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STUDENTS RESPOND TO MARCH 27 "OPINION"

Match the Description, but Wrongfully Accused

BELAL Handous

Pertaining to the party, or parties, involved at Kingsway transit center on March 17th, 2003, who wrote a disgusting article in the March 27th, 2003 issue of The Nugget, has stated a bias, racial, discriminatory, negligent, hostile, stereotypical, and very unprofessional opinion. This could not have been done without the help of NAITSA. March 28, 2003, pictures of the alleged were placed up and around the school (without the consent of NAITSA or NAIT). They were eventually removed by security.

Your hatred of Lebanese youth has been stated, the ideology of your thought has also been stated. There are those who support your thought, and there are those who would like to destroy your thought. How can you say he is Lebanese? You merely assume it. In actuality he is not Lebanese. Do you see what you have done? And I quote, "I am familiar with the violent Lebanese youth that haunt this city. I have dealt with them in bars trying to start fights with my associates and I'. And you go on to say, "I can handle one stupid punk-ass bastard... he will inevitably return with a dozen knife wielding, semi-coherent fanatic buddies." You have infuriated many minorities within NAIT, I'm pretty sure you're smart enough to figure out which minority you pissed off the most. I admit you do have the right to your own opinion, and freedom of speech, but in this case, you have no idea what you are talking about. Such unprofessional, racial, discriminatory, negligent, hostile, and stereo-

typical opinion inevitably leads to liability. As a member of NAITSA, NAITSA being the professional, it is of-course within NAITSA's best interest to up-hold the best interests of its members. But the only problem here is that NAITSA published your opinion, directly damaging the alleged's reputation (also a member) as well as the Lebanese minorities' reputations. You have violated his right (the accused), you have not followed the proper channels in executing your opinion, you have not been truthful in facts, you assume information that is not true, there has been no official police investigation into such events, and all you seem to have done is nothing but damage, not only to the school's reputation, but to the alleged's as well. You are ignorant, you are unsophisticated, and you will learn that you cannot take matters into your own hands. It is astonishing how NAITSA would allow such an article to be published without verification of any and all facts subjected and limited to the alleged incident on March 17th, 2003, at the Kingsway Transit Centre. Maybe that's why NAITSA tried pulling The Nugget off the shelves. But I do have a copy here in front of me, as many others do as well. It is within the hands of true professionals to decide where liability falls. I'm pretty sure that everyone I can think of is going to get screwed, and then some. The picture does not only lie within NAIT, but outside of NAIT as well. I do not think that the Lebanese community within Edmonton appreciates the two-cents that Mr. Anonymous has stated. There

have already been phone calls from parents regarding this matter, and more phone calls are expected. Outside of NAIT, the Lebanese minority is not so small in numbers. Your stupidity my friend has started a lot of s***. The damage has already been done. But now there are two problems. First, the alleged whose reputation you have destroyed, is in fact a very kind, and caring person, there are those within society, (even on the bus) who are messed up. Things are not always what they seem, but once again, you apparently know what a Lebanese person looks like. You must realize that when you "ostracize" an individual, as you have stated in your own words, you can damage them severely, impose stress; in general, mess them up psychologically. I am not a doctor, but I do know that the mind is a very complex thing. Who do you think you are, if it was you or your friends, taking the liberty of putting up his picture, you have no right to do so. This personally pisses me off. The accused; as those of you around school know who he is as you have seen his picture, is a decent, honest, and caring man, who is facing ridicule and discrimination; this is unacceptable. It is the biased, discriminatory remarks of Mr. Anonymous who has destroyed this reputation. This is not fair, and this is not right. Second, the Lebanese minority, who does, to the best

Disgust, anger, disappointment, frustration

STUDENT Submission N.H.

Disgust at both the action and the lack of action that took place that afternoon. Moreover, disgust at the level of ignorance this society swims in. We continue to have people who take an isolated incident (especially when dealing with minorities) and mirror their negative views towards a whole community that is even more ashamed the incident took place.

Anger at the lack of initiative people take to try to eliminate this ignorance. Ask yourself, are you one of those "racial profilers"? If you're big enough of a person to admit that you are, start by reading a book or searching the net to find more information on certain cultures/religions.

Disappointment to have MY students' association approve an article of hate and print it with MY money.

As a Lebanese Canadian and even more so as a Muslim, I am constantly put on trial by everyone I see. I have to deal with the frustration to have to prove my innocence and character everywhere I go - Frustration to have to DEMAND respect when I know I shouldn't have to - Frustration to feel the hostility created by a biased media where anything I say or do is suddenly under speculation - Frustration to have to continually go through life having others attacking me for no legitimate reason.

Even through all of this I still have faith. I still have faith because I know there are people out there who know where I'm coming from, who understand where I'm coming from, and more importantly, who respect where I'm coming from.

of my knowledge associate with many other minorities at NAIT, are not only pissed off at NAITSA but at Mr. Anonymous as well, their reputation has been damaged. Those who are liable, student association and all, will be held accountable as it is deemed fit. I would like to thank you Mr.

Anonymous for going above and beyond the average levels of ignorance, and stupidity. It is a shame that the misuse of school facilities will eventually lead to future restrictions on use of school facilities. Perhaps NAITSA should review its policy regarding publications.

EDITOR'S RESPONSE



KIMBERLY Ashley

In last week's edition of The Nugget, March 27th, 2003, an article appeared, "NAIT Student Beats Up Old Man at Kingsway" and caused a tremendous reaction from the student body at NAIT. The reaction that we received from the student body was unexpected, and we are truly regretful for the impact that it had on our student body.

This article was brought to

us for print and was printed to bring attention to an event that had taken place. It was never intended to point fingers, single out, or to create a generalized impression of the ethnic background of the alleged individual in the article. The impact of this article was unforeseen, and the end result is truly regrettable.

The Nugget is the students' newspaper, and should be used to reflect student views and opinions without judgment and prejudice against other students in our community. In the future, The Nugget shall strictly promote tolerance and acceptance of the unique cultural backgrounds at NAIT.

JEREMY Coules

This letter is from the former NAITSA VP Communications in response to a student opinion article that ran in last weeks Nugget entitled "NAIT Student Beats Up Old Man At Kingsway."

Jeremy Coules

I would like to start off by saying that I have learned a great lesson. I overlooked an article that was published in last weeks Nugget. This article has offended many Nugget readers. Last week I allowed an article from an anonymous student to be printed in The Nugget. This article started out describing an incident, which he or she had allegedly witnessed. The opinion letter started out to be informative but by the end of the letter, the writer began making reference to various stereotypes that were not called for. The person who allegedly attacked this old man was put into a category solely because of the colour of his skin and the type of

clothes he was wearing. Furthermore, to single out an entire race for the alleged actions of only one person is wrong. I am responsible for not realizing the direct attack on the Lebanese community in this article and for that I apologize. I would like to assure everyone that the opinions that were used in the student submission do not reflect that of NAITSA or The Nugget and our newspaper is developing a new system of editing so that this type of mistake will never happen again. The Nugget is also looking at resurrecting our Publications Board so



Wanna Run The Nugget?

It's that time of year again where we have to advertise for positions at The Nugget for the 2003/04 year. With a lot of the current staff graduating, a lot of spots are going to need to be filled, and now is the time to apply.

And why shouldn't you apply? Besides getting paid for a job where you only produce 24 issues during the school year, you also get perks (free concert tickets), perks (free CDs), and more perks (free hoodies). Need I say more?

Editor-in-Chief

(\$600/month)

The Editor-in-Chief is responsible for proofing all the articles in the paper and approving the layout each week. They are also responsible for hiring staff, doing mail outs, making and returning phone calls to various sponsors, updating media lists, and coordinating staff meetings. The Editor-in-Chief is also expected to make a weekly contribution to the paper and work closely with the NAITSA Communications Vice-President, Advertising Manager, and Production Manager.

NAIT News, Events & Entertainment Editor

(\$350/month)

The News Editor is responsible for reporting on all NAIT-related news as well as events put on for the students. They are also to help with the overflow of entertainment requests received by the Arts & Entertainment Editor.

Arts & Entertainment Editor (\$350/month)

The Arts & Entertainment Editor is responsible for covering entertainment-related events around the city that would appeal to the general student body. This includes attending events at such places as the Edmonton Art Gallery, Provincial Museum of Alberta, Citadel Theatre, and Winspear Centre, among others.

Sports Editor

(\$350/month)

The Sports Editor is responsible for meeting with the heads of he various NAIT sports teams and coordinating regular coverage on all the teams. They are also responsible for collecting the Dok Of The Week nominations, he ACAC Stats, and reporting on proming NAIT sporting events. This also includes fan bus trips for way games.

Features Editor

(\$350/month)

The Features Editor is responsible for researching and writing weekly features that would appeal to the general student body.

Photographer

(\$250/month)

The photographer is responsible for finding pictures as well as taking pictures for each of the writers' articles each week. They are also responsible for looking after the film as well as the digital camera equipment and should have a working knowledge of Photoshop. It is important that the person in this position have a very flexible schedule.

Typesetter

(\$250/month)

The typesetter is responsible for collecting the articles from the submissions box and E-mail inbox and typing them up and proofing them. They are also responsible for filling out the dockets and keeping track of them as well as keeping records of past article submissions. A good grasp of the rules of grammar, punctuation, and great spelling skills are a must.

Distribution Manager

The Distribution Manager is responsible for delivering the newspaper to the various distribution boxes on Main Campus, the new HP Centre, and the Annex. They are also responsible for putting up and taking down posters on all three campuses throughout the week.

There are other duties not listed, but expected of each position. Ideal candidates would be people who are open-minded, team players, patient, and have a good grasp of the English language. They must also like to write and have a fairly flexible schedule to attend regular weekly staff meetings and various media events.

For more information on any of the above-listed positions or to fill out an application form, please contact Kimberly Ashley, Editor-in-Chief of The Nugget at 471-7615 (or E-mail naitnugget@hotmail.com) or Terence Fitzgerald, NAITSA VP Communications at 471-7607.

Application deadline is April 17, 2002.

NAITSA General Council News



KIMBERLY Ashley

Tuesday, March 25th, was the second last meeting of the general council, and the council was presented with the first reading 2003/2004 budget. The budget will be read for the second time on April 8th, the last meeting of the year. All students are welcome to come for the reading of the budget and ask questions, as it is your money that they are allocating to be spent.

Included in the upcoming budget is \$15,030 to create a volunteer centre. This will be a place for student's to come and learn about volunteer opportunities in the community and at NAIT.

The general council also officially introduced the newly elected members to the NAITSA executive. Jeremy Coules will replace Diana McCall as President, Fransisco Sarango will replace Cameron Baker as VP of Operations, Terence Fitzgerald will be replacing Coules as VP of Communications, and Wade Babiuk will be returning as VP of Academics as well as Trevor Bannert as the VP of Activities.

The executive members present also did an update on what their current activities have been. Diana, President, had just returned from a conference in Winnipeg the week before, and has been also busy in the search for a VP of Academic for NAIT. Other committees include the bursary selection committee, financial appeals committee, as well as choosing the recipient of the Ernest Manning award for Excellence, and dealing with Health and Dental grievances.

Cam, VP Operations, has spent his last few weeks prepar-

ing the budget that was presented that day, as well as being the MC for the election speeches early in March. Cam is also responsible for the deposits at NAITSA and has been preparing for the NAITSA Awards Night being held tonight.

Wade, VPAcademic, has been responsible for any student grievances this school year. He also planned the events for Shinerama, last September and will continue to plan for the next big fundraising event. Wade also organized all the blood donor clinics this year, as well as the daffodil sales held last Friday. He has been busy as a member on the NAIT Honorary Diploma Committee as well as assisting in the search for NAIT's own VP Academic.

The last meeting will be on Tuesday, April 8th, in room X-107 at 4:30. The budget will be read for the second and final time, and all students are encouraged to come...they have doughnuts there you know...



"Flowers" are blooming on gift items for "Mother's Day".

The "fairies" and "angels" are playing amongst the stain glass flowers, butterflies and plant pots" in our garden. Even our "whimsical animals" are there in the garden enjoying "Spring".



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NR92 Online... Even More!

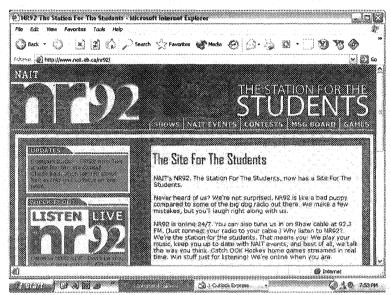
NAIT Radio Goes WorldWide



MIKE McGuire

For those that don't know, NAIT's own radio station, NR92, can be heard in more places than pendent site, offering archives and an in-depth look at this weekly magazine show. By the way, this week's show (which airs at 12:30 on Fridays), focuses on sex. Tee hee.

To kick off the site launches, NR92 and the Tech Store have teamed up to offer some impressive prizes. All a person has to do



A WHOLE NEW WORLD: NAIT Radio Extends its reach

just the South Lobby and the V-wing. In fact, for some time now, NR92 has been broadcasting online, depending heavily on the NAIT website. Well, now it's time for you to see just how good it really is.

It was announced Tuesday that NR92 has launched its own website. The site comes complete with show information, NAIT and station news, games, and of course... CONTESTS!

In addition to the station website, it was also announced that the station's flagship show, "Ground Zero", will also have its own inde-

is enter through the site, and they could win any one of the following:

Grand Prize: Compaq I-Paq (\$750.00)

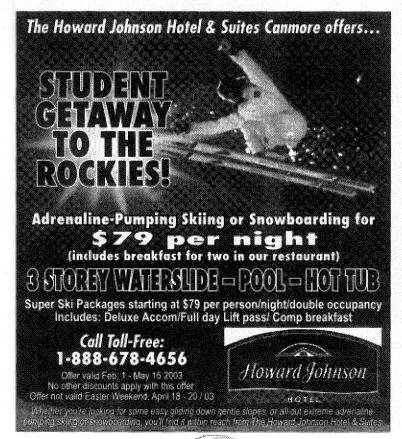
Week 1 Prize: Sony D-E351 Silver CD Walkman (\$99.00)

Week 2 Prize: hp deskjet 3420 printer (\$99.00)

Week 3 Prize: 5.1 Amplified Speaker System (\$130.00)

Plus, NR92 will be handing out dozens of Tech Store mouse pads, just for listening!

To enter, visit the new NR92 website at www.nait.ab.ca/nr92! It's SO EASY!



Employment Opportunity

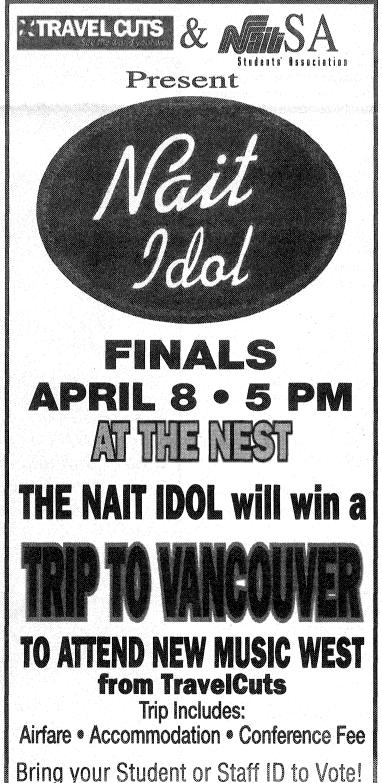
Special Projects Coordinator #1

This person will be responsible for the following:

- · Assist in coordinating all fundraising activities for NAITSA's Shinerama campaign.
- Assist in recruiting and supervising all the volunteers for various fundraising events.
- Update and manage contact list of sponsors and locations for Shinerama
- · Establish new sponsorship contacts for Shinerama and OOKFEST.
- · Assist in developing sponsorship proposals for Shinerama and OOKFEST
- · Assist in planning Awareness Week campaigns
- Assist in planning Welcome Week Activities
- Ordering and facilitating equipment rentals and supplies ordering for our Welcome Week Activities.
- Assist in planning and executing of the marketing plan for our Welcome Week Activities.
- · Cover breaks at the front desk.

This Person must have great leadership and time management skills. We are looking for an individual who is outgoing, personal, and well organized. Computer experience with Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, and the Internet is a must. Experience with Adobe Photoshop, and web design is a bonus. You must be a returning full-time student in the fall and winter semesters.

All resumes and cover letters must be submitted to the NAIT Students' Association office (Rm E131), faxed to (780) 491-3989 or e-mailed to mikea@nait.ab.ca marked attention to Mike Anderson, Entertainment & Marketing Manager by April 15, 2003. Only those considered for this position will be contacted.



Part-Time Employment Opportunity

Looking for Student Staff for commencing Fall 2003

Student Benefits Plan Office

Duties:

- Reception
- Answering Telephones
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- Filing

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- Being a first-year student is an asset

Please submit resume to:

Tovey Blake, Student Service Coordinator Student Benefits Plan Office Room E-133 (Right beside the Students' Association Tel: (780) 471-7730 Fax: (780) 491-3058 Email: studentplans@nait.ab.ca

Work hours will be scheduled according to your availability.



OPINION



Life is Like a Box of Porno...

You Never Know What You're Gonna Get



TOM Ace

Dear Tom,

I'm 23 and have been in a relationship for 15 months. My boyfriend is loving and seems to adore me, however three weeks ago I went to his place and found him hiding something from me when I walked in. After a while I went to see what he had hidden, he went straight into the bathroom so I looked around in there. I found a bi-sexual porn video, with guys and one girl! It really shocked me and made me feel very uneasy. I've had boyfriends who have been into porn but never gay porn. He said that there was a box at work and him and some other guys took them home. I reluctantly believed him any way two days later he broke up with me saying he was in doubt and said he couldn't give me what I wanted.

After three weeks I got a text message from him on my mobile, saying he was sorry and that he loved me, and the same day he sent me a beautiful e-mail. We talked and made up nothing was mentioned about the porno. I went to his place the night after we made up and stayed over, he left the next day to go to work and I checked out the videos he had been watching. Inside a box for a regular movie was another porno. I put it on and it was guys together with one girl.

I am so confused I don't know if I'm being really naive about this but I think it's sickening seeing two guys together. I don't think any straight guy would be into seeing it that stuff! I don't mind watching two girls because it turns me on but I seem to think this is different. I feel I may be a cover-up for him. I know his family would freak if they found out he was gay. I don't know if to believe any thing he has said to me, I don't know what to do or think! Some

advice would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Straight as an Arrow

Dear Straight as an Arrow,

There are a few things that I must address before I dish out any advice on this one. Like, where the hell does your boyfriend work that he and his buddy can just dig around in a box of porno and take it home? If this place does exist email an application form! And how can an email possibly be beautiful? Waterfalls are beautiful. Poems are beautiful. A love letter handwritten in calligraphy is beautiful. The day an email becomes beautiful is the day that Pam Anderson stops being a slut. Anyway, onto the advice. Talk about your double standards! You can watch two women get it on but he can't watch two men? The way you've described it sounds like the men might not have even touched in the video. If that is the case then you better gouge out you eyes right away. Every porno ever made in the history of time requires there to be at least one scene where two guys are involved, even if they aren't gay. Maybe the poor bastard pulled out the wrong tape when he was sifting through the sea of porn. He could have been scared that if you found the porn that you would break up with him. On the other hand, if it was indeed gay porno and your text-messaging, emailing boyfriend enjoys watching it, let him. As long as you aren't finding Brad Pitt posters hidden in the closet and he doesn't look disgusted every time you do the nasty, I think you're okay.

Straight, gay, transsexual, transvestite, goat lover—the Love Doctor does not discriminate. Send your questions to the Love Doctor, nuggetlovedoctor@hotmail.com. Or you can drop off your love letter in the little black box outside the Nugget office. YOU DO NOTNEED TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME OR ID NUMBER it is completely anonymous. This is the last chance to get some advice in The Nugget. The last issue will be out on April 10, 2003.

Don't Even Get Me Started!



FURIOUS George

I was watching CBC yesterday, what a lame ass TV station. I only stopped at that channel momentarily because I thought The Simpsons were on at that hour. That's the only good thing about CBC is their Simpsons reruns every afternoon. That, and their hockey coverage, I'll give them that, but that's about it. It is just awful television. You and I subsidize that channel to stay on the air. Unbelievable.

Another thing we pay for is Air Canada. They go broke and the government bails them out. As long as Air Canada has a union on their back, they'll never be able to compete with the non-union smaller airlines. I don't know what they're thinking, but it's not going to suddenly improve! Just dump it and start over. I can safely say that unions are a big reason for the airline's demise. If Air Canada falls,

it'll have been the unions that dug the grave for the workers. Isn't it ironic? Don't ya think?

To me, unions are like a big bully in a park with a baseball bat. "You have \$100, and I have \$0, give me half or I'll hit you on the head." It should be illegal. One works at McDonalds with the knowledge that he/she will receive minimum wage. Whether he/she deserves more is not the issue, they have the option of doing something else! That goes for all the professions out there. In the end

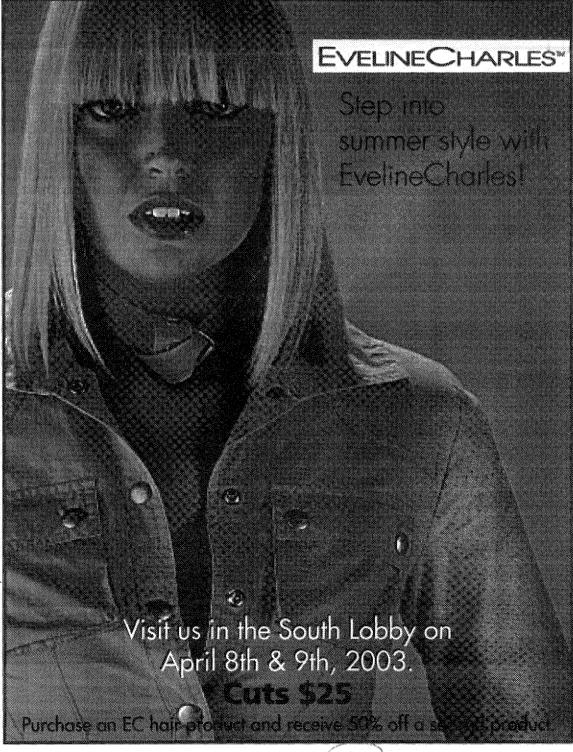
the only people that pay the union wages are you and I. Before West Jet, we were paying \$1000 fares to fly. Not any more, thanks to a nonunion airline. Safeway's prices are where they are to take care of the high wages. The same goes for Health Care, etc.

Does the extra money a union demands for an often undeserving group of workers really outweigh the impact it makes on our economy? As long as there's competition, unions will decide who loses.

Parking Services

is currently selling parking permits for students returning to NAIT in September 2003.

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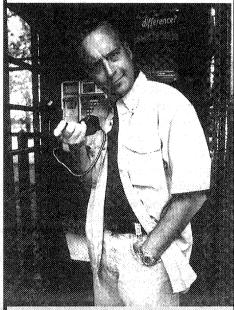
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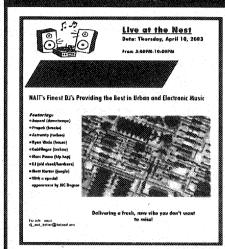
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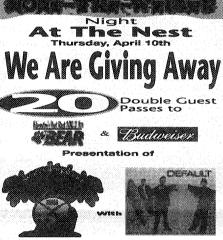
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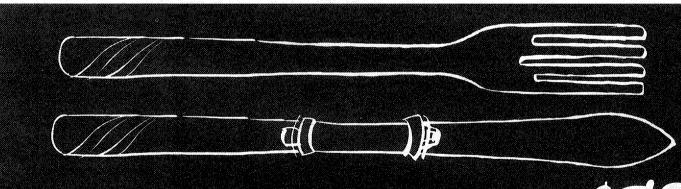


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The Nugget encourages submissions

THE DEADLINE IS 12:00 p.m. on the first school day of the week

All submissions must be accompanied by your name & student ID number

The opinions contained in The Nugget are the opinions of the individual writers and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Nugget staff or NAITSA. The Nugget reserves the right to edit letters and viewpoints for brevity.

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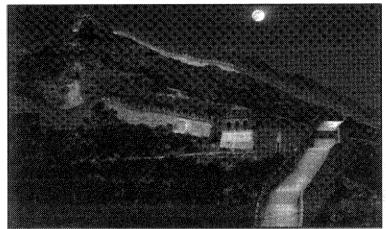


HARMEN Van Andel

Well, the school year's almost over. Time just flies huh? Some of you are lucky enough to finally get out of here and tackle the task of working at a job in the field that you've been intensely studying for the past few years, and some of you will be returning next year. By now, those of you returning next year are looking for something to do this summer. Some of you have lined up summer employment, and some of you plan to take a vacation, how about doing both?

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WILD WILD WEST



HARMEN Van Andel

I'm not a big fan of guns, but I recently had a blast at The Wild West Shooting Centre in West Edmonton Mall.

Although they sell all sorts of rifles and hand guns, The Shooting Centre's popularity stems largely from the firing range they have in the back. The Centre gives the average Joe an opportunity to fire handguns in a controlled (OK, semi-controlled) environment. For a range fee, you can use their guns and fire away at paper torso targets. They'll ask you what type of gun you want to shoot, and then they'll simply give it to you... with ammo! Among others, you can choose from a 9 mil., Colt 45, or even the famous Dirty Harry .44 Magnum.

After paying the fees and choosing your weapon(s), you're then escorted into the range area which is separated from the showroom by a regular pane of glass. There's a Marshall in the room, (who was "packing" what looked

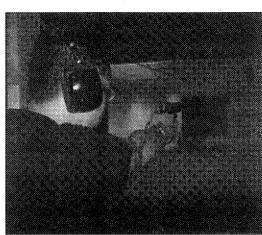
to me to be a 9 mil. handgun.) and he helps you with your guns; loading the clips, etc. When I asked if anyone had ever tried shooting up the place, the guy said "no" and walked away.

The first gun I tried was the 9-millimeter semi automatic handgun. It kinda felt like a cap gun, really. It fires very easily and with not much throw back. It was eerily fun when I turned the gun side ways and started yelling vulgarities while I shot. The Marshall looked at me like I was an idiot, but oh well, I felt like a gangster.

The next gun was the Colt 45. It had a little harder of a kick and put bigger holes in the target so I felt cooler.

The best gun was the .44 Magnum. This gun is a hand-held canon. The first time I fired it, it almost blew out of my hand. A few shots later, I got the hang of it. I learned to fire it using only one hand. My aim was terrible, but I

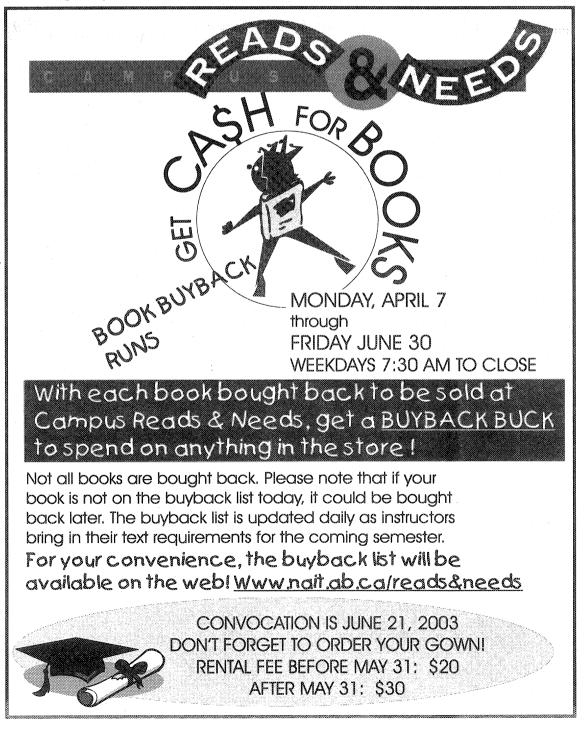
felt like a Wild West cowboy. (The Marshall told me I had to use two hands or give the gun back, so I had to switch back. I was going to argue with him, cuz after all, I had



Ready, aim, fire!

a gun in my hand. But so did he, and that could have gotten ugly, hehe.)

Really though, all-in-all it was a great time. The only draw back was the price. The range fee and ammo worked out to be around \$45.00. If you can afford it, try it out, you won't be disappointed. The Wild West Shooting Centre is located at the west side of WEM beside Silver City Cinemas.







Stress Management

MARGARET Marean Counsellor

NAIT Student Counselling Centre

Final exams ... assignments due ... looking for jobs student finance funding running out ... it can all add up to a lot of stress. Stress is your body's reaction to over stimulation. A certain amount of stress is normal and necessary but too much can be counterproductive. There are two choices for managing stress: change the situation or change your response to the situation. Often the way we think about a situation increases our stress levels out of proportion to the actual event. Thinking patterns such as "People will think less of me if they know I am not perfect", "I approach every task in a 'do or die' fashion", "I tend to interpret even minor mistakes as total failures" or "I feel that I should always be in control" contribute to heightened stress levels. Stress signals vary for everyone but can include irritability, mood swings, outbursts of anger, restlessness, apathy, loss of efficiency, difficulty concentrating, forgetfulness, frequent illness or delayed recovery, withdrawal, avoidance of social situations, appetite change, headaches, fatigue, insomnia and digestive problems.

Suggestions for Managing Stress:

- Be realistic. Set small goals that are challenging but achievable.
- Challenge perfectionist, selfcritical and self-defeating thoughts about your performance.
- Take care of yourself! Eat properly, get the amount of sleep you need, get daily exercise, do

some things you like to do, make sure you have something to look forward to every week. Be selfish, at least some of the time.

- Eliminate unnecessary stressors such as unhealthy relationships and unimportant tasks or commitments. Try to avoid situations and people that upset you.
- Beware of stimulants. Caffeine, salt, chocolate, alcohol, sugar and smoking can make you more susceptible to stress.
- Get organized. Make sure your home, schoolwork, clothing, etc. are in order. Get your books, lunch and clothing ready the night before so there are no added stressors in your day.
- Manage your time. Use a daytime, make a (realistic) daily to-do list then prioritize your activities
- Avoid procrastination. Putting off unpleasant tasks only increases stress.
- Make a study plan and start studying for major exams well in advance. The better prepared you feel for an exam the less likely you are to blank out or panic.
- Do not compare yourself with others. People who experience anxiety often tend to think others are smarter, better looking, faster,
- Find a relaxation technique that works for you. Counsellors can help you explore a variety of techniques.
- Use humour. Humour and laughter work against stress.
- Learn to breathe. Shallow, rapid breathing promotes anxiety.
 Deep, slow breathing counteracts anxiety and panic.
- Use your social support network.

Employment Opportunity

Special Projects Coordinator #2

This person will be responsible for the following:

- Assist in developing a system that will productively gather students who want to get more involved at NAIT.
- Assist in developing a system that will increase awareness to students about the volunteer center.
- · Create a points system that rewards students who volunteer through the center.
- · Create a database of all NAIT Volunteers
- Create a database of all internal and external organizations that require NAIT Volunteers.
- Ensure the safety of all volunteers by doing proper screenings of all organizations needing volunteers.
- · Organize and schedule volunteers for NAITSA
- Market the opening of the volunteer center to organizations needing volunteers.
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- · Cover breaks at front desk

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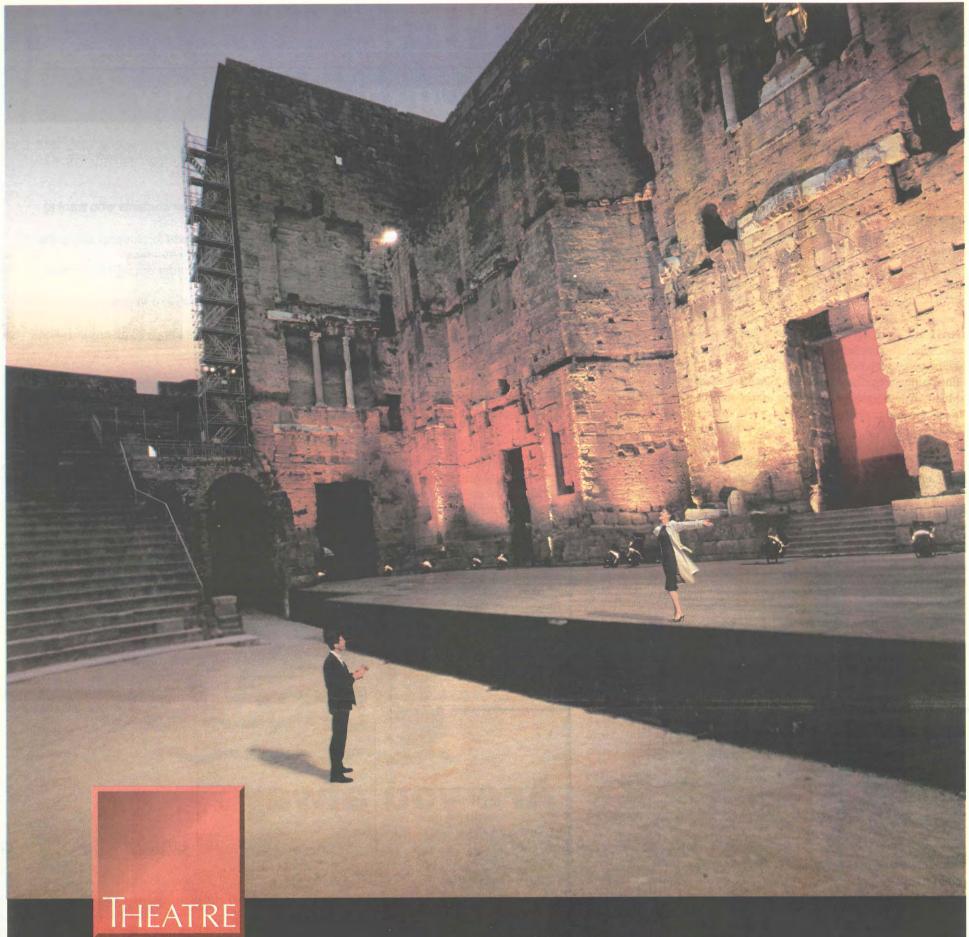
Reminder:

Exam Anxiety Seminar

Tuesday, April 8th, 12:15 or 1:15
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ENTERTAINMENT



Come out Tuesday night to The Nest and VOTE!



IENNIFER Benoit

The first segment of NAIT Idol proved to be a huge success on Tuesday, March 25th. The show was the idea of NAITSA Entertainment and Marketing guy Mike Anderson, and it saw The Nest crowd cheering on their friends as they sang their hearts out for The Nest crowd. The winner will be crowned as the first NAIT Idol and will go to Vancouver to represent NAIT talent at New Music West 2003 (May 21-25).



Mike Anderson, the brains behind NAIT Idol.

The stage setup came complete with a NAIT Idol backdrop, flashing lights, smoke machines, and opening music courtesy of the American Idol TV show. The show's host was NAIT-SA's newest President, Jeremy Coules, who did an awesome job running the show smoothly while conversing with the contestants and the crowd. And let's not forget the Karaoke Guy, also known as Gary from Mr. Entertainment, who we see every second Tuesday at The Nest. He, too, did a good job. He was in charge of organizing the music for the show.

On April 8th, the final contestants will be competing in the final NAIT Idol segment where the winner will be selected by the students at The Nest. The final ten were chosen by three

judges: Trevor Bannert (VP Activities), Tovey Blake (BMG Music Canada, aka Health & Dental Office), and Wade (Labatt Breweries Alberta). If you want to vote for your favorite contestant at The Nest on April 8th, starting at 5:00 PM, don't forget to bring your NAIT student ID card!

Like I said before, there are some very talented students at NAIT. If you saw the show, what's your opinion? Write to us! Here is a look at the original 21 contestants of NAIT Idol in the order that they performed.



1) Name: Jill Hamre Song Performed: Killing Me Softly (The Fugees)

She Wrote: I've been singing for years and my love for music is taking me over. I've got an upbeat personality and I feel that I would represent NAIT and myself well at the New Music West conference. Trevor Said: "I liked it. It was a great way to start the evening. She's got it going on."

Tovey Said: "She's enthusiastic ... it was a good effort."

Wade Said: "..strong voice and passionate..."

I Say: She performed really great, and she was really into the song. Status: Final ten



2) Name: Clint Semrok Song Performed: Pinball Wizard (The Who)

Trevor Said: "I wasn't sure if it was a joke or not..."

Tovey Said: "I wish I was the deaf, blind kid..."

Wade Said: "... lots of courage there... need to hone up on your skills a bit ... "

I Say: Fun performer. Status: Eliminated



3) Name: Lorna Hercule Song Performed: When You Believe(WhitneyHouston/Mariah Carey)

Trevor Said: "I thought it was good from what I could hear." Tovey Said: "...The music cut over her voice. You couldn't hear her... nice effort."

Wade Said: "Nice voice." Status: Eliminated



4) Name: Andrew Fuller Song Performed: Drive (Incu-

Trevor Said: "I like the song choice."

Tovey Said: ".. seemed like he was talking, not singing..."

Wade Said: "Good job on the chorus... Need to work on the verses...'

I Say: Needs to work on performance.

Status: Eliminated



5) Name: Jill Ollenberger Song Performed: Leaving On A Jet Plane (Chantal Kreviazuk)

She Wrote: I have been performing since the age of three, competing in musical theatre, classical, and pop vocal. As well as playing piano and fiddle. I would love the opportunity to represent NAIT in Vancouver.

Trevor Said: "She was great. I liked it a lot."

Tovey Said: "...Looked a little nervous."

Wade Said: "I think the crowd spoke in volumes."

I Say: Great voice, but needs to improve stage presence.

Status: Final ten



7) Name: Philip Moghrahi Song Performed: I Was Made For Loving You, Baby (KISS)

Trevor Said: "He did a decent job. Philip, that was 1976 calling... they want their hair back..."

Tovey Said: "I feel violated! VIO-LATED... good effort."

Wade Said: "You are Paul Stanley by no means... (but it was) entertaining!"

I Say: Different kind of voice, almost eccentric. Great moves (but I can see why Tovey was violated)! Sure showed that he loves performing.

Status: Eliminated

6) Name: Shanda Vollman

Song Performed: The Heart is a Lonely Hunter (Reba McEntire) She Wrote: I don't sing to impress people, I sing because I love it. I am a naturally happy person and when I sing I always feel better about what is going on in my life. If my singing can put a smile on someone's face - even one person - then I think it's more than worth

Trevor Said: "... And she sings, too! What a package!"

Tovey Said: "That was very strong and powerful..."

Wade Said: "To my knowledge, there was no video for this song and there should be ... "

I Say: Awesome performance from Shanda. She can hit the notes!

Status: Final ten

More NAIT Idol on back



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From rINgSIDE

WrestleMania, Goldberg, Indy Wrestler Controversy, and More!



MIKE McGuire

Hot off the heels of another great WrestleMania, Hulkamania is running wild throughout my dank little apartment at this moment. For those that missed it, it's worth getting the rebroadcast or the online version.

Besides the Hogan victory over McMahon, the other more frightening highlight of the night had to be Brock Lesnar's Shooting Star Press. This is a move that he was famous for during his time in the independents, but as it was seen last weekend, it didn't look like he was ready to pull out the big gun. For those that missed it, Lesnar started his rotation (Angle was WAY in the middle of the ring), and just as he was going to complete his rotation, he landed square on his face - lawn-darting himself. The call was made for an F-5, after which Lesnar took his victory and a hug from Angle.

Also during the Pay-Per-

Pro Wrestling had another show at the ACCA Centre last weekend. MIA was Lethal Lou Gage and J.D. Michaels, but it was a decent show to say the least. The show started with an "Under-18 Division" match between Brady Roberts and Bobby Sharp. The match was interrupted by my new favorite heel, "All American" Steve Rivers, who, dressed in a Burger King crown and holding a toilet brush as a scepter, declared himself the "new king of hardcore".

Johnny Handsome made a surprising Monster Pro debut. This is surprising because just a week earlier he had been working for the competition in the Prairie Wrestling Alliance. We featured an interview with Handsome on rINg-SIDE Radio this past Tuesday, where he said he was uncertain how this would affect his relationship with his former employers.

Other matches saw Scotty Savage def. Kenny Lush, Steve Rivers def. Phil Frenzy, Johnny Handsome def. Gary Williams, Massive Damage def. Winston Flynn, and MAXXX Power w/Synn and King Lau w/Steve



Shooting Star Press attempt at last weekend's WrestleMania.

View, a short blurb aired promising the return of "The Man in Exile for 2 years". Shots of Goldberg aired over his music, which drove the Seattle crowd crazy. Chants of "GOLDBERG" were starting all over Safeco Field. With the feud between The Rock and ol' Billy boy, it adds an interesting twist to the WWE scene. Should be very interesting to see his work at Backlash.

Moving back to the independents here in Edmonton, Monster Wilde fought to a no contest.

Keep checking back here and listening to rINgSIDE Radio, as plans for an "end of season" wrap party are well on the go.

For full details, visit www.ringsideradio.rocks.it. If you have any comments or questions you would like answered, assuming that you actually got to read this week's article, drop me a line at mikenait@shaw.ca, or ringsideradio@hotmail.com.

Homecoming

Men's B-Ball Squad Treated to Media Blitz



MIKE McGuire

Last Wednesday in the Common Market, the Men's Basketball team was welcomed by media from all facets including radio, television and print.

Upon introduction, Ooks coach Marc Dobell said that his team's goals have been met, and that NAIT can expect new things from a new team next year.

Dr. Sam Shaw, President of NAIT, was on hand to offer some congratulatory words, and recited a piece which he had initially sent to the team while they were in Quebec. The piece spoke of valor and pride, and exemplified everything the team had to offer this year.

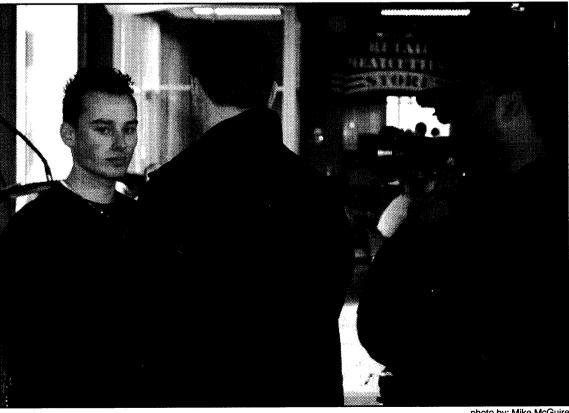
Coach Marc Dobell (of whom Denise in Student Services stresses is "single and available"), again testified to his team's ability and how much this year's squad meant to him.

Short but sweet, but by no means without meaning, the return for the Men's B-Ball team was the letics. More great moments will

crowning moment in NAIT Ath- be happening tomorrow night at the NAIT Athletics awards.



ON BEHALF OF NAIT, THANK YOU: NAIT President, Dr. Sam Shaw, gives a message of congratulations.



National Tournament MVP Slav Kornik shares his team's story with Edmonton.

photo by: Mike McGuire





How to Spend Five Days in Bed!

A message from under the covers...and some advice



STACEY Laing

Well if I hadn't been sick for the past week this article would be a lot more exciting; however; I have been hit with the flu and as I haven't left my house this past week, I thought I would share my experience with you.

Tuesday I felt a little under the weather, but nothing serious that is; until after I finished work around 9:30 p.m. and then it hit me, like a truck, and I was wiped

Wednesday the truck backed up over me and parked and I was stuck in bed until Sunday afternoon. What is someone supposed to do? I failed miserably at using my time productively; perhaps it was because I slept most of the days away. I had no schoolbooks, as I had no intention on being ill, and no movies to watch. Therefore, I resorted to watching daytime television, which is terrible and I can't say too much more for nighttime T.V. so there I was bored, bored out of my mind. No one would visit me, as no one wanted to get sick; however; when I finally got a visitor on Thursday night I couldn't wait for him to leave because I wanted to go back

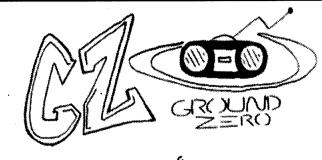
My advice to everyone is try to get enough sleep and vitamins as to not fall victim to this terrible flu. I know it could be worse, but it doesn't feel that way at the Movie Review

Basics on Basic



STACEY Laing

The movie is the first onscreen reunion with stars John Travolta and Samuel L. Jackson after the hit movie Pulp Fiction. Basic tells the story of the investigation into the disappearance of Army drill instructor (Jackson) and several of his elite commandos. Travolta plays a DEA agent who is trying to discover the truth. Although he has several obstacles blocking his way, especially the Army's own investigating officer (Connie Nielson). Although, the storyline was confusing because of the several twists and turns overall the movie was very entertaining and full of action.



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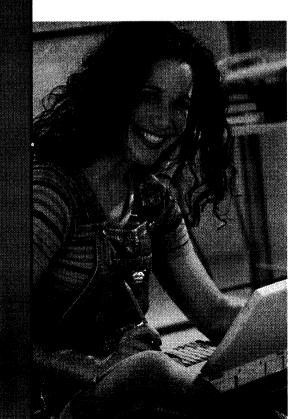
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Horoscopes

Written in the Stars

Aries (March 21-April 19)

The everyday stresses of college are getting to you. Don't worry, there are only three weeks left and it will all be over.

Taurus (April 20-May 19)

Spring repairs to either your home, car or wardrobe need to be done immediately. Shell out some cash for these minor repairs.

Gemini (May 20-June 20)

A good friend will need your help this week. Lend them your ear and some sound advice, they truly need it.

Cancer (June 21-July 21)

The sun is back out and shining. Take the time to get out and get some exercise. Pull out your running shoes or even your bike and soak up some rays.

Leo (July 22-August 22)

There is never enough time for your loved ones. Take a day this weekend to get away from the stress and hang out with those who are close to you.

Virgo (August 23-Septenber 21)

Deadlines are looming. Late nights are becoming more popular, but soon enough the deadlines will be over, and the transcripts will be in the mail...

Libra

(September 22-October 22)

Money problems will be no longer be an issue. That job that you have had your eye on may pan out in the end. Fix up your resume and you will be just fine.

Scorpio

(October 23-November 21)

Something that you have lost will find its way back to you. It doesn't matter how important it was, but you will be relieved that you have found it.

Sagittarius

(November 22-December 20)

After too much excitement last week, spend the weekend at home to catch up on some sleep, homework and time with a special someone.

Capricorn (December 21-January 19)

Boost your immunity this week. Exams and projects are coming up and you have no time to lose. Drink plenty of fluids and take some vitamin C.

Aquarius

(January 20-February 17)

A loved one will put you on the spot this week. Take it easy and don't get defensive. You don't want to ruin your special relationship.

Pisces (February 18-March 20)

Times have been especially rough lately. Take some time to yourself this week and do something you deserve, maybe a haircut, massage or a night out.

Win

Opening Night Tickets to the Citadel

If you want to win tickets to the Opening Night of the new Citadel play, write a short letter with the name of the play, the author, and director, as well as why you would like to go and see it.

Entries will be accepted until 5 p.m. Monday, April 7th and the most entertaining entry with the correct answers will win two tickets for Opening Night, worth \$138! Opening Night is Thursday, April 10th, at 8 p.m.

Remember: if you don't win, there are several great, inexpensive ways to see the play! Take advantage of ½ price seating one hour before the show, student prices, and pay-what-you-can on the first Sunday of the play's run. Submit your answer in the Nugget box with your name, phone number, and student ID number.

Employment Opportunity

Head of Security for NAITSA's SUDS Squad

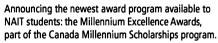
This person will be responsible for the following:

- · Hiring security guards and other event personal.
- Scheduling and managing event staff for NAITSA and Technology events.
- · Maintaining the SUDS Squad web site.
- Making sure that all events are safe.
- Training event staff on proper protocol.
- Keeping the SUDS Squad manual up to date.
- · Keeping moral up within the SUDS Squad.

This Person must have great leadership and time management skills. We are looking for an individual who is outgoing, personal, and well organized. Computer experience with Microsoft Word, Excel, and the Internet is a must. Experience with web design is a bonus. This is also a physically demanding position. You must be a returning full-time student in the fall and winter semesters.

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Morning Ceremony – Saturday, June 21, 2003

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Afternoon Ceremony – Saturday, June 21, 2003

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CD Review



JENNIFER Benoit

The Juliana Theory - Love

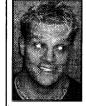


The Juliana Theory makes its major label debut with Love, an album adeptly titled for what the album is about: How love affects human life. For a Christian rock band, there is a lot of anger on this album, but the album is not without its positive tones. Brett Detar (vocals, guitars), Chad Alan (bass, backing vocals), Joshua Fiedler (guitars), Joshua Kosker (guitars, backing vocals), and Josh Walters (drums) make up The Juliana Theory. Love is their third album following two full-length independent albums.

The music is bold and compound, a result of four guitar players in the band. Such songs as Do You Believe Me? and White Days prove to be instantly likeable. Other songs need more time to appreciate the substance within them. Overall, the 13-track album is a great collection of promising songs for the group. The Juliana Theory was in Edmonton recently and played at Red's. Right now, the boys are heavily touring the United States.



CD Review



HARMEN Van Andel

Welcome to Planet IRS

Last March, IRS (pronounced 'erse') was awarded the 2002 Future Shop 'Future Stars Award' at Canadian Music Week. They won a distribution deal with Future Shop and some cash to produce a CD, so they recorded an album called "Welcome to Planet IRS". Although there are some fresh new tracks, their debut album is



tions across Canada.



mostly a compilation of previously recorded singles. If you like hip hop, you may enjoy this one. I catch myself humming their tunes as I write this, and I'm not even a big hip hop fan. There are 2 big releases on the album, "Strictly for the Heads" and "We don't Play". Both are experiencing rotation on Muchmusic and college-radio sta-







bers: T.R.A.C.K.S, Korry Deez and Black Cat. Black Cat is one of the music men behind the trio. "I love making music and traveling." The 25 year old says, "My father was a piano teacher, so he had a big influence on my career."

They traveled with Shaggy's last tour and plan to tour more throughout this year. If hip hop is your gig, check this one out. The plan was to catch IRS with The Rascals and DMX last week at the Agricom, but the show was cancelled.



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This year's winners of the Native Crafts Raffle are: Charlene Northwest (Wetaskiwin) - 1st Prize: Moose Antler Carving/Clock by Sam Bull - value \$1200; Victor St. Louis (Edmonton) – 2^{nd} Prize: Mother/Daughter print by Maurice Cardinal – value \$600; Lena Contois (Calgary) - 3rd Prize: Original drawing by Adrian Abraham value \$300; Tina Zur (Duffield) - 4th Prize: Beaded Hide Gloves value \$250. NAIT's Aboriginal Student club would like to thank everyone for their support.

Hey Nelson, The cat show at the Shaw was great, wasn't it? -Martin

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To the really cute guy who rode the 130 bus from downtown to NAIT Monday morning at 9:00 am, did you know how hot you are? The glasses, the cute little backpack and mittens, you really took my breath away! MMMMMM Secret Admirer

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Last General Council meeting of the year will be Tuesday, April 8th, at 4:30 pm in room X-107. Give your input and pick up a doughnut.

Enter to win two tickets to see an opening show at the Citadel. See the Entertainment section for more details.

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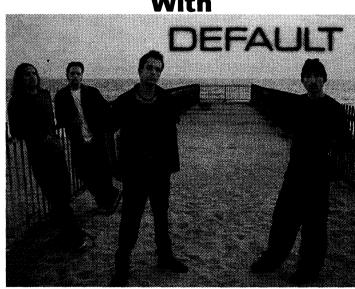
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8) Name: Michelle Jackson Song Performed: Black Velvet (Alanna Myles)

Trevor Said: "Totally was really good... but I've seen you do better."

Tovey Said: "..voice too high for this song, but I love your voice." I Say: Tough song to sing. Thought there was too much wail.

Status: Wild Card (Final Ten)



9) Name: Clint Cole Song Performed: Who Knew (Clint Cole), performed with guitar

He Wrote: I don't (think I'm the NAIT Idol). I just want to meet Nickelback in Van Dude! (I'm) just a regular joe.

Trevor Said: "I respect the fact that you came with your own song and guitar."

Tovey Said: "Overall, it was good."

Wade Said: "You remind me of a young Steve Earl."

I Say: Talented all around.

Status: Final ten



10) Name: Daniella Acevedo Song Performed: No More Drama (Mary J. Blige) Trevor Said: "Really hard to sing! Good song."

Tovey Said: "Great selection in

the tune..."

Wade Said: "Beautiful voice. Powerful!"

Status: Eliminated



11) Name: Steve Chevalier Song Performed: Flavor of the Week (American Hi-Fi)

He Wrote: I am the NAIT Idol because I can sing, perform comfortably, and look all right while doing it. I also do pretty well in school, so I'm an all around decent idol. Plus, I think it would be fun (to be NAIT Idol).

Trevor Said: "You nailed it! You did really well."

Tovey Said: "You sound like the actual dude from the song."

Wade Said: "Your voice rode through it..."

I Say: Awesome performance. Crowd loved this performer. Status: Final ten



12) Name: Layel Baddour Song Performed: When You Believe(Whitney Houston/Mariah Carey)

She Wrote: (On why she wants to be NAIT Idol) Because singing makes me glow, which in turn makes me happy, which in turn makes the people around me happy, too!

Trevor Said: "That was awesome!"

Tovey Said: "That was some soulful shit!"

Wade Said: "... The earth shuddered a bit when you grabbed onto

I Say: Beautiful, strong voice. Hit some VERY nice notes.

Status: Final ten



13) Name: Richard Thomson Song Performed: I Could Not Ask For More (Edwin McCain) Trevor Said: "I liked it. It was good."

Tovey Said: "It was alright." Wade Said: "That chorus needs an awful lot more."

I Say: Looked VERY nervous, but has a nice voice.

Status: Eliminated



14) Name: Kristen Mendoza Song Performed: Killing Me Softly (The Fugees)

She Wrote: I love to sing and I like to think that I have a lot of talent. Winning NAIT Idol will help me decide whether or not I'll go to Calgary for Canadian Idol. Trevor Said: "I loved it! I loved

Tovey Said: "She broke that down very nice."

Wade Said: "You took the game to your own level."

Status: Final ten



15) Name: Kameil Williams Song Performed: I Will... But... (SHEDaisy)

Trevor Said: "...She did good, really good."

Tovey Said: "I appreciated her enthusiasm... she got into the song."

Wade Said: "Sang a little offside. Did a good job!"

I Say: Best stage presence at the show. She was robbed! Status: Eliminated



16) Name: Matt McKay Song Performed: Run (George Strait), performed with guitar Trevor Said: "Good job."

Tovey Said: "I agree with Trevor." Wade Said: "(He) let it all loose

in the chorus, but not the verses..."

I Say: Very nice rendition of the song. Has a nice voice.

Status: Eliminated



17) Name: Erin Cassidy Song Performed: Independence Day (Martina McBride)

She Wrote: I am destined to be a star! First NAIT Idol, then the world! Enjoy me while you can. Trevor Said: "That was a great song and I loved hearing it live." Tovey Said: "Your voice is very strong."

Wade Said: "Can that girl wail or what!?!"

I Say: Very nice, high voice. Hit all the right notes.

Status: Final ten



18) Name: Heather Clough Song Performed: Mr. Jones (Counting Crows)

She Wrote: Well, I'm the queen of the world so what better person to be in the NAIT Idol? And I ROCK!!!!!!!!!

Trevor Said: "Someone rocked the room - it's about time!" Tovey Said: "You rocked that shit out. She just proved a woman can do a man's job better."

Wade Said: "Give yourself more credit in how you catch the room." I Say: When she got into the song, she was very, very good. Otherwise, she was mediocre.

Status: Final ten



19) Name: Dan McIvor Song Performed: Superstitious (Stevie Wonder)

Trevor Said: "Made me suspicious... why you thought you could pull off Stevie Wonder."

Tovey Said: "I honestly don't know what to say. Looked like he was really into it... but NO!" Wade Said: "Great soul."

I Say: Song selection was not very popular with the crowd.

Status: Eliminated



20) Name: Andrea White Song Performed: Hero (Mariah Carey)

She Wrote: I don't think I'm an idol. I'm doing this for fun.

Trevor Said: "Andrea might be your NAIT Idol. That was like ... whoa..."

Tovey Said: "That was absolutely perfect. That was excellent."

Wade Said: "Very tough song, very good job. Great job, girl, great

I Say: Very tough song, especially when there's a tendency to compare to Mariah Carey. She did really well. Status: Final ten



21) Name: Jennifer Plamonton Song Performed: Bye Bye (Jo Dee Messina)

Trevor Said: "I'm just amazed at how much talent there is in this school." Tovey Said: "I thought that was good. Her voice is powerful." Wade Said: "Great voice. Good job."

Status: Eliminated