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Basketball Women Hope for "New Season"



MIKE McGuire

NAIT - 74 Eagles - 63

Following what has been an anything but spectacular early season, the Ook Women's Basketball squad were in a must win position against the King's Eagles on November 15.

Scoring stayed close during the start, with the Ooks carrying a tight two-point lead. Solid defensive plays by NAIT's Amy-Jean Easton and Nichole Fessier began the upswing, and a long shot for two by Lorraine Stelck displayed dominance as the Ooks gained twelve unanswered points.

It appeared as though the Ooks were finding their game, as coach Fabio Marcucci let his team play their own style, calling only one time-out through the first

Game play would resemble



Amy-Jean Easton's performance played a major role in the Ooks victory over King's College last weekend.

the kind of back and forth style that Lady Ook fans have been accustomed too over the past season. The difference this time was the commanding lead NAIT held, finishing the first half 41-28.

The relay continued through most of the second half, with a fifteen point lead resulting from

a quick hook shot by Ashley

Scrambling to recover, the Eagles' offence couldn't capitalize on several opportunities presented by the Ooks.

With only 2:40 remaining in the game, NAIT's eleven point lead seemed like enough to play

that has been the 2002-2003 season was finally broken. Coach Marcucci was ecstatic about the result for his team a team who had yet to taste victory this season. "They deserved to win. I was really proud of them this weekend."

out the clock, but

some quick steals

reminded the Ooks

of the importance of

playing the full forty.

In the end, play they

would, and the jinx

The thought remains as to whether or not this will be a pivotal point in what has so far been a less than memorable season for the women. Marcucci responds, "I think we understand where we need to go from here. In terms of what it takes, in terms of preparation, and playing as a team. One fourth of our season is done, and we failed the test. Now, we embark on the second quarter of our schedule."

The Basketball women finish a home and home series against RDC here at the Main Gym on Saturday November 23rd at 6:30 p.m. As always, admission for NAIT students is free.



A new season starts here: the Ook women look to continue winning against Red Deer this weekend.

Basketball Men Increase Streak to 7-0



MIKE McGuire





TKUC 71

Second only to Ontario's Algonquin Thunder, the Men's Basketball Ooks continued their path to national dominance last Friday against the King's University College Eagles.

for the Ooks in the beginning, headlined by some great offence by Leif Puffer and Loren Balon. The pair contributed greatly to an early 13 point lead before Puffer would pass the opportunity down the bench.

In his absence, strong defence by King's allowed only 3 points for the Ooks, allowing them to maintain the lead.

Eagles' Shane Smith managed to land the 3-pointer but backto-back deuces by NAIT's Slav Kornik and Loren Balon stopped the visitors' momentum quickly. As time wound down in the first half, the Ooks were up 50-24. With such a commanding lead, it appeared as though NAIT was turning the game into a working practice. Play fizzled, and Ooks

It was a veteran showcase coach Marc Dobell called a full time out with only:17 remaining. Experimentation continued through most of the second half, with several new plays undertaken. Mistakes during these tests did allow the Eagles to close the deficit, but 19 points were as close as the King's squad would get to the

Following some amazing air by Mark Dorado, a dunk by NAIT's John Pilz served as the signal that NAIT was returning to established plays.

The Eagles managed to pour on the offence towards the end, but with the Ooks concentration returned, there simply wasn't enough time or opportunity left before NAIT would take the 22 point victory.

Slav Kornik, NAIT's player of the game for that night, managed 12 points that night. Despite the commanding win, he admits that consistency is an issue. "We get big leads in the first half and

then we let the teams stay with us or come back. When we notice they're cutting the lead a little bit, then we start to play harder. We're getting in the routine of doing that, we just have to play for forty minutes."

CoachDobellconcurs, "The guys have to start getting used to playing in some different defences. We changed defences, and we're just not good at the other defence right now."

Nevertheless, the formula the Men's team has this year seems to be working. As the undefeated streak continues, the Ooks continue to rise in both the provincial and national standings.

The next Ooks home game is on Saturday November 23rd, as the Red Deer College Kings enter the main gym at 8:30p.m.



photo by: Mike McGuire Kyle Morrison and crew seam unstoppable this season, boasting a spotless 7-0 record.



Cousellor **NAIT Student** Counselling Centre

Date or acquaintance rape is defined as being forced or pressured into having sex against your will and without your consent by a person who is known to you. It includes new acquaintances or ongoing relationships. The best defense against date rape is to become informed and to minimize situations that put you at risk. Here are some suggestions:

- Don't keep your head in the sand. Recognize that date rape or acquaintance rape could happen to you. Between 10 to 25 percent of college women report being raped by men they knew.
- Know that it is your right to set limits and to defend them, and to tell your partner if/when you do and don't want to make love.
- Firmly discourage unwanted contact, even if it is
- Be assertive in setting relationship boundaries. Think about your limits in advance and communicate limits and expectations clearly (e.g. how much touch is okay). If you are clear in your own mind about your limits it is easier to communicate them.
- Passivity may be interpreted as permission, so say 'No' in a tone that relays that you mean it. Don't hint or expect anyone to read your mind.
- Be wary of acquaintances who are excessively jealous or possessive, get hostile when you say no, ignore your wishes or opinions, act in an intimidating way, or attempt to make you feel guilty if you say no to sex.
- If you are uncertain about the person you are with avoid alcohol or drugs

If you do get into a situation where you feel uncomfortable or

- Try to stay calm. Think about your options and how safe it would be to resist.
- Stay NO strongly.
- If you have a safe option to resist act quickly.
- · Try to get away. Use selfdefense tactics. You may be able to hit, bite or kick to gain a chance of escape. However realize that fighting back might cause the offender to become violent so appraise the situation.
- Yell for help.
- Buy time with talk. Try to convince or persuade the offender. Flatter him. When he thinks he no longer needs to use force, he may ease up his guard and give you a chance to break away.
- Be as non-seductive as possi-

transmitted disease, your period, or that you are pregnant. Do physical things to turn him off (e.g. urinate on the floor, pick your nose, pass gas, belch or vomit).

Remember that giving in is not consent. It may be the only survival strategy.

If you are raped get medical attention as soon as possible. Do not shower or bathe until you

The fact that you were intoxicated is not legal defense to rape. You are responsible for your actions, whether drunk or sober.

have been examined at an emergency department. Go to a friend or family member who will be supportive. Report the attack to police. And remember rape is not your fault, it is an act of violence.

Men have the responsibility to prevent date rape

- Listen carefully to what the woman is saying. If you feel like you are getting a mixed message, clarify what she wants.
- Be sensitive to women who are unsure whether they want to have sex. If you pressure a woman into sex, this is classified as force.
- Do not let your desires control your actions. Think about whether you really want to have sex with someone who doesn't want to have sex with you.
- Remember that date rape is a crime and that it is never acceptable to use force in sexual situations.
- Don't make assumptions about a woman's behavior. Because a woman drinks or dresses sexily does not mean that she is inviting you to have sex.
- The fact that you were intoxicated is not legal defense to rape. You are responsible for your actions, whether drunk or sober.
- Just because a woman has had sex with you previously does not mean you have the right to have sex in the future. Date rape is a crime even if there has been past sexual involvement.

who consents to kissing or other sexual intimacies is willing to have sexual intercourse.

- If you have sex with a woman who is drugged, intoxicated, incapable of saying no, or unaware of what is happening, you may be guilty of rape.
- Get involved if you believe someone is at risk. Don't be afraid to intervene - you may save a woman from assault and a man from criminal prosecution.
- Recognize that uncaring or forceful treatment of women will affect your own relationships. Women who have been raped or faced an attempted rate will likely have difficulty feeling trust in relationships.

The Student Counselling Centre is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Make an appointment to discuss any academic, career or personal concerns by calling 471-8921 or booking in person at Room 0117.

Date Rape Prevention Sue Speaks About MARGARET Marean ble. Tell him you have a sexually who consents to kissing or other who consents to kissing or other



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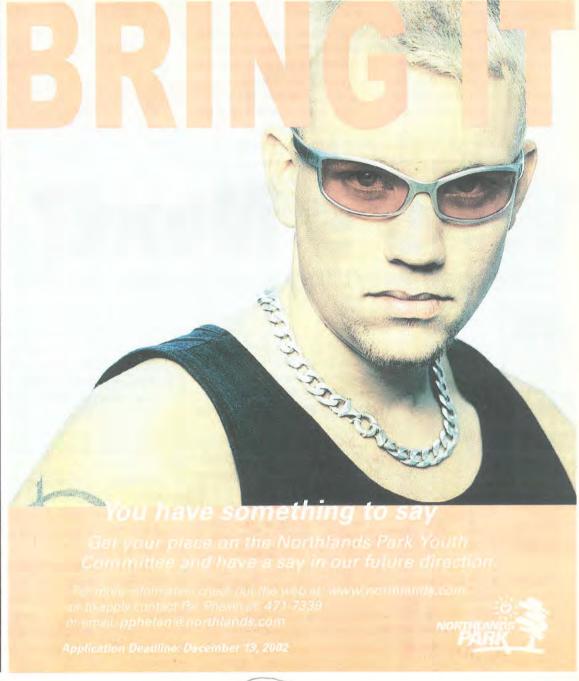
Renowned sex education expert Sue Johanson, R.N., came to NAIT to speak about love, relationships, and sex. She was guest speaker for Sexual Responsibility Week at NAIT, which is November 18-22. As you may have noticed, there were displays and many activities on campus throughout the week. Sexual Responsibility Week's purpose is to make students aware of health, emotional, and physical consequences of reckless sexual behav-

On Wednesday, November 20th, Sue Johanson spoke to NAIT students in the NAIT gymnasium. Better known as Dr. Sue or "The Sex Lady", Sue Johanson lectures to over 30,000 Canadian university and college students annually. She is the winner of several

Canadian Organization of Campus Activities (COCA) Speaker of the Year Award and was inducted into the COCA Hall of Fame in 1998. Johanson is an activist of responsible and safer sex. In 1970, she opened the first birth control clinic in a North American high school, in Ontario. In 1974, she started teaching sex education.

In addition to lecturing across Canada, Johanson works on the Women's Television Network (WTN) with her show, Sunday Night Sex Show. She also writes regular columns for a variety of newspapers and magazines, including the Edmonton Sun, Toronto Star, Campus and MENZ magazines. Johanson has authored three books: Talk Sex (Penguin, 1988), Sex is Perfectly Natural, But Not Naturally Perfect (Penguin, 1993), and Sex, Sex, and More Sex (Penguin, 1995).

Johanson's best attributes have been described as her ability to listen, to be non-judgmental, and to be frank, yet humorous.





Preventing Locker Theft:

Get Involved

DRU Taylor

About three weeks ago I read an article in the nugget about locker theft. It gave good advice about not leaving valuables in lockers and using good locks. But what about keeping the thieves from getting to our lockers? What do you do when you see someone with bolt cutters in the hall?

Last Thursday I was leaving my class in H wing and passed a man with bolt cutters in his hand. He was dressed something like a security guard but I didn't see his badge, and he was alone. I turned around and caught up to him and asked to see his badge. He didn't show me one or say anything. He pulled back his coat and showed me a radio. I have a radio too, so I again asked him to show me his badge. This time he showed me a large ring of keys. Like a broken record, I asked again to see his badge. He spoke his words and said, "We don't carry badges." I stepped back into my classroom and asked my instructor Don Higgins to check him out. Don said he had seen him before but didn't think the procedure was correct.

Now I decided to investigate. I went to the info desk and told the story so far. The very nice lady at the desk was also surprised that the security guard was not wearing a badge. She gave me her supervisor's, Peggy Isley, number to find out more. I called her from H wing and she was also surprised that security people were not wearing badges. Peggy told me that she would find out if they were supposed to and in any case make sure they did in the future.

While I was talking to Peggy on the phone this same guard cut open a locker at the request of a person (probably a student).

There were no warning tags on lockers and he did not have a list of lockers to cut open! What was he doing at 4:30 with bolt cutters? Why didn't he give me his name or even ask for my name?? Why didn't this guard make sure the locker he cut open belonged to the person who asked him to cut it open?? There is a procedure that involves a form from the appropriate department, but a call on the radio that he showed me would have satisfied me! Are the "security guards" cutting open lockers for thieves? Does anyone else have the guts to question someone with bolt cutters? Has no other student ever seen this guy without his badge?

GET INVOLVED!

Students in the 60's and 70's protested and were a real political force, but today no one will ask a guy why he's cutting open a locker that is tagged and looks OK!

Editor's Note: After Dru's discovery, the Commissionaires at the school will now clearly display proper identification while on duty. As for the rest of the situation the student had locked his keys in the locker. The request to cut the lock was originated by a NAIT instructor who confirmed that the locker belonged to the student in question. The Commissionaire verified the instructor's identity and also the identity of the student. The lock was cut with the student present and the Commissionaire provided a temporary lock. Other than the "ID card" problem all procedures were followed correctly. We urge all students to get involved and to be aware of any suspicious activities on campus.

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Being Young at Heart



KIMBERLY Ashley

The holiday season is amongst us and I can remember back to the simple times when the last few weeks of classes before Christmas were spent on learning lines for a Christmas production at school, making home-made Christmas gifts for mom and dad, and going to Grandma's house on a Saturday afternoon to bake sugar cookies. Those days are gone, but not for good.

Don't let homework, projects or assignments overwhelm you. Take the time this season to do the things that make you happy. Relive your childhood memories and pick up one of those chocolate advent calendars. Rent one of your favourite childhood Christmas

movies and curl up on the couch with some hot chocolate and a blanket. Go out and buy a few cookie cutters and make your own sugar cookies at home.

Decorate your house. Get a strand of lights for the window, and a string of garland for around the door. A few holly berries wouldn't hurt either. If you are able to find a miniature tree, put it up and decorate to your heart's content, just for yourself.

Just because you don't live at home anymore, doesn't mean you can't start your own Christmas traditions. Find something you love to do, and share it with your family and friends and make it special for you.

Be young at heart. Don't let the pressures of adulthood get to you yet, save that for graduation and the real real world, and even then don't be afraid to let your innerchild out to play once in awhile.

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(Near Financial Aid & Student Award Office)





Farting Smarter



TOM Ace

Dear Tom,

I have had a crush on a cute girl in my class since September. I have recently been spending more time with her because we have been assigned to work on a group project together. We flirt lots and I was slowly working up the courage to ask her out for dinner. Little did I know that my hopes would be dashed in a matter of seconds. One day both the cutie and me stepped on to a crowded elevator in order to make it to our class on time. Suddenly, from my corner of the elevator, came a huge farting sound. I started laughing, like everyone else in the elevator was. Then I caught a glimpse of Miss Hottie and she didn't look impressed. I'm pretty sure that she thought I had farted on the elevator, when, in actuality, I fart in less public areas. So now she doesn't talk to me as much, the flirting has come to a complete stop and she skips every second group meeting we have. I would still love to take her out to dinner sometime, how should I pull it off?

Frustrated

Dear Frustrated,

As funny as smelly loud gases are, they can also be a mood killer. Most girls are aware that males fart, and fart often. Unfortunately for you, your girl can't just shrug her shoulders and let go of the fact

that you may have had a burrito for lunch. So if you really want to date a girl that can't stand the sound of a fart, this is what I suggest: recruit one of your guy friends to do a little dirty work for you. Pick a friend that has no shame when it comes to embarrassment, or a buddy who is in a committed relationship so that his reputation won't get damaged too badly by the stunt I'm about explain. Set up the same elevator situation as you rush to class: your girl, you, the crowed elevator, but this time get your buddy on the elevator with you. Make sure that you stand close to Miss Hottie and far away from your friend. Then, get your friend to fart loudly. If you think your friend can't do it...you are wrong. If you try it three times I guarantee that he will be able to fart on command. When he does fart, act like you are totally grossed out and your girl will see that you share her hatred for farts. Tell your friend that he is disgusting and so on. When you get off the elevator, explain to your crush that he farts on the elevator all the time and hopefully she will put two and two together. She'll think that it was him last time and not you, which puts you back in her good books. Of course if you do end up dating her I would recommend getting your ass sewn shut.

If you are in need of help, when it comes to the love department, then be sure to let the Love Doctor know. Drop him a line at nuggetlovedoctor@hotmail.com or drop off your letter in the little black box outside the Nugget office.

Guy the Pot Smoker



PETE Parke

Pot Smokers of the world UNITE! But when they did, they couldn't remember what they united for, then one guy lit a doobey up. One guy ran out of his BC Special and then the fight was on.—Excerpt from the book Parker hasn't wrote yet.

"Drugs bring us to the gates of paradise, then keep us from entering." -- Mason Cooley (b. 1927), U.S. aphorist. City Aphorisms, Ninth Selection, New York (1992).

The dull laughter of a Stoner filled the hall. The class stopped in full swing to look over at this, well, we'll just call him Guy. He had gone out on the break and had a hit of weed, or maybe it was two or three. In any case he was truly stoned out of his mind. In his current state he was as useful as a tit on a Boar and did not give us the courtesy to keep it a secret.

'Tis of small wonder why some students turn to Pot as relief, with our instructors pushing us with the knife-edge of insanity workload. And yet, therein lies the disturbed irony. Students come to school to get smarter and in the attempt turn to a substance, currently prohibited by law, that kills brain cells in the multitudes. We work to the bone, but the instructors only demand more. I'm surprised there's not more laws against overworking NAIT Students. What does our student council do again?

I digress

I suppose it is in this state of stupidity that we call 'youth' that the majority of Pot smokers start, but considering how many of the guys are sporting boobs and how many girls get five o'clock shadow every day, you would think that somewhere down the line pot smoking would lose it's lure. This is not even close to being the case. I guess it's because people find it a fun release, even at the expense of their education.

Guy stared out into space and said "Wow Man. This is cool. It's school. It rhymes it does!" And laughed with renewed force.

He got booted out.

I realize that there are many people who are looking to fake illness if the government legalizes Pot for those with prescriptions. They are the same ones who cry at the top of their lungs "POT FOR THE PEOPLE!" and claim that there is no harm in it. However you chose to look at it, College is not a place for "recreational" drugs. Home, perhaps? I am just throwing that idea out there; maybe some Hacky-Sacking-Druggee will catch on.

A snowball has a better chance in Hell.

I mean, c'mon folks. These guys and gals are without clue. They have no clue. A clue they are not having. Without clue the live. They are like, "Here Clue! Here Boy! C'mon Clue!" Life is not a bowl of cherries. It's work. Get used of it. Grow up. Get a life. Get on with it. Stop mucking your life up.

Saying all of this is pointless. "Usage" is solely based on the "wonderful" release, fun, and enjoyment that it causes and for that justification Drugees will say anything to get their next hit. Some days I wished I was like "Drugee be gone!" wave the wand and POOF.

Wait a Cotton-Pickin-Minute!

Harry Potter and just simply say,

Wait a Cotton-Pickin-Minute! Guy got thrown out of class and he is gone. On top of that, it won't bother me if I don't look. Will it? Oh yeah, one last thing, Little Cody Newton wanted his name in the paper again along with that crazy little saying he holds as his mantra—Woot woot bling bling. Who knows, he might be onto something there.

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Student Success

BRYAN Jacobsen

Why is it that the student in today's society is set up for failure rather than success? I feel like I'm being punished for trying to better myself. Why must I live in destitution to try and escape from a minimum wage job bracket? It's certainly not to teach me respect for people in a similar situation. How many corporate "XXX"s do you think are about much more than how to make that next Lexus payment? True I could abandon my current situation to make a decent living working with hot tar and concrete, but in my opinion that option is not much better.

As a student I am made poor strictly by the requirements to be a student. Because of the time needed to take even a half-assed approach to my studies, my earning potential is limited to part time hours in said shitty job. Combined with the expenses of school the amount of cash required to fund even a starving shut-in's live has become a strain on my pocket book. To hell with going out for a bender to blow off steam, a wicked night nowadays is a rambunctious night of Monopoly. I was so worn out after the last Monopoly night I passed out and took a brief nap while on the john on the seventh floor. I thank god for the person that knocked on the door or I may have missed a class in there.

The organized masses in general don't make it any easier on a guy either. While waiting for my student bursary to arrive I ran flat out of cash. There was no room to maneuver any of the debt around to free up even five bucks in cash. One day I ran out of gas on the way to work and wound up having to walk from 82nd street to 114th street and back. I pushed the beast into a residential no parking zone, right next to a fire hydrant.

After about twelve hours I returned to my car and found it sitting there, beneath an Oak tree, covered in the green and gold leaves of an autumn Oak tree. Not only was my car still there, but there was no ticket, no word of warning left under my wiper. I thank god that my car crapped out there, because if I had been anywhere within three miles of NAIT the car would have been gone. I would have found it sitting with a sixty dollar ticket in a fifty dollar impound lot with a forty dollar towing fee. Why (I ask this question a lot, makes me popular with the three year olds) does the Edmonton police service patrol this area like a bunch of meth filled Gestapo? I can truly appreciate the fact that they up the expenditures in order to fine and police one of the most impoverished groups in the city. I now that this is the case,

because I would be willing to bet my left nut that you don't find the five or six pairs of meter maids walking the NAIT beat between June and July.

It's gotten so bad that the spillover is starting to affect the ever-cherished consumer population. One day a friend of mine happened to spot me as I walked across from the Arby's at Kingsway. (I was treating myself to a roast beef sandwichÖ the bursary came in the mail) and parked his car in the Sears parking lot. By the time her was parked I was across the street and he came running to catch up with me. We had a cigarette and caught up a bit, my school was going well, and he was going to the mall to buy jeans. I had another two hours to kill so I decided to accompany him. In the eight minutes we stood outside The Nest Marko's car had been towed.

We found the nearest wannabe and inquired about the situation, explaining our end in the process. "You left the lot, we towed your car. This parking lot is for King-

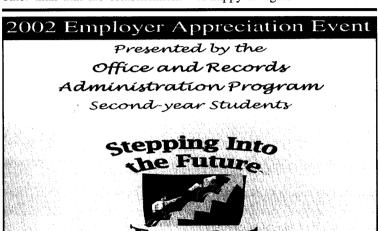
sway customers only," he said. Mind that Marko isn't a student at NAIT, and was bound for Kingsway to spend some money. We explained this and the officer's chest puffed up even bigger as he said, "we saw you cross the

There's no real point to this other than that the establishment tion my decision to devote to years of my life to its study. I pray that the little knot of fear in my stomach never goes away, and that I can retain my objectivity for as long as possible.

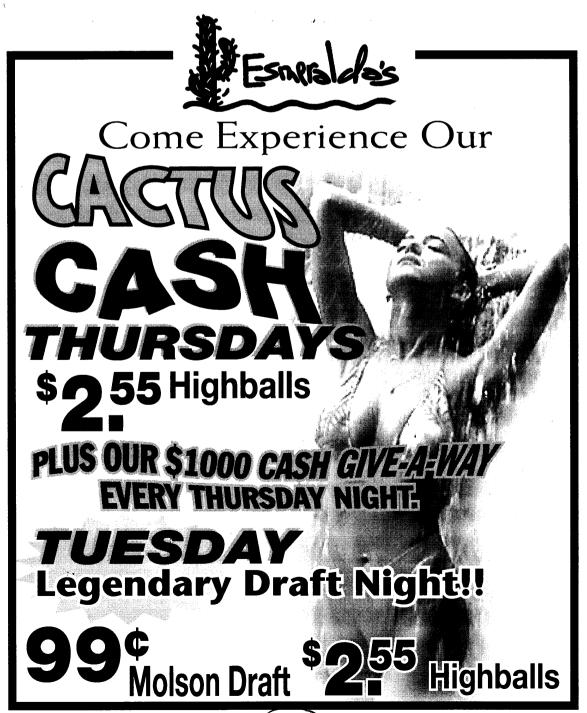
to happy thoughts.

(aka "the man") sucks, and I ques-

Bitching done, rant over, back



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SPORTS



From rINgSIDE

Steiner, Titles, and PWA Tickets for YOU To Win!



MIKE

Let's kick this week off with the newest match to enter the WWE fold. The Elimination Chamber itself certainly delivered up to the hype, and fans worldwide seemed satisfied with the outcome. Personally, I would have liked to see Booker take the belt, but that doesn't mean he won't get it soon!

There is still some confusion over the title scene in WWE. Here's how it breaks down. There are 2 shows, or 2 "brands", as they would like to call it. Each "brand" has its own champion: Raw has the "World Heavyweight" title, and Smackdown has the "WWE Championship". As for the Tags, the same "World" moniker applies to Raw's champs, and "WWE Tag Champions" grace Steph's show. Raw seems to have lay claim to the Women's title, and Smackdown the Cruiserweight, so in all this craziness, it balances out.

One thing that won't balance out for much longer is Scott Steiner's role in the company. After



Sean Wattman and Joanie Laurer.

seeing Chris Jericho (with a new tag strap) lay out a challenge to the Genetic Freak, it will be interesting to see who steps up from the Smackdown roster.

As I eluded to in an interview with PWA Star and NAIT alum "Marky Mark", wrestling is coming to NAIT tomorrow (Friday) night. It's a tournament for the first ever PWA Champion, and tickets are still available. It should be a huge show, taking place in our own gym. Independent wrestling has become incredible in this region over the past year, and this show could be the start of a major industry revolu-

Speaking of tickets, yep you guessed it. I have some to give away. Just email me by midnight (Thursday) mikenait@shaw.ca, and you could have your admission for the event

to leave your name and telephone number on the email!

Monster Pro Wrestling also has their second Edmonton show happening on December 20 at the Joint. Tickets are through Ticketmaster, and could establish them as the biggest contender against PWA. I for one expect big things from this group of talented per-

Lastly, there is still no news on the status of Canadian Championship Wrestling. While many

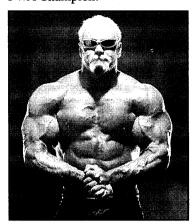
paid by yours truly! Don't forget predict that the end of the road has hit the once dominant company, word from the office is that "options are still being explored," including the possibility of a show in early 2003.

> In the department of "What the hell?!?", Joanie Laurer (Chyna) and Sean Waltman (X-Pac) announced their engagement through Joanie's website last week. Gotta wonder what Triple H is thinking right now.

Speaking of ol' Trips, it appears that he may be missing some work due to an injury during Elimination Chamber. WWE.com released the following statement:

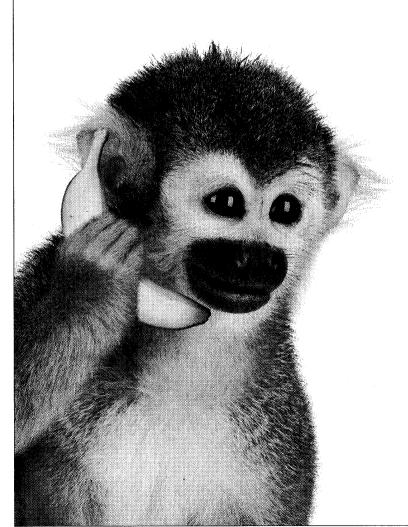
"Triple H suffered some swelling in his neck during the Elimination Chamber Match on Sunday night at Survivor Series. The swelling put pressure on his esophagus and trachea, which made breathing difficult." It is believed that this happened when Rob Van Dam went a little wide on the Five-Star, catching Hunter with his leg.

I want to know what you guys think. Give me your best rant, rave, or questions about this industry we call Sports-Entertainment. Just email me at mikenait@shaw.ca and let your opinions be known! Until next week, I hope to see you all at the PWA show tomorrow night, e-mail me for your chance to win tickets! Hey, if you don't win, you can still get at least 9 matches for twelve bucks, plus witness the crowning of the first PWA Champion!



Scott Steiner—Holla if ya hear

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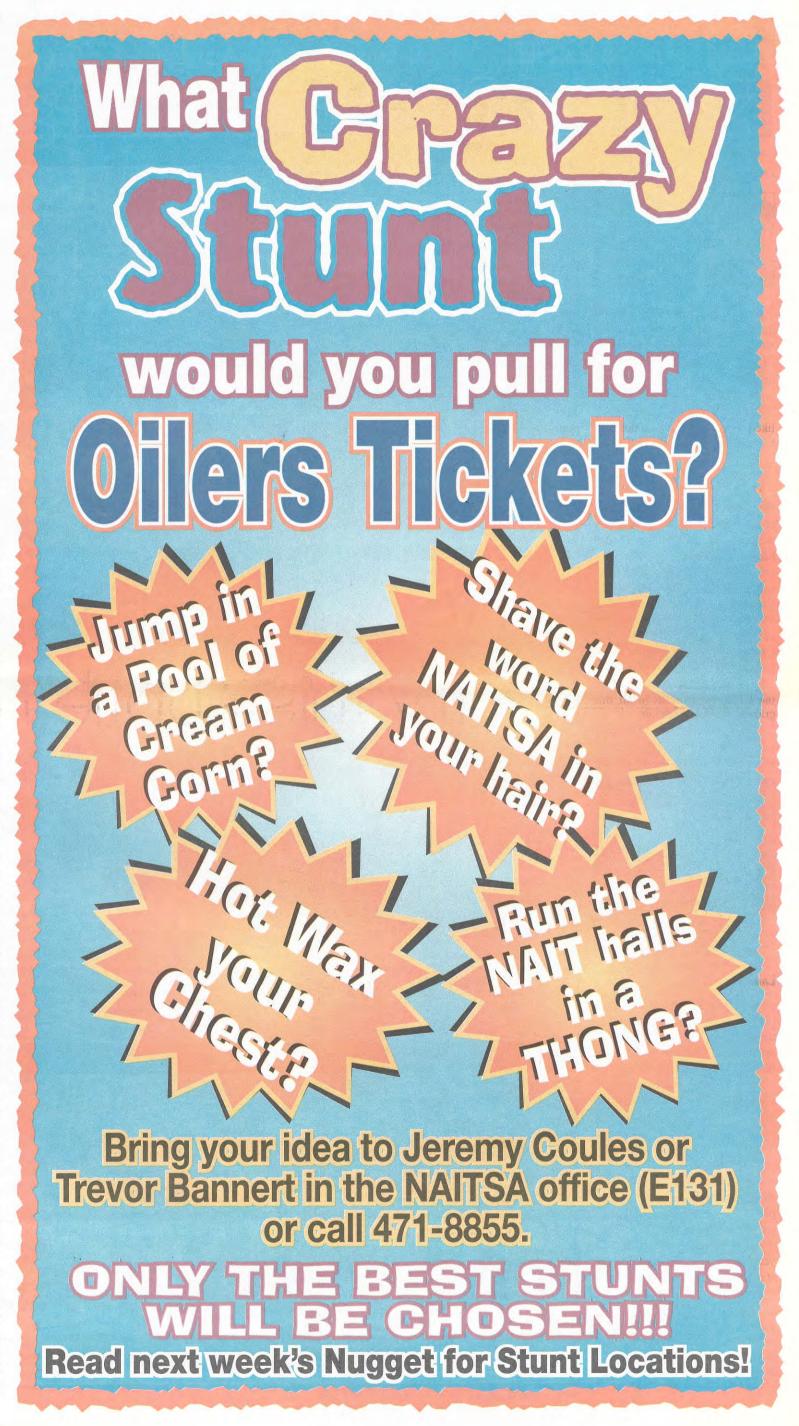
FALON Fayant

It's that time of year again --no, not Christmas! Swirls of snowflakes fluttering to the ground,
painting the world white. Sound
charming? Maybe if you're building a snowman on a sunny winter
afternoon -- but there's nothing
charming about slipping and sliding in your car through a winter
"wonderland". There are some
winter driving care tips that you
should be aware of.

If your car needs servicing, don't procrastinate. Faulty parts can leave you stranded. Ensure that you battery is up to par. In the winter, on those freezing days, it takes more power to start you car. Check your cooling system to make sure the antifreeze will protect your car. A 50-50 mix of coolant to water is sufficient for most ears. You can check it yourself with a device you can buy in the store -- but if you'd rather not be bothered you can get a mechanic to look at it for you. If you have any leaks in your cooling system, make sure that you have them taken care of. If you have no coolant, or it's low, you could just find yourself with no heat.

Your windshield wipers should be in tip-top shape, as well; your windshield washer fluid should be full. The last thing you need on slushy days is trying to drive peering through a dirty windshield. If you find yourself in a bind though, you can always pull over and find some clean snow in the ditch to try and clean it off. A full tank of gas is a good idea also because if you do get stranded, the engine will be a good source of heat. Just be sure to open the window a crack to avoid carbon monoxide asphyxiation. (We at The Nugget wouldn't want to lose any readers).

Make sure that you know what your car can and cannot do in snow. This will minimize accidents. Get some good tires as well. In case you do get stranded, make sure that you've prepared a winter survival kit. You should have a lighter or some matches; a candle, blankets, snow boots and winter clothes, as well as lots of snacks and anything else you think might be of use to you. And last, one of the most important tips is to go slow! You don't win any points if you're the first one there, but you'll sure lose a lot if you don't make it there at all.





STEVE MOORE AND JOSH FREUND, TEAM MEMBERS, RACING IN THE CART. SERIES.





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MIKE McGuire

At last weekend's Western Final, over 34,000 Eskimo diehards did their absolute best to ensure that the Home team would be the first team in the Prairies to host and play in the Grey Cup

As things began to get tense against the Blue Bombers, a number of Eskimo players were seen cheerleading, some near tears, believing that the desires of hometown fans would come true.

"I just want to thank them with all my heart. Without them, I wouldn't be going to the Grey Cup," says ten-year veteran Bruce Beaton, one of the first players to work the Edmonton crowd into a wild frenzy. "I know that there's a lot of people that are going home hoarse today and really, were the difference in this league. I would love to get them a Grey Cup."

Ricky Ray credits the fans for helping the Eskimos defence. "It was huge. I don't know if fans understand how difficult it makes it for opposing offences when they're

trying to bark out calls. Playing in front of our home crown is just awesome."

The crowd marveled Coach Tom Higgins that day. "Absolutely fabulous. I'm very proud of our fans, and I hope they're proud of our football club. They sure make a difference when they're being as excited as they were today."

Dan Comiskey, who was seen "I think the fans play a huge part in home games. Our fans came together and they took care of us. They cheered when we needed cheering, and they made our defence roll. I just can't wait to go out and play the game (Grey Cup)".

Still, on a day that saw beautiful temperatures and regular season ticket prices, 630 CHED sports-caster couldn't hide disappointment in such a low gate attendance. "You should have 50,000 plus - I'm not happy with 34,000. They had two games here where they had a total 105,000 back to back. One of the games was 62,000 people. This is a championship game, this is our home team, we haven't been in a Grey Cup since 1996, and we wind up with 34,000 people. If you're a season ticket holder like I am, you have your tickets to this championship game already included. If



The Eskimos Cheerleaders.

means you have an extra 10,000 people that come to the game? That's ridiculous! The Grey Cup is automatic, it will sell out now that the Eskimos are in it, but this is always been a mystery to me why this happens at a playoff game in Edmonton."

Stadium will be packed to capacity

you sell 24,000 season tickets, that a great disappointment to me. It's this Sunday as the Green and Gold square off against long-time rivals the Montreal Alouettes.

Grey Cup festivities began Nevertheless, Commonwealth yesterday, November 20th, with the Tailgate party at City Hall.



photo by: Mike McGuire

Commonwealth exploded for John Avery's first major at the Western Final last Sunday.



Young or old, green and gold.



Hey buddy, why not do the pits too?

photo by: Mike McGuire

"We're chanting fight, fight, fight on Eskimos!"



Fan Wins Big at NTV POWER The Second NAIT Athletics Tech Challenge



Mohammed

Did you know that NAIT has its own television show? Well, you probably aren't the only one unaware of its existence which is exactly why the first semester Radio and Television students are working hard to promote NTV. NTV is the student-produced news show, which airs every weekend on the Shaw Station. One of the projects undertaken by a group of drawn. They were to complete free throws, eliminating whoever missed it until the last person was left. Jack Charuk of Sherwood Park won a bundle of prizes, including a spot on NTV's next show, airing November 23rd and

Hopefully, the Sudden Death Shoot-Out will have accomplished its mission: to make it known that NTV does exist and is THE News show for the students. Not only are the RTA students the 'talent' of the program, they write the stories, film all clips, and produce the show



aspiring RTA talents is the installation of a half-time show during the Women's Basketball game on November 15th, 2002. The Sudden Death Half-Time Show gave fans a chance to win amazing prizes from sponsors such as Campus Reads n Needs, The Nest, You Name It, Plaza Bowl, Sport Mart, and Boston Pizza on Princess Elizabeth Ave. The object of the contest was simple: ticket stubs were given out to all the fans and 5 lucky contestants were

in to its entirety all by their lonesomes. The show includes events happening around the school as well as around the community. The most important part is that with students running the gig, it inevitably relates well with other students. It might be worthwhile to check the show out, airing on Shaw TV Saturdays at 7 PM and Sundays at 6. And keep an eye out for Jack Charuk on November 23rd and 24th to see what NTV spoiled him with.



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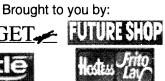
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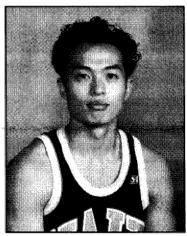
Dorado Electric on B-Ball Court

MIKE McGuire

His second year as an Ook, 5'7" Mark Dorado has managed to leave a lasting impression in the memories of both fans and team mates alike.

The first in his family to be born in Canada, the 20 year old Phillipino comes from a basketball background. Both Dorado's father and grandfather also played the game.

Watching Dorado on the court is comparable to watching a movie like "The Matrix", as his speed and agility often dominates over players a foot taller. Speeding across the hardwood, it's not uncommon



Mark Dorado

to see Dorado sailing in the air towards the net, often achieving more height that some of his taller counterparts.

Billed as a forward, Dorado admits that he prefers playing defense. "I like to push the ball. I'd rather pass than shoot. I like to play defense too, I play an aggressive style".

"He's the quickest guy I've ever coached," says Ooks coach Marc Dobell. "He's an amazing player to watch. He's a much better player than I thought he was when he came here. With his jumping ability and his quickness, there are some things that you think he can't do. He continues to surprise us all on the bench."

Teammate Slav Kornik, who shares a similar build to Dorado concurs, "That guy could fly to the roof one of these days."

With his team holding second place in National standings, Dorado is eager to have the Ooks take the biggest prize in Canada. "I would love that. I want to go to Montreal. That's our goal right now. Win Alberta, then win the National Championship."

With the consistency shown by all players this year, Dorado's goal seems well within reach.

Are You Up For It?

MARC Dobell

On Friday November 22nd, our second NAIT ATHLETICS Tech Challenge of the year will take place at our home hockey game versus the Mount Royal College Cougars. We are planning a big night for this challenge and we hope that each technology can produce at least one team to come and compete for the Tech Challenge Championship. At our last Tech Challenge in October the MRT took home 1st place, while AHT finished in 2nd, and CLXT in 3rd. Congratulations to those teams and good luck on November 22nd!

Teams can consist of 5 or more people (the more the better!) who come to the game together and cheer on the Ooks to victory. Each technology can enter as many teams as they want, as long as each team has at least 5 members. Teams will be judged on number of people in the group, cheering ability of group, and ability to fit the theme of the night. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams at each Tech Challenge.

Prizing for the Tech Challenge is substantial. As one of our main sponsors, Labatt's Canada will offer a concert party with a Ooks to victory!

private suite for 20 at the Joint Nightclub or Tonic. Other prizes available for the Tech Challenge include a Pizza Party courtesy of Boston Pizza- NAIT, specials at Cowboys Nightclub, and cash towards your technology.

The theme for this Tech Challenge will be a POSTER theme. Your team should come with posters that inspire the Ooks to victory! Judges will vote on the best/ most creative posters, as well as group number and cheering ability.

In addition, each member of a technology that participates in the Tech Challenge will receive 5 points towards their respective 'intramural' standings. If a team reaches 15 participants, the technology will receive an additional 100 points! Remember that these points are redeemed for cash towards your technology (top 3) at the end of the year.

In order to enter a team in the challenge, simply call Marc Dobell at 471-7606 or drop by the office at S-105LA and provide details on your team before November 22. I hope to see you all out this year cheering on your

Scoreboard

Women's Hockey

Friday, November 15th NAIT over SAIT 4-3

Men's Hockey

Friday, November 15th NAIT over Briercrest 8-4 Saturday, November 16th **NAIT over Briercrest 9-5**

Women's Volleyball Friday, November 15th

NAIT over Portage 3-0 Saturday, November 16th NAIT over Portage 3-0

Men's Volleyball

Friday, November 15th NAIT over Portage 3-0 Saturday, November 16th NAIT over Portage 3-0

Men's Basketball

Friday, November 15th NAIT over King's 93-71 Saturday, November 16th NAIT over King's 79-66

Women's Basketball

Friday, November 15th NAIT over King's 74-63 Saturday, November 16th King's over NAIT 63-62



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NAIT Alum "Marky Mark" Comes Home



MIKE McGuire

Independent Wrestling fans in the Edmonton area have become familiar with the highly energetic and always entertaining duo of Phoenix Taylor and Marky Mark - collectively known as the Funky Bunch. Possessing great ring presence and hilarious gimmicks, this colourful tag-team has begun redefining the standard for pro wrestling in Alberta.

For NAIT Business Admin/ Marketing graduate Mark Kinghorn, returning to NAIT as Marky Mark this Friday (Nov. 22) presents a new kind of homecoming.

Nugget: Let's start with you and your tag partner. How did you and Phoenix Taylor meet?

Mark: We met at Hercules Ayala's camp. He had already been there for about a month. He liked the fact that I was a small guy like him,



so we could do a bunch of moves on each other that we wouldn't be able to do on other people.

Nugget: A lot of people who enter wrestling training think that it's all prat-falls and doesn't hurt. Did training give you a reality check? Mark: No, I pretty much knew going in that it was going to be a lot of hard work. I had done my homework on what wrestling Herc's camp I trained with Ivan Thomsen a lot - my first day I got sick and threw up because it takes the body a while to get used to it. Still, I went back the next day.



Just a regular guy. Mark Kinghorn and guest at grad earlier this year.

Nugget: Where was your first pro

Mark: My first match was with CCW. It was a no contest against the Assassin 2000.

Nugget: Where did the name "Marky Mark" originate for you personally?

Mark: When I went to training camp, it was a name I was just given. You know, people joke around like "Hey, what's up Marky Mark?" One day I was told (by WCEW) to figure out my own gimmick, since I didn't want to wear a hood anymore and be known as "The Shadow". That's where it started.

Nugget: Marky Mark and Phoenix Taylor are both incredibly cocky, silly characters. Was the original intent for you to be heels?

Mark: At first, they wanted us to try to be heels. We did a couple of shows and got over as heels, but as we started doing Edmonton shows, we had such a strong following from our matches in CCW that it was natural to put us over as faces.

Nugget: Does the popularity of the Funky Bunch cause any rifts backstage with other talent?

really entails. Before I went to Mark: No, not really. Say we are getting over a little more than other talent. It helps the company a lot, which in turn helps out everybody. Guys backstage help us to do nothing but improve and do better. Collectively we try to put on the best match possible.

> Nugget: You're coming back to the NAIT Gym this Friday night as part of the PWA show, how does it feel?

Mark: I first entered training about a month into school and people were telling me "you'll never make it - you're too small". To come back and be part of an awe-

NOBODY's gonna take out the **Funky** Bunch... nobody.

some company and to be semimain eventing a show, I can prove a lot of people wrong. At the same time, I can prove to a lot of people that I made it. It might be a weird feeling to come back to the NAIT Gym and not have to write a test, but I'm all for it.

Nugget: Marky Mark, any thoughts on your upcoming bout in your NAIT return?

Marky Mark: I'm coming to NAIT, my home away from home, my big return, my backyard if you will. Right beside the Business Tower where I spent two years, Marky Mark will be in full effect against the thorn in my side, Dirty Duke Durango. I don't care if he did bring Rob Zombie (Apocalypse) as a tag team partner, NOBODY's gonna take out the Funky Bunch... nobody.

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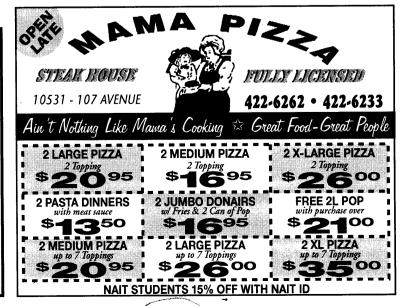








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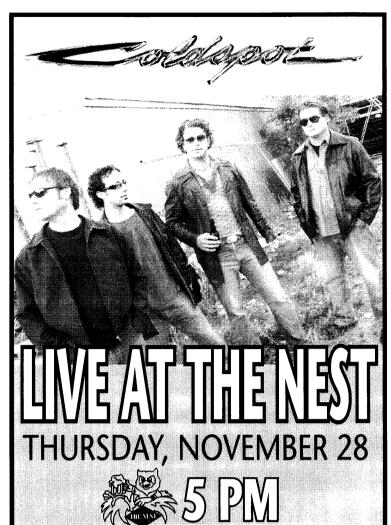


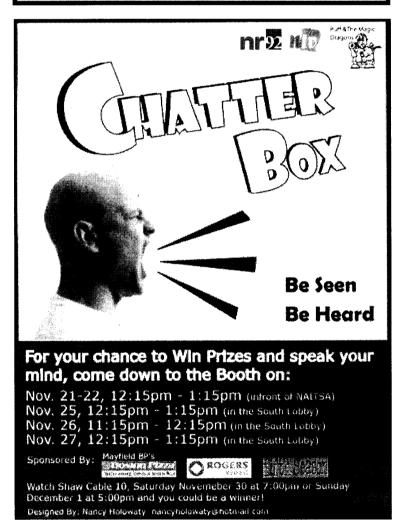


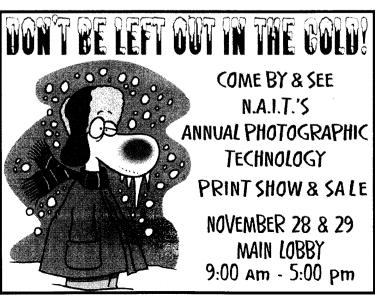


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New Releases



With Christmas and the New Year upon us, artists are scrambling to release their last efforts of the year in hopes of creating a 'Grammy' hit. Here are some of the new Hip-Hop/R&B albums that will be hittin the streets for November and December.

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November Releases

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Coolio	El Cool Magnifico	Riviera	11.05.02
Ms. Jade	Girl Interrupted	Interscope	11.05.02
Cash Murda Click	CMC	TVT	11.05.02
Irv Gotti	Presents The Remixes	Murder Inc	11.05.02
Brian McKnight	From There To Here 1989-2002	Universal	11.05.02
Deborah Cox	The Morning After	J Records	11.05.02
Jaheim	Still Ghetto	Warner Bros.	11.05.02
Keith Murray	He's Keith Murray	Def Jam	11.10.02
Vi3	So Tight	MCA	11.12.02
Fat Joe	Loyalty	Atlantic	11.12.02
Various	Red Star Sounds: Vol. 2 B-Sides	Def Jam	11.12.02
Various	Subway Series Vol. 1	Major League	11.12.02
Jay-Z	The Blueprint 2: The Gift And The Curse (2CD)	Roc-A-Fella	11.12.02
Sean Paul	Dutty Rock	VP Records	11.12.02
Vi3	So Tight	MCA	11.12.02
Missy Elliott	Under Construction	Elektra Records	11.12.02
Kool G. Rap	The Giancanna Story	In Tha Paint	11.12.02
TLC	3D	Arista	11.12.02
Youngbloodz	Drankin' Patnaz	Arista	11.12.02
Erick Sermon	React	J Records	11.12.02
Talib Kweli	Quality	Rawkus	11.19.02
Soundtrack	Friday After Next	Hollywood	11.19.02
Various Artists	Cash Money Greatest Hits Vol. 1	Cash Money Records	11.19.02
Ja Rule	The Last Temptation	Murder Inc.	11.19.02
Craig David	Slicker than Your Average	Atlantic	11.19.02
OST	Paid In Full	Def Jam	11.26.02
Roots	Phrenology	MCA	11.26.02
Dru Hill	Dru World Order	Def Soul	11.26.02
Snoop Dogg	Paid the Cost to be tha Boss	Priority	11.26.02
Baby aka #1 Stunna	Birdman	Cash Money Records	11.26.02
K-Ci & JoJo	Emotional	MCA	11.26.02
Jennifer Lopez	Jenny From The Block	Epic Records	11.26.02
Will Smith	Greatest Hits	Columbia	11.26.02
2Pac	Better Dayz (2 CD)	Interscope	11.26.02
Whitney Houston	Just Whitney	Arista	11.26.02
Monica	All Eyez on Me	J Records	11.26.02
Royce da 5' 9"	Rock City	Game	11.26.02
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December Releases

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Charli Baltimore	The Diary (You Think You Know)	Murder Inc.	12.03.02
Swizz Beatz	G.H.E.T.T.O. Stories	Dreamworks	12.10.02
GZA/Genius	Legend of Liquid Sword	MCA	12.10.02
504 Boyz	Ballers	No Limit	12.10.02
Common	The Electric Circus	MCA	12.10.02
Dirty	Keep It Pimp & Gangsta	Universal	12.10.02
Jim Crow	Jim Crow Bandits	Interscope	12.10.02
Queen Latifah	She's A Queen: A Collection Of Hits	Motown	12.10.02
Erykah Badu	Worldwide Underground (EP)	Motown	12.10.02
Mariah Carey	tba	Island	12.10.02
Thicke	Cherry Blue Skies	Interscope	12.10.02
Various Artists	I Care For You: Aaliyah Tribute Album	Universal	12.10.02
702	Star	Motown	12.10.02
Lil' Romeo	Game Time (w/ Bonus DVD)	No Limit	12.17.02
Nas	God's Son	Columbia	12.17.02

Courtesy of www.hiphopdx.com

It will be good to see who will beat out all the competition during these two months. November 26th, looks to be the most competitive date out of all, with albums being released by The Roots, Dru Hill, Snoop Dogg, K-Ci & JoJo, J-Lo, Will Smith, Tupac, Busta Rhymes and many more.

Also look out for albums being released by Nas "God's Son" and Jay-Z's "Blueprint 2", who continue their beef challenging the fans to decide who is better by selecting their album over the other.

The next couple months looks promising for the Hip-Hop industry in terms of variety and new good music. But will piracy be a problem for many artists as it has been in the past? We will just have to see, cop your favorite album and support the artists, nuff said!







Robin Hantsenn, *** ORANGE*** Shanz.

Amanda D. You're a gorgeous hot tamali!! Hope your chocolate man works out. You deserve the best. Let's send a shout out to your twin. Luv, E.S. and M.

Hey Shannon Z.! The milkman's in town. I heard you should bring a straw and he'll share. From: ?

Herbert, you pervert. Quite gawkin', get some balls, and say hi already! Signed, Cutie.

Ever notice how HOT some of the Instrumentation girls are???

Hey there over in the HP Centre! Wouldn't it be nice if there was paper towel in the bathrooms?!

To the Boomer who likes roses, QUIT STEALING MY NAME! There is only one Boomer, Boomer of IET! What's your history? Mine is, as Maxim magazine states "the Boomerang gives the best G-spot stimulation to a woman". I read your article and I do not love you back and where were you with the roses? I was going to smear your face with them. - The REAL Boomer (P.S. Shocker's

Hey there my GH babe! Just wanted to wish you a happy 23rd birthday this Saturday. I sure hope that this makes up for last year's late birthday message, now that I have all control. Happy Birthday Babe! I love you! Your KA.

I'd like to state my discontent with recent letters concerning the AHTs in the Grapevine. My peers and I understand the importance of professionalism and reputation, and do not condone the references made in these letters. We hope the individuals corresponding via these letters show some maturity and respect, and stop the foolishness.

Natalie Skinner

Class President, 2nd year AHT



To all men who go to the bathroom at school: wash your hands when you are done in the bathroom. How gross are you?

Classifieds

Looking for a roommate to share a 2 bedroom apartment with balcony close to NAIT and Kingsway Mall. \$340/month plus half phone and power. 10740-109 Street. Phone 426-4802.

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Still Looking for a Roommate

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THEATRE REVIEW

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STACEY Laing

Proof proves to be another great production at the Citadel Theater this year. The play takes place in Chicago on the back porch of Catherine's house. It tells the story of different relationships between Catherine and her father, her sister, her suitor Hal, and herself. Her father, Robert was a brilliant mathematician who went mad when Catherine was twenty. For the next five years Catherine gave up school and her life to look after her father. Robert dies a week before Catherine's 25th birthday and his death brings her sister Claire back into her life, as well as Hal her father's former student. After her father's death, Catherine begins to question her

own sanity, for if her father went of her giving up everything for mad she believes that she may her father. Claire her older sister have inherited the same disease. comes home from New York. She She suffers from depression, which is made worse as she has no ill, and although she did not physfriends to help her. This is a result ically take care of him, the finan-



Catherine and her mentally challenged father.

escaped there when her father was

cial burden was on her. It is because of this financial aid that she feels she has the right to take care of Catherine, without giving Catherine opportunity express her own feelings and con-Catherine cerns. believes that her sister thinks that she is crazy and this brings much tension between the two. On the other hand, there is Hal, who is working through her father's workbooks to see if

Robert discovered any mathematical proofs during the five years that he was mad. While he works through these books, he and Catherine develop a relationship. This relationship is shattered when she gives him her mathematical proof, and he doesn't believe her. In fact no one believes to her until several people look over it and

prove that it is not her father's work. This lack of trust creates even more tension between Catherine and her sister and looks to put an end to the relationship between her and Hal. Throughout all of this, Catherine is trying to discover if she is crazy or not.

The play is very interesting, fast paced, and well acted. The character Catherine is a very strong female character that overcomes



Catherine and Hal in the performance of "Proof."

many obstacles. She embraces her difficulties, although in the beginning she denied them. The play expertly explores the relationships that we encounter everyday. One does not have to have any interest or knowledge in mathematics to enjoy this play. It is excellent, one that improves every time you see it. I highly recommend it to anyone.

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