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**NAIT'S OFFICIAL STUDENT NEWSPAPER** 

EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA

# Costume Controversy

Nugget Exclusive



MIKE McGuire

As retailers scramble to capitalize on this year's Halloween sales season, new influxes of trendy costumes and disguises are hitting store shelves. Controversy rarely stems from the release of a new costume, but this year proform of a rubber mask.

Titled "Terror Mask," and retailing for fifteen dollars, the mask bares a striking resemblance to well known international terrorism suspect Osama Bin Laden. The item hit the shelves of San Francisco Gifts stores towards the beginning of September, and have since caught the eye of more than one shopper.

"I think it's really distasteful, I mean, we're very close with the Americans," says first year Radio and Television student Amanda Bartlett. When mentioning the coincidence of the date of sale\_ with the one year anniversary of the Attack on America, she adds, "That's even worse. So many

people are having a problem with what happened last year and getting over it - the Canadians that were killed in the War on Terror". Others choose to look at the decision to carry this product as a business move. Continuing Education student Dan Wickhorst states, "If they can get money off of it, then why not? People will buy it. If they want to sell it, it's their choice to sell it. I wouldn't buy it, but it's their choice to sell it."

Following news of this story, vided a noticable exception, in the NAIT student and practicing Muslim Basil Qasqas offered the following statement:

> "This product is insulting to the Muslim Community. It promotes an already false stereotype of both Muslims and Arabs as ter

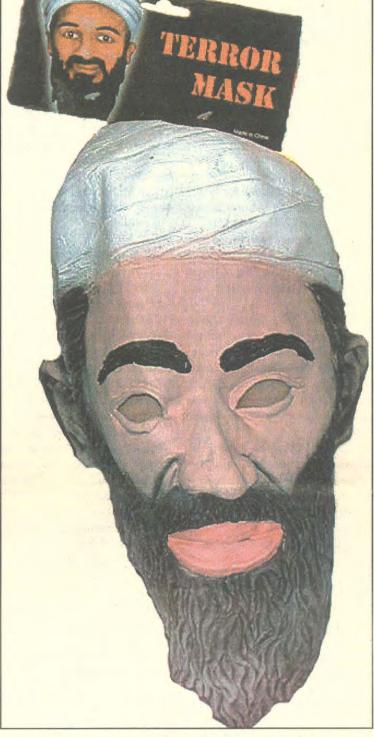
rorist extremists." To allow this kind of product to be sold is to fuel ignorant ideas about a people and their religion.

"It is unfortunate that these businesses are making a humorous mockery of a terrible tragedy, and are flustering both racial and religious discriminatory attitudes while doing so.

To allow these products to be sold is to support the kind of mentalities that human beings have fought for decades to eliminate."

Officials of San Francisco Gifts that Nugget staff contacted were asked for a comment, but as of Monday September 9, 2002, were unable to speak as representatives of the company.





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The following are the remaining tryout times as of press date September 12, 2002.

### Badminton

Head Coach: Jordan Richey Office: S-105 Work: 471-8810 Home: 441-3686 Cell: 919-6105

The team is comprised of 5 Tryouts Dates: females and 5 males. There are 8 Jimmie Condon Scholarships available (\$1800.00 each) Tryout Date: Sept. 15 5-7pm

# Swimming

Head Coach: Jeff Riddle Office: 471-7605

The Swim team will be having their organizational meeting in room S-113 Monday September 16th at 5:15 p.m.

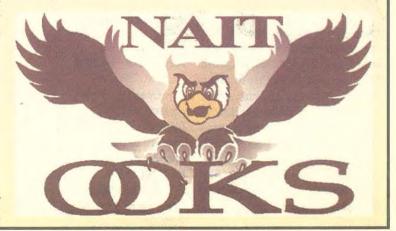
"Open Swims" occur at the pool Sept 18th and 20th from 6:30 -7:45 a.m. Season starts on the 23rd of September, with workouts running 6:15am - 7:45 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

# Women's Hockey

Head Coach: Jim Newman Office: 471-8810 Sept. 12: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Those interested in trying out for other sports can check with OOK

Coaches listed on pages 54 and 55





# Men's Soccer Ooks Ready for the Season

# GRAHAM Wood

The men's soccer program kicked off on Monday, August 26th, and saw more than 60 students attending tryouts. 19 players were retained, including 7 veterans, and were readied for a trip to a pre-season tournament hosted by Red Deer College.

The format of 12 teams, divided into four pools, had NAIT grouped against the Mount Royal Cougars and Medicine Hat Rattlers.

In the first game against Mount Royal, both teams started tentatively and took some time to find their feet. Following some confusing indecision by the referee, a Mount Royal striker was allowed a shot to score the game opener.

For a period after the goal, the Ooks dominated play but were stonewalled by some outstanding saves from the Cougar's goalkeeper. An equalizer could not be found and the lone goal stood to give Mount Royal the victory.

#### **Full Time Mount Royal 1 - NAIT 0**

Against Medicine Hat the following day, the Ooks showed much more determination from the start and produced play that was reminiscent of last season's Provincial Championship run. Unable to deal with the Ook's offensive threat, the Rattlers found themselves three down after 25 minutes. Goals came from John Currie, Wil Gonzalez (penalty), and Scott Reynolds. The Hat did manage to pull one back and the period ended 3 -1 in NAIT's favour.

The second half produced much of the same and a well-taken goal by Alex Fuentes put the Ooks further ahead.

#### **Full Time** NAIT 4 - Medicine hat 1

Against Lethbridge, it was important the Ooks maintained momentum from the result against Medicine Hat. With this in mind, the always-menacing Jimmy Nfor met a perfect Justin McHandry cross and volleyed home the game opener. A penalty goal by Wil Gonzalez doubled the lead and the same player - on the stroke of half time - blasted home number three, following a solo run into the penalty area.

Second half goals from Dave Stayner, a left foot volley from a cross by Jeff Mathers, and an Alex Fuentes side footer following another pin point pass from Justin McHandry sealed a convincing win for the Ooks.

#### **Full Time** NAIT 5 - Lethbridge 0

NAIT's final showing of the four game weekend was against ACAC newcomer Keyano College of Fort MacMurray. Sporting a record of 2 - 0 - 1, the Huskies were not going to be a push over. Play in the first half was even with no real threat from either side, and the score at half time was 0 - 0.

After 15 minutes of the restart, Keyano took advantage of some sloppy defending and blasted home the game opener. Ten minutes later, Keyano was allowed another goal when the Ooks, struggling to come to terms with Keyano's offside trap, got caught in possession and allowed number

### Opening games...

Friday September 13th, 5 p.m. kick off, Kings College,

# Saturday September 14th, 3 p.m. kick off Goldstick Park.

With five minutes remaining, Ben Jabs broke into the Huskies' penalty area and bravely stabbed home a goal for the Ooks. NAIT pushed hard for an equalizer but ran out of time and the score remained the same.

#### Full Time Keyano 2 - NAIT 1

Ooks coaching staff were pleased with the overall team performances, and optimistically look forward to the ACAC season with opening games on Friday, September 13th, 5 p.m. kick off, at Kings College, and Saturday, September 14th, 3 p.m. kick off, at Goldstick

# **Curling Club** Accepting Registrations



### MIKE **McGuire**

You see it every day you walk to campus from Kingsway Garden Mall, (you know, that place you SHOULDN'T BE parking), or whenever you leave via the southernmost doors on campus. The Avonair Curling Club. You so wish you could get in there and knock some rocks around...well wish no longer.

Registration is currently under way for this year's Student's Curling Club. The club meets every Monday at 4:30, and membership includes approximately 20 games for \$40.00 per player.

Registration dates are as follows:

Sept. 18: 12:00-2:00 NAIT Gym Sept. 25: 12:00-2:00 NAIT Gym Sept. 30: 4:30-6:30 Avonair

Those interested can speak to Jules either by calling 471-8531 or stopping by room S105D.



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# SPORTS



# From rINgSIDE



MIKE McGuire

Is there any better feeling than running into a good friend you have really missed? Recently, the RAW brand inspired that feeling with the resurrection of the WCW World Title. On screen, Eric Bischoff handed Triple H the title and declared him the "World Champion" as recognized by RAW. Handing Hunter the title upset a lot of fans, but again this comes down to how the sportsentertainment industry works... if you just give it a chance.

While WWE on-air product quality seems to shift from week to week, adding dispute to the World Title may just be what the every-day mark ordered. Think about it: handing HHH the title sets him up as a much better heel. Throwing the belt on an "undeserving" champion just builds that much

more heat against The Game. Having Rob Van Dam score the pin on Hunter shows that RVD can beat HHH, and sets up a wonderful title match for Unforgiven.

Lots of talk resulting from the "engagement" of Chuck and Billy on Smackdown. WWE has always seemed to want to have feminine male wrestlers, but this would be the first time characters were openly homosexual. If nothing else, it has us talking.

In other parts of the world, the much anticipated returns to wrestling of Sting and Goldberg are now in the history books. For the Stinger, it happened in front of about 2000 fans at a religious event in Omaha, Nebraska. While Sting didn't wrestle in a match, he did contribute greatly to the show. Goldberg laced up the black boots and in front of almost 15,000 fans defeated Satoshi Kojima for All Japan Pro Wrestling in just over four minutes.

In a year packed full of ber 29. For only

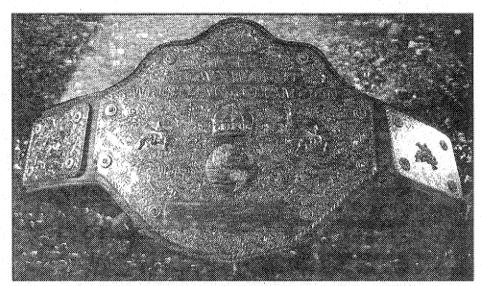
returns, it was also announced that legendary high-flyer Ultimo Dragon made his return on September 8 against Masaaki Mochizuki in Japan. Dragon, who invented the Asai Moonsault (see Y2J's Lionsault), announced his retirement from wrestling following nerve damage caused by bone

chips in his elbow. No word yet as to whether he will be making a complete return to the industry, or if this was a one-time happening. (Why does that sound familiar)?

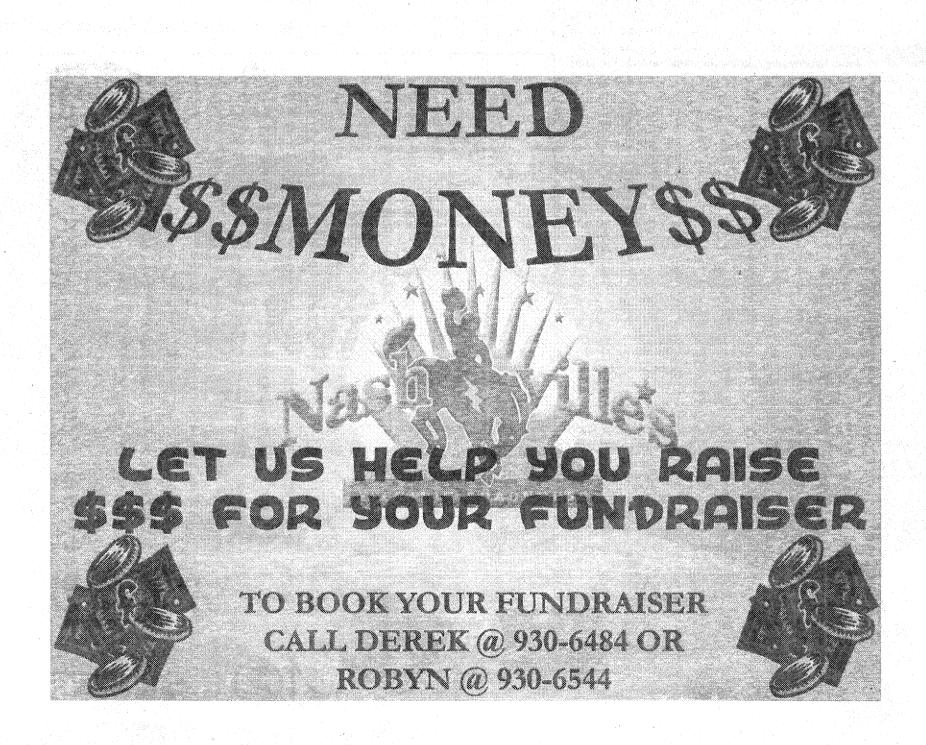
Locally, Canadian Championship Wrestling has a Ladder Match for the CCW Championship happening at Red's on September 29. For only eight bucks, fans can witness some of the most passionate performances by wrestlers who do it not for money, but simply because they can. More details on this event as it becomes available, as well as a preview of the WWE Smackdown brand show scheduled to hit Edmonton on October 12.

Finally, I thought I would make this week interesting by getting you involved. It's a good ole' trivia question with an advance-screening double guest pass to see the new Jackie Chan movie "The Tuxedo" as the prize. Here's the question: Who was the FIRST major boxing champion to appear at a WrestleMania as a special referee?

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# SPORTS



# Eskimos Squash Stamps



MIKE McGuire

#### Calgary Stampeders - 11 Edmonton Eskimos - 45

It may not have been the Alamo, but there was definitely a massacre in the west last week. 61,481 fans packed Commonwealth Stadium to see the Edmonton Eskimos devastate the Calgary Stampeders for the second week in a row.

Calgary began the scoring early with a field goal for the three-point lead, but soon after, the defending Grey Cup Champions' game plan fell to pieces. Subsequent to giving up an astounding four touchdowns and five field goals, as well as conceding a safety, the Stampeders only managed to muster a single and a touchdown with the conversion.

"I've been on some good teams, and this is not a good team," Stampeders' line backer Alondra Johnson told TSN. "Until we start improving our game, it's going to be worse than this."

Edmonton quarterback Ricky Ray was among the list of achievers for the Green and Gold, completing 25 of 38 passes for 366 yards and 3 touchdowns.

Esks' running back John Avery credited the record-breaking hometown crowd as a motivating force behind his team's success. He told TSN, "We look up (at the fans) and we feel like we can't make mistakes tonight." Avery added, "I think there should be more people here (at) a regular season game than for the Grey Cup."

Avery has a strong argument. The Eskimo's 9-2-0-0 record this season speaks for itself. Friday's version of the Battle of Alberta managed to draw the fourth largest crowd in CFL history, and while brutally one-sided, managed to keep a steady and exciting pace which saw a majority of the fans staying until the bitter end.

Attendance aside, it was a history-making night for another reason, as Eskimo rush end Elfrid Payton increased his league-leading QB sack record by one (for 11 this season), and placed himself in

second on the CFL's all-time list.

The Eskimo's next home game is September 22 at Commonwealth against the Saskatchewan Roughriders. The night promises to be memorable as the Edmonton Eskimos pay tribute to the legendary Henry "Gizmo" Williams.

\$9 College Corner tickets are available now at the NAITSA office, but act fast as these tend to sell out quickly.



We are looking for someone to be our Mascot to represent NAIT @ all home games throughout the season.

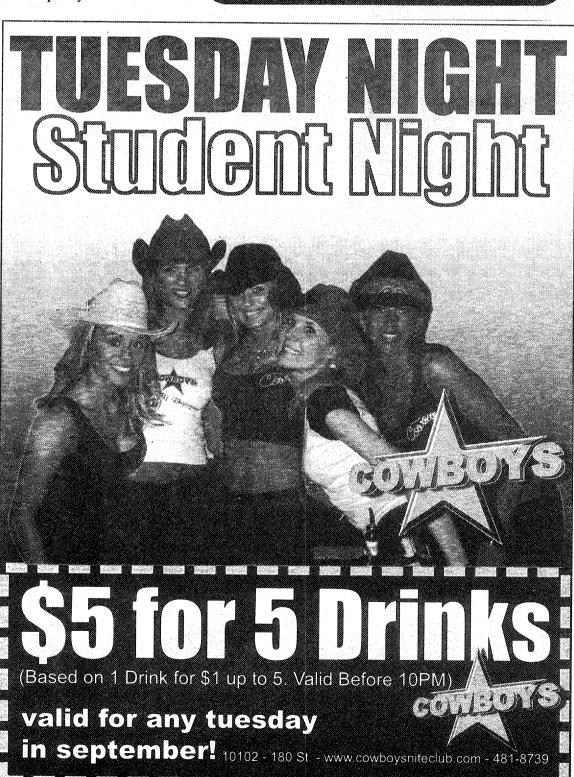
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# Contributing Writ<u>ers</u>

Graham Wood



# Pete Parker, the Humourist/Philosopher

**PETE Parker** 

If you don't laugh, then it is only philosophy.

Riding a motorbike is cool, therefore all people who ride motorbikes are cool. I ride a bike; therefore based on this twisted logic of mine. I am cool.

In fact, the only cool people at NAIT are bikers. Even the guys who ride the junky ol-rust-rattletrap-oil-burning-specials are truly cool. I mean, c'mon. You gotta admire a guy who rides a total piece of junk and has the gumption, hootspa, the huervos, to park beside the gleaming-screamingbanshee-hump-the-footballcrotch-rockets. Not only do those junk-riders park beside them, but they are accepted as part of the unofficial club. (Well, sorta anyway.)

That's gotta be cool.

I suppose that I may have overstated the fact that the only cool people at NAIT ride bikes. Once I saw a girl in a red BMW Z3 top-down convertible, with her hair blowing in the wind, driving down Kingsway.

She was naked

She looked pretty cool to me. Oddly, it wasn't really her hair I remember, but that is a different

Face it folks -- it takes real balls to face the elements of nature and the Edmontonian drivers with only a fiberglass hat separating you from both. To stare a MAD motorist in the eye and then zig past certain death with the heart beating and the adrenaline coursing through your veins as you check the car paint scraped on your boot takes a cool individual.

I can hear the pedal bikers standing up and waving their arms falsely claiming coolness, But they are not. They have to pedal. Very

Ah, the wind in your face, the bugs in your teeth. The sunny day is a bit hot, especially at stop lights. But look!! It's clouding over a bit, perhaps a bit too fast, but you don't have too far to go. It will be nice to cool down a bit. And then a sprinkle of a spring shower to cool things off as well. Ahhhh, fresh. But then the heavens open up and soon you are drenched as the temperature plummets. Hmmm, that's not good. But

you don't have far to go. Then the rain turns to hail or even worse snow! Now that's a cool experi-

Only cool people know this experience. Even the nubile nymph in the BMW knows this because she is cool. I'll bet she doesn't even put her top up, so to

I digress.

It's true that "cool envy" runs rampant through the campus, especially this time of year. Others struggle to rise to the cool level that the bikers so casually shoulder as they saunter to their mighty metal steeds. That is understandable.

It is this "cool envy" that I hold as the explanation for the junk-on-your-punk-big-basetechno-dance-cars that litter the parking lot. Everyone must be themselves, dangles and all.

As I ride down the road, weaving through traffic with my bike on fire, the Royal Canadian Mounted Cops on my tail in full pursuit in the bus lane during rush hour, you can bet I'll be day dreaming of the girl in the red BMW convertible. Because I am — and always will

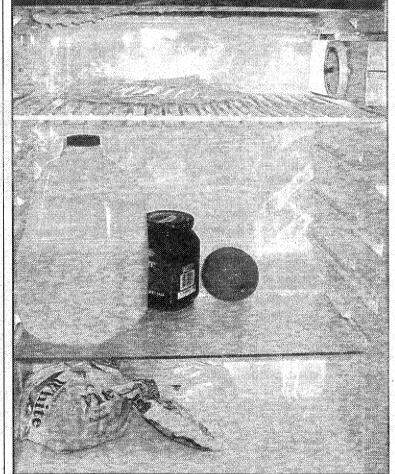
# I'd Rather Stay Home

low, or something "great" is on special, maybe I'll just stay home. It seems to me, that anytime I go out into the "global marketplace" I am left standing with nothing. The more I shop, and participate in the economy, and believe in the 'customers first" idea, the more I get discouraged. Not only in the faith of business, but the people behind those cash registers as well. It appears that anywhere you go, no one really cares about the customer, after all, we are just a big inconvenience, aren't we? To all of you who work in retail, I AM YOUR JOB.

Everytime I go out, I have to run around these so called "supermarkets" or "supercentres", which aren't so super after all, and search high and low for all of those "great bargains" that are advertised in the weekly flyers. When I can't find what I am looking for, or it is out

The next time the fridge gets of stock, it gives me the impression that no one cares if I am there to buy anything or not. I can't find anything. I am led to believe that they never had it to begin with, or they did not order sufficient stock, or it is such a great sale, they're holding it in the back for next week so I can pay regular price. And for some god-for-saken reason, I will be back next week. because I am a "loyal" shopper. How do they define a loyal shopper? Does the loyal shopper get everything off their list each week? I doubt it; because there is never anything left that I really want, so what do they buy?

In the end, I realize all I have done is wasted my valuable time that could have gone towards something productive, like homework, and I still don't have what I need. What I'll have to do is go pick it up somewhere else and become their next "loyal" shop-



Maybe I'll stop buying groceries.

# What do they want?

The debate over the Legalization or Decriminalization of Marijuana

We all saw the news last week. or ease the process of applying The senators in Ottawa have finished their report on marijuana. But the big question is are they pushing for decriminalization or legalization or both?

By legalizing marijuana, people would be free to "smoke up" whenever they see fit. Would it be treated like tobacco? Most likely, so here in Edmonton, that means not in the restaurants, but it would be more than welcome in the bars or lounges. That leaves me asking, wouldn't second-hand pot smoke leave you high? The answer is yes, so that will sure challenge the designated driver that you have found for the evening. It's too bad that there is no system yet for seeing how high you are, because toking and driving would be a criminal offence, just like drinking and driving. And what about those who smoke cigarettes and don't want to get high? Will there be pot smoking and smoking sections when going out?

Decriminalizing marijuana will erase between 300,000 and 600,000 Canadian citizens' criminal records. If anyone had been convicted of a marijuana-related crime, it would be erased, allowing them to travel internationally,

for jobs. As well, anyone currently imprisoned for marijuana related crimes would be set free.



Marijuana would be saving taxpayers millions of dollars each year on policing, court procedures, and imprisonment. Just think, we would be saving millions by letting people run around and smoke mind-altering substances. It sure sounds like a great idea.

I am doubtful that the Cana-

dian government introduce new legislation on the grounds of marijuana use. If even cigarette smoke is so harmful to our health, why would we allow people to smoke marijuana well? I cannot

see the system that we live in changing its ways. After teaching our children and being taught ourselves that drugs are harmful and dangerous, why would we all of a sudden condone it? The government's idea would be to distribute it similar to liquor. They would also recognize the legal age to purchase marijuana at 16 years. Could you imagine getting your hands on marijuana easier than alcohol or tobacco?

I do not want to see marijuana decriminalized or legalized. What purpose does it have in society? If it helps those who are truly ill cope with day to day activities, then fine, as long as they keep it all at home. I fight enough battles with smokers everyday, why would I welcome the marijuana smokers?





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# Please butt out,

are going up in smoke. Everywhere I go smokers are driving me crazy! It would be nice to see smokers have a little more respect for those around them that do not share in their habit. I'm not asking for a lot; I would just like smokers not to impose their "dirty little habit" on me. All that means is that while I'm waiting at the bus stop, make sure your cigarette smoke is blowing away from me, not right to me. For those smokers that take a break from school or work and go outside for a cigarette, would it be too much to ask for you to take it around the corner? I just don't understand the reason to block the entrance and have everyone walk through your cloud of toxic fumes. And better yet, if you're standing so close to the door that I can hit you, I probably will, and you better not give me a dirty look for doing so. Has smoking so much

I think my smoke-free dreams killed your brain cells that you don't know that doors open out? I have chosen not to smoke and actively avoid smoking situations; I would expect that you could stay a little further away from those who are not participating in smok-

> Cigarette smoking is disgusting. It is one of the worst habits that anyone could ever pick up in their lifetime.

Cigarette smoking is disgusting. It is one of the worst habits that anyone could ever pick up in their lifetime. Cigarettes are the only legal product which, when used as intended, kills. How could anyone ever light up a cigarette knowing that it will eventually

lead to their death? The truth about cigarettes is out there, and people just need to listen. The truth is that every 13 seconds someone in the Everyday when I go outside for world dies from a cigarette-smoking related cause, and for every eight smokers the tobacco industry kills, one nonsmoker will also die from exposure to secondhand smoke. To all you smokers out there, think about all of those around you that you are hurting. If smoking kills, why are you doing

Smoking is not glamorous or cool; it turns your teeth and fingernails yellow, creates premature wrinkles and leaves you smelling like a dirty old ashtray. Somehow, all of this does not sound very attractive to me. I know that this is your choice, but please realize the choice that you are making for others while you have a puff of your cancer sticks.

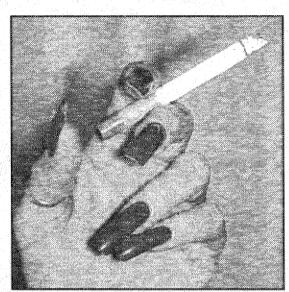
Personally I would like to help

see smoking banned in all public places. Who likes to go home smelling like cigarette smoke? fresh air, there is always a smoker around to ruin it. Smoking is not attractive and it is not "cool" in any way that you

think of it. It is an addiction and a disgusting habit that will eventually rot your body and damage the health of those around you. With the financial, health and relationship costs why would anyone ever consider starting?

If you or a loved one needs to

smoking please visit Health Canada's Website http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hecs-sesc/ tobacco/quitting/index.html, call 1-866-318-1116 Monday through Friday 8am-4pm ET.



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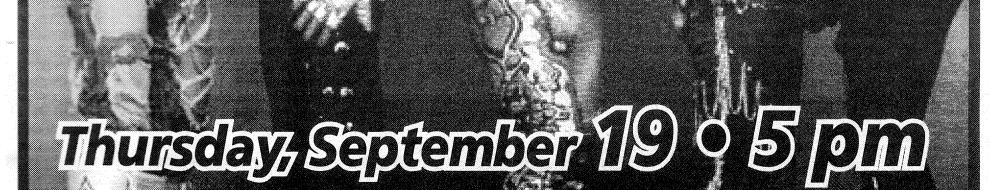
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A Chance to Let Loose



MIKE McGuire

As part of the pre-OOKFEST activities, NAITSA hosted a pregame tailgate party at the NAIT Soccer Field last Friday before the anticipated Calgary/Edmonton CFL game at Commonwealth Stadium.

The Bud Big Rig was on site, as were several merchants and sales-people, all flogging their own special brands to the chilly masses.

While the weather wasn't exactly ideal for some to come enjoy a cold one, others couldn't resist the urge to bare it all in a game of "clothes-line," where the team with the longest line of clothing from teammates wins.

Despite the frigid temperatures, the tailgate managed to attract students outside of NAIT, including attendees from both GMCC and the U of A.

The home team won, the beer was plentiful, and despite some miserable confusion as to when the appropriate time to board a bus and leave for a packed stadium should be, it was a memorable night that could very well be repeated soon.



Hundreds of NAIT students prepare to cheer the Green & Gold.





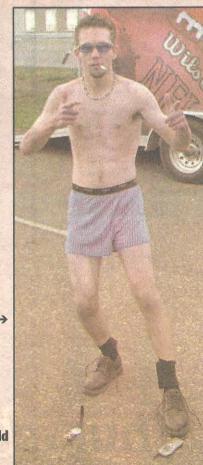
↑ This guy mows my lawn.



What do you do when late for the game: Take pictures of the guy taking pictures of you.



← Rose, Curtis and Kathy brave cold temperatures for Bud stuff.







# THETUXEDO

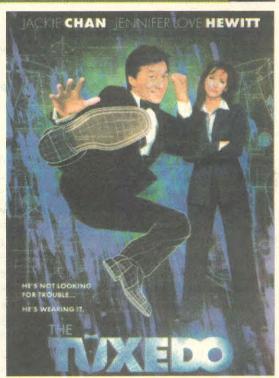
Jimmy Tong (Jackie Chan), a cabbie-turned-chauffer, works for playboy millionare Clark Devin (Jason Isaacs) in the action comedy, "The Tuxedo". Jimmy knows about Devlin's prized tuxedo, and knows never to touch it, but when Devlin is involved in an "explosive" accident, Jimmy can't help trying on the tuxedo. This extraordinary tuxedo trasnforms Jimmy into an unwitting, but impecably dressed secret agent. Paired with his rookie partner (Jen-

nifer Love Hewitt), the two are thrust into a dangerous world of espionage.

Do you want to WIN a double guest pass to the movie premiere of "The Tuxedo"? Be one of the first five people to correctly answer these four questions.

- 1. What is Jackie Chan's father's occupation?
- 2. Where was Jackie Chan born?
- 3. In the TV show "Party of Five" what was Jennifer Love Hewitt's character's name?
- 4. With what famous basketball star did Jennifer appear with in a commercial?

To enter, drop your answers off in the black submission box outside the Nugget office. Deadline for entries is Monday, September 16, at 5:00 p.m.Please include your name, student ID and phone number. All winners will be contacted to claim their prize.



# MACARONI AND CHEESE:

The staple food of college students



# KIMBERLY Ashley

Nothing chases the blues away like a big bowl full of mac and cheese. This wonderfully easy dish is enjoyed around the world by millions, and is well liked by college students for its simplicity, taste and value. It is a known fact that Canadians consume more mac and cheese per capita than any other nation on Earth. So what do Canadians do to spice up this plain old dish?

#### Thai Macaroni and Cheese

- Follow instructions as on package
- Add two tablespoons of peanut butter
- Add a splash of tomato pasta sauce
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- Add cheese mix
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# The Stone Of Inthrae

# **FALON Fayant**

continued from last week's edition...

The black cauldron sat in the middle of a darkened room. Black liquid swirled within, little curls of steam rising up like gnarled fingers. The woman hovering over the cauldron, scraggly, coal black hair framing her face, held a jar within her hand. Slowly, she poured the contents of the jar into the liquid and leaned forward, staring intently with beady, icy blue eyes.

The liquid began to swirl faster, foaming and bubbling, and then the foam parted to reveal a vision. Drew stared at the two figures quickly hiking up a leaf strewn path. Reaching up her hand she clutched the shimmering jewel around her neck, murderous intent laying heavy within her hardened heart and tingeing her every thought.

"Where are we going?" Charm asked the man, who had revealed his name to be Adam.

Adam glanced sideways at her as they walked up the path, crunching dead leaves and twigs littered across it.

"To my home," he replied.

He lived within the forest of Odell Hills, near the Perrin Moun-

"Hopefully I'll have enough time to teach you quite a few things before Drew learns what we're up to," he continued.

As they walked further up the tree lined path Charm spotted a quaint little house amidst a clearing in the trees. It was white with a wrap around veranda, though it held no decorations or anything which might make it lovely.

"It's -- nice," she said with a glimmer of a smile.

After their meeting in the alleyway, Charm barely had time to consider her actions before she was being whisked away from the city. She felt a little nervous, after all, this was a man she knew nothing about. For all she knew, he could be the possessor of this stone that he spoke so intensely about. In fact, he could even have created it for the sole purpose of luring unsuspecting people to his home and then destroying them. She figured she was thinking irrationally and that it was highly unlikely that he was the murderer, but she still felt a little scared which she also supposed was normal.

They walked in silence up the three wooden steps towards his door and he produced a key from his pocket and slipped it into

the lock. The door opened with a slight creak. Adam stepped aside to allow her entry into the front hall first. Charm gave a small nod of her head and stepped into the shadowed hall. A dark figure flew fast towards her and, eyes wide, she raised her hands, screaming, feeling fear slam into the pit of her stomach and course through her veins, her heart beating wildly. She felt something small land at her feet and heard Adam's amused chuckle behind

She opened her eyes and quickly glanced down, taking a deep breath.

Sitting at her feet was a furry grey cat, a green bow tied around her neck, green eyes gleaming up at her. The cat gave a friendly

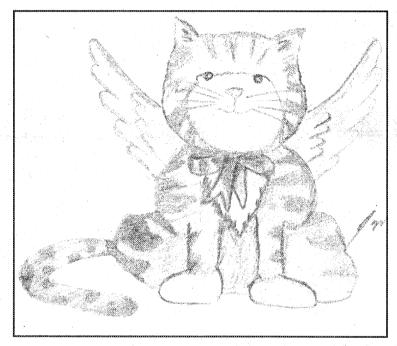
bookshelves filled with books and the large area carried a spicy scent of magic that made Charm feel inspired as soon as she stepped off the bottom step of the stairs.

Still, inspired though she was, she wasn't progressing as quickly as she had hoped.

"It takes years and years of practice," Adam explained when she was feeling particularly melancholy one afternoon. "You can't expect to be perfect overnight. What I don't understand is why your father never started teaching you when you were younger."

"My mother was against it," Charm said quietly. " She died a few years ago and I was determined to learn anyway. Is that wrong do you think?"

Adam looked thoughtful.



meow. Charm's eyes widened in surprise and she glanced up at Adam.

"It -- it has wings!" she exclaimed. The cat did indeed have beautiful, tiny white wings laced with silver and gold sprouting from her back. As she stared down at the cat, the cat stared back up at her and then lifted its paw to scratch at her nose. Charm felt a fully stifling his hysterical laughlittle silly for being so startled.

Adam laughed again. "Yes, a little magical experiment I guess you could call it," he explained. "Her name's Dinah."

Charm knelt down and gently stroked the cat's soft fur. The cat purred and then decided she'd had enough, lifted her wings and flew to another room. Charm shook her head. "I'm not sure I'll ever get used to that," she said with a smile.

That evening she got settled into her room and the next few days were spent downstairs where Adam had his laboratory as he called it. The walls were lined with "No," he answered solemnly. " You can't help what you are."

That had been a few days ago, after the magic spell that had left Adam's other cat, Burnaby, with two heads as opposed to two wings, a tragic occurrence for the cat that Adam quickly remedied with a wave of his hand and a few muttered words after unsuccess-

Charm glanced up at the cerulean blue sky across which drifted wisps of fluffy white clouds. In her hand she held a wicker basket. A slight breeze ruffled her hair and she brushed the wayward strands behind her ears. Adam had sent her further up into the hills to collect certain herbs he figured she ought to be able to identify by sight as he'd been teaching her about them and their magical purposes. He said that they were easily used to defeat the dark arts. She knelt down to pick an herb, discovered it was only a weed and tossed it to the side.

She started to stand back up when she heard a strange flapping sound in the distance. Eyes narrowed, she strained to hear it and focused her gaze skyward.

The basket slipped from her hand and she screamed as her eyes fell upon a large dark green dragon with blazing red eyes, sharp talons protruding from its legs. The wings were an intricate design of shimmering green and silver scales. Stunned, she stood still, watching the dragon swoop low, nearing her and then landing only a few feet from her, its wings dropping down. Suddenly she knew that this was no friendly neighborhood dragon. She could tell by the sinister gleam in its eyes and by the snarl upon its mouth. It wore a gold necklace around its sculptured neck, with a red stone sparkling there in the sunlight nestled against its throat.

Quickly, barely even having to pause to recollect, she felt the words forming upon her lips of a spell that Adam had recently taught her. The dragon reared back to respond, but the words passed from her lips before it had time. A bright flash of red and blue light erupted around the dragon and Charm raised her arm to shield her eyes. When she dropped her arm the dragon was gone and in its place stood a grey donkey, its eyes blinking stupidly at her.

Adam was at her side, breathless in an instant. "What is it?" he cried, his eyes full of alarm.

She pointed towards the donkey, stunned that her spell had failed again. She really hadn't intended to turn Drew into a donkey -- she'd fully intended to blow her up right then and there.

Adam sighed and frowned. " It's just a silly donkey," he said, " nothing to be afraid of."

"Yeah, only it was a huge dragon two seconds ago," she retorted.

"Drew!" Adam replied. "It's a good thing you thought to turn her into a donkey --- we have a few moments before she regains her senses. It's also a good thing that she's pretty stupid."

"I never really intended --" Charm began, but Adam wasn't listening to her.

He stepped over to the donkey and snatched the stone from around its neck. He held it in his hand and stared down at it, an intense look in his eyes.

There was a flash of light and Drew stood before them, glaring at them. "You insipid fools!" she spat at them. "I will have my stone back," she demanded.

"If I destroy it, she'll lose all

of her powers," Adam said, staring at Charm.

"Then destroy it!" Charm cried.

"No, don't," Drew replied. "We could join forces, work together, be great!"

Adam didn't reply.

"Adam?" Charm asked, narrowing her eyes.

Adam raised his head to look at her again. "I've been searching for this stone for years," he said. "Do you know what can be done with this stone? Great things!"

"Horrible things," Charm said.

"But I would use it to do good!" Adam insisted.

"But it would use you to do evil!" Charm replied. "Please, Adam! I know you're too strong to fall for it's power." Charm stared at him hopefully

as she watched him summon the words of a spell that only he knew. words that he whispered softly. He closed his eyes and his hand closed around the stone. Slowly, the stone began to crumble and slip through his fingers, the red powder falling to the ground. When he held nothing in his hand, his sad eyes glanced up at Charm.

She smiled sadly at him.

"No!" Drew cried. "You idiot!" There was a burst of smoke and she was gone.

The smoke slowly began to dissipate.

Adam sighed. "All those years, searching, to be ruled by morality in the end," he whispered.

'So you thought to use me to help you gain the stone," Charm said softly. "Not to stop Drew from destroying the world. You thought to destroy the world all on your

"I never meant it to be like that," Adam insisted. "I only wanted to do good."

"I guess you have a lot to learn," Charm said.

Adam glanced down at his feet. "I guess I do."

"Well, that makes too of us," she replied. "You teach me, and I'll teach you."

Adam gazed up with surprise into her smiling face. Slowly, a wide smile broke out onto his face. She chuckled. They turned to head back towards the house.

Adam glanced sideways at her. " I still say that was a good move, the donkey thing. What made you think of that?"

Charm smiled knowingly. "I'm brilliant," she replied.



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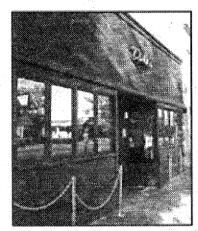


# Devlin's Martini Bar

# **STACEY Laing**

What defines the "ultimate" happy hour? I don't know, but I will spend the rest of the year trying to find out. The first bar that I visited trying to fill this definition was Devlin's Martini Bar. Devlin's is situated at 10507-82 avenue across the street from Chapters. This is a great little place in a great location.

The Happy Hour runs Sunday thru Thursday from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. The bar is open every night until 2 a.m. The name says it all, for Devlin's offers more than 30 different martinis. I have tried several, all good, but my favorites are Cosmopolitans, Menage à Trois, and Cut a Rug. All three are almost too delicious - it's easy for one to finish too many, especially if sitting down, without realizing how much one is drinking. The martinis come in 1 oz or 3 oz sizes and the 3 oz is by far the best value at \$6.50 each. Devlin's also offers a large assortment of cocktails, hi balls, and beer. There is a drink here for everyone.



I think that food must be put in the equation in order to have a great Happy Hour and Devlin's delivers on this front as well. My favorite is the dry garlic ribs, which are all meat, no fat or bones, as well the hummus (it's really tasty). All food prices are substantially reduced during Happy Hour, although they are reasonable at anytime. A table of five can eat and drink to one's content for less than \$100.

Devlin's is a great place to start or end the night. It has large front windows so you can see all the activity on Whyte, while enjoying your food and drink. It is an intimate setting, a small dark bar that is a great place to meet with your friends or someone special. The service is quick and the staff is friendly - they'll even remind you when it's 6:50 p.m. so you can order another drink before the Happy Hour ends. I think that it will be difficult to find a better Happy Hour, but I'm going to try. Enjoy the drinks, food, atmosphere, and value at Devlin's Martini Bar, and read next week for another great Happy Hour.

# HORRORSGORES

# Written in the Stars

Virgo (Aug.23 - Sept.21)

Try not to be too hasty in judgement. Things are not always as they seem.

Libra (Sept.22 - Oct.22)

Smile and be cheerful, even if stress is making you grumpy. You never know when your friendliness could open the door to new opportunities.

Scorpio (Oct.23 - Nov.21)

Try to keep your wallet closed this week. If not, you'll be finding yourself in a slump in days to come.

Sagittarius (Nov.22 - Dec.20) Have your eye on something new? Splurge and treat yourself. You'll

feel better when you do.

Capricorn (Dec.21 - Jan.19) You're feeling a touch of misery this week over all the money you've spent lately. Relax and unwind with a friend, or read a

Aquarius (Jan.20 - Feb.17)
Your sensitive side is over acting

book to calm your nerves.

this week. Try to keep your hurt and anger at bay. Hasty words now lead to guilt later on.

Pisces (Feb.18 - March 20)

Your outgoing personality this week has people at your beck and call. But try not to take advantage of the generosity of others.

Aries (March 21 - April 19)

Shyness rears its ugly head this week. Just remember to smile and no one will mistake shy for snobby.

Taurus (April 20 - May 19)

Keep your head up and walk with confidence this week. You're discovering new things that you never thought you could do. Feel your self-esteem rise.

Gemini (May 20 - June 20)

Your creative juices are flowing. Now's the time to tackle a new project or explore new and exciting hobbies.

Cancer (June 21 - July 21)

This week you'll be leaning towards procrastination. It'll be difficult, but always remember that hard work now, pays of later. You can do it!

Leo (July 22 - Aug.22)

Lucky in love this week, you're attracting people left and right. Don't rush things.

# Get off your duffs and STOMP!

## JACQUIE Truemner

For those of you looking for a fresh theatrical experience, I invite you to venture into the world of STOMP. This world renowned and much-acclaimed live stage production offers an eclectic celebration of percussion, movement, and comedy. Audiences were wowed with the September 3 to 8 production at the Jubilee Auditorium.

The roots for STOMP lay in the United Kingdom, where Luke Cresswell and Steve McNicholas pooled their past experience in street bands and various TV projects. In the summer of 1991, the culmination of their creative energy was unveiled, and the residents of London and Edinburgh were treated to their first taste of the final product. Since then, STOMP has moved worldwide, garnering such prestigious awards as Most Unique Theatre Experience and Best Entertainment Award from the theatrical community.

STOMP is a musical production based in percussion, and explores the range of beats and rhythms that can be produced using the most mundane of everyday objects. The cast uses everything from broomsticks, trash cans, sinks and street signs, to plain old finger-snapping, hand-clapping, and body-slapping. The result is a unique barrage of beats and melodies unlike anything

you've ever heard before.

The performers led the audience through a musical journey that ranged from soft, moody blues rhythms (using only empty water cooler bottles) to a barrage of pounding tribal beats (using trash cans, wooden sticks, and plastic oil drums). One of the most interesting sets involved creating a melody with metal pots and sinks full of water, complete with bright yellow dishwashing gloves.

Combined with the stellar musical performance were the cast members' amazing physical endurance. Most of the sets in the near two-hour performance were accompanied by high-energy dancing and acrobatic movement. Although the theatre was at times quiet enough to hear a lone performer snapping two fingers, not once was a cast member heard struggling to catch their breath.

A comedic undercurrent was threaded throughout the production, and the audience was encouraged to participate with some clapping and snapping of their own. The cast successfully engaged the crowd to join in, even drawing in the rhythm-challenged individuals of the audience (no offense, honey!).

Overall, STOMP delivers almost 2 hours of high-quality entertainment, suitable for all ages and interests. STOMP stretches the common boundaries associated

with music, and reminds us that harmony and beat can be found in everything, if only we open our ears.

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# Going to the Market

# **STACEY Laing**

St. Albert is host to the largest outdoor Farmer's Market in western Canada, and this year celebrated its 20th season. It started in 1982 with 18 vendors and has grown to 235 vendors to date. These vendors sell anything from fruit and vegetables, meats, and baking to furniture and crafts. It is held in downtown St. Albert on St. Anne Street and St. Thomas Street and is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, through the Department of Agriculture. It runs from the first Saturday in July until the last Saturday in September from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This market not only offers shopping, but entertainment as well. There is a selection of food venues directly in front of St. Albert Place, where you can grab a bite to eat or a drink, before, after, or during your shopping. As well, there is always some sort of music playing, provided by buskers, who are scattered throughout the market. There are some booths that cater directly to children, offering them hair braids, face painting, or balloons. And of

course, there are all the venues that would interest you.

While you're wandering around be sure to take advantage of the samples provided by the vendors - you may find a new favorite salsa, hummus or sausage. When I was making my way through the market, I stopped and talked to Al and Laura Anderson. They have been participating in the market for the past 19 years and specialize in specialty breads and buns, pies, and jam. I tried one of their butter tarts during our conversation and had to buy a half dozen - they were so delicious. I asked Laura how she would describe the market and she said it is a community event with a very social atmosphere; people always stop by to talk and ask them how they are. After I left them, I bought some very tasty beef jerky and turkey pepperoni. I spent about 2 hours there talking to people and checking out the different booths. There are three weeks of the market left and if you have the opportunity, check it



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# Who Killed Tupac Amaru Shakur?????



SHARMZ

Every year music lovers mourn the death of Tupac Amaru Shakur. The death of Tupac was and still is very mysterious. The cloudiness around Tupac's death is just as much mysterious as the deaths of other stars, Bruce Lee, Elvis Presley, and Curt Cobain.

Everyone has there own opinion on what happened on the night of Sept 7th, 1996 in Las Vegas. Did Tupac fake his death? Did Marion "Suge" Knight hire killers to murder Tupac because he was rumored to leave Death Row Records? Did the government hire killers to kill Tupac because he was starting a revolution in the Black community? Or simply, was it Orlando Anderson and his Southside crips gang that killed Tupac because of an early altercation at the MGM Grand? Think what you want to think, but this past weekend the music world was hit with some huge insight into the death of Tupac Shakur.

So seven years later, there have been some new developments in the murder of Tupac Shakur. Since the shooting on the Las Vegas strip on Sept 7th, 1996, there has been no arrests made. However, this past weekend The LA Times investigation into Tupacs death concluded that the killer of Mr. Shakur was likely a Southside Crips gang member who used a gun provided by east coast rival and now deceased rapper, Christopher Wallace aka. Notorious B.I.G. . The Times reported that Wallace supplied the murder weapon to the gang and asked that Tupac Shakur be killed for a sum of \$1,000,000.

When on the west coast, Wallace would hire crips to be his bodyguards in fear of his safety. The gang told the LA times that they were paid numerous amounts of times when Wallace would travel to the West and ask for security at clubs in Hollywood and casinos in Las Vegas.

Supposedly Notorious BIG was staying in Las Vegas on the night of the shooting under a false name at the MGM Grand penthouse suite. And when BIG heard about the Orlando Anderson beating he rounded up his troops to speak with the gang members. The South Side crips let Wallace know that they wanted Shakur killed as soon as possible, but would

only do it if they were rewarded with a sum of \$ 1,000,000. After asked, sources and witnesses say that Wallace agreed, and offered his gun for the weapon of choice for murdering Tupac.

This all comes from the LA times investigating members of the Southside crips gang for the first time since the shooting. Members of the gang also told the LA Times that the trigger man behind the drive by shooting on the Las Vegas strip was Orlando Anderson. Anderson was on the receiving end of a severe beating in the MGM Grand given by Tupac and his entourage. Anderson was questioned after the death of Shakur. but Las Vegas police could not prove his guilt because witnesses



gang shooting.

Many people are very shocked with these events that have occurred this past weekend. The Wallace family has stated their grief with the recent events, stating, "We are outraged at the false and damaging statements," Wallace's family said in a statement. "For the record, Wallace was at

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his home in New Jersey on the ing were not night of Tupac Shakur's murder, co-operatwith friends who will continue to Two testify for his whereabouts since years later he is unable to defend himself.". 1998,

Not everyone is believing this recent turn of events, recent polls have shown that 57% people believe BIG was involved, while 33% didn't, leaving 10% undecided. Myself, I have never been one to think Tupac faked his death or that Suge planned his demise. All the facts coming out definently make me think but at this point I cannot give you my opinion. All I know is that, Biggie seemed too quiet when it came to Tupac and the beef they both had. For all the bad things Tupac said about Biggie, and all the disses he

ing him saying that he had sex with Biggies wife, Notorious BIG really did nothing about it. Another thing that is odd is that for the fact that he was involved with the South Side crips for quite some time, using them for protection while on the west. And lastly was this the second time Biggie tried to get rid of Pac?? Remember back in 95 when Pac got shot 5 times?? No disrespect to Biggie, he is one of the greatest, but all this has got people thinking. But Ill let you think what you want to think. Either way we lost a great figure in the music world, and in society. Tupac will always be remembered for being one of the most real, controversial, spiritual, emotional, influential, creative, and hard working rap artist of all time, and that's why he's a legend. But when will his murder finally be solved??? RIP Tupac Amaru Shakur.....

through towards Biggie, includ-

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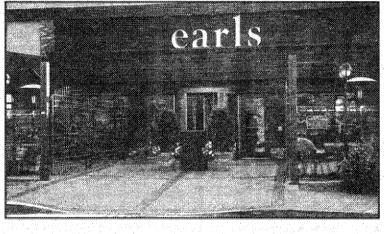
# To Eat Or Not To Eat?

**FALON Fayant** 

If you're new to the city or if you're just plain tired of cooking for yourself, then this is the article for you. There are plenty of places to eat around the city, but where's the best place to go for good times, a little class, and the most for your money?

tain specials are offered everyday. The prices are good, the atmosphere's bustling - I give it 4 nuggets. It would have had 5, but 2 out of 10 times I've gone, the bread has been a touch dry.

If you love Italian food and atmosphere then try Chianti



your mind then try The Mill Creek Café. This charming little shop ize this elegant restaurant. Their is located down Whyte Avenue menu gives you a chance to prac-(9562-82Avenue). A variety of delicious muffins are baked fresh every morning such as banana chocolate chip, my personal favorite. As well, they offer cinnamon buns, pies, and cookies the size of a plate (well, a smaller one). For lunch they serve sandwiches so huge you'll be lucky if you can fit it in your mouth and when you do you'll be glad because the bread is softy and yummy! The café offers whole sandwiches or halves for those little tummies out there. As well, they offer fresh, crisp salads full of tomatoes, cucumbers, and carrots. Cer-

If breakfast or lunch is on (10501-82Avenue). Low lighting and a variety of music charactertice your Italian, but don't worry, the descriptions of the dishes are in English. If you're thinking of a romantic evening, they serve a variety of wines. Be sure to try the chocolate mousse – it's creamy and heavenly. This restaurant is definitely deserving of 5 nuggets, even if it is a touch pricier than most. You may want to reserve if for a special occasion.

> Earl's is a very refined restaurant with reasonable prices and tasty dishes. While they don't have a large variety, what they do have is delicious - especially their chicken. The service is friendly

and fast. I give it 3 nuggets mostly because of the lack of options. Gotta love that variety! Just a tip though, they have an abundance of garlic hanging on the wall, so watch out for vampires.

Cheesecake The (17011-100 Avenue) is famous for - you guessed it, their cheesecake. When you first arrive, the cooler full of cheesecakes such as Strawberry Delight and Tower of Fudge appeal to the eye and set the mouth watering. You'll wish to break the rules and savor dessert first. But even if you don't, the dishes are delicious. They offer a variety of pastas - I recommend the creamy fettuccine with broccoli and chicken. As well they offer numerous different foods fit for a feast. If you're not a wine connoisseur than I advise you to stay away from the reds and try a light white - that is, of course, if you order wine at all. This restaurant has a conservative atmosphere with friendly service and is deserving of 3 1/2 nuggets.

Always one of my favorites, Boston Pizza has numerous locations available; addresses found in a phone book near you. The atmosphere is fun, and it's the perfect place to hang out with friends. The food is savory, from their sandwiches and appetizers -- be sure to order the pizza bread -- to their pizza and pastas - try the chicken and mushroom linguine. With pastas you can ask for half orders, which are not only cheaper, but leave room for dessert. Pasta Tuesdays allow you to order pasta for only \$6.25. With an abundance of great food and good service. I give it a handful of 5 nuggets.

So, grab a few friends -- heck grab them all, and head out the door to any of these fine restaurants to whet your appetite. And of course, no matter where you go, you won't have to do the dishes. Unless of course you forget your wallet.

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**FALON Fayant** 

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#### INTERESTING FACTS

- Annually, there are more people killed by donkeys than killed in airplane crashes.
- Nobody knows why, but a duck's quack does not echo.
- All porcupines float in water.
- Butterflies taste with their feet.
- In Finland, Donald Duck comics were once banned because he doesn't wear any pants.
- When they sleep, dolphins keep one eye open.
- A giraffe can use its 21 inch tongue to clean its ears.
- A goldfish that's pregnant is called a twit.
- Honeybees have a particular type of hair on their eyes.
- For 69 years, a man named Charles Osborne suffered with

the hiccups.

- Once very seven days, an oyster can change its sex.
- A pig was sentenced to die by public hanging in 1386 for the murder of a child.
- You are consuming 1/10 of a calorie every time you lick a stamp.

And, my personal favourite:

- Uranus was originally called George, in honour of King George III of Britain.

#### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Keep this in mind every time you're feeling self-conscious and worried about meeting new people:

"I told my psychiatrist that everyone hates me. He said I was being ridiculous -- everyone hasn't met me yet."

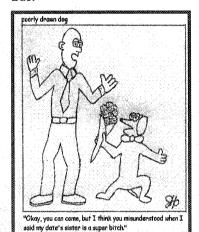
--- Rodney Dangerfield

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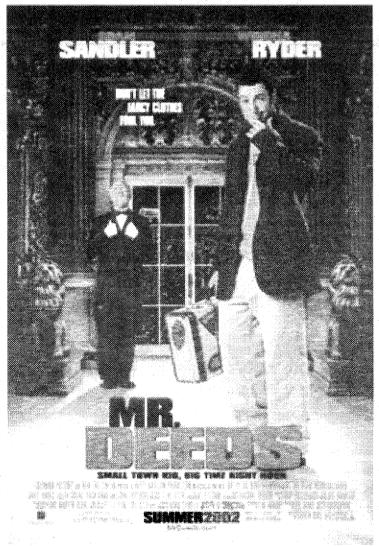


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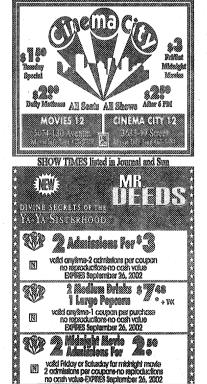


# All Weekend Long Soap-a-thon

# STACEY Laing

For all of you insomniacs this weekend is for you, the Varscona Theater presents the 10th annual Soap-a-thon, an improv show that lasts 53 hours. For those of you who are unfamiliar with the genre of improv, it is where the actors act with no script; they either use suggestions from the audience or, in this case, try to follow a particular theme with a director. It holds the Guiness book of world records for the longest improv show in history. It started as moneymaker to help finance the improv soap opera Die-nasty. From that beginning it has grown into a large, sold out event that I look forward to every year.

The players show incredible endurance and energy. Mark Meer is an actor who shows a great commitment and has made it through the entire 53 hours five times already. Several of the players that perform in the Soap-a-thon are regular members of the Dienasty, where the director directs the actors with no script, only huge imaginations. The group is obviously very close and this is very evident while watching them perform. The energy is transmitted through them and they feed off each other to take the joke to the next level. Improvisation is an extremely difficult skill to perfect,



but this group makes it look easy.

Several of the players have competed in international improv shows and have even made it on to the big screen. Nathan Fillion, a former Die-nasty member, was a regular cast member of the TV show "Two Guys, a Girl, and a

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Pizza" and has also been in the movie "Blast from the Past"; he is also coming out with a new TV series on Fox this fall. As well, Ron Pederson has recently joined the cast of MAD TV. Dana Anderson, former Second City alumni, has brought stars such as Mike Myers and Joe Flaherty to the Dienasty stage.

If you have the chance to go this weekend I would highly recommend it as an experience that will never be duplicated. Tickets go on sale at the Varscona box office at 5 p.m. on September 13 and the show begins at 6 p.m. The Varscona theatre is located at 10329-83 avenue; you can phone for more information at 433-3399. There are a limited number of weekend passes sold for \$30 - you better get there early if you want one of these. If you just want to see what it is about, you can pay \$12 from 6 p.m. till midnight and \$10 from midnight till 6 p.m. Once you're in you are allowed to stay for as long as you want. If you miss the Soap-a-thon, you can catch Die-nasty every Monday starting at 8 p.m., Theatre Sports, Fridays at 11 p.m., or Chimprov, Saturday nights at 11 p.m.

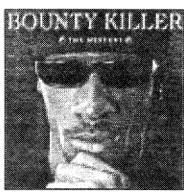
# CD Review

# **Bounty Killer**The Mystery

# **SHARMS**

**VP Records/ EMI** 

When you think of dancehall, you think of Rodney Prince, better known as Bounty Killer. Some critics say Bounty Killer's style and persona is closely related to his musical nemesis Beenie Man, with whom he has had a notorious, wellpublicized rivalry. Bounty Killer is known for his lyrical content, talking about violence, poverty, gangs, and women. However, you must not prejudge BK before you listen to him on these facts. Bounty Killer is known for his performance skills in and out of the studio, and the emotion he brings to the mic. Ghetto Dictionary: The Mys-



tery is the dancehall veterans 12<sup>th</sup> album released, and it seems that he hasn't lost his flow or skills one bit. The album starts off pretty slow, but then the tempo picks up quickly with a hard hitting track "Fed Up (Remix)". The album then moves on to another mega hit in "Bakardi Slang (Refix)" featuring Kardinal Offishall. Kardi and Bounty Killer both compliment each others style nicely, Bounty having a deeper voice and adding more emphasis to Kardi's punch

lines. Throughout the whole album you can feel the aggressively dark and minimalist rhythm/vibes. However, Bounty Killer sheds some more upbeat riddims with "Guns in the Ghetto" featuring Morgan Heritage. Mystery ends strong with some joints that show that Bounty hasn't lost any of his resolve. "Eyewater", "Arrow", and "Party 2 the End of Time" all compliment and personify what dancehall music is supposed to sound like. The second installment in the "Ghetto Dictionary" theme is much stronger than the first, "Ghetto Dictionary: The Art Of War". The only downfall in this album is the use of a few filler tracks, and a slow start to the album .However, the album picks up and gets much stronger, which deserves much respect. Ghetto Dictionary: The Mystery gets 3.5 turntables outta 5.

RATING 3.5 turntables outta 5



# Now! 7 Various Artists

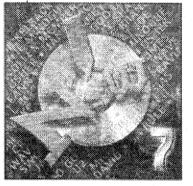
Various Artists FMI

#### MIKE McGuire

The Mobile DJ's best friend returns with the latest compilation of Top 40 hits crammed into one disc.

Headlined by the likes of Kylie Minogue, Shaggy, Swollen Members (feat. Moka Only), Janet Jackson, and U2, there is something for almost everyone on this latest installment.

The Good: Nickelback's "How You Remind Me," while



reaching that level of brutal overkill on the radio, is offered in what feels like the version your mom would like. The song is the same, but has an acoustic feel, missing a lot of the heavy guitar licks that make that song so angry. An interesting remix you have to hear for yourself.

The Bad: The brutal over-pro-

duction of Janet Jackson's "Son Of A Gun". While it pains me to admit it, I miss the old Janet. Maybe not from the "Control" days, but more around the "Rhythm Nation" and the first half of "janet" days. The actual 18 seconds where Janet sings without sounding like she's half asleep is the only tolerable part of this track.

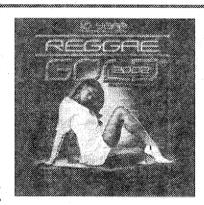
If pop music is your bag, then this is probably already in your player. If you are looking for a way to keep on top of the pop music scene, or just need a little more bubblegum in your life, this is for you. If you're still waiting for Axl and the boys to finish "Chinese Democracy" and get it out, this probably won't tide you over... but then again, it just might.

# CD Review

# Various Artists Reggae Gold 2002

VP Records/ EMI SHARMS

As their slogan goes, "Miles Ahead in Reggae Music", VP records have always been on top of the game in the reggae world. The first edition of Reggae Gold was released in 1993, and now 10 volumes later, Reggae Gold 2002 has come. Reggae Gold is a compilation of the best songs in Reggae music covering the dancehall, roots & culture and lover's rock styles. Although most of the tracks on the album are dancehall, you still get a feel for the culture of reggae itself. As a bonus when you purchase the album, you receive a remixed version of the Reggae Gold 2002 album produced by Jazzy 'T' and DJ Kareem. Gold 2002 features some huge heavy hit makers such as: Sean Paul,



Mr. Vegas, Baby Cham, Shabba Ranks, Capleton, Bounty Killer, Elephant Man, Tanto Metro, Devonte, and many more. From the list of such acclaimed reggae artists, you can tell that this is a great album to add to your reggae collection. You get nothing but hits from the greatest in the reggae industry. This album definitely suites people who want to get more acquainted with this genre of music; you're going to get just a taste of what riddim is like. With hits like "Give it to Her" by Tanto Metro & Devonte, recent Sean Paul mega hit "Gimme Da Light", the tag team of Lexxus & Mr. Vegas in "Video Light", Baby Chams "Middle Fin-

gers", and "Old Crook" by Mister G, listeners are in for a hit filled compilation album. The album changes flow once in a while with more of a roots & culture feel with tracks such as, "Pagan" by Warrior King, and "Come Down Father" by Beres Hammond. These tracks help set out a nice balance between the aggressive style of dancehall and reggae with the laid back style of roots & culture, which creates a well-orchestrated VA album. Reggae music and culture has been around for ages and I don't see it going anywhere but up in the music industry. The music will put you in a happy mood, and it will make you want to dance, believe dat! VP Records 10th installment of Reggae compilation albums, Reggae Gold 2002, is a must buy for reggae lovers, and people interested in the music. Reggae Gold 2002 receives 4 turntables outta

Rating: 4 turntables outta 5







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Any girls interested in MUD-WRESTLING?!!

I have the kiddie pool and dirt. Yummybrain

P.S. I want to be part of the MAB (Men Against Bellies)

For an HP Centre, it is suspiciously devoid of HP Printers. **Anonymous** 

To the person who damaged my car: Thanks for damaging my car in the Z lot last week. My black car now has a big dent in the fender and a big white scrape on the bumper. And thanks for NOT leaving your name and number. "Hit and run" is against the law, and unclassy. Thanks Jerk! Signed, Seriously Pissed!

To the students who keep asking what the teacher wrote: if you would LISTEN to what he is saying, you would KNOW what he is writing about!

Gary, Wanna come out and play this weekend? (wink, wink!) Love, Your Hot Tamali

Hey smokers at the tower. The WEST side is for smokers, and the EAST side is for people who like to breathe. TAKE IT TO THE OTHER SIDE. Thanks.

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# Classifieds Will you be at Shinerama this weekend?



#### What is Shinerama?

Shinerama is the annual fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis. Since the late 1960's NAIT has raised over \$300,000 for this cause. Help us meet our goal of \$25,000 this year by coming out and supporting this valuable cause.

#### What is Cystic Fibrosis?

Cystic Fibrosis is a fatal, inherited disorder that affects mainly the lungs and digestive system. Sticky mucus clogs the small bronchial tubes in the lungs, making it difficult to breathe. Bacteria collects in these clogged tubes, leading to infections.

This mucus also plugs the tiny ducts of the pancreas, an organ that supplies enzymes to aid digestion. As a result, food is not properly digested and nutritional value is lost.

#### Who gets Cystic Fibrosis?

Cystic Fibrosis is and inherited disorder. Four percent of Canadians carry the gene but will not get this disorder. When both

parents carry the gene, there is a 25 percent chance that their child will have Cystic Fibrosis.

#### What is being done to help?

Researchers have found the gene that causes CF. There is still no cure for Cystic Fibrosis, but current treatments available help prolong lives of people with this disorder. Before the 1960's, half of children born with Cystic Fibrosis did not live long enough to start school, now people with the disorder can live well into their 30's.

Treatment for Cystic Fibrosis includes physical therapy and antibiotics. Special solutions are also used to prevent and fight lung infections. In advanced cases of the disorder, lung tissue may become so damaged that the only solution is a lung transplant. Gastrointestinal problems occur in 85 percent of people with Cystic Fibrosis. Special enzyme supplements are taken to help the body absorb nutrients from food. As well, people with the disorder must consume a diet high in fats and salt to replace the excessive amount they lose in sweat.

#### How can I help?

Students can help raise money for Cystic Fibrosis this Saturday. By donating your time this weekend, you can make a difference in the lives of those with Cystic Fibrosis. The activities done to raise funds for the event include washing cars, shining shoes, and whatever is legally possible to achieve this year's goal of \$25,000.

All volunteers will get a free breakfast, t-shirt, chips and pop, as well as taking advantage of the free Shiner pub-crawl. All you have to do is sign up on the sheets directly across from the NAITSA office. There are many locations around town, so be there volunteering, or be there supporting your fellow students that will shine your shoes. Come on out and make this the biggest year yet, and lets beat the University of Alberta. We can do it, we just need your help!

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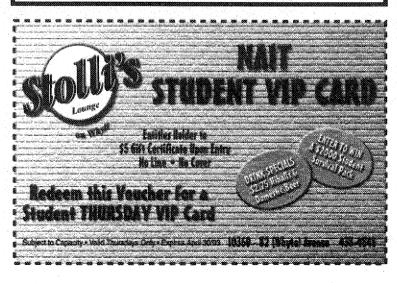
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# Welcome Week at the Nest

JENNIFER Benoit

FOR ANYONE who didn't go to Pre-Ookfest (NAIT's official welcome week party) at The Nest last Thursday, September 5, you missed a night of exceptional live music from both Lost Action Heroes and Fifth Season.

#### LOST ACTION HEROES

Lost Action Heroes played a 40 minute set and gave The Nest crowd a frugally mastered mix of reggae, ska, and punk. The seven member band includes Gord King (trombone), Jonny (guitar), Ryan Drury (guitar), Bryce Baby (saxophone), Owen Hutschinson (drums/bongos), Greg Hutchinson (trumpet), and Ryan "The Bass Player". The main vocalists in this group are Jonny and Ryan.

All the members are from Edmonton. Lost Action Heroes came together mainly by knowing each other as friends and adding hired musicians to their group. "The Man" Jonny can be credited for being the main influence in the group coming together.

Some of the latest accomplishments of LAH include winning NAIT Battle of the Bands and, more recently, Kokanee Summit Soundoff, where they got to play with Swollen Members and Bif Naked, both of whom are

"heroes" of the band.

The Lost Action Heroes set was all about fun and real musical talent. The trumpet, saxophone, and trombone gave a kick-ass twist that makes the band different from most rock bands. You could hear a little "No Doubt" in their instrumental breaks which added a lot of ska punk to their music. Their comical presence on the stage added even more fun to their set.

One has to give credit to the bass player for performing the way he did. Lost Action Heroes' previous bass player quit two weeks ago, and Ryan was rushed into the band. The group gave thanks to Ryan on stage for adapting quickly (which must've taken a lot of hard work), and he really deserved it. Often he was asked if he was "ready"; the other Ryan helped him by leading him through a couple songs. Despite the short lead time, you might think that Ryan has been with the band for a long time.

The vocals in this group aren't exactly great, but Ryan managed to pull his vocal chords together and hit the right notes for the songs nearer the end of the set. And apparently, the singers in this band do not like to wear shoes.

I wondered why some of the band members left the stage at one point. I found that the band likes to break into smaller groups and play in duets and trios for some songs in their set. This brought about the song that got the biggest reaction from the crowd. Or as Jonny and Gord (who did the duet) called it, the "special song for the ladies." Unfortunately, not many "ladies" in the crowd were charmed by the vulgar yet hilarious number.

The idea of breaking into smaller groups to perform allowed the drummer, Owen, to come to the front of the stage and play the bongos. This let him make more of a presence in the group rather than hiding behind the drum set at the back of the stage the entire

My personal favorite moment with the band was the cover song of Pink Floyd's "Wish You Were Here" which Jonny, Owen, and Ryan performed. They play a really good rendition.

If you didn't get to see Lost Action Heroes at The Nest last Thursday, you still have a chance. LAH will be playing at Ookfest on Saturday, September 14th, as openers for Default. "We're very excited to play at NAIT. Ookfest is going to rock!" said Gord, with the biggest smile on his face.

#### FIFTH SEASON

Independent recording artist Fifth Season plays no dainty rock. St. Albert boys Logan Jacobs (bass), Travis Nesbitt (vocals), Andrew Patrick (drums), and Dave Hesse (guitar) are an electrifying quartet that whips out one great modern rock song after another. On their set, Fifth Season mostly played songs from their first full length album "Patiently Waiting" (available at HMV).

Fifth Season can be proud of its broad touring schedule. The six-year-old band has toured with The Tea Party, and played at Snow Jam and on the main stage at Stage 13. Fifth Season should also be proud of the hard work they've done which allowed them to sign a developmental deal with Columbia. Columbia worked with them to refine their music and record demos. Some of the group's inspirations are P.O.D., Rage, Fiona Apple, Roots, and Incubus.

The band's overall wicked stage presence was first apparent with Dave warming up The Nest crowd before their gig. The rest of the set was momentous with the odd occasion when Travis sometimes got a little too "goofy."

Speaking of Travis, his singing calibre can be compared to that of The Calling's Alex Band and, the occasional moment, to Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder. Asking him what he wanted to be called in The Nugget, he joked, "singer extraordinaire – but don't write that down." He is singer extraordinaire. He's got a distinctive and resonant voice that is characteristic of all great rock bands' lead vocalists.

Most talented of the band is Dave, who's definitely got his style down to an art. Being with the band only two and a half years (the only member to change), Dave is a great acquisition. And as for Logan and Andrew, they are added proof of the band's musical maturity, as both looked at ease and really enjoying playing on stage.

To hear some of the band's music, visit their web site at www.fifthseasonmusic.com. You'll also find Fifth Season's touring schedule there.

Future aspirations for the group include showcasing for a label in Vancouver, and later going south of the border and heading straight for L.A., California. Meanwhile, call 100.3 The Bear radio station and request Fifth Season's "Everything's Fine." You'll be glad you did.



Many people came out to the Nest to see the live performers.