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THE VOL. 42 August 2004 Registration

NAIT'S OFFICIAL STUDENT NEWSPAPER

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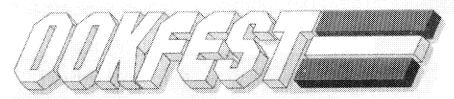
MAITSA Gears Up To Welcome Back Students











The Northern Alberta Institute of Technology Students' Association presents the 7th ANNUAL OOKFEST!

The Northern Alberta Institute of Technology Students' Association (NAITSA) presents the 7th Annual OOKFEST, a concert/fundraiser to welcome new students to NAIT as well as returning alumni. Tickets to OOKFEST will go on sale August 20, 2004 through Ticketmaster or at NAIT Students' Association. The 2004 lineup for OOKFEST is as follows:

Finger Eleven
Swollen Members
Emerson Drive
Social Code
Kazzer
Out of Your Mouth
Tupelo Honey
Corb Lund Band
Kyprios

How can a NAIT student pick up lots of extra CASH?

Why not join other NAIT students and work with the Annual Fund in one of the most rewarding jobs on campus? Help raise money for NAIT by calling alumni across the country.

Great Benefits....

- Starting salary of \$7.50 per hour
- BONUSES & AWARDS based on performance
- Prizes from Corporate Sponsors
- OBTAIN PROFESSIONAL TRAINING FOR SALES, MARKETING, & PUBLIC RELATIONS

Other Great Benefits....

- Excellent on any resume
- Evening Hours: 5:30-9:00 PM
- On-Campus location on the bus route
- Experience that will benefit you for a life-time
- Other Great Surprises

Limited positions available...

If interested please attend one of the following information sessions to find out more and to apply for a position:

Tuesday August 24, 2004 at 5:00 – 6:00PM in Room E102 or Thursday August 26, 2004 at

5:00 – 6:00PM in Room E102

For more info or to RSVP please call Jason Christensen-Demers at 471-8862.

Jason Gogo Intricate Minds Leto Seventeen Against The Dealer

Past performers at OOKFEST include Nickelback, Default, Headstones, Wide Mouth Mason, American Hi-Fi, Gob, Not By Choice, Seriel Joe, Lillix and many others!

OOKFEST will take place on September 11, 2004 on the NAIT soccer field, main campus.

A portion of the proceeds generated from OOKFEST will go toward the Students' Association Shinerama Campaign, a fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. NAIT students are raising the bar this year and planning to raise \$20,000.00 at this event. OOKFEST is one of many events planned to generate funds for Shinerama.

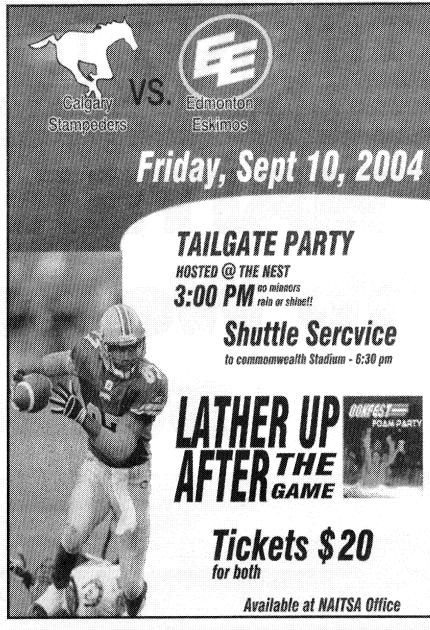


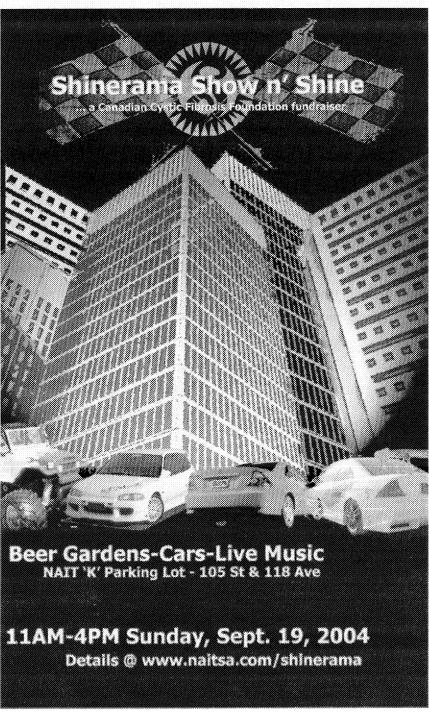
Shinerama Needs You!

What is Shinerama? It is NAITSA's annual fundraiser for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

What can you do?
Assist with organizing,
implementing, and
evaluating fundraising
events; such as BBQ's,
The Shinerama Show n'
Shine, VIP Card, Shine
Mobile, Promotions,
and Breakfasts.

If you want to get involved, contact Shannon in the NAITSA office at 491-3966.









Mature Student Orientation

Have you been out of school for a few (or quite a few) years?

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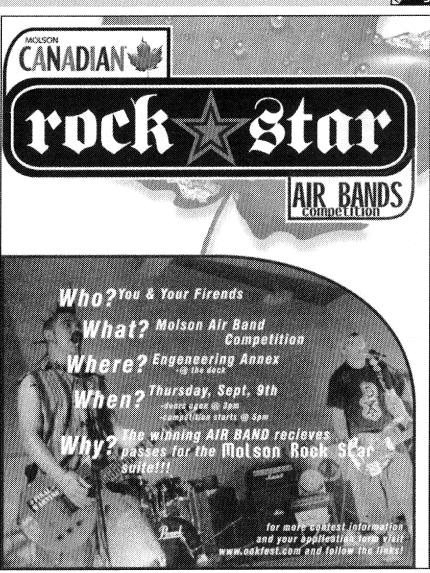
SUCCESS"

DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

TIME: 4:30 TO 5:30 P.M.

PLACE: ROOM E225

Presented by....... NAIT COUNSELLING 0117, SOUTH LOBBY 471-8921



Volunteer Opportunities at NAIT

OOKFEST

OOKFEST 2004 needs you! Come out to volunteer at this one of a kind welcome week event! Assist with site set up and take down, contact Mike Anderson at 471-7603 to volunteer.

SHINERAMA

Shinerama is seeking volunteers to help out on Sat. Sept 25 with our annual Shine Day. This event is a great way to meet people and support a worthwhile cause! Contact Shannon at naitsavc@nait.ab.ca for more details!

REFERRAL CLERK

The NAITSA Volunteer Centre looking for a referral clerk to assist with the operations of our volunteer centre. For more details contact Shannon at naitsavc@nait.ab.ca

STUDENT AWARD OFFICE ASSISTANT

The Student Award Office is on the look-out for a second year student to volunteer 3 to 4 hours per week assisting new students in the navigation of NAITS' student award process. For more details about this unique opportunity to help others contact Sabrina Johnson at 491-1339 for more details.

I VOLUNTEER!

A New Service At NAITSA!

The NAIT Students' Association is proud to announce a new addition to its family of outstanding student services. We have added a Volunteer Centre! This new & exciting service is designed to enable students to access volunteer opportunities, both on and off campus. The staff at NAITSA feel that student involvement in volunteering is a key component in offering our students a positive, well-rounded experience at NAIT. Volunteering is not only fun, but a great way to expand your skill base, try out your new skills and enhance your resume!

Benefits of Volunteering!

Gain personal satisfaction through skill development

Helping to improve the quality of community life

Chance to meet new people

Unlimited fun

Personal Growth

GIV'ER! Program

New this year to NAITSA is our innovative GIV'ER! Program. This program is designed to get our students involved in our school & the greater Edmonton community. While volunteering for NAITSA/NAIT events, or in your own neighborhood, you can earn points that when totaled at the end of the year, benefit both you and your technologies.

Volunteer Recognition at NAITSA

Also new to NAITSA this year, we have introduced a volunteer recognition program. This recognition program was developed to recognize our volunteers after reaching certain milestones in the number of hours contributed. This recognition program kicks in after a volunteer has completed ten hours of volunteer service to NAITSA/NAIT special events. Volunteers can look forward to letters of reference, limited edition volunteer t-shirts and complimentary entry for two at NAITSA special events. For more information about this new NAITSA program, contact Shannon Marshall at 491-3966 or Email: naitsavc@nait.ab.ca

More Volunteer Opportunities at NAIT

United Way Campaign 2004!

Once again this year, NAIT is part of the United Way Campaign. The campaign is a month-long fundraising drive which provides program funding to many supportive organizations within the city. Activities will commence in October. If you would like to help, please contact Rebecca at 378-5012.

HOMECOMING WEEKEND 2004!

Come out and volunteer at the NAIT Homecoming Weekend 2004! This is a great opportunity to network & get to know some of NAIT Alumni! Contact Jason at 471-8862 for more details!

CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAM

The Campus Crime Stoppers Program is looking for volunteers to serve in leadership roles with their board. Get involved in making your campus safer for everyone! Contact Peggy at 471-8655, for more details

COMING SOON!

Volunteer Opportunities from the NAITSA Volunteer Centre Member Agencies!

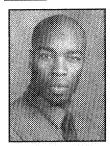
NAITSA Volunteer Centre Contact Information: Shannon Marshall 491-3966 Or email her at naitsavc@nait.ab.ca Quote of the week:

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. Winston Churchill



NAITSA On Four





Presidential Position Update By: Dwayne Williams

What a rollercoaster of a Summer! I don't think I've personally ever had to keep track of so many different projects at one time! Though in the end, it was all worth it! Early in May, my vice presidents and I came out with a goal of things we need to tackle to keep to our campaign promises and make 2004-2005 the best year for the students at NAIT ...we have accomplished many of our goals, and we are only just getting started!

Before we get into the humdrum of changes you can hear about but not see, let's talk about the changes you can see! For those of you who have had a chance to swing by our newly renovated student office here on Main Campus you will see that structure of old has been replaced. A snazzy new front desk and layout awaits you as you enter the new office, and you will quickly notice. the brand new student lounge that has been added. Here you will find a friendly and inviting fireplace to relax in front of while studying, or perhaps you would be more interested in the new television placed in there for student enjoyment!

A quick walk down the hallway to the activities centre will take you to NAITSA's own student pub, the Nest. For those of you who saw this little joy last year, you are in for quite the shock. We smashed down the wall in the Nest! That's right folks, and get ready for some crazy events to be held in the Nest to kickoff its brand new look!

But obviously we couldn't spend the whole summer smashing and rearranging stuff, so NAIT Students' Association got down to the nitty-gritty of what needed to be done around campus to improve the situations around ALL of our campuses. So whether you are here in Edmonton, Fairview or Grande Prairie, everyone will get represented fairly!

Such changes include new ideas brought up by you, the students, in regards to the Nugget—NAIT's official student newspaper. As a result of your feedback, this will trigger some cool new changes to the paper! We have also updated the NAITSA website to keep it more current and reliable for all those who rely on us for information.

Technologies will have more accurate financial tracking and monitoring allowing for better fundraisers and more wild grad parties! We have also doubled the amount of scholarships administered by NAITSA to our members, officially breaking the \$20,000+ mark for this year!

There is plenty more too, but we'll let you see them as they come! Stay tuned to the Nugget and the NAITSA website for more information! Please feel free to swing by and see the NAITSA execs at anytime, our doors are open for your comments!

Dwayne Williams President



Vice President of Finance and Administration Position Update By: Elaine Devine

Hello everyone! I am Elaine Devine, your VP Finance and Administration for the 2004-2005 school year.

As VP Finance and Administration, I will be dealing with all of NAITSA finances, preparing next year's budget, and helping technologies and clubs plan fundraisers.

This summer I have been working on a variety of projects as Shinerama, OOKFEST, and Tech-Banking.

If you are looking for some extra cash or just want to help out, I am always looking for people to help out at all of our NAITSA events, such as OOKFEST and Shinerama.

Feel free to stop by our newly renovated offices at any time. If you want to get involved, bring me your resume and I will hook you up.

This will be an awesome year, so don't be shy, drop by and make your self part of it.

Check you later, Elaine Devine VP Finance and Administration



Vice President of Student Affairs Position Update By: Aleesha Jex

Welcome Back! My name is Aleesha Jex and I am your VP Student Affairs. Over the Summer, I have kept myself very busy. Some projects I have been working on include:

Speak Out! Forms

These are forms that you will find on our poster boards and on our NAITSA website (www.naitsa.ca). If you have a problem, idea, or solution for things around NAIT; jot it down on a Speak Out! Form. I will be using your feedback to try and make changes around NAIT. These forms are in the process of being completed right now, so keep your eyes on the Nugget to find out when they are done.

• The NAITSA Student Handbook

During registration, you should have received a Student Handbook. If you have not received your copy, please drop by the NAITSA office (E131).

Shinerama!

Read over Jen's write-up for information on what activities are going on in regard to Shinerama, in September.

• The Nugget

Over the summer I looked into ways of improving the Nugget. We will now be publishing student submissions and letters to the editor weekly. Also, we have a comic strip each week, and much more! Be sure to check out the Nugget, online!

Remember to come and see me (E131J) if you ever have a problem with your instructor or program. We will work on a solution together.

Aleesha Jex, VP Student Affairs



Vice President of Campus Life Position Update By: Jen Grundke

Welcome back to NAIT! I hope you all had a fantastic summer. While all of you were away, I have been very busy. I have been spending my time making sure your first month at NAIT will be the best one ever! NAIT already has a reputation of being one of the biggest and event oriented schools in Canada, and we are going to make sure we uphold this reputation!

So as your VP Campus Life... what have I been doing to make your campus life at NAIT great while you were away? Well, I have been spending much of my time planning Shinerama. Shinerama is NAITSA's charity fundraiser where we plan to raise \$40,000 for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. How are we going to do this? Well let me explain...

We have a few projects on the go, one being the Shinerama VIP Card. This card has all the big nightclubs in the city. Most places offer no line and no cover charge but some offer even better deals like drink and food discounts. Make sure you check out the website for more information on the VIP card at www.naitsa.com.

We are also working on a project similar to the TV show 'Pimp My Ride.' For every hour of time you donate, you will get a ballot to win, or you can buy tickets for \$3 each. The draw will be made Wednesday, December 1, 2004, so make sure that you get your name in before it's too late.

Shinerama week has been scheduled from September 19-25, 2004. During this week we are planning a series of events to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis research and treatment. The schedule is as follows:

September 19, 2004 Shinerama Show n' Shine

This is a chance for students to show off their vehicles and win awesome prizes. It will be held in the K parking lot (behind the HP Centre). There will be corporate vehicles decked to the nines. Make sure you get your registration forms at the NAITSA office.

September 21, 2004 Shinerama BBQ Blitz

NAIT will be hit with the biggest BBQ ever. Make sure you get your burgers! Corporate sponsors have donated all the food so all the proceeds will be going to Shinerama. There will be BBQ locations all over campus so make sure you fill your belly there!

September 22, 2004 Shinerama Biz Hall

Large sponsors of the Shinerama Campaign will have the opportunity to showcase their product in the south lobby. Make sure you wander through to win tons of awesome prizes.

September 23, 2004 Shinerama Pancake Breakfast

In the South Lobby, the Shinerama Committee will be selling pancake breakfasts from 7A.M.-11:00 A.M.

• September 25, 2004 Shinerama Day

Shine day is the day where we call on all NAIT students to volunteer to eat a free breakfast, help out with washing cars and shining shoes, raise a little money and then go out and PARTY!!!! It is a really great activity to add to your resume, not to mention it's a lot of fun and a great way to meet new people!

I have been working around the clock, this summer, on the logistics of all these events. All of this coupled with training on how to be a great VP Campus Life and student executive. Other projects I have been helping out with include the NAITSA policy manual, hiring committees, negotiating contracts, leading meetings, developing strategic plans, amongst many other things. If you have any ideas about the upcoming year, just give me a call (780-491-1320) or stop by my office, anytime.

So now that you all know how I have spent my time... what have you been doing with yours? Talk with you soon!

Jen Grundke VP Campus Life





Nait Student Counselling Welcomes You!

"Welcome to NAIT or Welcome back to NAIT"

"MAKE THE MOST OF YOU!"

The Counselling Staff is committed to supporting and facilitating student success.

Counselling services focus on skills for academic success, career planning and personal balance and growth.

We are here to facilitate your transition to NAIT and to assist you in making the most of your educational experience as you embark on your chosen career path. Through the provision of individual counselling, seminars, and peer tutoring we strive to make your educational experience at NAI T successful, positive and enjoyable.

We look forward to being a member of your team to enhance your success. We wish you the best for the 2004-2005 academic year!

COUNSELLING SERVICES:

Room 0117 South Lobby

Phone 471-8921 TTY 474-5883

Web: www.nait.ab.ca/counselling

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Services Available:

Individual Counselling:

- Academic Counselling Assistance with study skills, examination preparation, examination writing techniques, time management and other skill-building techniques to enhance academic success.
- Career Counselling Assistance with career exploration, career planning and career management.
- Personal Counselling Assistance with personal concerns that impact you and influence your success as a student. Enhancement of your personal growth to succeed in an increasingly complex environment.
- * Our services are confidential
- *When appropriate, referrals may be made to outside agencies and services.

Seminars:

Seminars are offered in the areas of study skills, examination preparation, examination anxiety, time management and memory, stress management and other relevant areas.

Peer Tutoring:

A roster of names of students who will tutor is available at the Counselling Centre. Also, if you would like to tutor other students, inquire at the Counselling Centre.

NAIT Counselling

promotes.....

"STUDENT SUCCESS"

- Improve your study skills
- Reduce Stress
- Make the most of <u>YOU</u>
- Graduate

Individual Counselling

- Academic
- Career
- Personal

Student Success Peer Tutoring Seminars

Counselling Centre Room 0117 South Lobby Phone: 471-8921 TTY: 474-5883

Weekdays: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm (Appointments in person or by phone.)

Student **SUCCESS** Seminars

Presented by The NAIT Student Counselling Centre

(Seminars are free and pre-registration is not required)

"How to Study"

Sept 15 • 11:15, 12:15 or 4:30 Nov 2 & Jan 19 • 11:15 or 12:15

"Memory, Learning & Concentration" Sept 22 • 11:15, 12:15 or 4:30 Nov 9 & Jan 26 • 11:15 or 12:15

"Time Management, Managing Procrastination" Sept 29 ● 11:15, 12:15 or 4:30 Nov 16 & Feb 2 ● 11:15 or 12:15

"Exam Writing, Managing Exam Stress" Oct 6 ● 11:15, 12:15 or 4:30 Nov 23 & Feb 9 ● 11:15 or 12:15

"Stress Management"

Oct 5 • 11:15, 12:15 or 4:30 Nov 30 & Mar 2 • 11:15 or 12:15

All sessions are in Room X111

WANTED

Students to work as **security guards** at NAITSA events. (ie. OOKFEST)

JOB DESCRIPTION: Ensure all students at NAITSA events have a safe experience

Wages pending experience

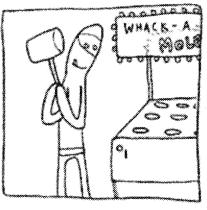
Submit resumes to Jamie Cloutier
via email – jamiec@nait.ca
fax – 780-491-3989
or drop off at NAITSA office (E131)

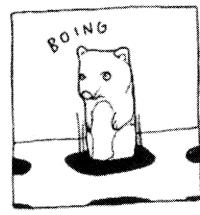
For more information, call Jamie at 471-8725

Academic Council

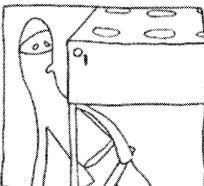
Want to make major decisions around NAIT?
Want a free lunch each month?
Make a difference!
Join Academic
Council!
Drop by E131 for

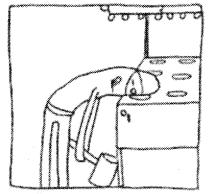
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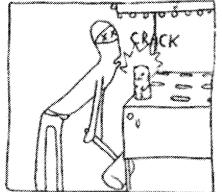












Courtesy of http://www.whiteninjacomics.com.





Your First Pop Quiz

1. How many bands are playing at OOKFEST on Sept.11?

- a) 5
- b) 3
- c) 7
- d) 13

2. Where dose the money raised from Shinerama go?

- a) The Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
- b) United Way
- c) Boys and Girls Club
- d) The Food Bank

3. If you park on the side streets by NAIT main campus for over two hours, what will happen?

- a) You will get a ticket
- b) Your car will be broken into
- c) Nothing your car will be fine
- d) Answers a and b

4. Which one serves food and alcoholic beverages on campus?

- a) Bytes
- b) The Common Market
- c) The Nest
- d) The Fresh Express
- 5. How many campuses does NAIT have?
- a) 3
- b) 11
- c) 7
- d) 5
- 6. Who can volunteer for Shinerama?
- a) Only NAIT students
- b) Anyone
- c) Only girls
- d) Only boys
- 7. What is The Nugget?
- a) A NAIT Staff Newspaper
- b) A yearly newsletter
- c) A NAIT Student newspaper
- d) A bar

8. If you want to volunteer for any event on or off NAIT campus, where do you go?

- a) The Registration Office
- b) The Cash Office
- c) The Volunteer Center E133
- d) NAITSA

9. When is the deadline to opt out of Health and Dental?

- a) Sept. 9
- b) Sept.20
- c) Nov.11
- d) Sept.24

10. If you would like to work at a NAITSA event, whom should you talk to about getting a job?

- a) Elaine Devine NAITSA VP Finance and Administration
- b) Dwayne Williams NAITSA Presidentc) Aleesha Jex NAITSA VP Student
- Affairs
- d) Jennifer Grundke NAITSA VP Campus Life

Answer: 1.d, 2.a, 3.d, 4.c, 5.b, 6.b, 7.c, 8.c, 9.d, 10.a

Free Donuts Every Second Week•••

Okay, there's a catch. You have to be a Tech Rep, but it's not so bad...actually it's kind of fun.

What's a Tech Rep, you ask?
Well, you would be part of a
committee that would represent
your technology (program) at
meetings that deal with issues
that affect you — like how
NAITSA spends your student
fees...and the type of parties we
plan for you this year.

Want to learn more? Call Jen – your VP Campus Life at 491-1320.

SHINEAPALOOZA

6 different rides, including a pony ride, a castle, and many others!!!

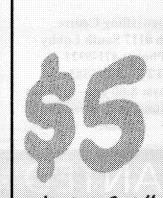
THE DAYS SCHEDUAL

1:00am - MIOWAY OPENS

11:30am - Cooper Studios Showcase
-young local performers showcase their talents

1:00pm - Unplugged Stage W/ Social Code, Tupelo Honey, & Kazzer

3:00pm - Harry Potter 3 The Prisoner of Azkaban -showing in the Shaw Theater





Places To Go Around NAIT

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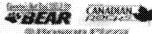
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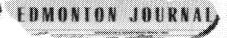
www.Ookfest.com

TICKETS ON SALE NOW @ TICKETMASTER
No Minors. Gates open at 2PM. NAIT Soccer Field.
Tickets are \$29.00+s/c.

Proceeds from the event go towards the NAITSA Shinerama Cystic Fibrosis Campaign











Musky Energy



Front Desk Assistants

WANTED: Personable indidivduals to assist with front desk customer service for one to two hours a day, Monday to Friday for the NAIT Students' Association office (E131).

Responsibilities involve answering phones, directing office traffic, strong emphasis on ticket sales and cash handling. Many other various front office duties will also apply.

Must be organized and detail oriented. Excellent opportunity to work in an active office with some pretty nice people for \$7.00/hour.

To apply or for further information contact Rose Baumgartner at the NAIT Students' Association (E131).

Phone 471-8855



- 1 & 2 Bedroom Suites
- 2 Bedroom Bi-level Suites, 1000 sq. ft., Formal Dining Room, Walk-In Closets, Back Deck
- Minutes to Downtown, Whyte Ave, U of A, Grant MacEwan & NAIT
- Close to River Valley. Trails for Biking, Hiking & Walking
- Ideal for Student living

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8768 - 96 Ave. **469-3080**

Located between Connors Rd & 85 St. North of Bonnie Doon Shopping Mall





NAITSA Rules Again!

Listen up ladies and gentlemen! Here's a story about four brave adventurers who went on a mission and conquered the enemy. What enemy you say?

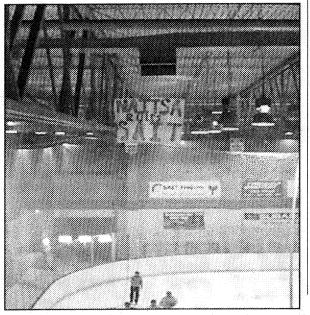
Well the enemy known as...SAIT! (Southern Alberta Wannabe-As-Good-As-The-Northern Institute of Technology).

The history on this little rivalry? Well...for one they think they can compete with the amazing students up here in Etown! But mostly, they stole something

from NAITSA several years ago...something dear to our hearts... that's right folks...they stole our gavel!!

We could not let this go unpunished, so this summer during our visit to the SAIT campus for a conference of the Students' Associations across Alberta. We decided to play a prank on these southern yokels. But what could we do? We (the executives) thought, pondered, and devised a plan...then during the process of setting up the plan, we stumbled upon an amazing opportunity we could not pass up!

It seems that SAIT does not like to secure their campus very well! This led to us ending up in the ice arena's maintenance room...located above the ice rink. We quickly devised a plan. While a hockey game played beneath and spectators watched in the stands...NAITSA took action, and the results are clear for you to see!



NAIT Student Awards Office

Students entering NAIT in the Fall 2004 Session should be aware that the deadline date to apply for NAIT Entrance Awards is August 30, 2004.

Entrance Awards are for students entering NAIT for the first time. This includes students

- entering directly from high school,
- entering after taking time off after high school
- entering with no previous attendance at a post-secondary educational institution, and
- entering after completing academic upgrading.

Award Value: \$500 - \$5,500 Number of Awards: Approx. 60 Total Disbursements: Approx. \$100,000

NEED NEED

Be a writer for this paper!

We need an Editor-In-Chief and Writers for the following sections: News & Entertainment Arts & Entertainment Features Sports Health & Lifestyles

Drop by E131 to fill out an application form.

We also need a Distribution Manager

Application Deadline is Wednesday, September 1, 2004 at 4:30 p.m.

NEED SOME EXTRA CASH?

NAITSA is looking for students to work as **cashiers** and **bar tenders.**Please fill out an application in the NAITSA Offices E131.

We need workers ASAP!!!!

