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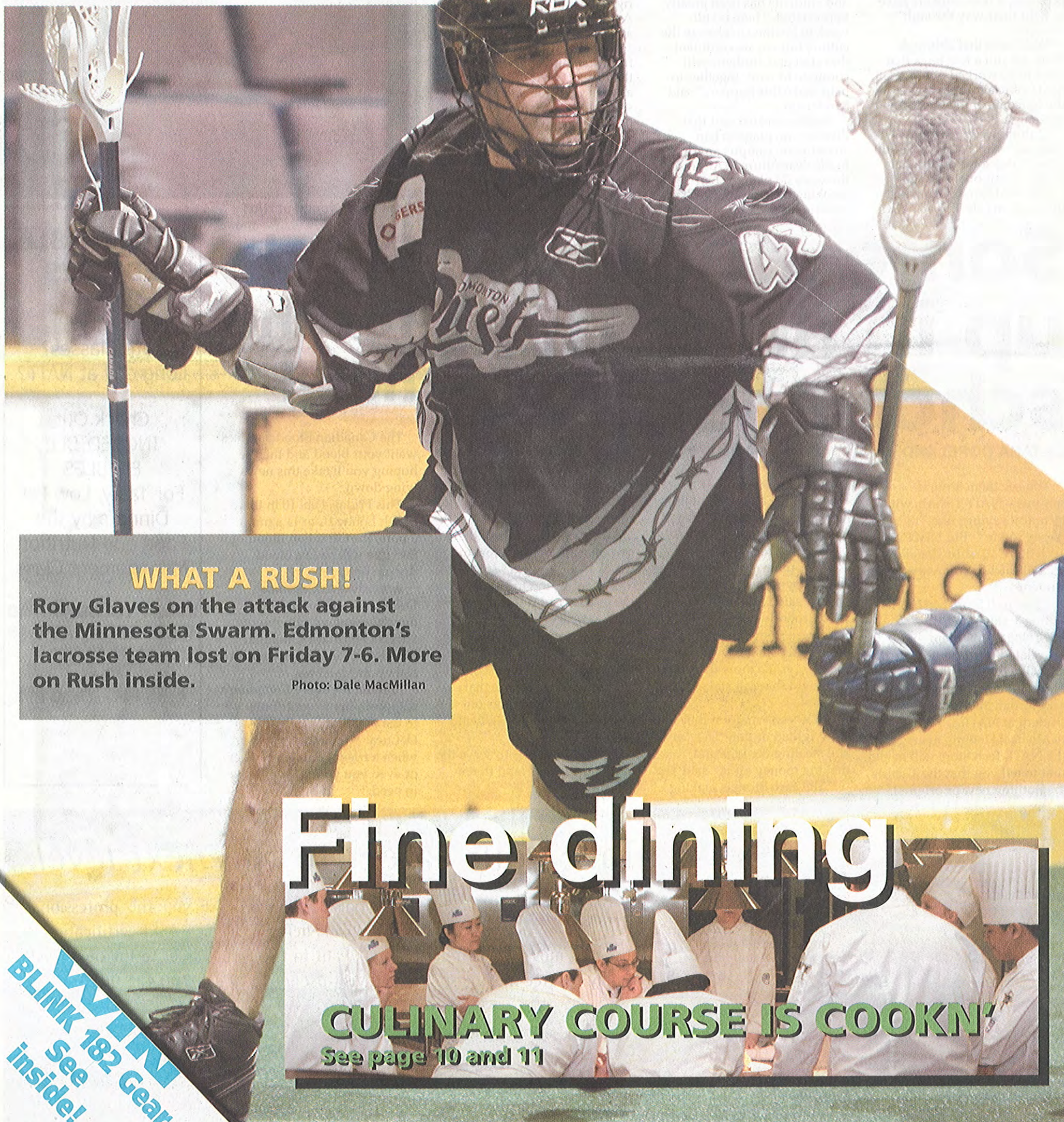
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RUSH COME CLOSE



WHAT A RUSH!

Rory Graves on the attack against the Minnesota Swarm. Edmonton's lacrosse team lost on Friday 7-6. More on Rush inside.

Photo: Dale MacMillan

Fine dining

CULINARY COURSE IS COOKIN'

See page 10 and 11

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BLINK 182 Gear
See inside!

NEWS & FEATURES

Where there's smoke there's fire?

By TARA COPELAND

The controversy surrounding NAIT's NAITure campaign has intensified as the butt problem has flared up along with rumours that smoking might be banned on campus all together.

"We've got to get a solution to the butts on the ground," said Terry Wald, director of human resources at NAIT. "I do think that there's a risk that smoking will be banned all together if we cannot make progress, if non-smokers have to fight their way through crowds."

Wald says that although there are still a few bugs that need to be worked out, overall, NAIT officials are happy with the outcome of the NAITure campaign.

"I think we're reasonably pleased," said Wald. "(We still need to do) some additional work – additional signage."

The NAITure policy was updated on July 1, 2005. With

the updated rules, you cannot smoke within 10 metres of building entrances, within three metres of any bus shelter, in front on the entrance to the HP Centre and the Ernest Restaurant and within 10 metres of any fresh air source.

Sandy Sanderson, director of recruitment and student life, says that NAITure is a step in the right direction, but more work still needs to be done. "The cooperation and support received from staff and students has been greatly appreciated. There is still work to be done to change the culture but we are confident that staff and students will continue to work together to help make this happen," said Sanderson.

Sanderson also said that there are no plans to ban smoking on campus anytime in the near future. "At present, there are no plans to ban smoking on campus. NAIT is continually looking at ways

of responding to the needs and wants of our students and staff and improving the environment around campus," said Sanderson.

Despite the fact that there are no immediate plans to ban smoking on campus, the reality that it's a possibility has some smoking and non-smoking students alike up in arms.

"I don't agree with it. I think as long as smokers smoke outside and are respectful to others, we should respect their right to smoke," said Sean Amato, a non-smoking student at NAIT.

Sanderson says that input from staff and students about the Respect NAITure policy is always welcome and can be sent to respectnaiture@nait.ca or (780) 491-3004.

Do you have an opinion on this issue?
Have your say by e-mailing: nuggetsubmissions@hotmail.com



Butts litter ground at NAIT

Photo: Olivia Kachman

Some students up in arms over school T-shirts

By TARA COPELAND

You see them around campus – NAIT T-shirts with technical sayings like "Talk Nerdy to Me." But NAIT's Tech Store's T-shirt slogans are not catching on with some students.

"The Tech Store has been selling T-shirts and they have slogans on them that are related to computers and junk like that and they stole pretty much all of the slogans," said Jordan Yeo, a concerned student at NAIT.

Michael Hennig, manager of the NAIT Tech Store will be the first to tell you that the T-shirts are nothing new or original.

"We never claimed it to be original."

But Hennig says that although the shirts are nothing new, there's is nothing illegal or unethical about the store producing the shirts.

"It's public domain, you can't copyright it. Anyone can use it," said Hennig. "We did not purposely go out and try to find these things or grab them off of other sites."

Yeo says it's more than just a copyright that's at stake – it's a principle.

"It doesn't mater if they are copyrighted or not. They're still stealing the idea and making money off it," said Yeo.

"The Tech Store is making

money off someone else's ideas and my number one concern with it is, if the school is so focused on student success and not promoting plagiarism, why are they allowing one of their own stores to do that just to make an easy buck?" said Yeo.

But according to Hennig, the store is just fulfilling a demand. "We started this as a result of requests from students in the HP Centre wanting to know if we could provide a line of shirts that had techie type sayings on them – humorous ones," said Hennig.

"Our mandate is to serve the students at NAIT and that's why we're doing it."

Bleed for the need

The Canadian Blood Services want your blood and they're hoping you'll take this news lying down.

This Friday, Feb. 10 in the North Lobby from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Canadian Blood Services will have a blood donor clinic.

According to Cassandra DeLuca, the community development coordinator of Alberta North for Canadian Blood Services, people should roll up their sleeves.

"I think it's every Canadian's responsibility to contribute to the blood supply," said DeLuca. "You never know when a friend, family member or even you yourself might be in need."

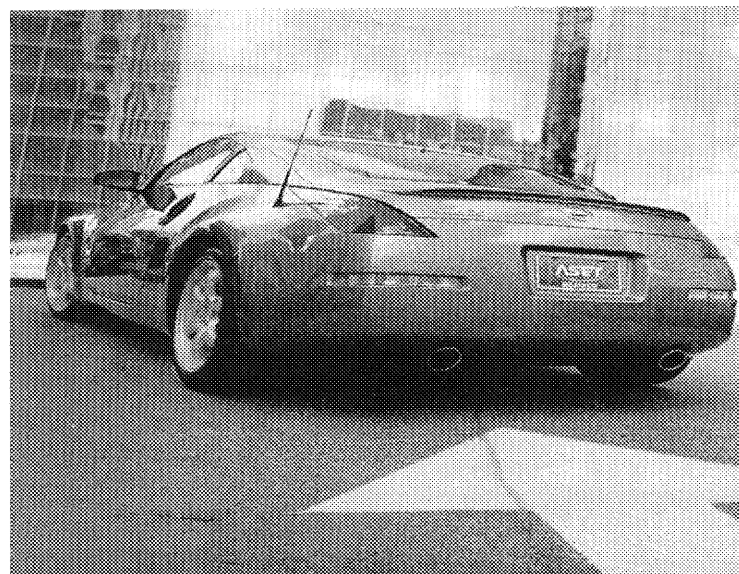
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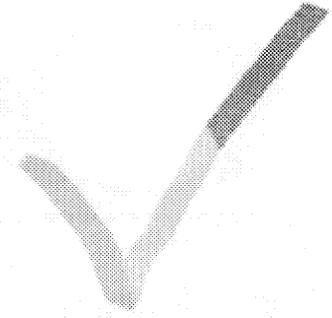
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NAIT Students' Association
2006 Election Information



NOMINATIONS OPEN

FEBRUARY 1, 8 a.m. - FEBRUARY 28, 4 p.m.

One of the greatest experiences a student can have during their time at NAIT is to be a student leader. These are serious roles and there are many perks of the job, but the best one is the year of experience you can gain. It's hard work but well worth it.

The positions available are:

- President
- VP External
- VP Student Affairs
- VP Campus Life

We ask only that you commit yourself to a year of learning and serving your fellow students.
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So, do YOU want the ultimate work experience? Don't worry, you have until March 2nd at 4:00 pm to get your nomination form signed and submit it to Room E131... which just could be your new office next year. Did we mention you get your own office too? For more details about the Elections go to the NAITSA Office in E131 and say you are considering running for office.

Pick up a nomination form at Room E131 and submit it before February 28, 4 p.m.

CAMPAIGN WEEK

MARCH 6 - 8, 2006

'Elections are more about listening to constituents than talking to them.'

DEAR VOTERS:
During the four days that students will be campaigning they will be giving speeches, making promises and touring the campus to get your vote. Most of all, they will be asking for your opinion.

Give it to them.
During campaign week be sure to take some time to talk to a candidate and tell them what you expect next year. And, be sure to check out their speeches to hear what they have to say!

ELECTION SPEECHES

Speeches will take place from:
11:15 to 12:10 pm, and
12:15 to 1:10 pm

| Date | Location |
|-----------|--|
| March 6th | The Bistro (Plaza II) Bytes (hp Centre) |
| March 7th | Tower (8th Floor) Naitrium |
| March 8th | Fresh Express Common Market |

ELECTION DAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2006
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Believe it or not, the national average for turnout in student elections is about 11%. Make sure you stop at a polling station on March 10th and cast your ballot.

NAITSA Needs Good Leadership... We want to be known for our accountability to our members. But first we need your vote. Cast your ballot on March 9th and make your voice heard!

POLLING STATIONS

- NAITSA Office (E131)
- The Tower (1st floor)
- The Bookstore (X-wing)
- South Lobby (Main)
- Fresh Express
- HP Centre (1st Floor Outside "Bytes")
- The South Stairs of Annex (Engineering)
- South Campus (Office)
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- Distribution Centre (Office)

'The easiest way to speak your mind is to write this... X'

- St. Albert Campus (Office)

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Is love truly in the cards?

Ah, it's that time of year again...the time of year when Cupid's bow-arm gets sore, chocolate lovers everywhere can get their fix at a discount and lovers whisper sweet nothings in each others ears. It's almost Valentine's Day and it makes me green – with nausea.

Along with New Year's Eve, Valentine's Day is one of the most over-hyped days of the year.

It's a huge money-maker too. Just ask Hallmark.

But should it really cost somebody \$5.99 to tell someone that they love them?

I remember a few years ago, I spent part of a summer in a village in Wales. I visited a few houses and they all shared one common element – hanging over every front entrance was a giant engraved spoon.

So, I asked why all the doors had spoons over them. Someone replied that they're love spoons.

Wales was a very poor country. The average man couldn't afford to buy a woman an engagement ring.

But the average man did know how to carve.

The love spoon was the equivalent to an engagement

ring. Whenever a man wasn't working, he'd spend time carving the spoon.

Most of the spoons have very intricate, lovely designs. Supposedly, the more complex the design, the more time the man spent longing for his potential future wife.

Now, most people in today's time probably wouldn't find a spoon all that romantic.

I think that the concept behind it is.

Don't get me wrong, I still like getting chocolates and flowers. It's nice to feel special, but it's even nicer to feel special year round.

As a society, we've been conditioned to spoil loved ones on certain days of the year. I don't know about you, but I'd rather be spoiled, valued and respected all the time.

Think about it, how many times have you heard your friends bash their boyfriends/girlfriends with locker room talk?

How many friends do you have who cheat on those they're dating?

I'd forgo a day of cut-out construction paper hearts and over-processed chocolates if it meant I could have something that was real.

Not so long from now, in a healthcare debate not very far away...



Don't sweat over V-Day

By CHARLES NOBLE
Opinion

Well that romantic, lovely day where people buy each other corny heart shaped cards and chocolates/flowers is back upon us. After all, this is just another Hallmark holiday in which we spend money needlessly, because of the commercialistic world we live in.

I personally enjoy the commercialism, the chocolates and cards, the little bit of fun it brings to an ordinary day. The fact that you can impress someone with just giving them a card that says, "bbbeeee mine," and it has a picture of a bee on it is twice as fun. The year just wouldn't be the same without Valentine's Day. We've all done the giving each other Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle and Power Ranger valentine cards with little chocolates in school at some point or another.

We all take so much of the year so seriously that it's nice to have a mandatory day to just relax, eat sweets and receive a little caring that we actually have time to appreciate for once. This day isn't just for all those couples out there, after all, most of the bars and clubs out there cater to the singles meeting someone along with cheap drinks and a corny red/pink themes. The cheap drinks help the confidence level in most people and the corny red theme signifies it's Valentine's Day.

Singles, don't be freaked out about not having a date on Valentine's Day, just go out and have fun knowing that you have no relationship to worry about. If you are looking for a relationship, I don't suggest the bars or clubs to meet someone and get struck by Cupid's arrow. When you're drunk, you tend to lose control and lose your sense of reality, hence

you have more fun with few inhibitions. Just don't think you'll find Mr./Miss Right like this. You'll probably just end up with a one night stand that leaves you feeling the effects of coyote ugly, leaving you wanting to gnaw off your arm just so you can leave without waking the mistake from last night.

The best way to meet that Mr./Miss Right is usually someone you already know and are friends with, or just meeting someone through a friend is always great. Just don't expect Cupid to strike that arrow into the girl/guy of your dreams heart - just take the first step and ask them out to a coffee or something - not for any particular reason especially not for Valentine's Day or that might scare them off. You could ask them out on Valentine's Day, just not as your valentine unless they suggest that.

Valentine's is all about fun in the end, so don't stress over love and lust. Just have a blast and if something happens, it's just a bonus. If you're in a relationship, just try not to screw things up by drinking too much and regretting what happens next. Don't go overboard with gifts. Just get a little something sweet and nice for your special someone. This isn't Christmas after all. Relax, have fun and don't drink too much this Valentine's. Everybody, liquid courage can sometimes turn into quite a mess.

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

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.

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All submissions must be
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to the Nugget are not necessarily
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Mouthing OFF



GETTING MOUTHY: Each week we at The Nugget pick an interesting question of the week to pose to NAIT students. Then we send out an eager reporter to capture the thoughts of various people on campus about the burning issue.

What are you doing for Valentine's Day?

By EVAN WILL



Jerrod Drechsler - PWT:
"Going out for dinner with my girlfriend."



Cheryl McQuillin - College Prep:
"Told my husband he has to buy me flowers the day before because they're not special if they're expected."



Lynne Harding - Graphic Sign Art and Design:
"Drowning my sorrows in alcohol. I hate Valentine's day."



Paul Church - Electronic Engineering:
"Being really lonely since my girlfriend is in London."



Sean "Valentine" Way - Photographic Technology
"Soliciting myself on Jasper Ave. Feel free to stop by."

TUITION TAX RECEIPTS 2005

STUDENTS: The T2202A Tuition Tax Receipts for the 2005 calendar year will be made available on the Student Portal at www.nait.ca/MyNait in February 2006.

Instructions are provided on line to assist in creating your NAIT login and printing your T2202A.

Please note: Tax receipts will not be mailed. Students requesting a printed T2202A form will be charged \$10.

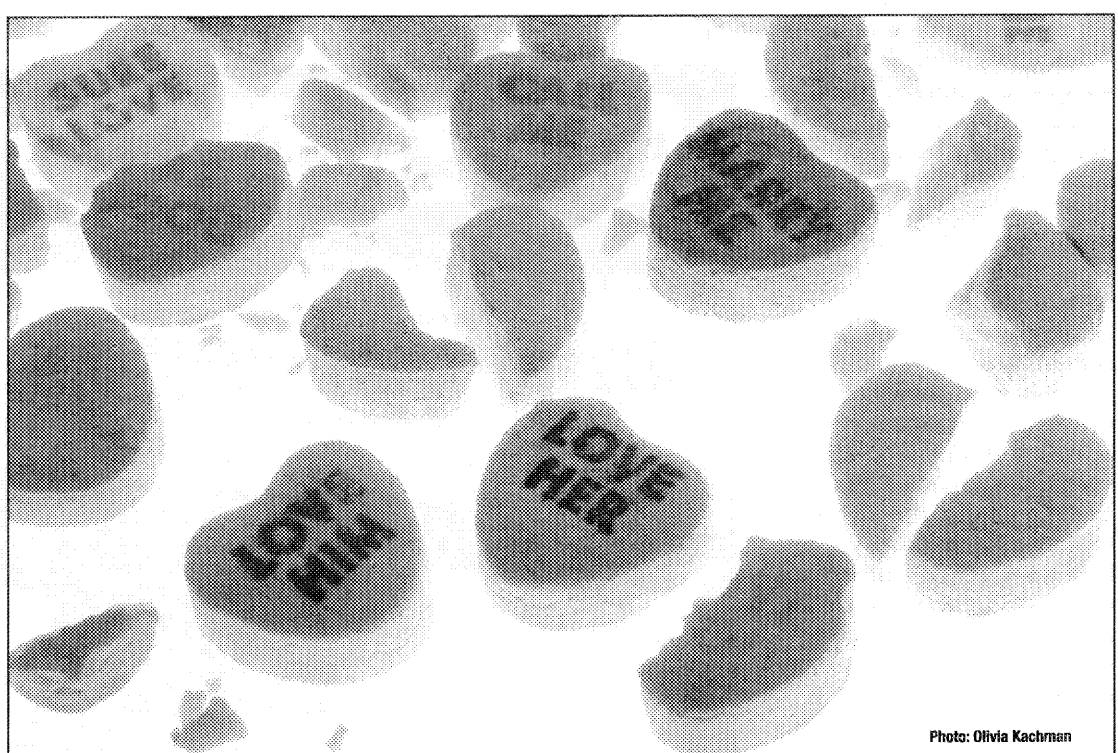


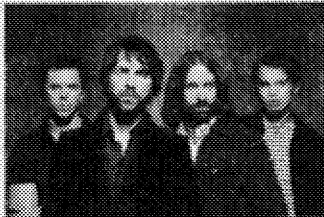
Photo: Olivia Kachman

February 14th can certainly be seen as a bittersweet celebration for people both in and out of relationships. The high expectations for an evening of romance in couples and the feeling of isolation of singletons can cause a great deal of unwanted stress.

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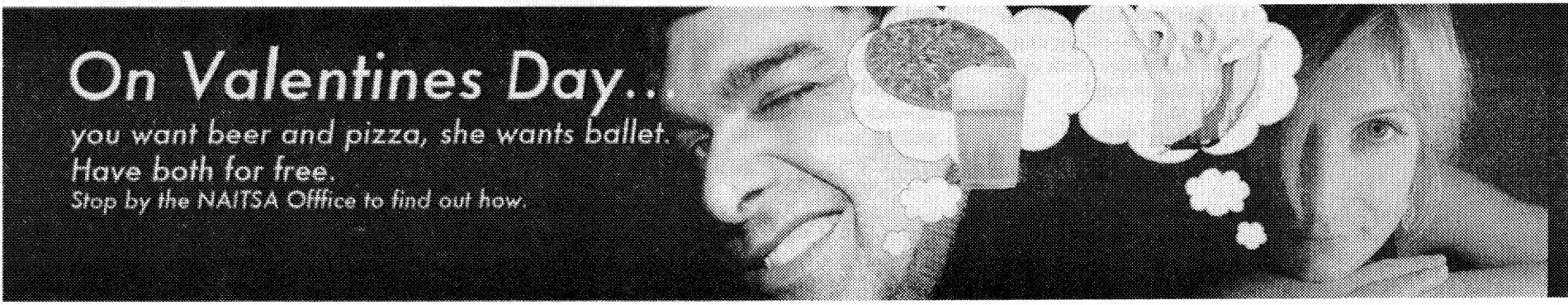


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STUDENT POLITICS

Q&A with your Student Executives

Corporate ads a reality on campus



ELAINE DEVINE
V.P. Finance & Administration

What are your plans for the future?

After I finish at NAIT this April, I plan to work in an office management/booking keeping position in the steel or oil industry. I also think that I would like to run for City Council at some point.

When is your budget presentation to the Senate?

I do two readings of the budget to the Senate: the first reading is planned for Feb.28 and the second reading is planned for March 14.

Why should students attend?

Students can attend if they would like to find out more about the way NAITSA operates and if they want to see how we plan to allocate next year's student fees.

What is the total budget you have to work with?

I can't give an exact total for the budget. This is because we have to estimate the number of students who will pay fees next year. I am presenting the budget for 2006-07. That is why this is a difficult time, because we have to estimate a lot of things such as how much will the Nugget sell in ads next year, how many handbooks will we need to print and what will sales be like in the Nest next year. As well, we have commitments that cut a huge portion of our budget away before we even touch it. Our major commitment is a donation to Campus Sports and Wellness, which is around \$400,000. This donation is to ensure that students have free access to the athletic facilities such as the pool and the workout room. If anyone wants to know more about the budget, they can attend the meeting or set up a meeting with me.

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CARRIE CREASER
V.P. Campus Life

What do you think are going to be the most important issues for NAITSA Fall 06 to Winter 07?

I think the transition of our new position at NAITSA, VP External will be a new, improved change to the organization. I would also hope that student awareness is on the top of the new NAITSA team for next year.

What can students expect from the Trailer Park Boys at the Nest?

We have heard a lot of feedback from other schools around the country that the Trailer Park Boys were a huge success! They were fun and very entertaining. Some schools said it was one of their best events of the year! I hope we can say the same! I'm sure it will be a very good time for students. For a \$20 ticket, just come down to the NAITSA office!

You've talked about planning the first NAITSA graduation. What's in store for students?

A mix of elegance and fun is what our first graduation will be! Formal dinner with all fellow NAIT students, followed by a huge concert with The Trews to follow! For tickets or questions, just come down to the NAITSA office or give me an e-mail!

What bands would you really like to see at the Nest in the future?

I would really like to see some more local talent! Bands that have a small fan base that we could help out! One way we do help local bands is in this year's Battle of the Bands! For info on signing up for the battle, check out www.ookfest.com!

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JON HOFFMAN
V.P. Student Affairs

What do you think are going to be the most important issues for NAITSA Fall 06 to Winter 07?

There are some big changes coming up for NAIT as an institution and it will be important for the students' association to play a key role in these decisions. The school is rapidly expanding with the development of new buildings, degree granting status and the creation of a student life plan. NAITSA will also further develop some of this year's new initiatives as far as providing a school wide graduation to ease the pressure on the technologies to raise money and facilitate the growth of clubs on campus promoting student life.

How do you plan to encourage the development of more student clubs?

First of all, it is important for students to be aware of the great opportunity to connect with other students with similar interests. The sky is the limit as far as clubs go. If there is something students want to do we want to be able to facilitate it by providing resources. We offer support by way of free club advertising, space to meet, club funding and more.

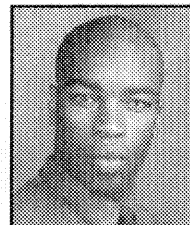
What's a typical day like as a NAITSA Executive?

There aren't a lot of typical days, but I would say generally everyday has at least one meeting, one unexpected issue and some time to work on projects.

Can students volunteer to help out with the voting stations on the NAITSA election day?

No, but they can sign up to get paid eight dollars an hour to work at one of the seven polling stations.

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DWAYNE WILLIAMS
NAITSA President

Why is there so much corporate sponsorship on campus?

Are you referring to the giant ad posters in the frames? Or the naming of areas within the school after companies? I suppose either way, it boils down to the huge costs of running a school the size of NAIT, while keeping tuition at one of the lowest levels in the province. The cash has to come somewhere and if students don't want an increase, I suppose we'll have to bite our teeth and go with the sponsorship.

How can students find out the schedule for things like the NAITSA Senate meetings?

Senate meeting schedule can be found on NAITSA.ca very soon under Student Government/Senate. There's also tons of information on NAITSA.ca about all areas of Student Government! Students should check it out!

Why should students attend meetings?

What better way to say what things students don't like at NAIT, that they want to see fixed, or even learn about upcoming plans for their student money to go towards! Graduation Party events, new Business Building, student residences, the works!

Can anyone run for NAITSA President?

Only if they are willing to put in the time and effort to make NAIT a better place. If not...then no.

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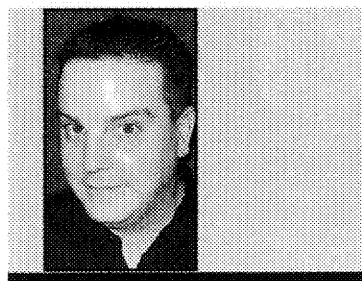
Nominations Open: Feb 1st
Nominations Close: Feb 28th

NAITSA

For more information or to pick-up forms come to the NAITSA Office, Rm. E-131, or join us for 3 info sessions in E129 on Feb. 6, 13, or 27.

ENTERTAINMENT

Bubble is dark and fresh



By DAVID MALLET

Steven Soderbergh's newest film, *Bubble*, is fresh and innovative on many levels.

It is the first film to be released in theatres, on DVD and on television the same day. It's also a stark, simple and dark film that is the work of a major director with complete creative freedom.

The best film of 2006 so far, *Bubble* is cast with non-professional actors. Shot in sequence to keep the actors out of the loop as to what was coming next in the plot, the untrained actors responded naturally to these

manufactured situations.

Soderbergh had the actors use their own clothing and homes in the film and even the character of Rose, a single mother and her child were cast with a real life mother and daughter.

This decision makes for performances so authentic, you'd swear it's all done with hidden cameras.

A portrayal of loneliness and boredom in small-town America, Soderbergh captures the essence of what it is to work for peanuts and go unnoticed. As a good friend of mine once said, "There is nobility in drudgery." *Bubble* fleshes out the meaning of those words with economy and skill.

Only 74 minutes long, the film gives us only what we require to be in the world of his true to life characters. Following a week in the life of three doll factory workers, the depiction of the lives - limited by income and class - is both soothing and shocking.

Many people shovel our

BUBBLE

Starring Dustin James Ashley, Misty Dawn Wilkins and Debbie Doebereiner
Directed by Steven Soderbergh
HDNET Films

crap, clean our toilets, wash our dishes and pump our gas. But do we ever see what the lack of a good income and a dearth of friends and family does to a person's sanity?

Being left behind by a selfish, hedonistic society can lead to painful isolation. Here, Steven Soderbergh paints an exact portrait of the forgotten. It's his finest moment.

This isn't innovative because it was released in such a unique fashion. It's innovative because it's so honest.

(NOTE: *Bubble* is currently unavailable in stores thus far in Canada, but is available from bit torrent sites online, like torrentspy.com. I suggest you seek out this masterful film.)

Five stars out of five

2006 Nugget movie preview Pt. 2

Last week Nugget entertainment editor Dave Mallett listed off some hot, upcoming movies. Here is Part 2 of that list.

THE DAVINCI CODE

One of the biggest books of recent years is finding itself the subject of a Ron Howard directed translation to the big screen. Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code* has drawn controversy for what some felt were anti-Catholic sentiments.

Concerning the actual role of Mary Magdalene in Christian history, the book had many on the defensive what with devious church officials and a dark view of the group Opus Dei (which I can testify is far from corrupt and helps

believers bring their faith into the workplace).

Tom Hanks plays the professor who tries to crack the code. Joined by Amelie's Audrey Tautou and X3's Ian McKellen, this bestseller will get the glossy Howard treatment.

But, based on early trailers, it appears to be a variation on themes and visual concepts covered in films like *End of Days* and *Stigmata*. Will Howard offend audiences? Will the right protest loudly? Probably. You can judge whether it's a good film.

MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3

Alias creator J.J. Abrams is at the helm for the third installment of Tom Cruise's bi-annual reminder of how great he is. Unnecessarily farting out this second sequel, (after John Woo's sorry attempt last time) Cruise is at least joined by a decent cast this time out.

Ving Rhames, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Laurence Fishburne, Billy Crudup, Keri Russell, Michelle Monaghan and Jonathan Rhys-Meyers are part of his team of friends and enemies for MI:III.

Apparently, Abrams wanted this edition to have a feel closer to the original tone of the TV series. Indeed, this film will attempt to restore that element to the franchise, giving Agent Hunt a team of experts to do his dirty work.

Chances are this will be the last in this series. Unless Abrams manages to inject

a little freshness into the stale formula, I can't see this pointless chain of films returning for another kick at the can.

POSEIDON

Since every writer in Hollywood has damaged the part of their brain where good ideas come from (likely from excessive cocaine use in the '80s), for now we will have to be satisfied with remakes and sequels.

The Perfect Storm director Wolfgang Petersen directs this remake of Ronald Neame's 1972 camp fest, *The Poseidon Adventure*. However, Petersen decided to lose the cheese and make this a tense, tightly wound story, free from the 1972 version's laughable dialogue and questionable action sequences.

He may succeed. (His *Das Boot* is a masterpiece of terror in a confined space underwater.) But, it may be a lousy script that sinks the ship this time rather than *Mother Nature*. Find out May 12 whether you should go down with the captain. Kurt Russell and Richard Dreyfuss star.

THE DEPARTED

Even Martin Scorsese has been bitten by the remake bug. His latest effort is a remake of the popular Hong Kong thriller *Infernal Affairs*, which came out in 2002.

Reuniting for the third straight time with Leonardo DiCaprio, this film is

significant for being the first collaboration for the Oscar-starved director with Jack Nicholson.

Nicholson plays a gangland boss who has a man on the inside with the Boston police force, played by Matt Damon. But, it becomes clear that the cops have their own mole (played by DiCaprio) and so the game of cat and mouse ensues.

Also starring Mark Wahlberg, this movie will be in theatres in time for the Holiday season.



Jack Nicholson and Matt Damon

You know, when I first saw Will Farrell doing cheer routines on SNL years back, I had no inkling that I would

see him in films with Dustin Hoffman, directed by Oscar nominated directors.

He'll be doing just that next November in this film lensed by Marc Forster (*Monster's Ball*). Forster's last effort, *Stay* - a major bomb for him and his stars Ewan McGregor and Naomi Watts - won him no new fans.

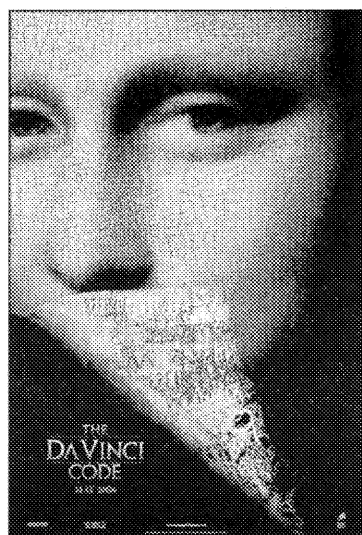
Ferrell has seen diminishing box office returns on his films since *Anchorman* and *Elf*, likely due to his efforts to be a leading man. But, with this film, he may strike pay dirt.

Emma Thompson is Kay Eiffel, an author experiencing writer's block who can't decide how to kill off her character in her latest novel.

Trouble is, Ferrell can hear her voice in his head and realizes he is as good as dead if he doesn't get to her before the ideas start flowing again - because he is the man in her book she wants dead!

This could make for some great comic fodder, but geez, anyone wanna go to the theatre and see the new comedy from the director of *Monster's Ball*?

Well, there you go. Of course, I could do another edition next issue. There's the new *Pirates of the Caribbean* film, new stuff from Adam Sandler and another *Fast and The Furious* picture. But, you'll have to visit the web to find out about the rest. Stay tuned for the next issue for our Oscar coverage.



Half decent story



Movie Review: Final Fantasy Advent Children

By CHARLES NOBLE

It's a great movie, but only if you've played the game. This movie is basically set about the time after Final Fantasy VII, the game, ends. The movie centres on the disease plaguing the city after Cloud's triumphant victory.

The narration does give people that haven't played the game a bit of back story but not enough to truly appreciate this masterpiece.

Amazing cinematography might win over some audience

members that don't quite understand why things are happening.

I must emphasize this point - the movie is top of the line quality CGI and this does make it a symphony for your eyes to see, so much so that most will probably see it twice just for the chance to see the beautiful animations.

Although this won't be the only reason you watch it twice because the animations do flow quite quickly across the screen making it hard to see the fighting sometimes.

The translation from game to movie is done very well though, through very good use of the original music updated just a bit with some American rock and/or roll

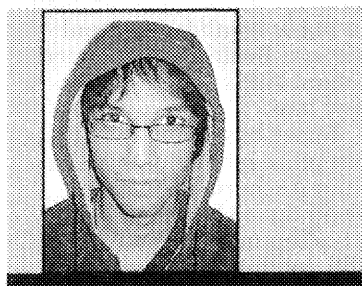
touches. If you're not a fan of the computer animated genre of movies, maybe try watching this. It looks pretty darn real.

A half decent story does help the movie but also hinders it due to the bad retelling of the game in the first two minutes of the movie for new comers to the series.

For those with previous knowledge, go nuts. This is what you've been waiting for! A good game to movie translation of an amazing game! You'll love it even more if you don't watch it expecting an over the top story line, because that's the only thing it's missing.



Story line is the best



By CHARLES NOBLE

Dragon Quest VIII: Journey of the Cursed King Review

Sound: With music by the Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Koichi Sugiyama, this is literally the best mood setting music in any role playing game (RPG) I've ever played. The whole tone of the game is established with the music under lying the feeling of each scene and battle. The sound effects are very well done as well as the voice acting is probably the best to date.

Graphics: The creator of Dragon Ball designed the characters for this game, so it's all cell shading, which does look great for this game but won't appeal to everyone. Smooth frame rate and nice effects for spells and moves

along side nice character emotions complement this game well. Varying terrain and scenery are impressive to look at and traverse.

Game Play: The game is a typical turn based RPG with many different ways to improve and customize your characters. It starts off fairly hard and has a steep learning curve but retains your interest since you can never receive a game over message. Instead of dying and ending your game, you just lose money and return to a church you have recently visited. The story is fairly entertaining since the voice acting is insanely well done, which just draws you and keeps you wanting to know what's going to happen next. Lasting Appeal: This is the



most popular series of RPGs in Japan, yet the first to make it all the way to North America. No doubt that more will be coming after the success of this one. It was voted the best RPG of 2005. Alluring game play blended with great graphics make this an RPG that is a good starter for anyone since you can't really lose. The story will compel you to keep chugging along to see what happens next along with the character skills/ weapons development.

If you like RPGs with great story lines and amazing game play, this game is for you.



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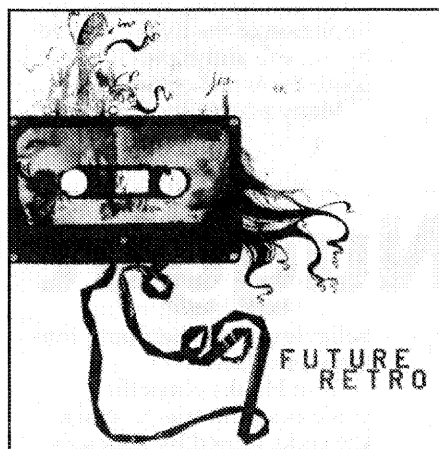
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Future Retro
Various artists
Rhino/Warner

By KEVIN GIBSON

Here's a novel, if none-too-original, idea: take a handful of classic '80s tunes and hand them over to some respected DJs for an aesthetic overhaul. Steering clear of beloved kitsch (Sorry Rick Astley, Stacy Q, Wang Chung, there's always volume two) and focusing on more respectable new wavers, Future Retro yields some pleasant surprises.

The Cure, Echo and the Bunnymen, INXS and DEVO all make requisite appearances but the song selection shows some real thought and appreciation for the era. Where Depeche Mode has a long list of exploitable hits, here we're given a remix of the underrated Shake the Disease.

Often, the tunes (as remixers are wont to do) are given a darker edge for darker times. Leave us not forget, the '80s were far from utopian. Where today, we seem to wallow or revel in the darkness, in the '80s, pop music seemed to leaven and almost counterpoint the encroaching gloom.

Which is why the remix of Erasure's buoyant A Little Respect falls flat. Instead of

amping up the joy, the momentum is lost in a sea of sludge. Howard Jones' celebratory New Song (which I've just noticed sort of sounds like Solisbury Hill) also loses most of its charm.

The Hamel Album Mix of Alphaville's Forever Young gets it right by simply amping up the joy while leaving the melody unscathed. Sometimes, however, a radical reconstruction can be just as enjoyable, as exemplified by the

Sparks remix of Morrissey's Suedehead.

Free from nostalgic constraints, some of the lesser known tunes work best. '80s footnotes like B-Movie (with a throbbing Adam Freeland mix of their hit Nowhere Girl) and The Book of Love (with an ultra poppy mix of Boy, replete with crunchy major chords, church chimes and a flurry of strings) benefit from their relative anonymity.

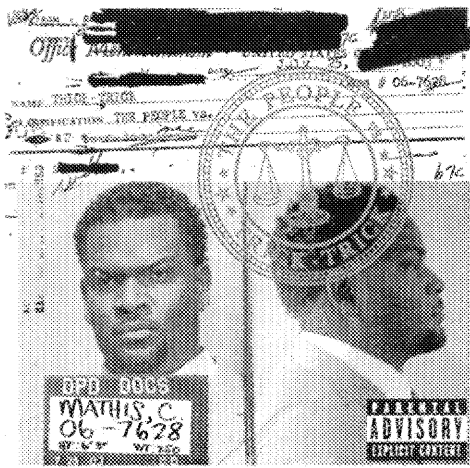
Lastly, I'm hard pressed to name a New Order tune which really benefited from a remix; they get it so perfect to begin with, it seems a futile exercise.

The same applies here, in spite of The Crystal Method's admirable attempt at re-casting the too obvious Bizzare Love Triangle. Why not be a bit more daring and attempt to remix Ceremony, or Age of Consent?

These interpretations aren't meant to replace the originals, rather to remind us in a fresh context, just how good these songs really are. Whether you lived through it or are simply anxious to explore our recent musical history, Future Retro provides a fun fresh tour through some exciting side roads.



Eminem protégé



Trick Trick: The People Vs
Review by Trystan Meyers

Detroit newcomer Trick Trick (a.k.a. Christian Mathis) drop's his debut album with some serious attitude. He reminds me of a young angry, frustrated Eminem. Em, who appears on the album, has yet to sign the talented rapper.

The album, *The People Vs* which dropped Dec. 27 is straight hardcore thug. The album represents Trick's lifestyle perfectly. He is well know for bouncing many famous rappers from a club he worked security at, but most notably serving time for

murder charges a few years back.. You better check yourself before hatin' on this head bussa.

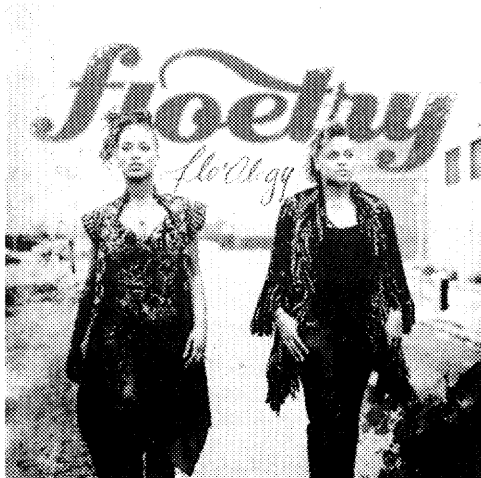
Welcome 2 Detroit with help from Eminem was launched as the first single. It just made sense for the two to collaborate as Trick grew up on 7-Mile, right next to the Infamous 8-Mile.

Get Bread, Let's Scrap and M-1 are amongst the

heavies on the album while the rest of the apples don't fall that far from the tree. My Name Is Trick Trick will be the catchy song most people will get stuck in their head. Jazze Pha, Obie Trice, Mr. Porter, Proof of D-12 and even his little brother Diezel compile the list of featured artists.

It almost seems mandatory to get shot, to do time, and ride in 22's to become a rapper these days, but before Trick Trick released this album he sold millions of underground mix tapes. His credibility hardly needs questioning.

A Lesson In Flow



Artist:
Floetry

Album Title:
Flo'Ology

Release Date:
Nov. 8, Geffen
Records

Official Site:
www.floetry.net

By TRYSTAN MEYERS

Having shelved many awards for their previous two releases, Floetry is turning heads again with *Flo'Ology*. The soulful voices behind the London based duo are the "songstress" Marsha Ambrosius and "floacist" Natalie Stewart.

Artists such as, Erykah Badu, Jill Scott and Angie Stone have paved the way for Floetry's undeniable well....flow. The girls have had the chance to mature over the last four years to create the thought provoking, female self-discovery and feel good album.

The first single off the album called Supa Star features roots hip hop artist Common. Other than Common, the album is not bogged down with featured guest artists. The

two hardworking girls don't want others to overshadow their raw natural talent.

Other tracks worth checking out on the record are: I'll Die, a powerful heartfelt ballad, Let Me In, where the girls' voices blend in perfect harmonic unison and My Apology that is essentially a lyrical rebuttal to a loved one. The 11 track album still clocks in at an impressive 55 minutes. These girls are making real music for real people and have already picked up a handful of prestigious awards and recognitions for this release. I suggest you draw yourself a bath, light some candles, indulge yourself, relax and forget your worries as Floetry takes you to cloud nine.

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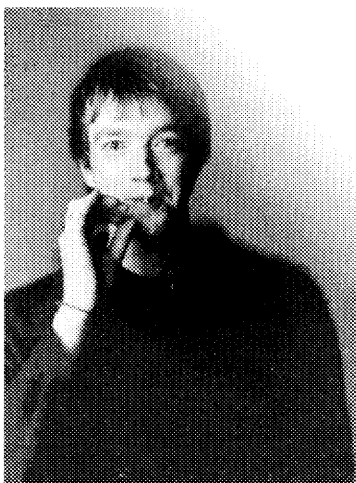
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DJ Paul stands Tall



By TAZ DHARIWAL

Electronic music gets a bad rap. Somewhere between Kraftwerk in the '70s and Raves in the late '90s and early '00s, electronic (or if I must, "electronica") music became synonymous with getting mashed out of your skull on chemicals and walking around a crammed warehouse filled with other partygoers (read: drug addicts), looking like fashionistas that had just popped out of a Dali painting. No, dear. No one slipped you

any acid this morning with your wasabi scrambled eggs. I'm just telling you that most of the successes within electronic music are fighting back against the norm of the scene being riddled with wastes of skin that use the music as an enabling device for their own drug addictions.

Think back to 1987. I know, I know, most of you weren't even born. But while your dad humped the hell out of your mom to produce you, loads of young adults were packed into dark and dungy clubs, dancing to acid house, which had a blistering BPM of 115 (which is considered slow and old by today's standards) The UK's Tall Paul was playing weekly at his father's legendary London club, Turnmills, and when he wasn't throwing down stacks of wax, he was running his own pirate radio show, Touchdown FM, which back then was considered to be the most underground thing one could do (outside of throwing illegal raves and being producers of ecstasy).

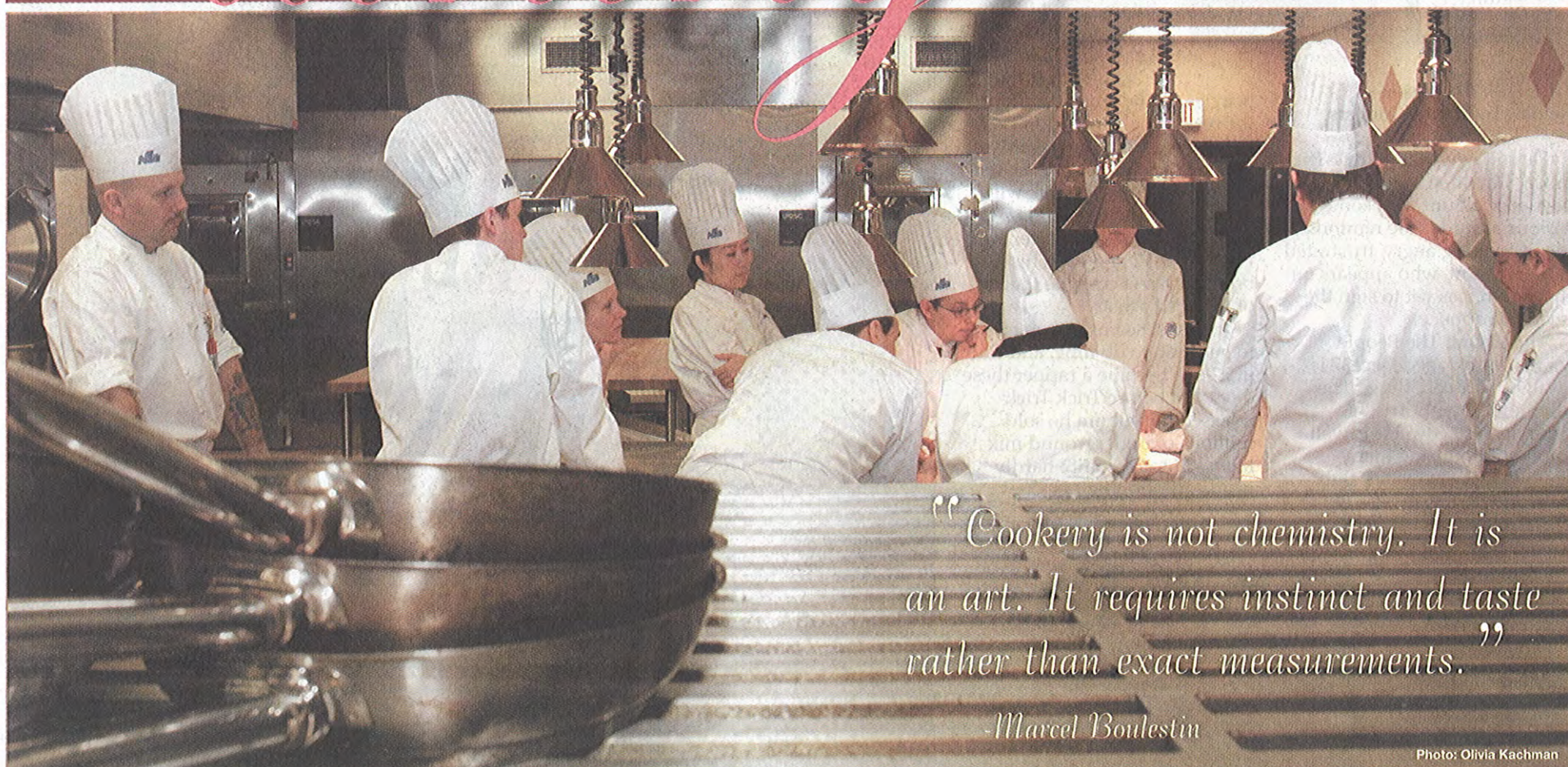
Tall Paul, playing this long-weekend Sunday at The

Standard, promises to bring back that feel of peace, love, understanding and respect, that has been lost thanks to barbarification of electronic music. Granted, after the 1996 bust of "electronica being the next big thing to take over North America," DJs, promoters and fans had to get their fix of beats and synths.

Tall Paul is trying to bring back that social aspect of what a club used to be like. Going in, having a drink, meeting people and having some sort of camaraderie which has fallen to the wayside of people who arrive at the club, not knowing why they're there, while the DJ is trying to crank it up so he can get some sort of reaction from what looks like a group of zombies, wacked out on drugs with letter and number combinations that confuse me.

There isn't as much love as there is for this scene and the music anymore. Tall Paul is a DJ that plays music for people and doesn't debase himself by playing the tracks that people want. If he were to do that, I wouldn't be praising him like this.

art of *fine dining* 101

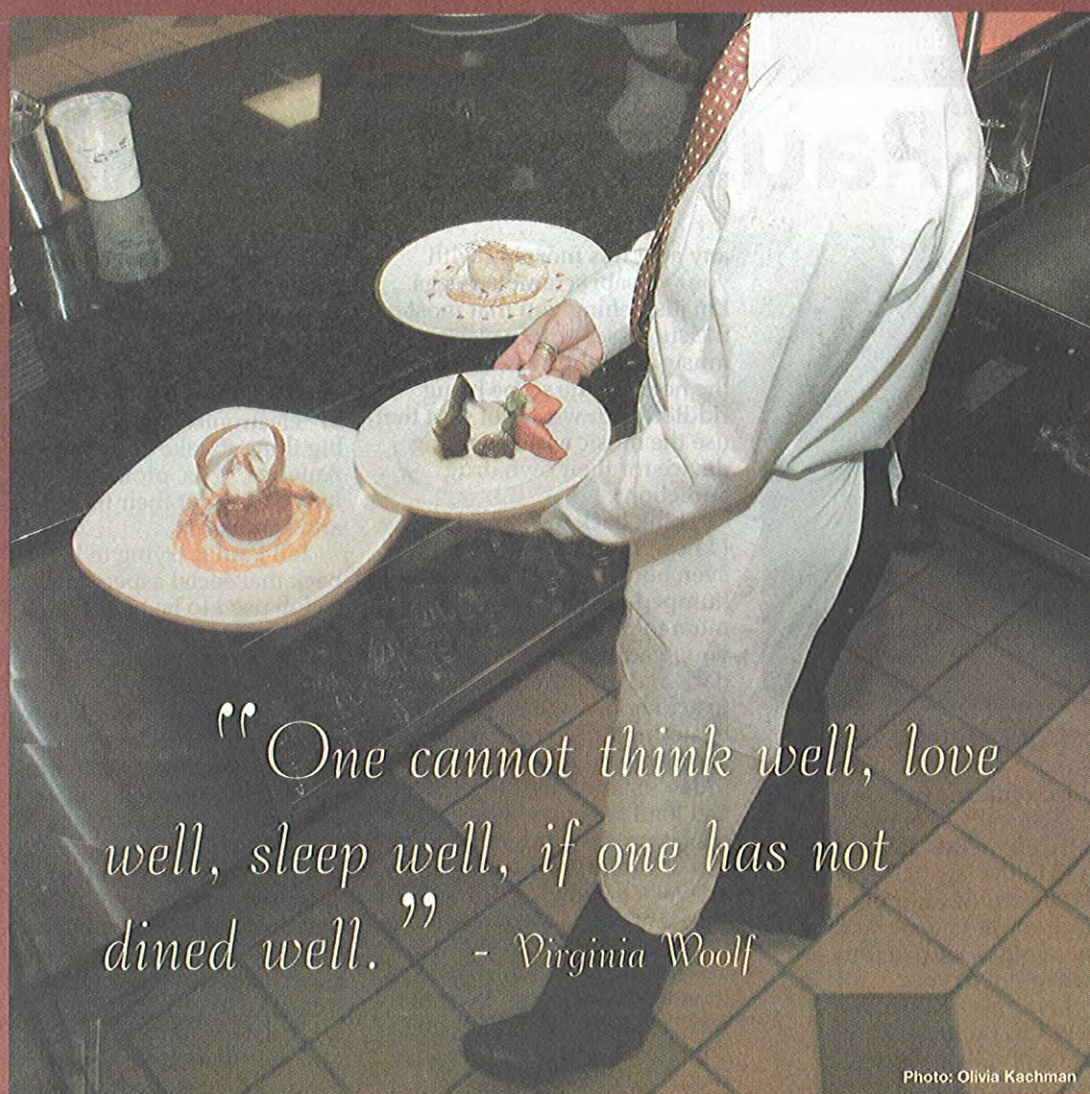


"Cookery is not chemistry. It is an art. It requires instinct and taste rather than exact measurements."

-Marcel Boulestin

Photo: Olivia Kachman

NAIT's Culinary Arts students have benefitted from a multi million dollar upgrade to their cooking facilities, which has included stainless steel kitchens designed with state-of-the-art equipment.



"One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well." - Virginia Woolf

Photo: Olivia Kachman

By Olivia Kachman

There is nothing more sensual than fine dining. Imagine an evening at an elegant restaurant filled with ambiance where candlelight flickers and muted conversations are mingled with the tinkle of dinnerware and jazz tunes. The menu entices your senses and your mouth waters at the descriptions romancing the menu. You await your meal with expectation.

In the meantime, your server anticipates your every desire with a friendly smile, swift service and grace. Their etiquette is impeccable. The meal arrives and before you is a gastronomical work of art. You smile at your company before sinking your fork into your first bite and think to yourself that life is good.

This could describe a scene taken from any night at Ernest's restaurant (11762- 106th Street) where NAIT's second year culinary arts students showcase their talents: the art of creating and serving haute cuisine. With a skilled lineup seasoned chef instructors that demand excellence and integrity from their students, Ernest's has been critically acclaimed by the Edmonton Journal with 4.5 out of 5 stars.

The recipe for Ernest's success is simple - when passionate culinary instructors meet dedicated students, when only quality local and regional products are bought and prepared with love, when significant donors pour in \$3.25 million dollars to refurbish both Ernest's dining room and the cooking facilities (aptly named the Hokanson Centre for Culinary Arts after their primary donor), when the food dazzles local food critiques - the reputation of NAIT's Hospitality program has inspired national and international acclaim.

It is without a doubt that this culinary gem is worthy of your patronage. The only problem is that Ernest's is so popular with Edmontonians that you will have to make your reservation well in advance. Trust me, it will be worth the wait.

Reservations with the maitre de are essential and can be made by calling 471-8676. From Monday through Thursday an à la carte lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday nights an ala carte dinner is prepared from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Friday's lunch buffet showcases student creations from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Still clueless as to how to surprise your sweetheart on Valentine's Day? Make a reservation for a romantic lunch at Ernest's followed by a dreamy delectable dessert.



"A good cook is like a sorceress who dispenses happiness."

-Elsa Schiaparelli

Photo: Olivia Kachman

NAIT's Dean of Hospitality, Ellen Hughs, is proud of how far the Culinary Arts program has evolved over the past few years with national recognition as one of the finest culinary programs in the country.



Photo: Olivia Kachman

Instructor Nigel Webber takes a quiet moment in the kitchen to mark his students' self-assessments at the end of a busy lunch rush at Ernest's.



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Second-year student, Miranda Pasay, believes working for Ernest's is an invaluable learning experience that prepares her for a job in industry.



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Contemporary cuisine instructor, Mike Maioni, critiques his attentive students in a post-cooking review session.



"COOKING IS A LOT LIKE MAKING LOVE. IT JUST TAKES A LITTLE LONGER TO CLEAN UP."
-MICHAEL TUCKER

Culinary Arts graduate, TJ Atkinson, works as a server at Ernest's. He believes that it is essential to have experience both in the kitchen and as a server at the front of the house to properly manage a restaurant.

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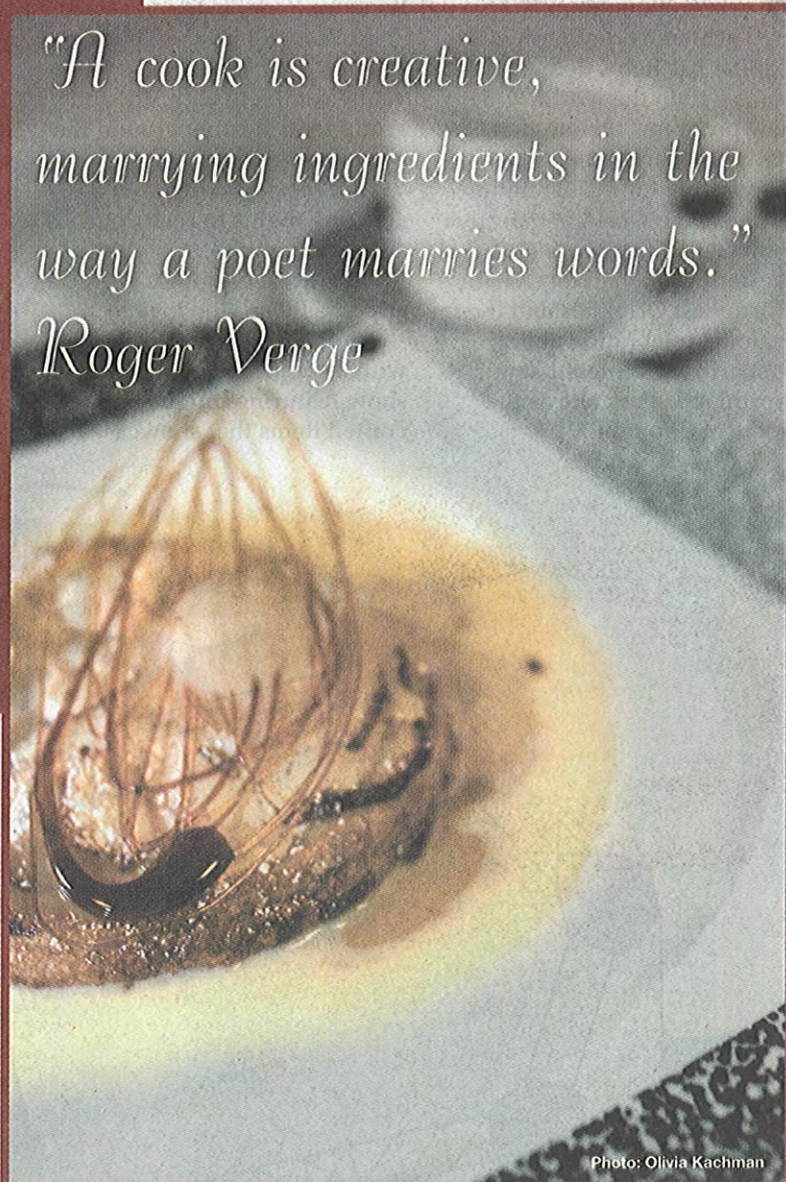
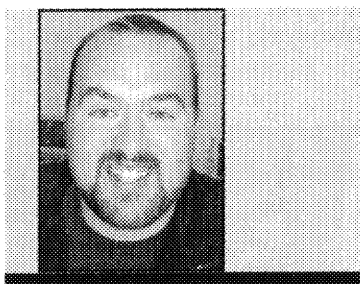


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Culinary Arts students create masterpieces designed by only the finest local ingredients. They are indeed, as their title suggests- artists.

Klondike Days is deep-sixed by Capital EX



By TREVOR ELLIOTT

Many students would agree that something about Capital EX just doesn't sound right. But few arguments will be had about the potential for fun at the newly renamed festival that is annually produced by Northlands Park.

Gone are the 127-year old Klondike Days with all the costumes, murals and themes from the pre-Albertan history of Edmonton.

Say hello to the new face of the most anticipated event of the year in Edmonton.

"The name Edmonton's Capital EX helps define our place within the world. Our new programs tie into that," said Rick Carter, director responsible for the exhibition. "There's the world perspective with Global Connections, the Western Canadian focus with Northwest Originals and the regional celebration at Ed Fest. All are centered at our Northlands Park site as the home of Capital EX.

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This event goes way beyond just super-sized. This event is colossal.

How is Capital EX so much different than any other exhibition? In two words, Ed Fest.

Ed Fest is going to rock Edmonton beyond any event the city has ever witnessed. The all-new 9,000 fan capacity outdoor music stage on the south-east corner of Northlands Park will feature world-class big-name bands for the entire ten days of the festival.

Ed Fest will not replace either Telus Stage or the Bonanza Park Stage.

Ed Fest will be a separately ticketed, officially licensed venue complete with VIP and group tents hosting around the perimeter.

That means another ten amazing nights to rock your summer.

Northwest Originals will appease those who love to shop, as the Sportex is filled with a sophisticated trade show featuring unique hand-crafted items that showcase

the talents of Alberta and the Northwest.

Capital EX will also



Where excitement is going.

continue its showcase of the world with Global Connections. Visitors can explore a whole new world in the international marketplace featuring an assortment of various regions of the world through exhibits, shopping, food and entertainment.

Northlands' renovation of the festival does not stop there either. Other programs at Capital EX will be renovated and expanded this summer and in the coming years.

As the renovation of Northlands continues, more programs will be unveiled in the near future.

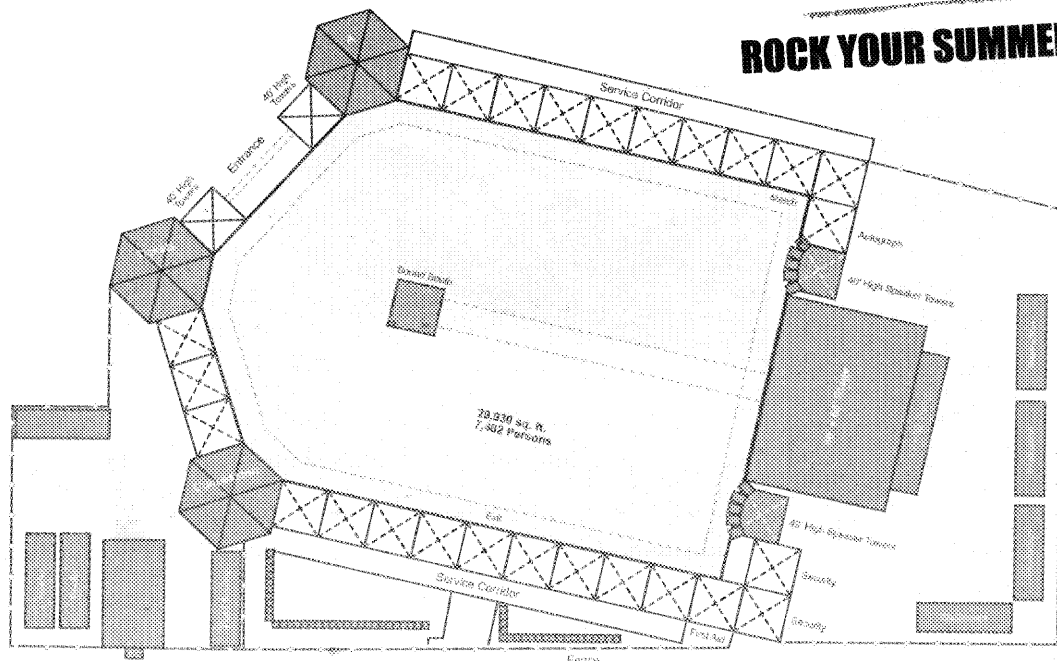
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Bottom line for students, the Capital EX is going to rock your socks off starting July 20-29.

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E-mails and letters behind my back. I've got nothing to hide but I think that's wrong.

I don't want to lose him or make him angry, but his jealousy bothers me.

What would you do? Ignore it or confront him.

— Worried About Green Monster

Dear Worried:

You know when you have a zit and then you pop it? Well pretend he is the zit and pop him out of your life. What a freak!

Listen, his possessiveness and jealous sy stems from insecurity. You will NEVER fix this problem. He needs help. It will only get worse. I will warn you. Leaving someone like this may be difficult in a sense that he won't let you do it. Get out now!

Oh and by the way, if you stay with him, you lose!

...

Dear Maria:

A friend of mine is a single mom and student at NAIT who had a baby a

Year ago. I told her a long time ago, I'd take care of her baby if she wanted to

Get out once in a while. Trouble is, she's calling me every weekend to baby-sit for free

so she can go out to party on Whyte Avenue.

I've baby-sat for four Fridays in a row and now I can't get out much myself to have fun.

What do you think?

— Crying for Help

Dear Crying:

Cut the water works! Start by making plans on the weekends.

Second, tell her that you are happy that you helped her out for the time that you could but

unfortunately it is cutting into your playtime.

...

Dear Maria:

My roommate owes me two-months rent for the house we share.

I've paid his portion and he keeps saying he'll get me the money really soon. I'm starting to feel like I've been taken advantage of.

What should I do?

I'm not rich but I know he's going through tough times.

— No Rich Bitch

Dear No:

I believe in giving everyone a break once in a while.

However, your roommate is taking advantage of you. Tell him that you understand that

he is having a rough go of it but you cannot continue to pay

his portion. If you want to let the two months go by it's up to you.

If you want, you could take him to small claims court.

Never settle for agreements that end in "really soon"

Soon as when, when he wins the lotto? Maybe if you give him a friendly ultimatum, he

might try harder to get you the money.

(Maria Manna is a NAIT alumna whose columns appear throughout North America. If you have a question you need answered, e-mail Maria at: etiquette@shaw.ca.

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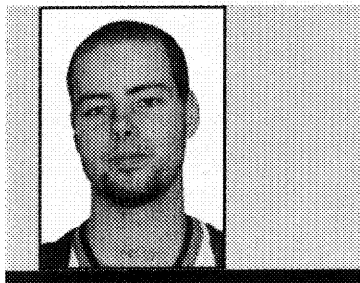
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SPORTS

Rush is 'Just a Game'



By JASON JONES

"I've been auditioning for my job for the last 15 years. If I wasn't doing this, I wouldn't be doing a job I loved," said Edmonton Rush radio play-by-play man Jason Gregor.

Relentless passion and drive fuels the NAIT alumnus who has catapulted himself to be a major player in the Edmonton sports scene less than five years out of the radio and television program.

"I worked hard and I ran around working ridiculous hours because I love it. I love my job. There's nothing better that I could imagine doing," said the TEAM 1260 radio personality.

The self-described "loud-mouth" started at NAIT when he was 26, finally ready to go after the dream he had all his life. "I was working in the oilfields out in Killam and sharing a room. I've never heard a guy snore like that ever in my life."

"Finally at about 5 in the morning, I took the cover off the bed and lay underneath the

countertop in the bathroom. I remember laying there and I looked up and said, 'there's more to life than this.'

"I went back to Edmonton, went on the Internet and called up NAIT and said what do I got to do to get into the radio and TV program." His answer was that he had to upgrade some high school classes.

"In college prep, I got 90 per cent in all of them because I had pictures of work on my desk saying if you don't study, that's where you'll be." Gregor adds, "there's no way I'd be where I'm at without NAIT."

Gregor got his break working with John Short on the then oldies station, CFRN 1260. Then, he and John went to CJCA, the religious station and that's where Gregor's career took off. He covered the Eskimos and hosted his own weekly football show just two years out of NAIT.

"To have your own show in a major market two years out of school is, I know, almost unheard of. I'm very thankful for it, it's a little bit of luck, but at the same time if I wasn't any good then I wouldn't have been able to move up the ladder."

Fast forward three years later and Gregor is now the host of his own show on the TEAM 1260, Just a Game. He now has his own company, saying "if I was gonna sink I wanted to sink on my own and if I'm going to swim, I wanted to

swim on my own."

"It's been a quick ride, it's like anything, you've gotta be in the right situation at the right time, but at the same time if you don't have any skill, you won't go anywhere." The brash personality talks about the importance of selling himself and that's exactly how he got to be the Rush's play-by-play man.

"I walked up to Rush owner Bruce Urban and Rush President Duane Vienneau and said, 'I'm Jason Gregor, I'll be your play-by-play guy.'" And the rest is history. But Gregor refuses to stop there. "I'm happy where I'm at but I'm not satisfied. There's other things that I want to do in Edmonton."

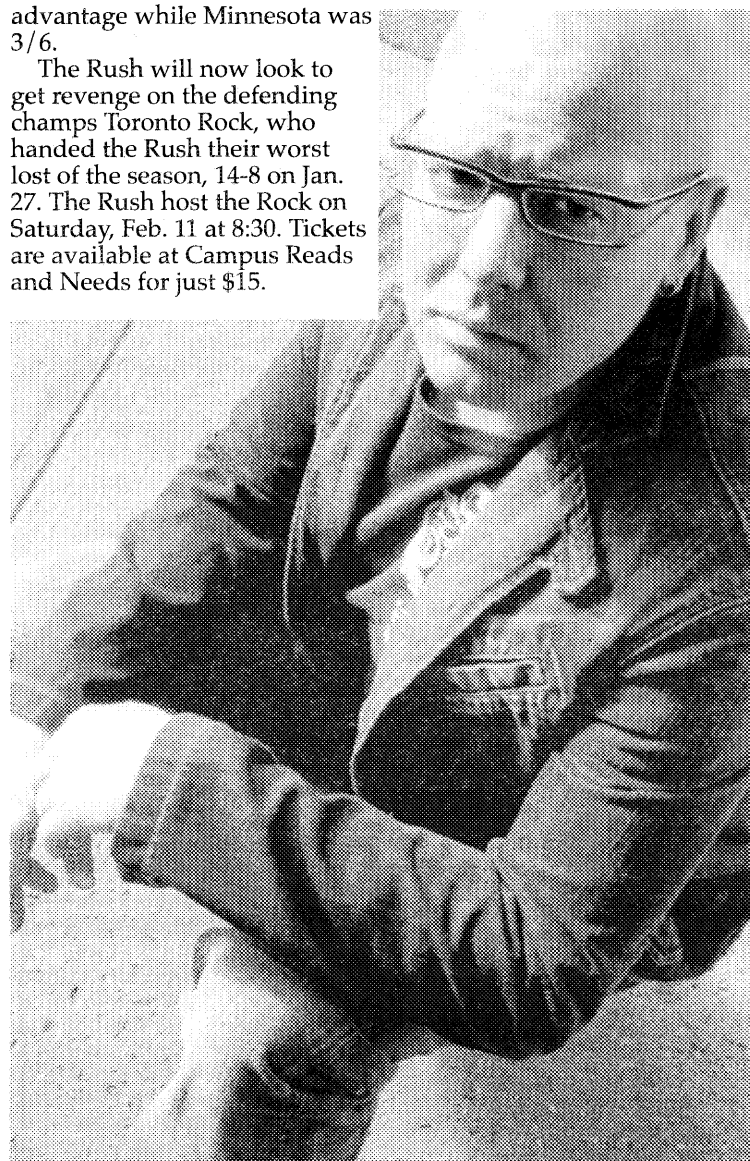
Gregor says that he learned some of these relentless tactics from his time at NAIT. He recalls a conversation with an instructor who told him, "If you ever get a show, if everybody likes your show, it's not good."

Gregor adds "now I've got my own show and there's a lot of people who don't like it, so I know I'm doing something right."

Gregor predicted that the Rush power-play needed to get better for them to win. On Friday, Feb. 3 against the Minnesota Swarm, it didn't, and the Rush lost another close one, this time 7-6. Edmonton was 0/8 with the man-

advantage while Minnesota was 3/6.

The Rush will now look to get revenge on the defending champs Toronto Rock, who handed the Rush their worst loss of the season, 14-8 on Jan. 27. The Rush host the Rock on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 8:30. Tickets are available at Campus Reads and Needs for just \$15.



Jason Gregor hosts 'Just a Game' on the TEAM 1260

Lady Ooks silence Trojans

By TREVOR ELIOTT

With two games left in their outstanding season, the Lady Ooks are about to take the NAIT Women's hockey team to uncharted territory.

The club completed a two-game sweep against the league-leading SAIT Trojans with an inspiring, hard-working 3-2 victory in Calgary on Feb. 4.

The club managed to muster only 17 shots against the Trojans. But even Kierra Minto, who had two shut-outs in her first two outings, couldn't shut down the lethal NAIT squad.

Sarah Wanchuk and Tanya Regner slipped two past Minto in the second and the Lady Ooks improved their record to 11-5-1-1 to tie the club for a club history single-season point total of 24 points with two games left against the University of Calgary Dinos.

Kerry McDonald has provided outstanding leadership to the club this season. The modest young

woman leaves her game on the ice, always leading by example. Providing two assists against the Trojans,

"With a lack of defenders on this year's squad, the captain has had to learn to play defense and has excelled in new role..."

fourth-year veteran is now second in team scoring with seven goals and eight assists.

McDonald's most impressive and lethal attribute, bar none, is her take no prisoners mentality. With a lack of defenders on this year's squad, the captain has had to learn to play defense and has excelled in new role as an offensive defenseman. McDonald out-hustles and outwits her opponents. When necessary, the captain is never afraid to take a penalty for the good of the team as she leads the league in penalty minutes with 83 penalty minutes after 17 games.

Kristen Sugiyama has been phenomenal for the Lady Ooks as well. With the victory against SAIT, the second-year goaltender now has an 8-2-1-1 record with a 2.58 goals against average. Sugiyama has been a rock when her team needed her the most.

Team scoring leader Ashley Sochatsky increases her point total to 21 (nine goals, 12 assists) with two assists against the Trojans. Sochatsky and Regner have bent the twine when needed most.

The Lady Ooks enter the final weekend of their regular season with 24 points. The team has already clinched home-ice advantage in the best-of-three Quarter-Finals (Feb. 16 to 18), but can receive a bye into the best-of-five Semi-Finals (Feb. 24 to March 5) with two wins and a SAIT-Red Deer series split.

Come out to the NAIT Arena on Feb. 10 and show your NAIT spirit as the Lady Ooks battle the U of C Dinos at 7 p.m.

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Olympic Corner Tough go for Ooks

Olympic memories great

With the Olympic flame set to light the night sky in Turin on Feb. 14, The Nugget asked its readers to share their favorite memories of The Winter Olympics with our readers.

Thanks to those who submitted their responses. Congratulations to Justin Ng for submitting his memory of the 2002 Canadian Gold Medal Championship in Salt Lake City. Justin will enjoy an Oilers game after the Olympic break.

Beer, nachos and Olympic Hockey

My best Winter Olympic moment would be Canada's hockey team Gold medal in 2002. It all started on that very Sunday at 10 in the morning in the town of Legal. My team was hosting a midget hockey tournament and we were playing in the division "D" final. We didn't even care if we lost the game because all we wanted to do was watch the gold medal game.

Right after we lost that final game, half the team headed over to the captain's house to watch Canada Vs. USA. Of course, watching the most exciting game

in history while drinking beer and eating nachos. When Canada was leading 5-2, we all started the countdown from 10 seconds. Then the buzzer went off and we all cheered giving each other high fives. The minute they played the O' Canada, our hockey team and friends stood up during the national anthem. Now that was my greatest moment in Winter Olympic history.

Justin Ng
Computer Engineering
Technology

Sad to see Lemieux retire

My favorite Olympic memory is Paul Kariya letting a Mario Lemieux pass go through his legs and then Sakic hammering it home on Dominik Hassek in the (3-3 tie game against the Czech Republic) in the 2002 Olympics. To think we were never gonna see Mario again is too bad. That memory will be with me forever.

My other memory is Tommy Salo stacking the pads in the shootout in 1994 stopping all Canadian shooters including Paul Kariya. That goaltending performance is one of the best in Olympic History and Tommy helped Sweden win the Gold.

Brad Slater
Radio Program

By TREVOR ELIOTT

After an extremely long and tumultuous season, the light at the end of the tunnel is getting brighter for the struggling NAIT men's hockey club.

After their two surprising victories against the then league leading Mount Royal Cougars, the injury riddled NAIT squad just couldn't compete against the tough Trojans. After the SAIT club opened up a can of whoop-ass on the Ooks, handing NAIT a 6-2 loss, the Trojans traveled to Edmonton and provided a similar humiliation in front of the home-team crowd.

The Trojans found twine early in the game, scoring a power-play goal just 4:14 into the game. The Trojans scored a power-play and a short-handed goal in the ensuing four minutes. The score was 4-0 after the first.

Without a sound system to drown out the sorrows of the hapless Ooks and the ridiculous no-fight rule of the ACAC didn't make things any easier, the game quickly began to spiral out of control.

Both clubs received eight power-plays each, but it was the Trojans that found the back of the net on three of them. The Ooks were a miserable 0/8 on their power-play opportunities.

SAIT added two more goals in the third before the Ooks

broke the shut-out at 11:03 of the final frame to complete the 6-1 shellacking.

The lone bright spot of the weekend was the performance of NAIT goaltender Matt Kirkpatrick. Despite the 12 goals scored on him in the two games, the rookie goaltender stopped the other 77 shots he faced.

The Ooks are now four points ahead of the last place Briercrest Clippers and can clinch the final play-off spot with a win or tie in any of its final four games.

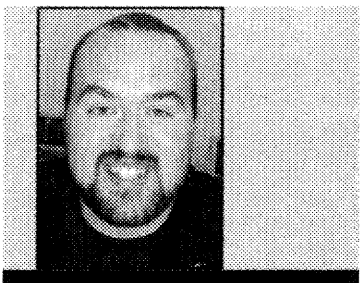


SAIT dominated the face-off circle against NAIT Photo: Evan Will

Congratulations to Justin Ng!

Justin submitted his memory of the 2002 Canadian Gold Medal Championship in Salt Lake City. He will enjoy tickets to an Oilers game after the Olympic break.

Crunch time for NAIT Athletics



By TREVOR ELIOTT

With only two weeks left in the regular schedule for NAIT Athletics clubs, division races are heating up as the play-offs draw near.

Five of the six NAIT clubs are all in the hunt for an ACAC Championship. Some teams have a much more realistic chance than others. This week, The Nugget takes a look at the play-off hopefuls and their chances of bringing home the gold.

Women's Hockey - Of all the NAIT hopefuls, the Lady Ooks are by far the most realistic club to win an ACAC Championship. The women currently sit in fourth with 24 points, but have a two-game series against the U of C Dinos. The women have already clinched home-ice advantage in the quarter-finals, but can clinch a bye into the semi-finals with two wins versus the

Dinos and some help from the other remaining series. Led by captain Kerry McDonald and goaltender Kristen Sugiyama, these women have hearts of gold. Their will to win will lead them far into the play-offs.

Men's Hockey - Needing only a win or a tie in their final four games, the Ooks will narrowly squeak into the play-offs. The Ooks will rely on goaltender Kirkpatrick to perform solidly between the pipes and get some scoring help from their top line, or else the club will have a very early exit in the quarter-finals.

Men's Volleyball - With their early season success and their berth into the Provincial Pool, the Ooks are guaranteed a spot in the ACAC Championship tournament. The men will have to find their winning way again, after a lackluster series against MacEwan.

Women's Volleyball - After narrowly missing the Provincial Pool cut, the women have been dead as they've annihilated every team they've faced. The women still have series against Portage and Lethbridge and will need to keep up their pace as they prepare for the ACAC Championship tournament later this month.

Men's Basketball - The Ooks have been very unpredictable this season. They have lost games that they were supposed to win and have won game that they weren't expected to. With injury problems, the Ooks may find late season success a challenge. The team currently holds the final North play-off spot with 20 points (six up on Grande Prairie). The performance of guard Shane Leman will be the key to their quest for a provincial championship.



Mens Volleyball File Photo



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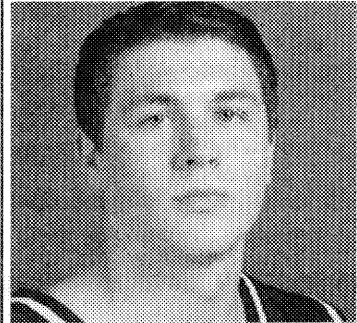
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Ooks of the week



Ook Of The Week
Shane Leman
Basketball - guard
Fourth year Accounting
From Ardrossan, AB
Leman is familiar face as Ook of the Week. The outstanding 6'0" point guard is deserving of every award he gets. Playing with a broken nose over the weekend, Leman led his team to a 1-1 record scoring a combined 50 points over the two games. This veteran continues to lead by example as the Oaks are frantically fighting for a playoff berth.



Lady Ook of the week
Tanya Regner
Hockey - forward
Fourth year Personal Fitness Training
From Newbrook, AB
In recent weeks, facing much adversity, the Lady Oaks have continued to play well picking up huge victories against the top teams in the conference. The experienced veteran is as responsible for this as anyone on the team. The 5'5" forward has been a huge source of maturity, experience, leadership and timely goals. Regner is a new addition to the team this year, but has quickly earned the trust and respect of her teammates and now represents them as their assistant captain.



Men's Hockey
Last Week: Lost 6-2 and 6-1 in a home-and-home with SAIT on Feb. 3 and 4.
Coming Up: Face Concordia at Clareview A Arena on Feb. 10 at 8:15 p.m. Host Concordia on Feb. 11 at 2 p.m. Finish the regular season hosting Briercrest on Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. and Feb. 18 at 2 p.m.
Women's Hockey
Last Week: Defeated SAIT 3-12 on Feb. 4.
Coming Up: Host U of C Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. Finish the regular season at U of C Feb. 11.
Men's Basketball
Last Week: Traded home victories with King's College losing 73-70 on Feb. 3 and winning 87-78 Feb. 4. Hosted Augustana Feb. 8.
Coming Up: Bye week. Play at Concordia on Feb. 17 at 8:30 p.m. Finish the regular season at home on Feb. 18 at 7 p.m.
Women's Basketball
Last Week: Lost 74-58 and 71-47 in a home-and-home with King's College on Feb. 3 and 4. Hosted Augustana Feb. 8.
Coming Up: Bye week. Play at Concordia on Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. Finish the regular season at home on Feb. 18 at 5 p.m.
Men's Volleyball
Last Week: Lost to MacEwan 3-0 on Feb. 3 and 3-0 on Feb. 4.
Coming Up: Travel to Grande Prairie for games on Feb. 10 and 11. Travel to Red Deer on Feb. 17. Finish the regular season hosting Red Deer Feb. 18 at 2 p.m.
Women's Volleyball
Last Week: Defeated Lakeland 3-0 on Feb. 1.
Coming Up: Host Portage Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. Travel to Portage on Feb. 17. Finish the regular season with games in Lethbridge on Feb. 17 and 18.

ACAC standings

As of Feb. 5

| MEN'S HOCKEY | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Team | GP | W | L | T | OTL | Pts | GF | GA | Home | Away | Strk | |
| SAIT | 20 | 14 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 29 | 101 | 53 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 7 |
| Concordia | 22 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 24 | 78 | 84 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 4 |
| Mount Royal | 20 | 11 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 75 | 72 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 5 |
| Augustana | 20 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 23 | 82 | 63 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| MacEwan | 20 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 22 | 81 | 55 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| NAIT | 20 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 49 | 80 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Briercrest | 22 | 5 | 16 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 54 | 113 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 3 |

| WOMEN'S HOCKEY | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Team | GP | W | L | T | OTL | Pts | GF | GA | Home | Away | Strk | |
| SAIT | 18 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 25 | 77 | 37 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Mount Royal | 18 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 25 | 57 | 41 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Red Deer | 18 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 25 | 53 | 32 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| NAIT | 18 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 50 | 45 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 6 |
| MacEwan | 18 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 29 | 53 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 1 |
| U of C | 18 | 2 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 21 | 79 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 0 |

| MEN'S BASKETBALL | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|--|
| North Division | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Team | GP | W | L | Pts | PF | PA | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| MacEwan | 22 | 17 | 5 | 34 | 1670 | 1585 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 2 | W2 | |
| Concordia | 20 | 16 | 4 | 32 | 1629 | 1452 | 7 | 3 | 9 | 1 | W3 | |
| Lakeland | 20 | 14 | 6 | 28 | 1590 | 1416 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 2 | W4 | |
| NAIT | 21 | 10 | 11 | 20 | 1591 | 1581 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | W1 | |
| Grande Prairie | 20 | 7 | 13 | 14 | 1505 | 1558 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 7 | L2 | |
| TKUC | 20 | 6 | 14 | 12 | 1425 | 1564 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 8 | L1 | |
| Augustana | 19 | 1 | 18 | 2 | 1289 | 1543 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 8 | L15 | |

| South Division | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|----|----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|---|-----|--|
| Team | GP | W | L | Pts | PF | PA | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| SAIT | 16 | 13 | 3 | 26 | 1250 | 1068 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 2 | W4 | |
| Red Deer | 16 | 12 | 4 | 24 | 1234 | 1017 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 3 | W2 | |
| Mount Royal | 16 | 12 | 4 | 24 | 1323 | 1076 | 7 | 1 | 5 | 3 | L2 | |
| Lethbridge | 16 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 1195 | 1191 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 5 | L2 | |
| Medicine Hat | 16 | 3 | 13 | 6 | 1060 | 1225 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 6 | W2 | |
| Briercrest | 16 | 1 | 15 | 2 | 862 | 1347 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 8 | L11 | |

| WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| North Division | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Team | GP | W | L | Pts | PF | PA | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| Concordia | 20 | 18 | 2 | 36 | 1344 | 1100 | 10 | 0 | 8 | 2 | | |
| W10 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MacEwan | 22 | 16 | 6 | 32 | 1542 | 1293 | 8 | 3 | 8 | 3 | L1 | |
| Augustana | 19 | 11 | 8 | 22 | 1256 | 1230 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 5 | W1 | |
| TKUC | 20 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 1245 | 1233 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 7 | W3 | |
| Grande Prairie | 20 | 6 | 14 | 12 | 1300 | 1417 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 8 | L1 | |
| NAIT | 21 | 5 | 16 | 10 | 1234 | 1450 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 9 | L2 | |
| Lakeland | 20 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 1207 | 1404 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 8 | W1 | |

| South Division | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|----|----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|---|-----|--|
| Team | GP | W | L | Pts | PF | PA | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| Mount Royal | 16 | 15 | 1 | 30 | 1224 | 727 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 0 | W9 | |
| Lethbridge | 16 | 15 | 1 | 30 | 1102 | 824 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 0 | W9 | |
| Medicine Hat | 16 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 871 | 904 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | W2 | |
| SAIT | 16 | 6 | 10 | 12 | 856 | 945 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 5 | L2 | |
| Red Deer | 16 | 5 | 11 | 10 | 814 | 936 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 6 | L4 | |
| Briercrest | 16 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 635 | 1166 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 | L16 | |

| MEN'S VOLLEYBALL | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|--|
| Provincial Pool | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Team | MP | MW | ML | Pts | GW | GL | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| Red Deer | 8 | 8 | 0 | 16 | 24 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | W8 | |
| MacEwan | 6 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 13 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | W2 | |
| Mount Royal | 6 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 15 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | W2 | |
| NAIT | 6 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | L4 | |
| Grande Prairie | 6 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | L2 | |
| Briercrest | 8 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 24 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | L8 | |

| North/South Division | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|----|-----|----|----|------|------|------|---|----|--|
| Team | MP | MW | ML | Pts | GW | GL | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| TKUC | 8 | 8 | 0 | 16 | 24 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | W8 | |
| Lakeland | 12 | 8 | 4 | 16 | 28 | 17 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 | W1 | |
| SAIT | 10 | 7 | 3 | 14 | 22 | 14 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | W6 | |
| Keyano | 10 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 19 | 18 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | L1 | |
| Medicine Hat | 8 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 20 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | L2 | |
| Lethbridge | 8 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 12 | 21 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | W1 | |
| Portage | 8 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 23 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 | L1 | |

| WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|----|-----|----|----|------|------|------|---|-----|--|
| Provincial Pool | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Team | MP | MW | ML | Pts | GW | GL | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| MacEwan | 8 | 7 | 1 | 14 | 23 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | W4 | |
| Red Deer | 8 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 19 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | W2 | |
| Mount Royal | 6 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 15 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | W3 | |
| TKUC | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | W1 | |
| Grande Prairie | 6 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | L2 | |
| SAIT | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 30 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 6 | L10 | |

| North/South Division | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Team | MP | MW | ML | Pts | GW | GL | Home | Away | Strk | | | |
| Lethbridge | 8 | 8 | 0 | 16 | 24 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | W8 | |
| NAIT | 8 | 5 | 0 | 16 | 23 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | W8 | |
| Portage | 8 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 16 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | L2 | |
| Medicine Hat | 8 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 14 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | W3 | |
| Keyano | 10 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 12 | 24 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | W2 | |
| Briercrest | 8 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 22 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 4 | L4 | |
| Lakeland | 10 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 8 | 28 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 4 | L6 | |

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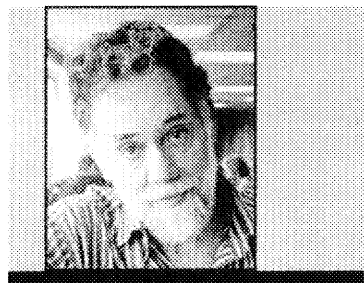
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Astral Reflections



By TIM STEPHENS

Feb. 12-18, 2006

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marriage) isn't. Do not risk your money or body Saturday.

Taurus April 20-May 20

The accent remains on career, prestige, your community reputation. Use this smooth, easy week to climb upward. Take a deep rest Sunday to gather the energy for a long workweek. Romance, creativity, pleasure and delightful children draw you Monday to Wednesday – best Tuesday and late afternoon/suppertime Wednesday. Your heightened romantic magnetism (since last July) will fade Friday onward, which could be a relief, as a certain amount of temptation, guilt or a burden might lift at the same time. Friday starts six weeks of increased income – save it, don't spend!

Gemini May 21-June 20

Another mellow, thoughtful and easy week. You might have felt mildly "deserted" socially for the past half-year or so. (You might say, "No, the last 10 years!" – but that's something else and it's been partly your doing, your withdrawal.) You were meant, if anything, to pursue links and friends in government, psychic, management, charity

and institutional circles since last July. Anyway, this Friday through mid-April revives your popularity, returns your flirtation skills, deepens your magnetism and revives your determination to pursue future goals. Tackle chores Tuesday. Love, beauty Thursday/Friday!

Cancer June 21-July 22

Others remain amenable to your requests, Cancer, so propose partnerships, business deals or love. Examine relocation prospects and hone your public-dealings skills. Investments, debt, diagnosis, sex, intimacy, commitment and lifestyle alterations are beneficially featured this week, especially Thursday to Saturday morning. Friday ends a six-month socialization streak, one that was pointed toward career contacts and mingling with important people. Until mid-April, your career efforts will succeed best in the background, via head offices, government channels. Don't start new projects unless you can finish them by late February.

Leo July 23-Aug. 22

Relationships continue to be the biggest thing on your horizon. On your side,

skepticism, practicality and down-to-earth hard-headedness will grapple with the dreaminess, impracticality, (apparent, only apparent) naivety, empathy and indecisiveness of others. Beware the pitfalls of alcohol, drugs, lust and false spirituality – these sirens lure you in relationships. Be loving, but wide-awake. Love, attraction and anger could climax Sunday. Chase money during a lucky Tuesday. You've endured a rough time in your career since last summer. Friday brings a switch: new friends, new prospects now into April!

Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Tackle a sea of chores Sunday and Thursday to Saturday morning. Leave the big, important or difficult tasks until Tuesday (and Wednesday 2 p.m. PST to suppertime) when your energy and effectiveness are tops. Since last July, you've had success with (and volatility in) investments, debt, sexuality, research and lifestyle changes. Major love might have appeared. Friday replaces these trends with eight weeks of impatience and financial opportunities in your career zone. Don't argue with higher-ups, nor let lust or greed impair your reputation. Do invest in your career.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Romance, winning gambles, pleasure, beauty and charming kids fill your agenda! Love attractions surge to new heights Sunday – either you're involved or you silently cheer on someone who is. Retreat Monday to Wednesday – your charisma and energy fall briefly. You can accomplish wonders with government agencies, institutions, charities and red tape Tuesday and late day Wednesday. Visit a psychic. Your energy and pizzazz return late Wednesday night to Saturday morning – get out, be seen, ask favors. But don't start new ventures unless you can complete them within 10 days.

Scorpio Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Six months of attraction and friction, of love/anger lead you Friday into mid-April to a crossroad: either you turn and totally reject a situation, opportunity or person, or you veer into binding commitment, intimacy and entwining of lifestyles. In business, the same scenario occurs: it's put up or shut up time. Chances are you will be indecisive, second-guessing yourself, right through March. If you're in doubt, let it end. Err on the side of caution. Say yes to an employment opportunity, though. You can see your future Tuesday.

Sagittarius Nov. 22-Dec. 21

You've probably worked long and hard for six months, Sage. Friday begins to lighten the workload – now through mid-April relationships perk up, opportunities sparkle in

love and business (and fame). But don't expect a smooth ride. New relationships (and creative, pleasure-oriented and risky things) will remain volatile until early March, then you'll remain indecisive through late March. Yes, there's a sparkling, heightened attraction – but love could mingle with anger, opportunity with frustration. Be diplomatic these eight weeks ahead, be willing to "give half," to co-operate. Tuesday favors career efforts.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Chase money. You might finally "cave" to make a big purchase, investment or sexual embrace Sunday – realize the price is probably high. A mellow, understanding mood flows Monday to Wednesday – and your romantic, creative fires flare high. (Tuesday to 10 p.m. PST and Wednesday 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. are best.) But Friday to mid-April turns down the flame a notch, to bring a more hectic work pace, machinery and health concerns. A month of travel, details, communications and paperwork starts Saturday. Complete rather than start projects – slowdowns loom in March.

Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Your energy, pizzazz and effectiveness stay high. Ask favors; impress others. Usually this would be a superb time to start new projects, but delay and confusion loom in March, so only start ventures you can wrap up in a week – otherwise, complete ongoing projects. A relationship climaxes Sunday – go with destiny, if you can sense it! Investments, research, sexual intimacy, commitments and deep changes are unpredictable Monday, successful Tuesday and good/bad (you decide) Wednesday. Friday ends six months of home-based tension/argument and starts two months of romantic, creative fire!

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

This is your last week of fatigue. Friday/Saturday begins two months of heightened charisma, energy, precision and determination – but be cautious and diplomatic, for these two months can also provoke impatience and tension at home. You might end one money source, even your employment; or you might make more money from real estate or a domestic situation. March can take you back to a prior life or relationship situation. Meanwhile, accept a proposal, grab an opportunity Tuesday/Wednesday and be open to changes Thursday to Saturday. A "happy tumult" looms!

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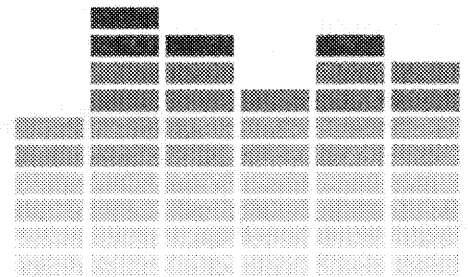
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(Care to give someone the business? Got a crush on a hot guy or girl? Ticked off at something and want to get it off your chest? Send your rants here to: nuggetgrapevines@hotmail.com)

Electrical engineering technology party at the Iron Horse on Feb. 16. Tickets \$5. No line, no cover plus a free drink, call 686-6588.

Your name is Kreg! Happy birthday Chris and Trevor - Chuck

Are there any musicians at NAIT? I'm a beginner guitarist. My favourite bands are Led Zeppelin, Van Halen and Rancid. Leave me a message via the Grapevines if you can relate.

You know what grinds my gears, girls who are too skinny. I mean do they actually think that's attractive? Personally, I like girls with a little meat on the bones, not just bones. But, I guess there are guys that do find that attractive, but not most. Partyposse69

I agree with the tower haters and I am in the tower! At least the technology students have their feet on the ground. To all the girls in the tower: nobody is checking you out, it is all ladies up there, if you haven't noticed. And you probably haven't. I see so many self absorbed children there. There is no reason to get all whored up for school each and every morning - teased up hair and nightclub makeup is great, but you just look like bimbos. Get a life. You are not going to find a husband here. And whoever was throwing food around in the stairwell on Monday, good job, loser. TH2

To the Sexxy Latino!
Beams are real strong.
They're made of steel.
I wish I could tell you how I really feel.
I see you running out of lead.
Because you're writing on your engineering pad.
I really wish I could tell you that I think you're so rad!
Your eyes are like stirrups.
The reinforcing bars of my soul.
I wish you would just let me touch your pole!
-----Nuts4u-----

I like to say thank you to all those people who enjoy my quotes. Here is another quote:
"It wouldn't be so bad being killed by you, but...not here! But still, it looks like you aren't able to kill me yet."
-Mu-La-Flaga-

If anyone has found a green and black beaded magnetic bracelet, please email: oo_gecko@hotmail.com. It was lost somewhere between the HP Centre and the main campus building near the Nest sometime on Thursday.
- B.L.S.

To Wanna-be and Mr. Degree: It seems NAIT is divided. Those

who think petty ego trips are cool and those of us who know who we are and what we're about.

Let's face it. Most of us have one thing in common - youth. We define ourselves in the future by how we choose to act - right now. So muster up a bit of humanity and consider this: Oil will pay your salary and yes, you probably will make more money than some business grads. But does that give you the right to judge others that are, like yourself, just doing their best? All you're showing everyone is how much you don't respect yourself or others. Try to have some dignity. The world doesn't need more insecure people who thrive on pointing out the negative in everything else but themselves. Grow up...I thought you had higher education.

You give engineers and U of A a bad name

To the girl that is calling me "love of my life in CST." Yes, I am that guy. And I am almost certain I know who you are. I would love to chat with you. My msn address is: deorl@hotmail.com Add me up and we shall chat soon. But I really want to see you in person. I think I know who you are now. You're the girl that walks by me and is speechless to say anything. I know who you are and I like you too.
- Heart.

To the people that use the toilets at the NAIT weight room: please wash your hands! Every time you use the toilet or urinal, my God! Now that I have seen people not washing anything, I make sure that I bring an antibacterial cream with me! Call me Mr. Clean, but when people just have wiped their asses and not washed their hands it makes me wanna kick some ass. Please people wash your hands! And perhaps the cold that is going around may go away. No wonder I only see sick people going to the gym, all the time! To the people doing cardio in the mornings, can you please stop farting? It's not cool smelling farts first thing in the morning. If you have to fart please go home, is just unreal that the NAIT's adult population has no etiquette!
Sincerely, Mr. Clean

I don't have a problem with the Hot single of the week ad in the Nugget. If anything, I think it's a great idea. But the Feb. 2 issue was a little much. Seriously, if you want to show off your body, do it tastefully. All of the past girls in the ad were fully dressed and still looked smoking hot.

I just have to rant, can I go anywhere without being begged for money in this city? Asking a student in the NAIT parking lot? Come on! At Safeway, on Whyte Ave...maybe it's because I'm not from here, but geez this is getting kind of old.
- Annoyed

Dear HP Centre Fire Alarm System:
Get your shit together.

Honestly.
- Jordo

You know what really grinds my gears? That idiot who has a wheelie back pack with giant wheels on it - it's ridiculous! I'm pretty sure it is a golf pull cart. Save your handicap and your pull cart for golf buddy not your backpack. And that people is what grinds my gears.
Mr. PiBB

To Mu la flaga:
You think you know poetry about love, peace and war? Wow you are very original! All you did was take quotes from the anime Gundam Seed and placed it in the Nugget. It's an anime, it's not even real, and so is your poetry and that is why people say shit about it. Why don't you try taking poetry courses at some school, because you obviously don't know anything about love peace and war and you obviously don't know anything about poetry. There's more to life than anime! Oh and one more thing, the quote you wrote last week about "Killing because someone was killed, being killed because you killed," we, as in the people who say shit about your poetry ought to kill you for wasting space and ink in the Nugget. So retire, because...you just simply suck at poetry.
Signed: You just got put

Problem # 8: NAIT instructors
Thumbs up for the instructors who care about student's education. Double thumbs

down for those who don't give a rat's ass. That's right, you know who you are because I ain't mentioning names. All they do is give students grief by not helping them out during class. They ignore you when ask for help. Or will try to find ways to fail you...there's one that I know who will not even open the classroom door if you're one minute late. Now that's fucked...
Next time Problem # 9: To be announced...

Come help MECSA kick off NAIT's reading week on Feb. 17 at 3:30 p.m. at the NAITrium! We were planning a party to kick off our ski trip...then thought, why shouldn't we just get everyone in the party mood? Three dollar Kokanee and Bud; Three dollar Smirnoff Ice and Bacardi; and Three dollars for two huge slices of Chicago deep dish pizza! We've got tons of great prizes from Labatt's, Downhill Riders, Cowboys, The Union Hall and The Bear! Come start the celebrations with us on the 17th!

This is message is for the hottie in the business building...Darren, I told you I loved your glasses! I keep seeing you around and I think you are the sexiest! I would love to get in head - no pun intended!
I hope you see more of you. Baby, you could do my business any day!
- Your secret admirer xoxo

This is my third year at this school, and I think I've earned my right to say as I please. I'm very disappointed with the way things are done around here. Case number one: I completed my diploma last semester and because I didn't have the money and was unsure if I would be returning to start a degree program, I didn't pay tuition or register for this semester. I go to check my final grades the day they're posted only to find my account is on a financial hold?! WTF!

Case number two: I figure I might as well complete the degree and put the fact that I attend NAIT behind me ASAP. I start and decide I'd like to drop a class. I go talk to the appropriate people and find that I won't get a refund for the class because it's past the two week deadline! What a freaking rip off! I believe the deadline should be longer. They're worried because I attended for more than two weeks that if they refund my money they're gonna lose out? What about me? If I drop the class I'm out that money for a class I won't go to for three months!
- Some chick

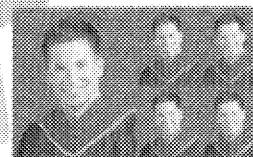
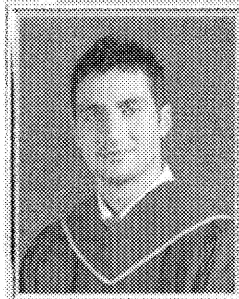
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HOT Single of the week



By KAITLIN VISSCHER

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:

Name: David Veilleux **Age:** Mumblety Mumble
Height & Weight: 5'9 and 155 lbs (That's damn fine!)

Program: NAITSA

Turn Ons: Scooby Doo! It's ok to have a cartoon dog fetish right? Ah, shucks, I sure hope so...oh and you might turn me on...let's negotiate.

Turn Offs: Snobs. No really. Do you think you're hot? Then you aren't. That's the way it works people. The minute you start believing the hype, you've lost it. Hot people suck and they make lousy friends.

Dream Job: Jessica Alba's personal masseuse.

Favorite Movie: The pirate movie – a way hokey rock opera (yes, I said rock opera) based on Pirates of Penzance.

Last concert I went to was: Oh crap, I go to a ton and all for free! Want to be my number one on the guest list?

Ultimate Date: Simple and sweet. A picnic in the park followed by some nookie. Lots of nookie. So you can get that cookie.

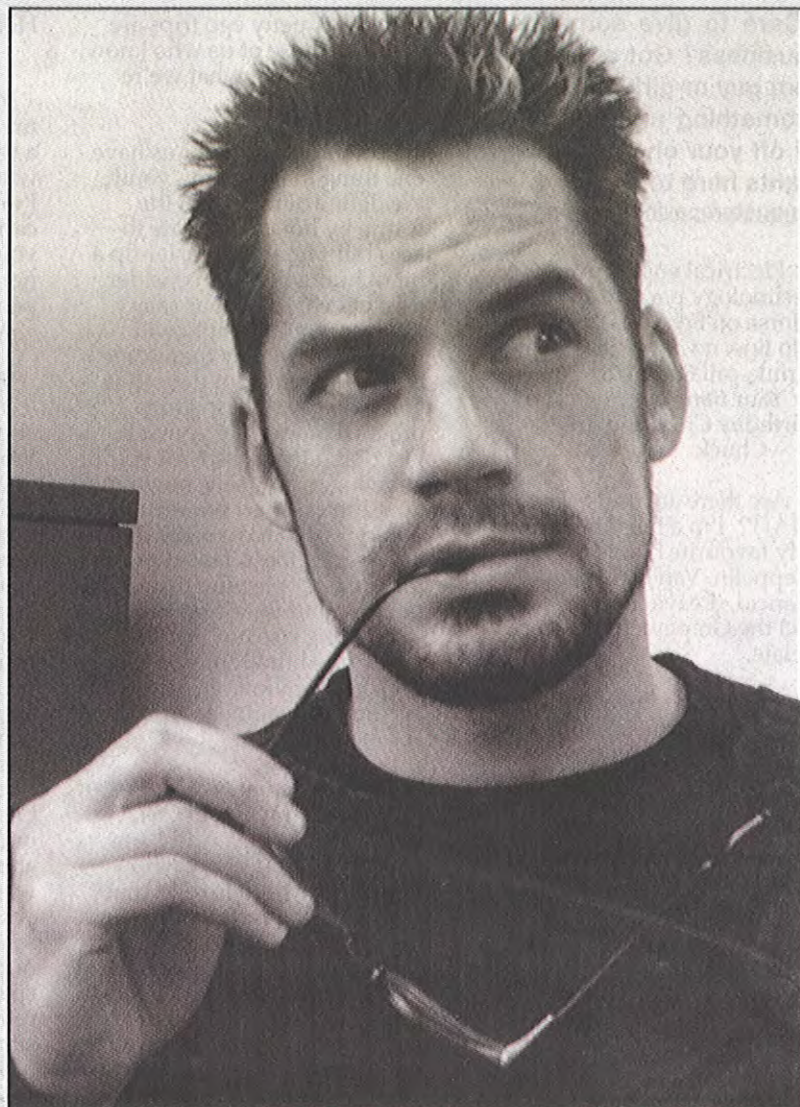
I'm single because: Nice guys finish last, but we are good for the odd hook-up.

Why I'm better than your current Boyfriend: I'm not. Stay with him, this appeal is directed to the boyfriendless.

Other Information you want to share: I love dark-haired women more than light-haired women. It's been an intense personal struggle but I stand by this statement.

If any ladies are interested in Dave feel free to email Kaitlin at kaitlinv@hotmail.com and maybe we can set something up.

If you're an eligible single male or female and you want to be featured here, submit your name and e-mail address to kaitlinv@hotmail.com.



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