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## SHINING EXAMPLE

Oiler players team up to help Shinerama fundraising by your NAIT students' association. Story inside.



Photo: Nicole Ouellet

Oilers Raffi Torres and Jarret Stoll get a shine from NAITSA VP Elaine Devine and Erica Van Dorp who lives with Cystic Fibrosis.



# NEWS & FEATURES

## Student readers speak out Facing off for Shinerama

# MOUTHING OFF



By SACHA KOLOTYLYUK

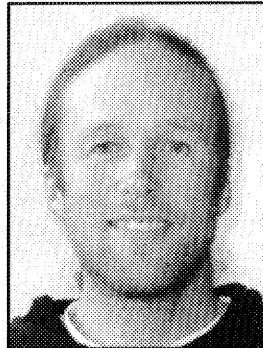
With the new school year comes high hopes and expectations for our newspaper. We hope to make this year The Year of the Nugget, and to do so, we need your feedback. I went around campus asking various NAIT students, "What's hot in The Nugget, what's not and what other things would you like to see in your newspaper?"



**Marie Grabowski, 20**  
"I'd like to see more entertainment news pertaining to NAIT, and maybe some creative pieces. It kind of sucks because NAIT doesn't have a journalism program which, I think, could really help the quality of The Nugget."



**Katina Lindsey, 22**  
"I'd like to see more student complaints and much more colour. The paper is too bland, and I think that more colour photos would help with that."



**Todd York, 31**  
When I read the paper I like to feel a sense of community, so it's not necessarily cold, hard news that I'm looking to read. I would like to see more fluff pieces about the NAIT community.



**Valerie Cathcart, 21**  
I think that The Nugget is pretty great. There are, of course, things that I skip through, but overall it's good. Try to keep the articles short and sweet so that your readers don't become intimidated by the size of the article or lose interest in them.



**Kevin Clee, 18**  
I would like to see some more CD reviews, movie reviews - you know, entertainment stuff.



**Meighan Visser, 20**  
"I would love to see more cultural pieces such as CD, movie, and concert reviews. I think that it would really spice up the paper."



**Jyll Ward, 21**  
I would like to see more coverage on NAIT student activities, such as sports. The Nugget needs to support the Oaks teams a little more.



**Lucas Salter, 22**  
I noticed some spelling mistakes ... you clearly need an editor.

On September 15, 2005, NAIT student executives and one lucky Grade 5 student, Erica Van Dorp, got a chance to shine the skates of Raffi Torres and Jarret Stoll, two players of The Edmonton Oilers.

This wasn't just a routine skate shine. NAIT students executives teamed up with The Edmonton Oilers to help bring awareness to the NAIT Students' Association Shinerama campaign, a Canada-wide post-secondary fundraiser for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Erica, 10, lives with Cystic Fibrosis and her smile gives students inspiration to raise \$20,000 during the campaign. Erica's mother, Caroline found out her daughter had CF when she was only a few days old due to a blockage in her intestine. Today, Erica inhales three different kinds of medication (which takes about 2 hours a day), takes about 25 pills each day and does physio therapy three times a day (which takes about an hour a day). This is her routine when she is "healthy."

When she is ill, the number of physio's can increase up to 6 / day. She has bloodwork done at least once/year and has x-rays twice a year (unless she is sick - then x-rays can happen every couple of months). She is tough on the outside, but I think inside, she's pretty scared. Her mother says she does everything she is asked to do without complaint or arguing. "She is a true treasure," said Van Dorp. "...and has definitely taught me the value of life."

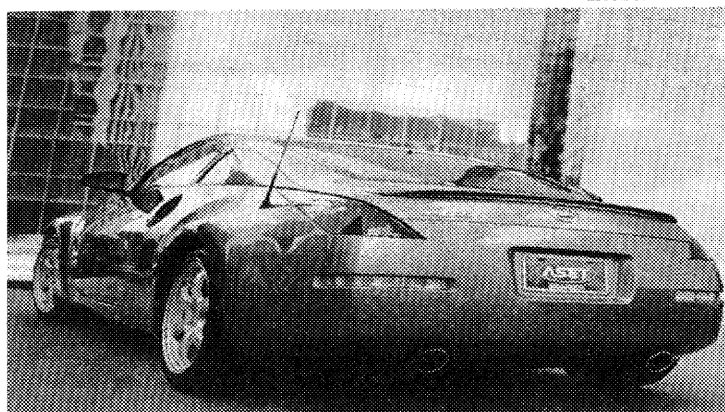
Erica is a huge Oilers fan. She was more than thrilled to be given the day off school to meet the players and boost the profile of Shinerama and Cystic Fibrosis with the help of The Edmonton Oilers.

Shine Day, is happening on Saturday, Sept. 24. Come out and help

raise money for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Over 100 volunteers will meet at The Nest, your restaurant & bar for a free breakfast Saturday morning. You will spend the day having fun washing cars and shining shoes. Later, you'll be whisked away in a VIP limo off to > celebrate the day's achievements. Contact Elaine Devine, Chair, Shinerama Campaign at 471-7609.

### Fast Facts

- Cystic Fibrosis is the most common, fatal, inherited disease affecting Canadian children and young adults.
- One in every 25 Canadians is a carrier of the gene responsible for CF.
- Due to groundbreaking Canadian research and treatment, children and adults with CF are now living longer and healthier lives, often into their 30s and beyond. When the Foundation first began over 40 years ago, children with CF rarely lived to age five. Today, the median age of survival of Canadians with CF is age 37.
- Shinerama is the largest post-secondary fundraiser in Canada.
- Shinerama involves students from approximately 60 university and college campuses.
- While Shinerama began in 1964 as a shoe-shining campaign during Orientation week, it has since grown to include a wide variety of shining and non-shining activities under the Shinerama banner.



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# NAIT alumnus is a Scrabble whiz

By DAVID MALLET

Ken Middleton began playing Scrabble with his mother when he was only nine years old.

Most of us play the game at least once as we grow up. But, for Middleton, this legendary game became a lifelong interest. Thirty-six years later he has participated in two National Scrabble Association Tournaments, and is the director of Edmonton's NSA chapter.

Readers may not be aware just how vast the world of Scrabble is. Ken knows. Read on to find out more about this fascinating North American sub-culture.

Scrabble was invented in the 1940s by Alfred Mosher Butts. Out of work as an architect, he decided to invent a board game. Originally conceived during the depression as an escape from the long hours of desolation, Butts used elements from other popular games like checkers and chess, bingo and the legendary crossword puzzle to come up with his concept.

To find out how many letters of each he should use he studied the front page of the New York Times, noting letter frequency, which was a long, arduous task. Later, Butts met all the right people and got his game distributed on national level. Nearly 60 years later, the game has enthralled millions, selling over 100 million units since its inception. Ken Middleton owns a few of those units himself and is quite smitten with the game.

As a young man, Ken Middleton was walking the shorefront in Toronto. There, he noticed a place called Queen's Quay. The odd thing was that it was pronounced key. Having taken a keen interest in the game Scrabble, it led to him note that there are many words linked to one pronunciation. Curious, Ken became more involved in playing the game. Before long he was reading Scrabble dictionaries, word lists and various other resources for players.

Being able to unlock the English

language, Ken realized that there were a myriad of possible word combinations. Moving to Western Canada, he and his mother joined Scrabble clubs. Since that time, the network of players, clubs and the level of competition has exploded. Now, Ken is holding a tournament locally as Director of Northern Alberta's only Scrabble club.

Is Ken seeking to be a world champion? He wouldn't mind, but according to him, "most players at that level do nothing with their lives but play Scrabble." Ever humble, he's always seeking to raise his skill level. "I usually play every day, sometimes 6 or 7 times." He has even gotten his son Daniel in to the game.

Seventeen years old, Ken took him to this year's championship and he ended up ranking higher than his Dad! "You really meet the cream of the crop at the championship," and he and his son went head-to-head with them, over 700 players who attended this year's NSA Championship.

There are over 10,000 members of the NSA in the U.S. and Canada.

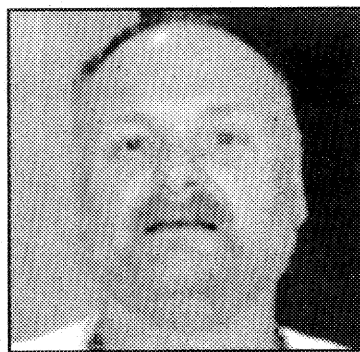
There are over 175 clubs, and every year there is a national championship held in the States. This year it was held in Reno, Nevada.

In 2004, it was held in New Orleans. It's even broadcast on ESPN! Split into several different skill divisions, players compete in 28 games over 4 days, each game one hour long. Eventually, a winner is crowned receiving 25,000 dollars and a prestigious title.

This year the winner was David Wiegand, a 31-year old mortgage underwriter from Portland, Oregon. He beat Panupol Sujayakorn, a 20-year old economics student from Thailand, who was the international champion. According to Middleton, players tend to be mostly female with a lot of guys as well. Most players have mathematical minds. (Ken is

a carpenter.)

The key isn't always in the word play, however. A mathematical mind with logic and clarity can excel at this game. Success could be based on pure memorization of



Ken Middleton

the English language.

For instance, Sujayakorn doesn't speak English, yet he was second in the American tournament. Scrabble is a game of chance, a game of probabilities and if one does in fact have a mind that is algebraically inclined they could go quite far. Middleton's son is in commerce, Wiegand and Sujayakorn both deal in numbers and like Butts, Ken is trained in architecture.

But, it is also a game for lovers of language, and is indeed the most popular game of its kind. The top selling word game in history, it ranks with Monopoly and Trivial Pursuit as a worldwide record setter.

How does Ken fare in a game with mere mortals as we? It isn't

pretty.

Don't expect to walk into a Scrabble club and clean up your first night. It has taken Middleton many years to reach this level. There is a mind boggling amount of information to absorb to play at a competitive level. There are thousands of words many people don't realize exist in the English language. To learn them and use them takes many hours of study and preparation.

For example, did you know ZARF is a word? It is, and it is the name of a beer can sleeve. Strategy comes in to play, as well. Think you have word no one will think is a real? Play it. A player can challenge it, and will likely find themselves red in the face. Of course, there is thinking ahead. How can you combine words to play more than one in a turn? Can you get a BINGO (playing all seven tiles)? I could go on.

It's really a bottomless pit.

For Ken Middleton, though, this interest of his has grown because he has such a great time doing it. And he isn't alone. Hasbro, makers of the game in North America, move over one million units per year with little or no promotion.

Stefan Fatsis, a reporter for the Wall Street Journal, wrote a best-selling book called Word Freak. Film makers Eric Chaikin and Julian Petrillo directed a documentary that was nominated for

the Grand Jury Prize at Sundance Film Festival, called Word Wars. On an international level, Scrabble is popular as well. Distributed by Mattel overseas, thousands participate in similar clubs and tournaments, from London to Bangkok.

Do you think you might like to test your mettle with some local players? Middleton is holding his second Edmonton chapter tournament this October. While Ken loves to play with his family and friends, when it's time to compete. "All bets are off. It's war." Besides, he says, "It's more fun to win."

Don't be intimidated, though. Ken and his club welcome new players and are happy to nurture novices to tournament level. Ken says that the game is as "simple or complicated as the people playing it." Middleton will be sure to align with a player at your skill level or close to it.

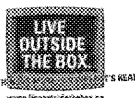
Just be a good speller and have a sense of humor and you'll likely have fun and go far.

Ken's local chapter meets every Monday in Sherwood Park at the Strathcona County Library in Sherwood Park Mall at 6:30. This year's tournament will be held at the Queen Mary Park Community Centre (10844-117st) on October 22nd and 23rd. For more information, feel free to contact him at 464-5984 or by e-mail at [ksdlmid@telusplanet.net](mailto:ksdlmid@telusplanet.net). For a look at the big picture visit [scrabble-assoc.com](http://scrabble-assoc.com).

## The sky is NOT the limit



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# OPINION

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## Student politics should matter to you

There's a deadline coming up that students should care about.

On Sept. 23 nominations close for positions on the NAIT Senate. The Senate replaces the former NAIT student government body that was known as General Council.

So if you truly care about how things are run on campus, get a nomination in.

If you've missed the deadline but still want your voice to be heard, get to know something about the people who are running for the Senate.

What are their priorities for NAIT?

What are they going to do that might impact your life? What are the issues they feel need to be addressed?

Canadians generally do a whole lot of bitching about politicians – and then in many cases they don't even bother to vote in elections.

Bitching changes nothing. Maybe it'll make you feel better for a few minutes – like some kind of cheap high.

If you really want to change the world, you have to do it by starting in your own backyard.

This is your chance. Get involved with student politics now.

The decisions made by these Senate reps will impact your day-to-day life, so take an interest.

The Senate will be made up of 18 elected student reps from nine NAIT schools: School of Business; School of Hospitality; School of Building Science School of Academic Foundations and Bridging; School of Applied Media & Information Technology; School of Electronics Technology; School of Health Sciences; School of Manufacturing Technology; School of Resources & Environment Management.

If you'd like to make a difference or learn more. Contact your students' association. On the main campus NAITSA's office is in E-131.

If you don't care about student politics now, don't bitch later if the student Senators pass a policy that you don't like.

You snooze, you lose.



## Letters To the Editor

What is with the NAITSA Senate? How did the students association get a new form of governance without their consent? Has anyone read what it is all about? Now all of the technologies are lumped together as schools. My school has 12 technologies, and one of them is "Many apprenticeship programs." How could we possible get an effective quorum between this diverse group? The logistics in gathering a few of these groups together is staggering. The system where each technology elected people to a general council was more than adequate. At the very least each group had a small say. I do not support this new senate idea.  
- W.W.C.

Why is it that gas for your car is so freakin' expensive when we live in Alberta and produce the stuff? C'mon, don't tell me there's not a scam going on. I've gone onto the Internet and seen how other cities in Canada have gas a whole lot cheaper from day to day. Can anyone explain how it is that Ottawa, for God's sake, can be cheaper than Edmonton? Or how hick towns in Alberta can

be cheaper. Hell, even hick towns in Saskatchewan have cheaper fuel. Are we getting ripped off or what?  
-D.G.

...  
I'm sick of hearing about the Edmonton Oilers. It's Oilers this and Oilers that. These NHL players sat out a whole year and I didn't lose any sleep over it. Now people are acting as if it's the Second Coming of Christ just because the hockey season is back. Sure, the salaries have been cut a bit, but how much better is the hockey really? And 80 or 82 games of this? How exciting can a Nashville-Edmonton game be anyway? Why would somebody pay like 80 bucks to see that? Sleeping pills are way cheaper. Myself, I think I'll stick to watching the Ooks play hockey. They play with some intensity and at least aren't trying to gouge us for 80 bucks a ticket.  
-B.C.

...  
My name is Mark Holand and I am running for a Senate seat to

represent the School of Academic Foundations and Bridging. I am 27 years old, and from Viking, AB. I am currently enrolled in the Pre-Technology program, with plans of entering Telecommunications Engineering.

As a member of the Senate, my main objectives would be:

- to keep students informed as to what is happening in student government
- to be their voice in the Senate
- to work as hard as I can for the students I am representing

I would look out for the interests of current students, but also prospective, and future students. It wasn't easy for most of us to get started on this path to further our educations, and I'm sure there are things we can be doing to make it easier for others wanting to upgrade their skills.

As students completing our upgrading at NAIT, we have a unique opportunity to get involved early in student committees and government.

I want to try to make the most of this extra year at NAIT, and I hope the rest of my fellow students have a chance to do the same.

-Mark Holand

## Letters welcome

We want your views

We want to begin a weekly letters-to-the-editor page here at The Nugget. Is something bugging you about NAIT or the rest of the world?

Do you have some praise to dish out about the school or life in general? Get those thoughts into print.

Keep them short and to the point. No more than 100 words. Hell, we're a newspaper not an encyclopedia. Give us a break!

Submit your letters with your real name and contact phone number to: [nuggetsubmissions@hotmail.com](mailto:nuggetsubmissions@hotmail.com)

Don't sweat it. We won't publish your phone number, but we do need to list your real name.

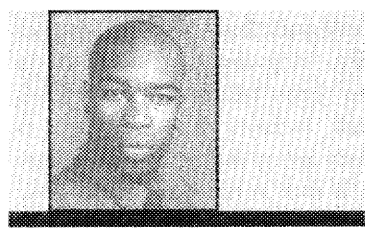
It's all good. Getting something off your chest is downright therapeutic. Trust us on that. Write us.



# STUDENT POLITICS

## Student reps exposed!

Student politics can affect you on many levels. But what's it all about? Who are those busy, student politicians? We sent student journalist Leslie Fendelet to find a few answers. She posed a series of key questions to the four key NAITSA politicians – and they offered their thoughts.



By DWAYNE WILLIAMS  
NAITSA President

**What program are you in?**  
**How heavy is your course load?**

I was in Business Administration last year, but I am now in Office and Records Administration, taking a pretty easy course load you could say!

**What exactly do you do for the students of NAIT in your position @ NAITSA?**

As President of the Students' Association, my role is basically facilitate communication between NAITSA and external contacts. Along with leadership and supervision the Vice-Presidents and NAITSA General Manager. I work with everyone to ensure that our vision and goals for NAITSA can be achieved over the year!

**What's new at NAITSA that you want students to know about?**

The Senate student government for sure is a key thing coming up for September. Everyone should be sure that someone from their program is running for The Senate, otherwise should nobody step forward to run, then that whole school will have zero say in votes made that will affect them and the NAITSA fees they paid.

**Do you feel that NAIT students are involved enough in student gov't?**

I think the students that are aware of how important getting involved is, are involved. Most people don't think it is important, or they believe they have better things to do, when really, everything the student government does and decides affects them and their experience at NAIT! Quite the amazing responsibility to have.

**What events are going on/coming up that the NAIT students should know about?**

Just the CRAZIEST event known as Shinerama Shine Day, and I'm sure everyone knows about that so I won't go into detail about that, but check out NAITSA.ca for information if you don't!

What issues are NAITSA dealing with right now that you feel students should know about?

We need more students to get involved! Whether it is stepping up to volunteer for ways to help out around the community, applying to be a cashier at our events, writing for The Nugget, or even being class and technology reps. This school has the potential to lead the way for the rest of province if everyone steps up! Students can come down to NAITSA Office (E-131) or check out NAITSA.ca on ways to do just that!



By ELAINE DEVINE  
V.P. Finance & Administration

**What program are you in?**  
**How heavy is your course load?**

I am in Business Administration/Marketing. I am currently taking 3 courses, my load is under what the maximum load is in the NAITSA By-laws.

**What exactly do you do for the students of NAIT in your position @ NAITSA?**

As VP Finance and Administration, I am in charge of NAITSA finances, preparing next years budget, setting up clubs, tracking club standings, planning Shinerama, planning and running NAITSA Annual General Meeting, and many other daily duties: deposits, ticket reconciliations for event, and many more.

**What's new at NAITSA that you want students to know about?**

Naitsa.ca is our website that has been redone as is frequently updated. We are also in the pilot year of our new government structure called the Senate. We are also piloting having meeting just for clubs called Technology Clubs Council (TCC). The TCC is a meeting where technology clubs, and special interest clubs will meet to discuss ideas and issues.

**Do you feel that NAIT students are involved enough in student gov't?**

No Students Association would ever say that students get involved enough in student Government. However with the step that NAITSA has taken in changing our government structure, more students are talking about and are getting involved in student government. I really think that we are moving in a positive direction.

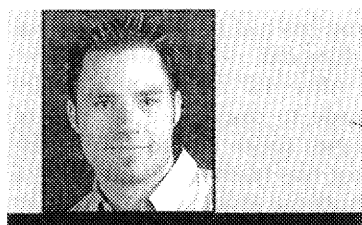
**What events are going on/coming up that the NAIT students should know about?**

Shinerama, Shinerama is a across Canada fundraiser for the

Canadian Cystic Fibroses Foundation. I am the campaign director for Shinerama so I want every student to get involved with it. Shine Day is September 24th come to the NAITSA Office for more info. or to Sign up to volunteer.

**What issues are NAITSA dealing with right now that you feel students should know about?**

I think that an issue that is going to keep coming up is smoking. Some students are happy about the changes in the smoking policies and other students feel like they are being treated like children. I think that this issue may be brought up at the 1st Academic Council meeting. So hopefully after that every-



By JON HOFFMAN  
V.P. Student Affairs

**What program are you in?**  
**How heavy is your course load?**

I'm in the third year of the applied accounting degree. The accounting courses are quite intense, but I've got a lighter load so it should be ok.

**What exactly do you do for the students of NAIT in your position @ NAITSA?**

My two main tasks are ensure communication and representation. I know it sounds fancy, but for communication it means overseeing The Nugget and during the summer I organized the student handbook. As far as representation it means that students concerns are being brought forward on various committees that I sit on and helping students when they have academic problems.

**What's new at NAITSA that you want students to know about?**

The Senate elections are coming up in two weeks so that's exciting (I'm sure Dwayne told you about it) and we are encouraging students to get connected by joining or starting a new club.

**Do you feel that NAIT students are involved enough in student gov't?**

I think at least 95% of students at NAIT aren't involved in anything beyond their own routine. Compared to university NAIT students are overwhelmed with their course load and figure it's not worth "getting involved" because they are generally here for two years or less. There are so many cool ways to do something around school that won't take much of your time like being a class rep, volunteering, join an intramural team or go to an Ooks game.

**What events are going on/coming up that the NAIT students should know about?**

Right away this week Shinerama is coming up on Saturday and then check out the daily events in the Nest.

**What issues are NAITSA dealing with right now that you feel students should know about?**

Definitely trying to implement a new form of student government will be challenge in the next few months. Another challenge is simply for our vision to become reality. "We believe every student should feel welcome within the NAIT community and connected to student life." This is a huge task trying to communicate and involve four campuses in Edmonton and numerous Northern Campuses.



By CARRIE CREASER  
V.P. Campus Life

**What program are you in?**  
**How heavy is your course load?**

Biological Sciences-Lab & Research Program. Pretty heavy course load, but handling it just fine.

**What exactly do you do for the students of NAIT in your position @ NAITSA?**

OOKFEST, plan events, help technology plan their own events, organize events outside of NAIT (i.e. Ski Trip, Vegas Trip etc.) and promote student life!

**What's new at NAITSA that you want students to know about?**

Shinerama - Sept. 24  
Senate Election - Sept. 28  
Technology Training - Oct. 4  
**Do you feel that NAIT students are involved enough in student gov't?**

Not really! But I feel the new Senate Government will help students be more interactive!

**What events are going on/coming up that the NAIT students should know about?**

Cinerama - Sept. 24  
Halloween Party @ The Nest  
New Years Ski Trip  
Mondays @ The Nest - Movie Night  
Wednesdays @ The Nest - Karaoke Night

**What issues are NAITSA dealing with right now that you feel students should know about?**

We need more people running for the senate elections happening at the end of the month.

We need more volunteers to come out at Shinerama Sept. 24!! Meet at The Nest at 9:00 that Saturday for breakfast!!

Tech Training occurs October 4! No beer gardens or alcohol related events allowed on campus until training has occurred and tech reps are informed!!

## Readers divided on outdoor smoking rules

In a previous issue of The Nugget we asked readers if they agreed with NAIT's new smoking policy which bans outdoor smoking in courtyards and within 10 metres of building entrances.

Readers were split on the issue. Some love the policy. Some hate it. Here's a sampling of their comments.

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If smokers want to smoke outside by the doors they should be able to.

Alaina Heilgers

...  
I believe the policy should have been adopted only after all the student populace had been given a chance to voice personal concerns. Enacting policy without a majority student mandate is dictatorship.

Rob C. Hogg

...  
I have always hated when smokers stood right in entrances, even if these entrances were supposed to be smoke-free before the bylaw. For example, right entrance to the business tower. I hope these rules are enforced.

Lindsey Jeffrey

...  
As a non-smoker I like to be able to sit in a smoke free environment in the garden areas, but NAIT should still have ashtrays outside because smokers are walking away 10 meters from the doors and leaving butts all over the ground.

Marie Grabowski

...  
It is excellent! I can't stand the smell of smoke and it's great to not have to breathe in other people's chemicals.

Sam Bresette

...  
The farther away the better.

Shane

...  
I agree with the new policy, but ... where are the ashtrays?

Brandi Ritchie

...  
Now there are going to be disgusting butts everywhere because there are no ashtrays. Maybe there could be a couple areas on campus that are designated smoking areas with ashtrays.

J. Kruger

...  
If you have a view on this, or other topics get it off your chest.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

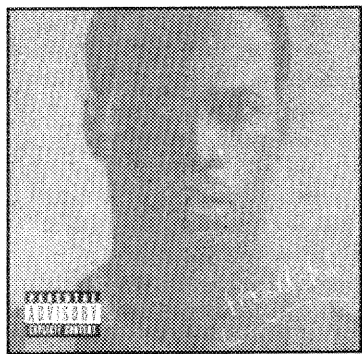
## Pras and The Fugees are back for 2005

BY TRYSTAN MEYERS

### Pras Michel 2005 (Win, Lose Or Draw)

Prakazrel (Pras) Michel formerly of the 1990s super rap group the Fugees is back with his second album after a five-year hiatus.

Pras has not released a full-



length album since 1998 and started working on his new album in late 2000. Having worked on this album on and off for almost 5 years, Pras did not disappoint his listeners.

Pras attended high school with Lauryn Hill and also grew up with cousin Wyclef Jean. Pras has always been the under-achiever of the trio. Some people labeled him as a sell-out when the success of "Ghetto Supastar" featuring rappers Mya and the late Ol' Dirty Bastard reached number one in 1998. He then rushed to release a disappointing solo project shortly thereafter.

Claiming he was young, inexperienced and money-hungry, the now matured Pras has poured his heart and soul into his latest work.

Upon listening to this under promoted, below the radar album, I was pleasantly surprised. This album was free from the "rapper of the moment" guest spots with the exception of one track with Sean Paul. Other guest spots on

the album include Wyclef Jean, Spragga Benz and Akon.

Since Pras is the solo performer for twelve out of the fifteen tracks this album seems to be a refreshing sound for 2005. The "played out" hip hop sound that we are so often force fed on Much Music and most radio stations is only present in the first single, "Haven't Found", which is a cover of a U2 track. Having sampled this track, Pras was obviously influenced by U2's front man Bono, rapping in a very political and evangelical style.

My choice for the second single is the track, "Dancehall", featuring Spragga Benz and Sean Paul.

Believe it or not, but almost every track on this album could be released as a single, that's how good this album really is. I have listened to this album from front to back and have found no irritating sounds like such as, "What", "O.K.", "Yeah" or "50 Uh", "Bentley Uh." As much as the hip hop purists will disagree with me, this album ranks with Kanye West's "Late Registration."

Pras took his time to release this album and did it with heart and soul. Pras has returned with a refreshing sound for hip hop. Pras, of Haitian decent remains strong on the rest of the album with some very grassroots hip hop sounds. Tracks like, "Ghetto Politics" and "Light My Fire" are very "old school" sounding while in other tracks, and he almost mimics the unique sound of Canadian rapper "K-os."

The rest of the track listing such as, "For Love", "Dreamin'", and "Angels Sing" are obviously influenced by cousin, friend and co-producer, Wyclef Jean. This album is truly one that can be placed in your cd player for the full run time of sixty-two minutes.

Pras is back with a vengeance.

Be on the watch for a new Fugees album in 2006. Pras is one of those people who believes that good music will prevail, and it's true.

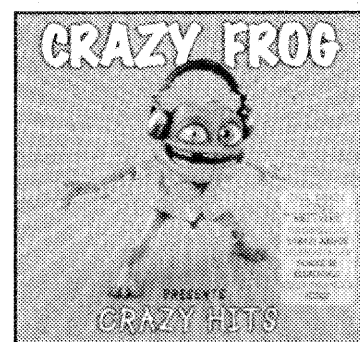
Win, Lose or Draw has not been over saturated and plastered over the TV screens of high school students which is why I chose this album for the "sleeper album of 2005."

### Crazy Frog 2005 (Crazy Hits)

If this outrageous "thing" properly called an anthropomorphic amphibian has not invaded your television, cellular telephone, or e-mail yet it is just a matter of time. Better known as Crazy Frog and first created by seventeen year old Danel Malmedahl in 1997, this frog has had quite the history of selling out.

After its creation, originally made to sound like the idol of a two stroke moped engine, the frog was taken under the wing of European Erik Wernquist. Public awareness of the frog began a roller coaster ride from here on in. It was shared via P2P networks such as Kaaza and Limewire, created into a downloadable ring tone and became a fully animated character with a motorcycle helmet, unfastened chin strap, leather jacket, goggles, and a disturbing portrayal of some type of frog genitalia.

The German company Jamba! were the people responsible for the ring tone and mass distribution of the jingle and image. They advertised the jingle and image round the clock. This marketing tactic earned the company fourteen million British pounds in a very short time.



After the huge European success of the frog, he was brought over to North America to annoy millions with ring tones, disturbing images and a full length album!

Having little content to produce this album, it was made up of catchy and familiar remakes. With hardly one song over the three minute mark, this whole album essentially sounds the same.

Some of the familiar songs that you will find on the album are, Crazy Frog remixes of "In Da Club," and the television themes, "The Pink Panther" and "Dallas." Also included are many 90's dance

tracks such as, "Pump up the Jam" and "Whoomp (There It Is)" that is blended with the enormously successful 2003 Jamaican "Coolie Dance Riddim."

This album consists of sixteen tracks and two videos (for the first two singles, Axel F and Popcorn). Sure to annoy most club goers, the first single is getting air play and the disturbing videos are hard to peel away from.

This is especially true when the frog has a large black censored box in front of his genitals.

The album also entails a full a cappella track that consists of samples like, "ring ding ding" and "do do do" baby talk sounds, giving us disk jockey's the advantage to fully annoy the average club goer.

If that is not enough for your listening pleasure, this album also takes it one step further. The Crazy Hits album offends the true house music lover with the remakes of the Porn King's "Up To No Good" and the recent Roman Flugel's "Gehts Notch."

If the novelty of this frog has not already worn off in North America it soon will, but for now I will just sit back, curse Jamba! for making millions and watch this fad pass by.

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# NYC Rapper sets Power Plant ablaze

By TAZ DHARIWAL

**Saul Williams  
Power Plant  
September 16 2005**

"In these times, when we're back home, south of the border, when I start speaking about 'African People', everyone in the crowd, regardless of their color, start realizing that I'm talking about them as much as I'm talking about black people, because we're all African people. We all came from the same place." Saul Williams stated to the crowd between songs. This is not exactly the kind of thing you'd hear at a hip-hop show, but Saul Williams isn't your stereotypical ice-flossin', beef-inducing rapper.

Five years ago, New York City's Saul Williams was the cutting edge of a burgeoning genre of hip-hop entitled Conscious Hip-Hop. The conscious rapper didn't sling crack rocks in the projects, nor pop a cap in anyone's ass while on the way to rap stardom. They usually lived in the suburbs or in lower middle class surroundings. They had a healthy family unit to support them, and most likely, were educated in the classrooms instead of the streets.

By 2000, Williams had already released a number of singles and EPs and had starred in his own lauded indie film, *Slam*, about a street poet who gets sent to prison for trying to keep it real in a situation that turns deadly.

Williams follows a distinguished crew of rappers who all have gotten tired of calling women "bitches" and their fellow brothers "niggas". Rappers like De La Soul, Common, Blackalicious and Mos Def all fall along the same

wavelength as Williams, yet in the mainstream, they've been called soft for not following the stereotypical mold that has been cast by the 50 cents of the world. Hence, it was not surprising to see a large mosaic of people at his show at the University of Alberta's Power Plant.

Williams, accompanied by his mohawked dj, CX Kidtronic, ignited the Power Plant with their incendiary machine-gun flow and punk-rock-hip-hop beats. Although, that may sound a little too Insane Clown Posse for the most, Williams and Kidtronic mixed in thoughtfuand philosophic spoken word with staccato jungle beats.

Williams held the captive audience in the palm of his hand with his peaceful prose which often turned into rage towards the country he calls home ("Not in our name"), his own dark complexion ("Black Stacey"), and like all true artists, he aimed his own self-righteous word cannon upon himself ("She")

Saul Williams is not someone you're going to hear on mainstream radio. There is no chance you'll hear him on Mariah Carey's next remix. The closest thing he came to mainstream was his major label release, *Amethyst Rock Star*. That was 5 years ago, and the world has changed.

"When those planes crashed into those buildings, 5 years ago" Williams talks about 9/11, "I was there staring at the symbolism of what was happening. This is the fall of Rome, and radio and MTV are just turning their heads away from the truth, so they can dance to party jams 'till the break of dawn." Let's hope when the sun rises, it's Williams preaching to us instead of someone like Pat Robertson.

# Movie is a bad car crash



By DAVID MALLET

**CRASH (2005)  
(Lions Gate Films)  
Directed by Paul Haggis  
Starring Don Cheadle, Matt Dillon, Sandra Bullock and more  
(Playing at Cinema City 12 and Movies 12, now on DVD)**

Crash is one of the most critically acclaimed films of 2005. Released way back in mid-spring, it's still in theaters even though it's on DVD.

Causing a huge ruckus with film critics upon its release, it has gained the most pre-oscar buzz of any movie released so far this year. With that in mind, I felt it necessary to pass on my recommendation to all of you at our esteemed technical institute. And, boy howdy, I wish I could. Crash is an extremely weak film.

I'm quite sure many who have seen it will approach me in the hallway to ask me what I was smoking when I watched it. Several people I know raved about it. My question to them is this: What is so bloody good about it?

Paul Haggis, who wrote last year's best film *Million Dollar*

*Baby*, is at the controls for this film. Co-written with Bobby Moresco, a former TV writer, it feels like a movie-of-the-week. This isn't too surprising seeing as Haggis is a former writer for CTV's *Due South*. But after the skillfully made *Million Dollar Baby* and the overwhelming amount of praise this film has received I expected to be blown off my couch. Not so.

Haggis and Moresco drag up every clichéd caricature you've ever seen. Black thugs, Muslim hating white men, rich, spoiled and angry white women, creepy cops and seamy politicians populate this film. Each of their stories is too good to be true, and the links between each of them are at times preposterous.

Crash is an ensemble picture in the vain of *Magnolia* or *Short Cuts*.

Many unrelated characters are connected by a series of events, and most times these events are quite dramatic, i.e. death, divorce, accidents, personal struggle. Films of this type usually attempt to use these tenuous connections to tell a morality tale that will educate and enthrall. In this case, the common thread to the various scenes and characters is the underlying racial tension that still exists in America.

I am willing to admit that racism is still a problem in our society. Crash seeks valiantly to convince us of this, and it's something more films should try to do. But, just because this film is the first in many years to try, it's no reason to heap all of this love on it. The situa-

tions are over the top, and at times, unintentionally funny. (Check out the scene with Sandra Bullock when she sprains her ankle. It's so out of place.)

The music score is absolutely awful as well. Swelling inappropriately and adding another layer of unneeded melodrama, it adversely affected the film. The script, too, is hamfisted and comes off like an episode of ABC Afterschool Specials.

Am I being too hard on this movie? Perhaps. There are a few scenes that were quite stirring and powerful to watch. But, for every one of those was a scene that was too implausible for it to have any kind of resonance.

Haggis does manage some nice visuals and the cast acts their behinds off; but, I am afraid it is not enough to salvage what is easily the year's most overrated film.

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# NEWS & FEATURES

## NAIT student bears hurricane relief

By LESLIE-ANNE FENDELET

With all of the chaos of the beginning of the school year and a full course load, a NAIT Radio Broadcasting student didn't think twice when given the chance to head south and personally hand out teddy bears to children affected by hurricane Katrina.

Ian MacKinnon is in 3rd

semester Radio and Television Arts, and also works for the 96X Street Team, handing out prizes to listeners and doing tons of promo work. But this is by far the best gift he has been given the chance to hand out so far.

His radio station took on the enormous task of collecting teddy bears from generous Edmontonians.

They packed them into trucks to be driven to the Houston Astrodome which has been a refuge for Gulf Coast hurricane survivors.

They plan to personally hand them to each child who has found refuge there with their family after Hurricane Katrina.

Since the campaign started, MacKinnon and the rest of the 96X crew have been going non-stop.

"When we first started this, we envisioned one big U-Haul truck, but we had no idea it would escalate to way more than that," says MacKinnon.

"We have been overwhelmed with the amount of donations. It is a true reflection of the generosity that Edmonton has for the world."

When asked about his feelings of going on the trip MacKinnon said, "I have mixed emotions. I am excited to go, nervous, scared, and I don't know what to expect because, from seeing it on TV and hearing about it, it's going to be chaos."

The crew taking the "Teddy Bear X-press" left on Sept. 16.

From Houston they plan on making a couple of other stops in other areas that victims have taken refuge, or in places that have been hit hard.

"An opportunity like this doesn't come along every day, and an opportunity to help is something I can't pass up."



MacKinnon grins and bears it with fundraising drive.



MacKinnon shows off a mountain of teddy bears bound for hurricane victims.

## SHOT Single of the week



We know it's tough to find that perfect relationship but there are tons of eligible people out there right on campus. Best part is? They're single! Here's our Hot Single of the Week:

By MORGEN ZOELLER

**Name:** Stefan Maslyk

**Age:** 22

**Program:** Television

**Likes:** Singing in the shower, dancing the night away, pints and movies with friends.

**Dislikes:** "Losing my bank card, crashing on friends' couches because they said that they cleaned all the mold off the cushions, then waking up and realizing they didn't. That's sick and disgusting."

**Turn-ons:** Laughing, dancing and hobbies/passions.

**Turn-offs:** Terrorists and people who enjoy Yanni.

**Words to live by:** "It's better to burn out than to fade away."

**Heroes:** Neil Young and Woody Allen

**Fun night out in Edmonton:** Youth Beat at the Victory Lounge – good tunes and \$2.50 pints of Stella!

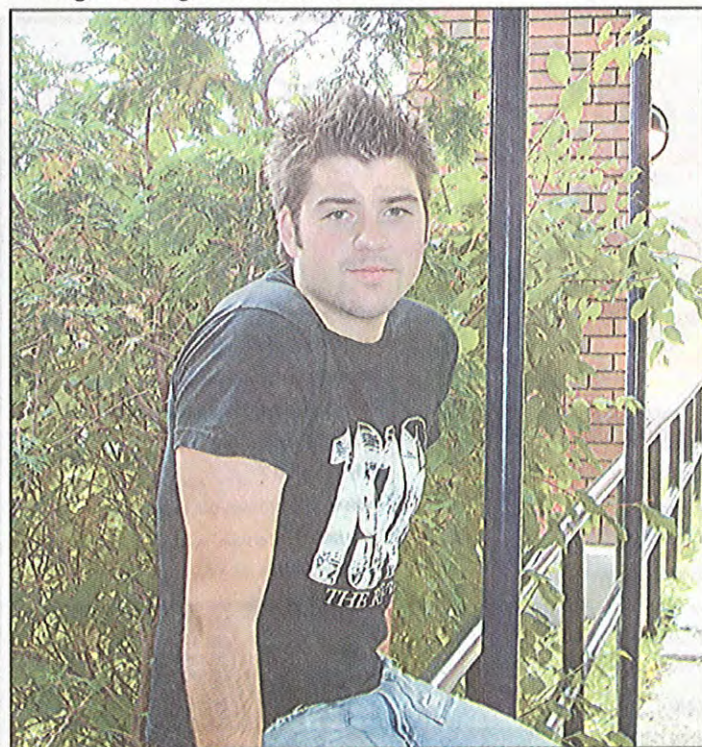
**Ultimate dream job:** A filmmaker or "Pilot Guides" host.

**Why single?** Just moved to Edmonton.

**Which movie, television or fictional character do you relate to the most?:** Sharp Teeth, "The Land Before Time," Misunderstood.

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Stefan loves Neil Young and Woody Allen.



# 'New Orleans will make it'

Journalist who covered hurricane, confident city will rebound

By TARA COPELAND

Hurricane Katrina was both a tragic disaster and a storyteller's dream.

That's the view of veteran broadcast journalist Scott Rensberger who covered the aftermath of the storm that hammered the U.S. Gulf coast Aug. 25.

"I wouldn't tell the average viewer this, because they wouldn't comprehend this, but New Orleans was a storyteller's dream. Everybody was affected. Everybody had a story," said Rensberger who was in Edmonton for a seminar sponsored by the Canadian Association of Journalists. The seminar took

place this past weekend.

"You slept wherever you could sleep," said Rensberger. "The buildings are all there. It's just flooded."

Despite the devastation, Rensberger says he has faith that New Orleans will recover.

"At first, I went in thinking New Orleans might not make it," said Rensberger. "I left thinking New Orleans will make it."

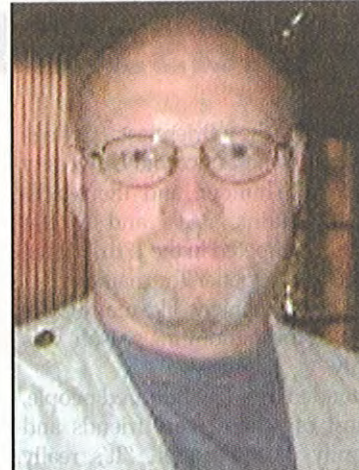
As an example of the resolve of the people of New Orleans, Rensberger talked about a pub that remained open throughout the hurricane.

In addition to discussing Hurricane Katrina, Rensberger spoke about the state of broadcast journalism.

"A lot of people hate that we have to be entertaining," said Rensberger. "If we're not entertaining, we're not going to be watched."

Rensberger also talked about the push by news agencies to sensationalize stories. Sensationalized news might be the rage, but Rensberger says there will always be a place in journalism for good stories.

"Things change, but stories are still the building blocks."



Scott Rensberger

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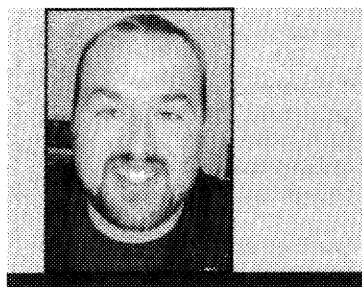
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# SPORTS

## Blue/Gold Classic Provides Season Preview



**TREVOR ELLIOTT**

The NAIT Ooks proved that they could skate with the best ACAC talent this year, as they shut-down the Briercrest Clippers 2-0 on Friday night and were all over the Concordia Thunder in a fight-filled 4-0 games Saturday night.

Fans at the Blue/Gold Classic, an annual pre-season meeting of top ACAC talent at the NAIT Arena, were impressed by their own Ooks' squad but were taken by surprise as the Augustana Vikings, showed that they could be in it with the Ooks at the end of the season.

The Vikings went unscathed in the Classic as they nipped the MacEwan Griffins 2-1 Thursday, crushed the Clippers 8-2 on Saturday, and tied the desperate Thunder 5-5 on Sunday. Star Viking defenseman, Joel Olszowka noted, "we've got a fantastic core of returning players to our squad, but we've been watching (the Ooks) and boy those guys look tough to beat!"

Along with the Ooks, the remaining four of the seven ACAC mens hockey teams, in action at the 32-year-old Classic this past weekend, included the Augustana

Vikings, the Briercrest College Clippers, the Concordia University College Thunder, and the MacEwan Griffins. SAIT and Mount Royal competed in the 17th Annual SAIT Eye-Opener Tournament.

The tournament, like many Ooks games throughout the season, was only

attended by a few hundred people, most of whom were friends and family of the teams. "It's really a bit disappointing," said NAIT Athletics Marketing Director Mike Stefan. "These are some great teams here, and students never show up. That's one of my biggest jobs this season, to figure out how to get the students interested in their athletic teams."

The big draw for teams to this tournament is the opportunity to see their teams in action and determine their final cuts. After the tournament was said and done, here is a preview of what fans can expect from these teams this season. NAIT Ooks

Led by Head Coach Terry Ballard, the NAIT Ooks have 12 returning players. The returning players include Ben Stokes who scored 12 and assisted on 29 last year on his way to leading the team in scoring and capturing ACAC rookie of the year honors and being named to the 1st All-Conference team.

Also returning this year are 23-goal scorer Adam Ferrante, forward Keith Reade, and top defenseman Cole Fischer. Both Ferrante and Fischer were also named to last season's 1st All-Conference team. The team lost top

goaltender Tim Barlow; however, they have retained Marc Alain who started five games for the Ooks, last season, and posted a 3.10 goals against average and a 0.916 save percentage.

With so many returning stars, the Ooks will be difficult to beat this season and will be targeted by their opponents on a regular basis.

### Augustana Vikings

The Vikings have a new head coach this season who knows what it takes to win a championship. Dan Peacocke, captain of the 1983-84 Canada West Champion University of Alberta Golden Bears, will tutor his young players and could turn them into champions this season.

The Vikings have a squad that features 19 returning players. Led by Tim Haun, who posted a 3.94 GAA and a 0.898 Save %, the Vikings should have the toughest goaltending squad to beat as all three of their goaltenders have returned.

Both the team's top scorer, Akihito Kawamoto, and the team's top defenseman, Joel Olszowka, have returned. Kawamoto scored 13 and assisted on 9 last season.

### Briercrest College Clippers

The Clippers returns nine players from last season including their top two scorers, Jayson Zilkie and Dave Cuning, who combined for 20 goals and 40 points.

Under the direction of new coach, Barret Kropf, the Clippers brought in a solid recruiting class that includes five players with Junior A hockey experience. The team has set their sites on their first ever playoff appearance.

Returning goalie Shane Marsh will be expected to carry a large load for the team this season, but should have a strong supporting cast in front of him clearing the way, as each of their defensemen is over 6' tall and have solid resumes.

### Concordia University College Thunder

Head Coach Jim MacLean, who has coached the Thunder since its inaugural season in 1992, brings back a good group of starting players. Of their returning players are four of their top seven scorers from last season.

Ryan Carignan scored 11 and assisted on 21, while Shane Kochar scored 13 and assisted on 11.

David Spooner returns as their starting goaltender. Spooner

played in 22 of the team's 24 games last season, while posting a 4.39 GAA and a 0.891 Save %. To be competitive in the ACAC, the team's suspect defense will have to improve from last year's second-to-last.

### MacEwan Griffins

Led by Head Coach, and former Pittsburgh Penguin, Terry Ewa-siuk, the Griffins have an extremely difficult season ahead of them. Only six members of the ACAC's second place team have returned this season, the most notable being Scott Taje who was their second highest scorer with 10 goals and 24 assists. The Griffins could have the lamp lit on them frequently this season as they have no returning defensemen or goaltenders.

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Friday, Sept. 16  
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# Matt tackles future head on

By TREVOR ELIOTT

"Being an athlete has had a great impact on my life," says Matt Faiazza. "It gave me a great work ethic and made me see what I am really capable of in different situations."

"Being a student athlete has really taught me how to manage my time, and to really work for what you want."

A second-year student in the Personal Fitness training program at NAIT, Faiazza is also currently playing for the Edmonton Wildcats of the Canadian Junior Football League. The defensive back is in his third season with the Wildcats and has racked up five tackles in four games his season.

The young athlete started playing football in the Atom league for the Beaumont Bengals. He played running back for the Bengals, primarily because Emmitt Smith was his favorite player.

After his experience in the Atom league, Faiazza didn't play again until high school when he played for Beaumont Composite High School. In his rookie year, his coaches played him at quarterback for the senior team. Beaumont didn't have a junior team because the school was so small. Eventually the budding star was moved to wide receiver and defensive back.

Upon returning for his Grade 11 year, he was given another shot at quarterback. Faiazza became the starting QB for the next two seasons.

In his senior year, the young star's coaches were so impressed and confident in his abilities that he was given the opportunity to

run the offense and call his own plays during games.

In his final two high school seasons, Faiazza received the most improved player and then the MVP of the team respectively. He was also given an Edmonton Journal All-Star team nod, in his senior season.

Impressed with the five-foot-seven-inch 220-pound athlete, Wildcats' coaches recruited the talented young man to their team where he has been an integral addition to the team's improvement over the past couple of seasons.

Faiazza has really had to put in an extraordinary amount of time to be successful both in the classroom and on the field. "Having school in the morning, then football at night every day of the week and on weekends, is really time consuming."

Playing football really showed me that you have to work hard to get where you want to be. Football is physical and if you don't work hard during the season and the off-season, you won't make it where you want to be. The same goes for school."

The CJFL veteran enjoys training in the off-season. "I had a very serious injury last year, I broke three ribs and punctured my lung in the fourth game of last year. I worked hard in the off-season and was able to come back this year stronger than I was last year. Having this type of work ethic will really help me with my career because I will always be pushing to be better and learn as much as I can."

Faiazza ultimately has his eye on playing university football in

the CIS. "If I don't get that chance (to play in the CIS), I am working towards a career where I can still work with football players. That's why I'm in the personal training program at NAIT. It can really give me a chance to work with athletes."

"I really want to work with athletes whether they be professional or amateur. I would really enjoy working with athletes because they're going to push themselves and want to work hard if they want to attain their goals."

Faiazza continues to be impressive, on and off the field. He is very proud of his achievements and looks forward to tackling the future. "I think I'm getting closer to reaching my goals, considering this is my last year at NAIT." He, like thousands of other NAIT students, has an extremely bright future in front of him.

## Ook Tracks

### Men's Soccer

Last Week: The Ooks shut out the MacEwan Griffins 1-0 Sept. 14 at Victoria soccer park, tied Keyano College 2-2 at home Sept. 17, and tied Concordia University College 1-1 at Concordia Sept. 18.

Coming Up: The Ooks travel to Grande Prairie for a game on Sept. 24 and 25.

### Women's Soccer

Last Week: The Lady Ooks defeated the MacEwan Griffins 2-1 Sept. 14, defeated Keyano College 4-1 at home Sept. 17, and lost to Concordia University College 2-1 at Concordia Sept. 18.

Coming Up: The Lady Ooks travel to Grande Prairie for a game on Sept. 24 and 25.

### Men's Hockey

Last Week: Defeated Briercrest College Clippers 2-0 on Sept. 16 and defeated Concordia University College 4-0 on Sept. 17. Both

games were during the annual Blue/Gold Classic at NAIT. NAIT hosted the MacEwan Griffins Sept. 21.

Coming Up: The Ooks have the week off.

### Women's Hockey

Last Week: The Lady Ooks defeated Red Deer College 5-4 at home on Sept. 18.

Coming Up: The Lady Ooks play the CIS University of Lethbridge Pronghorns Sept. 23 at 8:30pm and the AAA Twisters Sept. 24 at 8:00pm. Both games will be held at the NAIT Arena as part of the Blue/Gold Tournament.

### Men's Basketball

Coming Up: Open their pre-season 8:00 Sept. 22 at King's College

### Women's Basketball

Coming Up: Open their pre-season 6:30 Sept. 22 at King's College

## WELCOME BACK NAIT STUDENTS!

### The New NAITSA Value Services available at E-131:

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- CO-OP Cab Cash available at 40% Off! (\$5.00 for \$3.00!)
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- HEALTH & DENTAL PLAN
- The 'OPT OUT' date for the Health & Dental Plan is SEPTEMBER 30. Contact the Health & Dental office, Rm. E-125 or call (780) 471-7730.

### Exciting Changes for September '05:

#### THE SENATE

Nominations close: September 23, 2005

Voting day: September 28, 2005

The Senate elections are crucially important for all students at NAIT. The Senate is broken down into sections of the school, and should NOBODY from a section of the school choose to run for The Senate, it means all the students in those programs will have no say in votes that will affect how their student money is used. Make sure to keep an eye out for those students running for The Senate, as they will be voting on your behalf starting in October!

Meetings are held every 2nd Tuesday beginning in October, and will be held after-school. Supper is provided along with a monetary compensation for time.

For More Info visit [www.NAITSa.ca](http://www.NAITSa.ca) or drop down to the NAITSA Office at (E-131) to pick up a package!

#### ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Academic Council requires six student representatives to sit on a council that directs the future of NAIT education! If you are against the thought of NAIT passing a dress code, or enforcing strict rules on the students, here is your chance to sit on a council and voice your concerns on behalf of students! Not to mention it would look great on a resume!

Meetings for this council would be held every 3rd Thursday of the month at lunch time (PS - You get free meals and beverages at meetings!) If you believe you are right for one of these few student spots, then email Jon Hoffman, VP Student Affairs a short paragraph at why you believe you should represent over 60,000 students on this council.

Email Jon at [jonh@nait.ca](mailto:jonh@nait.ca)

#### HAVING ISSUES OR PROBLEMS AT NAIT? (Class or otherwise)

Remember if you are encountering any sort of problem which is interfering with your success at NAIT, whether it be a problem with an instructor, or even a fellow classmate, that you can contact Jon Hoffman, NAITSA Vice-President of Student Affairs for ways to solve and address your concerns.

Jon Hoffman can be contacted in person at the NAITSA Office (E-131), by email [jonh@nait.ca](mailto:jonh@nait.ca) or by phone 471-7607.

#### SHINERAMA 2005 & V.I.P CARDS

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## Join NAIT International Students on trip to Banff

"NIC" is arranging for any interested students to join the international students for a weekend tour to the majestic Rocky Mountains. Take a walk down Banff Avenue and discover all the candy stores, shops and coffee houses. The group will travel by charter bus leaving on October 1<sup>st</sup> and returning on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be accompanied by a NAIT staff member. One night shared-accommodations with continental breakfast will be included in the resort town of Banff (Irwin's Mountain Inn). Also will be covered the entrance fees to Banff National Park as well as a gondola ride to the top of Sulphur Mountain in Banff which is considered to be among the nation's most spectacular attractions. Enjoy the beautiful scenery at magnificent Lake Louise.

- The total cost for this "Fabulous" trip will be \$135.00.
- Please note the number of the seats is limited - first come first served.
- Absolutely no refunds after September 23<sup>rd</sup>

For more details and booking, please contact the International Student Centre (Room - W301)

or call Lorraine at 378-5030

e-mail: [lorrnord@nait.ab.ca](mailto:lorrnord@nait.ab.ca)

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# Ooks soccer fans pack stands

By TREVOR ELIOTT

NAIT soccer fans enjoyed two outstanding home-opening matches against the Keyano College Huskies last Saturday afternoon. The NAIT soccer field was packed with fans who witnessed a new era of Ooks soccer while the athletics department served up hotdogs and hamburgers to celebrate the occasion.

The Lady Ooks began the day behind the eight-ball as the Huskies' Tammy Campbell opened up the scoring in the fifth minute. The Lady Ooks' staunch defense regrouped from the early mental lapse and goals by Sherri Gristwood (25<sup>th</sup> minute) and Allison Marshall (32<sup>nd</sup> minute) put their team up for good. Gristwood scored her second goal of the game in the 40<sup>th</sup> minute and the Lady Ooks enjoyed a 3-1 half-time lead. Jill Kolodychuk netted a fourth goal by the Lady Ooks in the 58<sup>th</sup> minute. After scoring their fourth goal, the Lady Ooks tightened up their defense and controlled the ball and stifled any

attempts of a comeback by the Huskies. The Lady Ooks cruised to an easy 4-1 victory.

With a solid performance in goal, Danya Paleniuk recorded her second victory of the season. Kolodychuk was selected as player of the game. In the second match of the day, the Ooks took on the Huskies in a see-saw battle between the two mens clubs. The two teams were very evenly matched and both enjoyed several extremely good chances throughout the match.

The first goal of the match was scored in the 18<sup>th</sup> minute mark by defender Joel Wickens. The Huskies didn't let up after the NAIT goal, and charged up the field immediately and replied with a tying goal in the 20<sup>th</sup> minute of the match.

Sinisa Matic was awarded a penalty kick during the 30<sup>th</sup> minute on a very questionable call by the referee. Goalkeeper Jonathon Soper came up with a huge save on the kick to keep the game tied at one apiece. Emotions began to run high near the end

of the first half and Huskies' Eric Singer received the only yellow card of the day in the 40<sup>th</sup> minute. Ooks defender Jordan Stewart was tackled hard in the 42<sup>nd</sup> minute and was helped off to the sideline. Although roughed up, Stewart was not seriously injured. The teams ended the half in a 1-1 tie.

The play continued at a furious pace in the second half and players began to tackle harder as the game progressed. The Huskies were awarded a penalty-kick opportunity after another questionable call by the referee. The Ooks breathed a sigh of relief after Mark Ladobruk's missed the opportunity to put his team up by one. Matic scored his second goal of the season in the 77<sup>th</sup> minute to give the Ooks a 2-1 edge late in the game. A home-opening sweep was negated by the Huskies, however, as they tied the score with the final goal of the game in the 84<sup>th</sup> minute.

The Ooks and Huskies finished the match in a 2-2 stalemate. Matic was selected as player of the game.

## Ooks of the week



### Lady Ooks of the Week

Sherri Gristwood  
Soccer – Forward  
First Year College Prep  
From St. Albert  
Scored three goals in first two games



### Ooks of the Week

Sinisa Matic  
Soccer – Forward  
First Year Welding  
From Prijedor, Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Scored game-winner vs. MacEwan and game-tying goal versus Keyano



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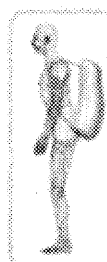
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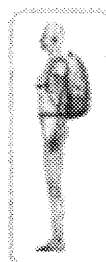
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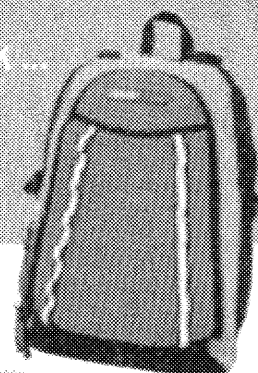
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# ACAC Standings

## MEN'S SOCCER

as of September 19, 2005

### North Division

Team	Wins	Losses	Ties	Points	GF	GA	+/-	Home	Away	Streak
Concordia	2	0	1	7	4	1	3	2 0 1	0 0 0	T1
King's	2	1	0	6	6	5	1	2 0 0	0 1 0	W2
NAIT	1	0	2	5	4	3	1	0 0 1	1 0 1	T2
MacEwan	1	2	0	3	2	2	0	1 1 0	0 1 0	W1
Keyano	0	1	1	1	2	4	-2	0 0 0	0 1 1	L1
Grande Prairie	0	2	0	0	3	6	-3	0 0 0	0 2 0	L2

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

as of September 19, 2005

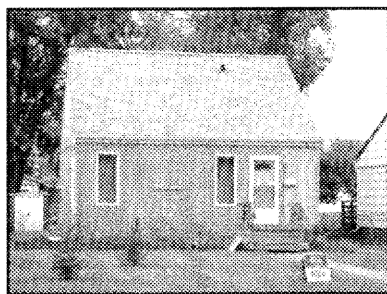
### North Division

Team	Wins	Losses	Ties	Points	GF	GA	+/-	Home	Away	Streak
MacEwan	2	1	0	6	8	3	5	1 1 0	1 0 0	W2
Concordia	2	1	0	6	8	3	5	1 1 0	1 0 0	W1
NAIT	2	1	0	6	7	4	3	1 0 0	1 1 0	L1
Grande Prairie	1	0	1	4	4	3	1	0 0 0	1 0 1	T1
King's	0	2	1	1	3	9	-6	0 2 1	0 0 0	T1
Keyano	0	2	0	0	1	9	-8	0 0 0	0 2 0	L2

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**X-107**

# Be a Volunteer This School Year

## On Campus Volunteer Opportunities:

**Shinerama** is seeking volunteers to help out on **Sat. Sept 24, 2005** with our annual Shine Day. This event is a great way to meet people and support a worthwhile cause! Stop by the NAITSA Volunteer Centre in E-133 to sign up!

Volunteers are needed to help with the following positions for **NAIT'S Homecoming weekend on Oct 1 & 2, 2005**. All these events will take place on NAIT main campus.

Gala Banquet & Dance – Set up 2 to 4pm

Gala Banquet & Dance – Registration 5 to 7 pm

Gala Banquet & Dance – Bartenders 5 to 9pm

President's Brunch – Set up 8:30 to 10:30 am

Event Clean up 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Danielle Potvin at 471-8539 or [danielp@nait.ca](mailto:danielp@nait.ca).

This year, the **NAIT Open House** will take place on **October 14th and 15th**. We rely on enthusiastic staff and students to make this event successful. Volunteers are needed to man Information Booths and the Roving Student Volunteer Teams. Sign-up sheets for this year's Open House are at the NAITSA Volunteer Centre in E-133. For more information about volunteering at NAIT Open House, contact Don at 491-3143.

We are looking for 20 - 25 student volunteers who would be interested in validating and providing feedback on what we do well to keep students at NAIT. This is also a great opportunity to tell us where we need to improve in areas of student retention.

**When:** September 26, 2005, 11:00am - 1:15 pm

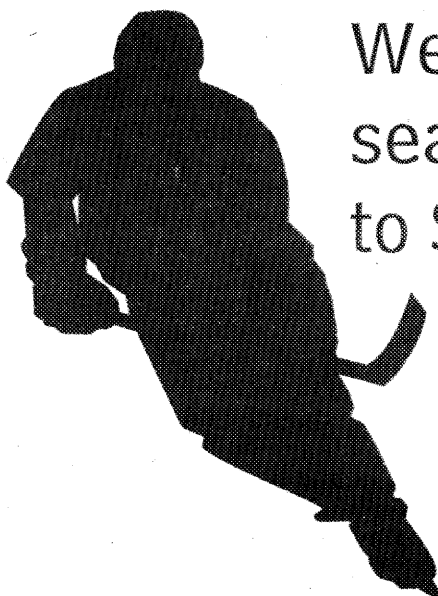
**Where:** Room O-120

**What:** Focus Group and FREE lunch

If you are interested in participating in this activity, please email Marian Pangburn at [marianp@nait.ca](mailto:marianp@nait.ca) or call her at 491-3939. Students will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

If you are interested in any of the volunteer opportunities listed above please contact Shannon at [naitsavc@nait.ca](mailto:naitsavc@nait.ca) or 491-3966. Stop by the NAITSA Volunteer Centre in E-133 for all the details.

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# GRAPEVINES

(Care to give someone the business? Got a crush on a hot guy or girl? Ticked off at something and want to get it off your chest? Send your rants here to: [nuggetgrapevines@hotmail.com](mailto:nuggetgrapevines@hotmail.com))

To the guy who sits in front of the Zoology class: Can you please SHUT UP! I did not pay all this money to hear you talk non-stop about nothing!  
Every time you interrupt the instructor, we miss important information. I have yet to see your lips not move!  
- Annoyed Paying Student

I've asked for help at the computer commons three times and every time I got, "I don't know"...tell me, why does a technical school have terrible technical support?  
- Frustrated

Ok whats with all this rain bullshit im totally sick of it i don't spend a fricken hour on my stupid hair every morning just to have it fricken frizzed up before i even get to school. Geez give a girl a break here.  
- Waterlogged

For the girl that BIT me at ookfest thanks for the bruise the size

of my arm!!!!AHT's ROCK MY SOCKS!

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Is it just me or am I the ONLY one who sees those big, floresent signs that tell you the crosswalk is controlled by lights? Quit being so ignorant and wait the 3 minutes for the lights to change! They are for your saftey too! The buses will wait for you! So, open your eyes, and use that thing you call a finger and push the little button, trust me it is not hard to do and it takes little time or effort. Unless you want to be windshield scum?  
- Good pedestrian

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First off...to the chick that cut in line at Ookfest so she can buy her beer..newsflash...so were we for 1/2 an hour! secondly, the guys you thought were sweethearts to you for letting you, thought you were a joke! you are not "cute" and if you think that excuse is going to work in life..well you are going to have some unpleasant surprises! Have some respect for yourself!  
- Ook chick

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Holding my breath for the next Architecture/Interior Design bash. Cummon, NASS-get on it I NEED to party!  
-Anon

Keep posted for information on Help the Homeless missions... weather is turning cold so we'll be collecting clothing donations. (website is under major construction :D)

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Anyone notice that gross smell coming from the Annex when you walk by? Don't those Engineers shower? Good thing the business tower isn't filled with people like that!  
-C

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OOKFEST WAS CRRAAAZZY! Let's do another Next Month!  
-Sarah M.

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Hey, to the jerk who dented my car in Z-Lot, way to be a d!ck. If I ever find out who you are...

- Anon

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The girls at NAITSA are hot! Ow Ow! Service to the students INDEED!  
- Anon

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Why can't they keep the cafeteria food reasonably priced? As if our tuition isnt high enough, now just to survive requires a new loan!  
Ugh.  
- Steve

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Who wants to challenge me and my boys to some pool in the Nest? We'll take all you fools! Pop on down during lunch and it's game on!  
- Team Ballz

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To the beautiful brunette with the green eyes who caught the #8 bus to Mill gate last week.. I want to marry you. Your hair smelled so amazing standing behind you!  
-Secret Admirer

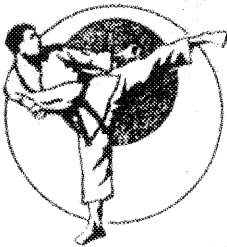
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SESSION	DATE	TIMES
MEMORY, LEARNING & CONCENTRATION	Wednesday, Sept. 21 <sup>st</sup>	11:15 to 12:15, 12:15 to 1:15 <u>or</u> 4:30 to 5:30
TIME MANAGEMENT/ MANAGING PROCRASTINATION	Wednesday, Sept. 28 <sup>th</sup>	11:15 to 12:15, 12:15 to 1:15 <u>or</u> 4:30 to 5:30
EXAM WRITING/ MANAGING EXAM STRESS	Wednesday, Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	11:15 to 12:15, 12:15 to 1:15 <u>or</u> 4:30 to 5:30
STRESS MANAGEMENT	Wednesday, Oct. 12 <sup>th</sup>	11:15 to 12:15, 12:15 to 1:15 <u>or</u> 4:30 to 5:30

All sessions are free and on a drop-in basis.

For more information contact the

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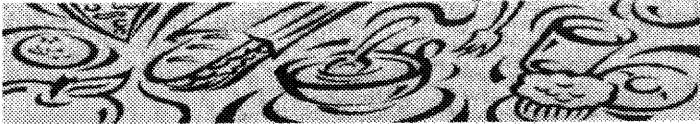
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