	7 3	7 3	W4
Grande Prairie	20	13	7	26	1447	1250	7 3	6 4	L2
NAIT	20	4	16	8	995	1274	2 8	2 8	L8
The King's Univ College	20	4	16	8	1095	1374	2 8	2 8	L5
Concordia	20	0	20	0	715	1709	0 9	0 11	L20

Women's Volleyball

North Division

Team	Matches Played	Matches Won	Matches Lost	Points	Games Won	Games Lost	Home	Away	Streak
The King's Univ College	16	16	0	32	48	5	9 0	7 0	W16
NAIT	16	12	4	24	38	18	5 2	7 2	W6
Lakeland	16	4	12	8	19	38	2 6	2 6	L6
Keyano	16	0	16	0	4	48	0 8	0 8	L16

Unknown
Names And
Faces

Craig Wourms

The articles have been in the papers, the matches have been played, but very few people can pick out the members of the NAIT Men's Volleyball Team. The articles have almost never mentioned names, and not a single picture has been taken – no wonder why, in the second half of the season, the gym has been empty.

In a quiet and deadly fashion, the Oaks have won their third consecutive Northern Division Title with a 18-0 record. This Saturday is our final home match before we head off to Red Deer College for playoffs.

This group of athletes started off as 16 with 3 coaches. As the year progressed, a number of players and some of the coaches failed to live up to the standards we expect, and some others, unfortunately, could just not continue. This team is now composed of 12 members (including the coach). Here are the names of the gentlemen that will once again advance past the regular season to help define the team excellence of NAIT.

- Terry St. Amant and Adam Palmer have been carrying the load as the workhorses on the left side.
- Adam Ungarian and Marcel Beatch are the walls that support our framework.
- Johnathon Grach has been our go-to guy all season.
- Chris Mellor is our floor general. When he comes to play, this team is a beautiful thing to watch.
- Dustin Auger took the reins with a new position and stepped to the front of the league.
- Cory Galloway, Wes Semler, Colin Lea, and Jason Brocun are the men in the trenches that push the guys in front of them to new limits.

Next week, while most of you will be enjoying your Reading Week, this team will be playing for ACAC Conference Title. Fear of the unknown is one of the greatest fears known to man, so, to complete the season as the unknown names and faces of NAIT athletes... it is a good thing.

HORRORSCOPES



**DARIA
MORGAN**

Capricorn

(December 22-January 20)

During Reading Week, you will seek out a new life. You won't find one, of course, but you will discover a really excellent buffet place with a strawberry sherbet to die for.

Aquarius

(January 21-February 18)

Good day to doodle. Doodlin's good for the soul.

Pisces

(February 19-March 20)

As once was wisely stated: "No matter where you go, there you are," will not hold true for you today. Go figure.

Aries

(March 21-April 19)

You will try to alleviate the boredom you feel this weekend by making something creative with spam. Fortunately, it will work — until someone flushes your creation down the toilet.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20)

You will soon gain experience pertaining to the miracle of birth in one of the Tower elevators. This will also somehow be associated with the miracle of elevators and also quite possibly the miracle of screaming.

Gemini

(May 21-June 20)

Today you will have the opportunity to rescue several hostages from a life-of-death situation in the

Naitrium using only a banana and vodka milkshake and a ball of twine. Film at 11.

Cancer

(June 21-July 22)

Your next fortune cookie will read: "See? We told you it tastes like chicken!"

Leo

(July 23-August 22)

A wise woman once said, "If you can't say anything nice, come sit next to me." This will be strangely relevant to a situation of your own this week.

Virgo

(August 23-September 22)

Inspiration will strike you and leave you for dead. The fuzz will do nothing.

Libra

(September 23-October 22)

Beware of people carrying books today.

Scorpio

(October 23-November 21)

This weekend would not be a good weekend to be yourself; in fact, that might even be dangerous. Be someone else until further notice.

Sagittarius

(November 22-December 21)

A man wearing no underwear and a shirt with only one sleeve will approach you soon. Do everything he says.

If Today Is Your Birthday:

Remember: Two wrongs don't make a right — but three do.

Have questions or comments about the Horrorscope?

E-mail me at virgin_state_of_mind@hotmail.com

It's Lowdown, All Right



**SALLY
POULSEN**

General society can be split into two very separate and distinct camps:

1. Those who love Woody Allen; and
2. Those who hate Woody Allen.

Depending on which of these categories you fall into, you will either love, or, respectively, hate Allen's latest film "Sweet and Lowdown."

"Sweet and Lowdown" is the fictional story of legendary jazz guitarist Emmet Ray (played by Sean Penn). Ray is a drunk, a leech, a pimp... but he is also a musical genius second only to his hero, Django Reinhardt. This prompts us to ask the question, "Should a man's genius overshadow his sins?"

Sean Penn almost makes you want to say yes. He is brilliant, alternately infuriating, and ultimately heartbreaking in the lead-

ing role. Ray seems nearly redeemable, especially when in the company of his mute girlfriend Hattie, played by scene-stealer Samantha Morton. This adorable British actress, best known for her role in 1997's "Under The Skin," is absolutely riveting.

The cast is rounded out by other well known actors such as Gretchen Mol (Rounders), Anthony LaPaglia (Empire Records) and even a brief cameo by revered trash director John

Waters (Pink Flamingos, Pecker). Uma Thurman also appears, giving an awkward, stilted performance as Ray's philandering wife.

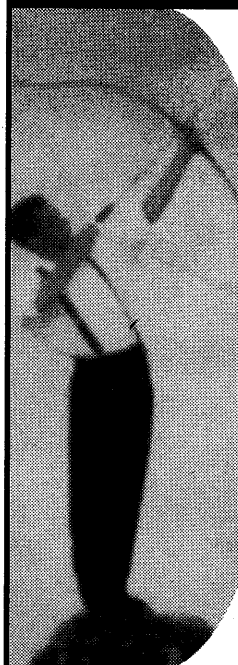
For fans of Woody Allen, "Sweet and Lowdown" is a revelation. For those who dislike him, "Sweet and Lowdown" is preferable to a dental appointment, and little else.

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Samantha Morton and Sean Penn in Woody Allen's "Sweet and Lowdown."

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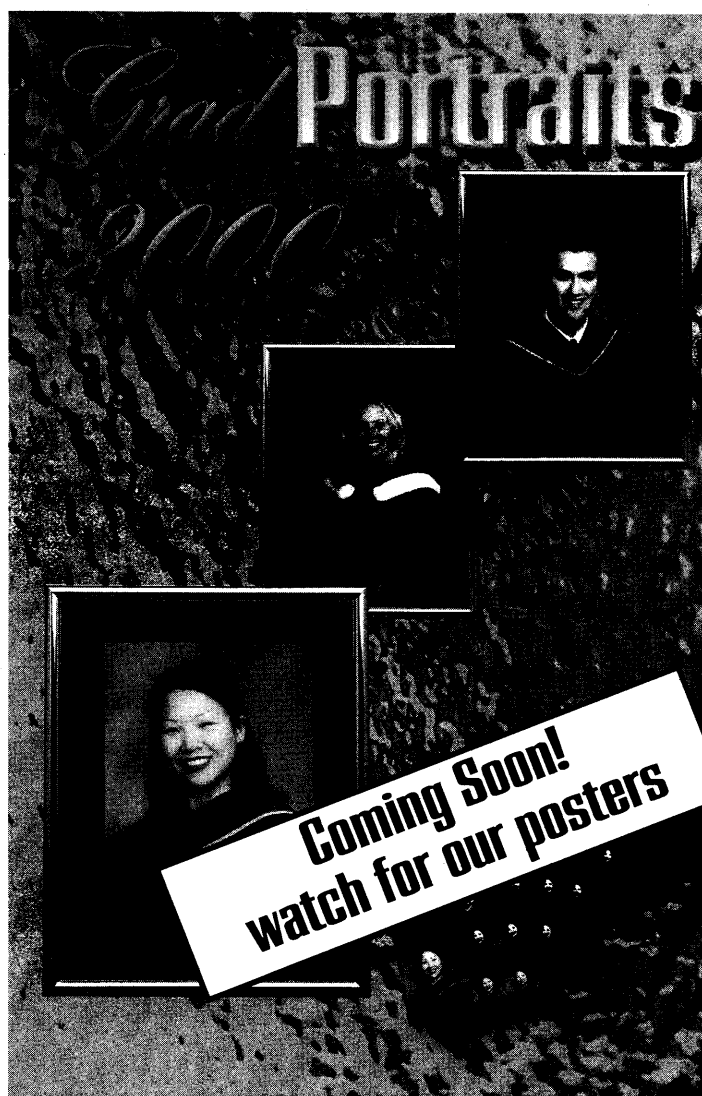
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CD Review

Scritti Politti

Anomie & Bonhomie

(Virgin Records)

K. Joseph Kijek

When I think about SCRITTI POLITTI, I can't help but compare them to SPANDEAU BALLET:

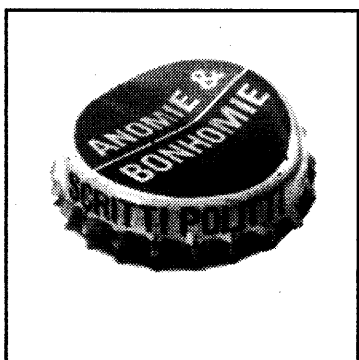
1. Both acts emerged from Britain during the post new wave high fashion pop romantics movement which occurred in the early to mid-80's. (The Dr. Frankensteins of this musical and visual revolution being, of course, the always novel and fantastically stylistic DURAN DURAN)

2. Both bands had one stellar single, which still, to this day, remains timeless in the unforgettable one-hit wonder category conceived from this era (SPANDEAU BALLET'S classic ballad was "True" and SCRITTI POLITTI'S savvy diddy was titled "Perfect Way").

3. Despite looking impeccably glamorous and having the two aforementioned cuts holding a dominant spot in the history of popular music and retro night play lists, both bands, unfortunately, could not sustain the fireworks of their one bright explosion and hence the rest of their work sadly spluttered into smoke, dissolved, and evaporated into thin air...

Although the two twins from SPANDEAU BALLET had a comeback in portraying the non-fictional Reggie and Ronnie Kray — the two sharp dressed and immensely charming British Crime Lords who made there legendary yet lethal mark in the early 60's-in a 1993 film titled THE KRAYS, SCRITTI POLLITTI, on the other hand, were and are, deemed oblivious, if not vanished.

Now, in the year 2000, SCRITTI POLLITTI have released ANOMIE & BONHOMIE...I was instantly taken with the packaging of this recent installment. Along with the haggard bottle cap in the center of a sterile white backdrop,



the insert of this LP follows through on the theme of using tiny, practical and functional commodities with the bands inscription imprinted on each minuscule object (i.e. a battery, guitar pick, chewing gum wrapper, etc...).

Though the style in presentation is, in my opinion, quite clever, the substance found on the disc didn't match up to the quality of the image.

Wavering between rap, ska, and leasy listening contemporary love songs, the material on this album fails to entice. I can admire their attempt at trying to create a modern, light, mellow, pleasant and easy going record but the songs just don't hold any merit in igniting any emotional, pleasurable nor intellectual response.

Lyrically, a majority of the tracks center in on the guy loses girl and wants girl back theme. Though I am a sucker for this endless tale of woe and wan, the protagonist who presents it is a whiny, pansy-ass, drippy wannabe romantic who uses every common conventional cliché in the "beginners guide to writing poetry" textbook. I couldn't help but sympathize with the girl of his affection for leaving this unimaginative bore.

If this is the only heart-felt rendering he could muster in displaying his desperation, I couldn't help wonder just how real his love and pain actually was/is.

As for the rap songs, which pose a challenge for the SCRITTI POLLITTI comeback, let me just say TKO for the first round.

In conclusion, if SCRITTI POLLITTI could duplicate the song "Perfect Way," then they might be on to something. Otherwise, sometimes the past is best left as is.

VIDEO GAME Review

Herc's Adventures

Sony PlayStation

Players 1-2

Creators: Lucas Arts

Released: 1997

MP 5-Star Rating 4 of 5



CURTIS
COMEAU

In Herc's Adventures, you are given the choice between three different heroes. The first is, of course, Hercules, the super strong demi-god who has the power to lift houses but unfortunately is the slowest of the three characters. The second is Herc's love Atlanta, who is by far the fastest character, but again she is the weakest, (how come the females are always the weakest characters??) Finally, there is Jason the Argonaut, who is naturally a good balance between Herc and Atlanta.

The supporting characters (Hades, Zeus, Poseidon and more) are just fantastic, as are the enemies (Cyclops, Soldiers, Skeletons) whom you will have to face throughout your journeys.

Herc's Adventures is a 2-D overhead game (remember Gauntlet?) which is nice because, all the levels are connected through a map which you can see at any point during the game by pressing the select button. The only problem with the free flowing world is that, at times, you as a player may get lost, and become frustrated, because many of the paths look the same.

Overall, the sound is somewhat impressive for a 1997 game. At points in the game, characters like Zeus and Hades speak to you in a very clear dialect, which really adds to the story. When it comes to the music, it's ok, but nothing to write home and tell

mom about. Again, for a 1997 game, the graphics are very good, which I have to admit surprised me. However, don't expect any mind-boggling eye-candy that you see in today's games, simply because Herc's Adventures focuses around cartoon-type characters, which very seldom max out the system's graphic capability.

I found Herc's Adventures to be a very fun filled game (which I have to admit I did play all weekend long), that has easy-to-learn game controls (something you don't find very often anymore). There is one other feature which I really found to be an asset: the fact that two players can play simultaneously (again, remember Gauntlet?) because there is nothing worse than just sitting on a couch and watching someone else play a cool video game.



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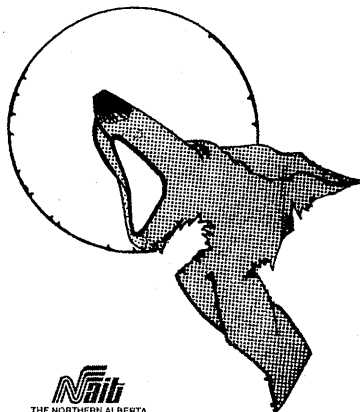
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Paul Brandt & The Wilkinsons Sell Out the Jubilee

Jubilee Auditorium
Saturday, February 5, 2000

K. Joseph Kijek

I confess, I did not know who Paul Brandt was pre-show time. It seemed as if every one and their dog had heard of this country western phenomena from Alberta except yours truly. But then again, I'm an antique-minded cat whose passions derive mainly from the past (or to quote musical genius Brian Wilson, "I just wasn't made for these times.")

Upon arriving to the sold out concert at the Jubilee, my stranger in a strange land perspective vivified to a relentless height upon encountering an atmosphere made up of large families, young teenage girls, elderly couples, and a swarming mob of cowboy boot and hat wearing humanoids.

Needless to say, I was in a G-rated, strictly country and western environment and almost felt guilty for curling up in a corner whilst

reading a biography on iconoclastic author William S. Burroughs.

At 7:30 p.m. The Wilkinsons, an act which consists of a Dad and his teenage daughter and son, took the stage for an overtly appreciative and applauding audience.

Throughout their performance I felt a terrible bout of nausea and insanity. This squeaky clean outfit were just too wholesome, polished, and television sitcom-ish to be real. It was as if they were manufactured puppets/robots.

The choreography, cuteness, on que voices, and full-fledged ideal of the good-looking country and western singing all-American family were just too contrived, modeled, assembled, and produced that the notion of an actual human being laying behind the realms of this way too rehearsed image was vacant. I did my very best in trying to find something real in the

songs, the people, and the show, but I always ended up with finding absolutely nothing.

They used the word Love often, but had no reason or emotion in conveying what it actually means to them. It was as if they read a few phrases about what love means from a \$1.99 fridge magnet purchased from a kitschy novelty shop and borrowed the quaint quotations for their songs.

In my opinion, they were mindless, cheap, lazy, and easy entertainment. It reminded me of fast food and an infomercial evangelists propaganda scheme. However, the crowd devoured 'em up as if they were a dozen Big Macs, so you know I'm just an individual amongst a mob in this point of view.

As for Paul Brandt, my anxiety and panic settled, and reason came to light. Dressed in the man-

in-black attire which Johnny Cash brought to the masses during the 50's, Paul Brandt came across as an energetic inoffensive showman with style, charisma, and a cool authentic presence.

His songs, though they were common, twangy, country and western compositions and hardly artful in any way, actually had something valid to say. He glorified geography in wanting to go all over the world, mentioned a distrust of politicians, genuinely lent out his heart in expressing the absence of his gal, and brought strength to fearful situations.

Also, Paul wasn't just a well-rounded entertainer, but a socially conscious activist/humanist as well. He took

some time out from his performance and educated the crowd of 3000 by giving a brief lecture on the atrocities of famine, poverty, and lack of nutrition located in third world countries and backed up his statement by showing a personal video featuring footage from these desolate and in need of care areas on the global map.

Moving and inspirational, I nod my head to Mr. Paul Brandt for using his fame for a cause that is higher than himself. Very cool.

I also feel I should mention that his selection in covering Harry Connick Jr's "Don't Get Around Much Anymore" and Bryan Adams air guitar anthem "Summer Of 69" was a plus rather than a minus.

And let me tell ya, when Paul went into a deep voice, the ladies went crazy. If I had worn my white-laced panties that evening, they would've been out of my pants and thrown before Mr. Brandt's gleaming black cowboy boots.

In conclusion, I dread the thought of having to remember the Wilkinsons, but the worthiness and heroism of Mr. Paul Brandt is deemed definite. I walked away from his performance with a decent respect for his shtick.

If anything he changed my perception that modern C & W artists aren't all tripe, unattractive, cowardly idiots.

I'm K. Joseph Kijek and, I quote from the title of Mr. Paul Brandt's latest record, "That's The Truth."



The Wilkinsons



Paul Brandt

CD Review

Good Riddance Operation Phoenix (Fat Wreck Chords)

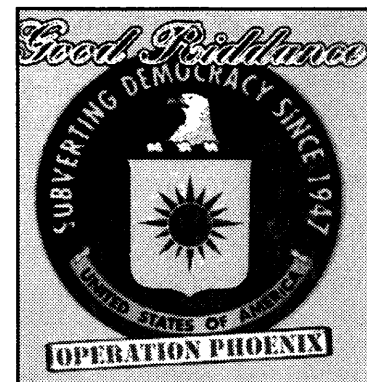
Billy Ripkin

Well, the boys from Santa Cruz have done it again. As always, their first song sets the tone for the rest of the album, and this one is frickin' hard and fast.

These guys are on the more political side of punk. Operation Phoenix has the, "I've got a message and you better listen to it or suffer the consequences" kind of tone to it.

They believe in a lot of things, and it is expressed through their music. Everything from corrupt American politics to the current state of society is covered on the album.

The lyrics are just as heavy as the guitars, and they use big words like indoctrination, jingoist, and pariah. I use words like what? huh? and oh. Vocalist Russ R. has a lot



of passion for what he sings about, because he wants to open people's eyes to what is going on in the world today.

Deep lyrics aside, Good Riddance's "Operation Phoenix" is hard, fast, and full of energy, just like their live shows. Good Riddance always manages to come up with impressive music, and I am rarely disappointed with anything they put out.

"Operation Phoenix" is a continuation of the great stuff Good Riddance always puts out and will blow you away when played at high volume. Not bad for a bunch of guys that don't eat meat. For the non-sellouts, give'er a go.

CD Review

Young Bleed

My Own

(Virgin Records)

K. Joseph Kijek

Once again, I had to alter my navigation and voyage on to the islands of Gangsta Rap. Oddly enough, my disembarkment in the world of YOUNG BLEED was an unexpected surprise. The cover of "My Own" depicts YOUNG BLEED as a high rollin' corporate tycoon staring out his high rise window and into the heavens where billowing white clouds glistening against a swimming pool blue sky.

On the adjacent wall is a gold edged frame featuring our protagonist with cain and book in-hand walking past the tiger guards and elevating his feet firmly upon the shiny gold steps which lead upwards to his kingdom. In the center of the room, a book lays open upon the desk and a nightlight radiates overtop the written pages.

The title itself might even possibly suggest an ode to the most powerful man in America Frank Sinatra who many years ago fabulously expressed the glory and sadness of one's own conviction in his legendary composition "My Way".

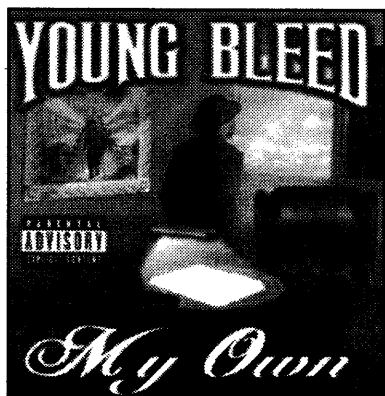
From cuts 1 to 12, YOUNG BLEED rapidly rhymes his way through numerous verses over a series of monotonous- hypnotic - video game-esq soundscapes and takes the pen is mightier than the sword approach in telling the tale of the fallen man who rose from the savage seediness of the slums.

He's a hustler; a wheeler and dealer who got out of the trenches of the inner city street life where drugs, poverty, and interrelated gang warfare raged havoc amidst his surroundings.

He's cool. He's tough. He's a poet. He's a man, crusading against racism and offering his wisdom, tactics and advice for others to get out of the violent and crime filled way of life.

It's a cruel cold world and YOUNG BLEED gives insight and courage to the theme of staying true to one's self in the face of corruption and no hope situations. He's got balls and determination. This album is a testament in his will to conquer despite the unbearable odds against him. Standout tracks include "Give and Take" and the doctrinal "To Be A Soldier".

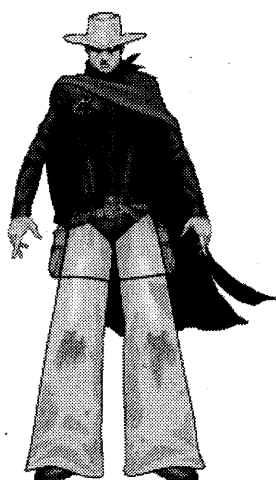
In conclusion, this is a damn good record that recounts the tale of a man who won't give up the fight and struggle for peace and prosperity.

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While attending an art exhibit, I was once asked to compare two very similar paintings, a Van Gogh and a Picasso. Then I was asked to choose which one was better - I couldn't. I mean how does one choose which one was the best when they both have such superior qualities. This past Sunday, I was faced with the same dilemma, when I had to choose between, Plantiers and Café Select. Both of them specialize in French cuisine (we all know that French is the romance food of choice) and they are both relatively unknown to the general public. The other defining characteristic which both



of them share is that they are both owned and operated by husband and wife teams, so you know that a lot of care goes into everything from the meals to the service. I have to be brutally honest; both of them have such outstanding qualities and I can't pick a winner. So here is the low down on both of them and you can be the judge as

to which one to pick. However, I can safely say that these are two of the best dining establishments in Edmonton, whether it's Valentine's Day or not.

Café Select

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Café Select definitely has the advantage when it comes to the romantic atmosphere. As soon as you walk in you can't help but feel dreamy. The dimly lit room as well as the candle light, enhances the intimate atmosphere to new heights, which will captivate most couples. Decorated with what may be called renaissance art with a modern twist, the décor of Café Select is definitely eye candy for the soul. When it comes to the food, Café Select again comes in strong. Some of their signature dishes are the Mussels "Mariniere" which are of course flown in fresh, and a Grilled Romaine Salad with a zany Dijon vinaigrette and pecorino romano cheese. Another unusual, yet brilliant item which Café Select has on their menu, is their Fondues. The types of Fondues you can choose from are tasty Swiss Cheese, Tomato and Herb or Herb and Spice, all

of which are perfect for sharing. Keep in mind that for Valentine's Day Café Select will offer an exclusive \$39.95 three-course meal menu, where they will offer an exceptional Chocolate Fondue as a dessert option. If you decide to choose Café Select, but do not decide to take the Valentine's Day

menu option, definitely try the Chicken Florentine. Topped with sautéed mushrooms, spinach and a light crème sauce, the Chicken Florentine is an anti-thesis of a typical spinach dish. As usual during Valentine's Day wine is a must, and Café Select has a well-equipped wine list, which will definitely meet anyone's needs.

Plantiers

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The interior of Plantiers reflects more of an elegant ambiance rather than Café Select's romantic atmos-

phere. Plantiers still has a hint of romance with the soft French music playing in the background, and well spaced out tables, so the diners get a little bit of privacy.

The kitchen is run by Master Chef Eric Plantier, who was in fact born and raised in France. As many French chefs do, Mr. Plantier believes, that the presentation of the food is what makes it taste just that much better, and he may be right. Mr. Plantiers' meals can be compared to works of art; every appetizer, entree and dessert is undoubtedly a feast for the eyes.

Although Plantiers menu may not feature as many items as Café Select's, I can assure you that Mr. Plantiers' has chosen an excellent variety which will please almost anyone. Some of the harder to find dishes that Plantiers menu caters to are duck and lamb, both of which are very succulent and well worth the price.

Plantiers does have the upper hand when it comes to desserts. Mr. Plantier has compiled an all impressive dessert list which contains several traditional French desserts

like the enticing mille-feuille (puff pastry filled with blueberries, strawberries and whipped cream) and the phenomenal, mi-cuit (a warm baked soft centered chocolate cake with a side of chocolate mousse).

So there you have it. The choice is



not so simple now is it? The passionate ambiance of Café Select, or, the masterful food creations of Plantiers? I guess it's all up to you. Does an atmosphere make the food or does the food create the atmosphere? Like I said, either way you can't go wrong. I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank Donna from Café Select and Madame Plantier from Plantiers for making this review possible.

Wayne Lee at the Nest

Jessica and Shannon

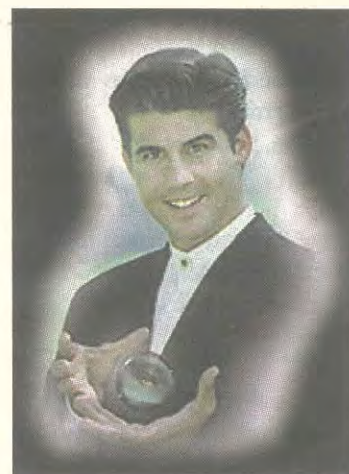


What were you doing last Friday night? If you weren't at The Nest watching Wayne Lee, you totally missed out. The show was completely sold out, and it was no wonder why. For the second time this year, Wayne Lee's hypnotist show has been a huge hit.

We had the best seats in the house courtesy of Rob Ellis, BAS president (thanks, man), so we had the privilege of seeing everything up close. There were guys speaking "alien," chicks having orgasms, and

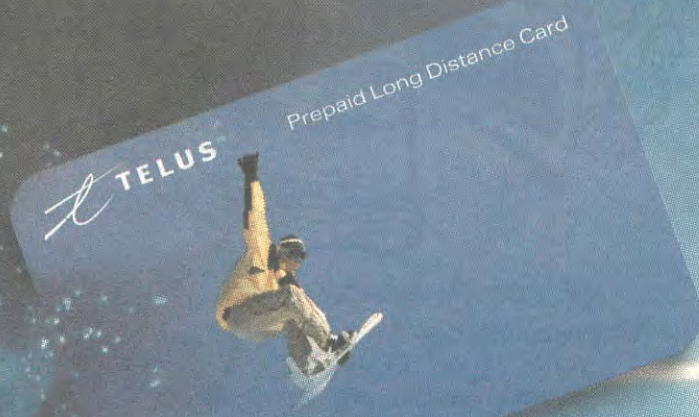
one guy even stripped right down to his briefs! And what can we say about Mike Anderson (or should we call you the road runner?) How's your goat doing, buddy?

The show started out pretty g-rated. That, however, quickly moved to a XXX rating! At the beginning, the participants were asked to do basic stuff like holding their hands together and being unable to undo them because they were supposedly "glued" together. However, it quickly progressed to gentle garbage upon the word "sex," which was only the beginning. Follow that with some guy who was proud to say that Wayne Lee had stolen his virginity and a girl who screeched joyfully while having an orgasm each time Wayne touched his nose. In addition to this, Wayne made someone dance like Carlton from the Fresh Prince of Bel-Air, made a guy think he was sucking his own dick, as well as many other hilari-



ous activities.

So, if you missed the show this time, make sure to catch him when he comes back. If you're interested in catching some of Wayne's shows, be sure to check out his website at <http://www.waynelee.com> - and to the guys who tried to hypnotize us? Yeah... it only works if you're Wayne Lee. Sorry, boys!



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