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Thundering fun on NAITSA ski trip



By SHANT CHAKMAKIAN Opinion

If you didn't go on the annual NAITSA ski trip then you missed out on some serious boarding and thunder crunk action.

Starting off, the trip there was awesome. The whole way there we partied, totally givin' 'er from Edmonton to Calgary. We showed those Calgarians how Edmonton rolls.

Even better all my thunder homies on the bus selected and dedicated me my very own theme song. Seriously – it's thunderstruck by AC/DC, because my name (Shant) means thunder in my language, Armenian. "You guys shook the bus when we were playing thunderstruck," said MJ our awesome bus driver.

The accommodations were decent in Golden. I'll admit to be honest that the first bar we went to was filled beyond fire capacity, and we faced the same problem with Kicking Horse resort when they oversold tickets for the New Year's party.

I will also admit Kicking Horse seriously messed up on making people buy tickets in order to buy a drink. It's frustrating when one has to wait 20 minutes to get a ticket and then another 30 minutes to get a dam drink.



Golden ski trip was a whole lot of fun at Kicking Horse Resort.

But minor inconveniences aside, it was another great trip put on by Downhill Riders, and most of all, it was with an awesome group of people. I have never partied with a better crew in my life. Unlike the other buses that went down there, our bus (Bus #2 or the Thunder Bus as I like to call it) caused no damage to our hotel rooms and were awesome guests. Although some other guests on other busses could have been, should I say ... better patrons, we knew how to

party ... party hard ... but party sensibly.

And that's what it's all about. Some people can take it to the extreme but in the end having a good time with some awesome homies is what it's all about.

From what I was told the ski hill was great But near the end too much snow fell thus most people were sinking in powder. Since arriving there on Dec. 30 we were supposed to leave Jan. 2 but so much snow had fallen, that every

highway avalanched. Thus we were stranded. But we all spent another night and partied more. This time people were more sensible and got moderately wasted.

And in retrospect I will admit that hope of this trip is what kept me sane through first semester and it was definitely worth the \$300. I couldn't have had a better time with a better group of Thunder Homies! So next year, .come on down and party and then you'll know what it's like to get Thunder Crunked!

NAITSA annual meeting delayed



By ERIN MASTRE

NAITSA's Annual General Meeting was scheduled to occur Nov. 8, 2006. It did not happen.

Rescheduled once more and finally held on Dec. 6 the meeting was considered a failure due to a lack of attendance.

As Carrie Creaser, VP of Campus Life, explains "There were only 30-40 students in attendance. We have to have the meeting again until we get at least 80 people."

NAIT's constitution states that this meeting must occur by Dec. 31. As of Jan. 5 there still is no rescheduled date.

The AGM is designed for students to see first-hand how their student fees are spent. Each year students pay \$200 to NAITSA when paying their tuition. In viewing the financial statements, one "learns exactly how funds are spent and what all that money goes towards."

Creaser also considers the AGM an "opportunity to learn more about us (the Students' Association) and what we do so you can utilize services better in the future."

When asked if this is a regular occurrence Creaser said that this is the first time that an AGM has run out of time.

She attributes the postponements due to delays in the delivery of the annual financial statements from the auditor assuredly adding "it's not the Students Association's fault."

Apparently the auditor just did not finish on time.

When the meeting did at last occur in December it was too close to finals and the end of the semester, which automatically meant that less students would have time to attend.

The next step now involves a lot of advertising Creaser says.

"We are going to post the new date in the Nugget and give it more push this time including running ads on NR92, post-its in the mailboxes of campus clubs, and sending out mass e-mails."

She hopes to see the meeting held during the lunch hour when students "can bring their lunches and see the financial statements at the same time."

Chai's will perk you up

Jan 18



By LIAM CRESWICK

After sitting empty for all of last semester, the coffee stand at the south entrance at the main campus has now reopened.

Instead of being run by the popular coffee franchise Second Cup, as it once was, it is now owned and operated by NAIT food services. They have changed the new shop's name to Chai's and there are some other big changes as well.

"We are more health oriented here," says Kelly of NAIT Food Services.

Kelly adds "We are also aiming for a higher end product line."

The menu con.rms that statement. Chai's offers fresh, healthy

food items like banana and zucchini bread, veggie and pasta salads, and paninis (those little Italian sandwiches).

The selection of drinks is even more intriguing. The shop offers hot beverages like chai and soy lattes, loose-leaf tea, and of course, good old-fashioned coffee among other things.

As part of their healthier attitude Chai's does not serve soft drinks or similar beverages, instead milk and juice are available.

These food and drink items are only available at this new shop, and are certainly different from what the other restaurants and cafeterias around NAIT offer.

"We wanted to offer something unique and different from what we offer at the other locations. Something healthy and made from scratch," says Tracy, Director of NAIT Food Services.

Students who enter at the South Lobby will once again arrive at school to the smell of fresh coffee, and their morning cup is now only a few steps away.

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NAIT Student Employment Services

Myles not immune to challenges



By ERIN MASTRE

Lisa Stevens Myles is the Occupational Health Consultant and Immunization Program Coordinator here at NAIT. Last term alone, she was in charge of monitoring 800 students. This term, she is not certain what the numbers bring.

Hired this past fall to set-up immunization policy, and an applicable immunization program Myles says "that up until this point immunizations have been for students and hopefully will one day include staff.'

Her goal this semester is just to keep the program going.

It is a daunting task and a challenging one for the registered nurse who looks forward to expanding the program "as buildings grow and as NAIT grows."

Those who access her services are considered "high-risk stu-

That is, "those exposed to ill people

"Immunizations are publicly funded so that people can be protected in an everyday work environment which is especially important for students in hands on labs and on practicums," she says.

So far Myles' biggest challenge is the flu vaccine which is a very technical process.

She explains: "Every year a flu vaccine is made regarding a recipe determined by what's going on in other countries. This year was the Wisconsin A strain."

"In early stages of testing it was discovered that the vaccine was not potent enough. The manufacturers had to redo it and therefore, suppliers could not sell it. Capital Health then had to guess at how much to order but couldn't guarantee a quantity and when it came to NAIT's numbers, based them on last year's intake."

Fortunately, she had enough vaccine to supply all of her patients.

But Myles deals with more than the just the flu vaccine, many programs requiring immunizations include Health Science (Hepatitis B, Tetanus, and Mantoux/Tuburculosis testing), Animal Health (Rabies), Biological Science (Red measles), Forest Technology and Water/Wastewater programs



Lisa Steven Myles works hard to keep NAIT students healthy.

(Tetanus/Diphtheria), and Biomedical Engineering (Hepatitis B).

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Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio, Red Measles, M.M.R. (red measles, mumps, and rubella), Hepatitis B, and Mantoux/TB testing is also required for all of the following programs: Combined Lab and Xray, Cytotechnology, Diagnostic Imaging, Dental Assisting, Dental lab, Denturist, E.M.T.- Paramedic, Medical Lab Assistant Respiratory, Medical Laboratory, Medical Radiologic, Respiratory, and Continuing Education Health Related Programs.

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Job summit targets aboriginals



By STACEY DOUGLAS

The Alberta government predicts in the next four years there will be 199,000 jobs created in this province - more than double the population of Red Deer.

However, an aging population coupled with the fact that most of these positions require education and skills to meet the demands in these jobs indicates the current skilled labour shortage will con-

In December NAIT's President, Dr. Sam Shaw, along with 30 other college representatives from Alberta and British Columbia signed an agreement that will develop strategies addressing the current skilled labour shortage.

Throughout 2007 Alberta and B.C. colleges and technical institutes will meet with communities, government, and industry to develop strategies resolving the current skilled labour shortage.

A major objective in this agreement focuses on aboriginal learners through an effort to increase their access to education in a college or technical institute.

According to Canada's 2001 Aboriginal Population Profile almost half of Alberta's aboriginal community did not finish high school, and of those who did 50% did not continue with post secondary education.

In an attempt to increase aboriginal participation in colleges and technical schools throughout Alberta and B.C. a summit will be held in Lac La Biche this March. Aboriginal leaders, colleges, and government representatives will meet to develop strategies so that aboriginals will have greater access to post secondary education.

Diana Blackman, Aboriginal Liason Coordinator at NAIT's Aboriginal Student Centre feels, "Initiatives here at NAIT would work anywhere. The summit will allow sharing ideas that are positive for aboriginal students. It's a table for people to share success stories and the strategies that went into them."

As the Liason Coordinator for two and a half years, Blackman says "I think overall planning, improving services and completion strategies to retain aboriginal students are the major issues that should be addressed at the summit."

Blackman feels that a sense of belonging is important, and a student centre helps in creating that community sense. As well she hopes a focus on one on one support and cultural awareness will be included in the discussions during the summit.

The agreement also includes developing curriculum relevant to industry, and ensuring students can transfer credit between provinces when the content of their education is equivalent between schools. As well research and innovation will become a priority in colleges and technical institutes.



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OPINION

- Editorial -

New year is a time for change

The New Year brings many expectations and good intentions, but as the post-holiday daze dissipates the realization hits that maybe life has not really changed. If anything it was put on hold for a week or two in December.

We'll try to develop new habits in the New Year. Habits that will make us better people: healthier, more organized, nicer, smarter, whatever.

Usually these attempts do not become habits, and life does not really change. School starts again. Sunlight is rare. Work is always there. People are grumpy.

Things become...'meh'...especially during January and February

Why do we keep trying? Apparently we've recognized the beginning of the year as a time for change since 153 BC with the Roman god Janus, January's namesake. He represented beginnings and endings.

The Ancient Romans used Janus to symbolize change, and often it involved a progression from the past to the future. We shut the door on things that are not good for us and open it to those that will benefit our well being.

It seems it's true that the only constant is change, or more accurately at this time of year the attempt to change. The hope that we'll succeed in changing for the better is of course the answer to why we keep trying.

That, and perhaps a little bit of masochism since it's more likely we'll feel crappy when we fail. Ah

well. We wish you good luck in your pursuit of a healthy, organized, intelligent, pleasant (or whatever else) kind of year.

Now if you're looking to do away with the January and February 'mehness' consider this: sleuthing for stories around campus only to be published in your student paper.

NAIT has all kinds of stories that need to be followed up on, and we could use any extra writers and photographers out there. Picture yourself with notebook in hand asking the hard questions and writing the truth in the Nugget.

Perhaps investigative journalism is not your thing, but there's always sports and entertainment.

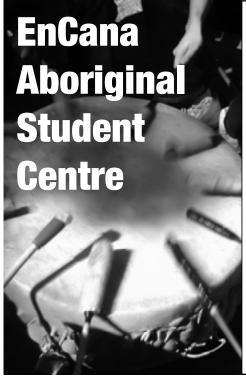
Do you have a passion for sports – think, breathe, and live them? Then the Nugget is a place for you to express your love of the game.

Or are you more the type to listen to a new CD from beginning to end, reading the lyrics while the song is playing to gather any insights in the work. Maybe movies or books are more your thing, but whatever you have an opinion on we want to hear it.

If you walk by the Nugget office and the door is open step inside – generally we're pretty nice people. If you feel like writing or taking pictures stop by around noon on Wednesdays and we'll find something for you to work on.

Either way we hope some of you will come out to add something to our Nugget team – if anything it'll make your winter term go a little bit faster. Trust us on this.





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By TIM STEPHENS **JANUARY 14 – 20, 2007**

Aries March 21-April 19

Plunge into a learning, traveling, love or legal venture Sunday to Tuesday noon. This is the last week of pressure, ambition, of having to perform. A climax in these, Tuesday night to Thursday night, could nudge you into new projects and new roles - as many as four of them. Accept, smile, be eager to climb upstairs! Your abilities will be recognized. Tuesday begins six weeks of enhanced executive skills. By Friday/Saturday, you could be celebrating! (Or beginning a friendship or flirtation.) Despite all the ambition, major love could visit!

Taurus April 20-May 20

This week starts with a mystery or financial or intimate opportunity - a good one, though taking advantage of it might mean going against your friends or social circle. Wisdom and love mingle with the powerful, deep desires that have begun to draw you since last November. For example, wisdom combines with investments or finances, and love sprinkles your lust. This "mix" could trigger a great, well-balanced venture or commitment Wednesday/Thursday. Be ambitious Friday/Saturday - profit is coming! (Higher-ups favor you for the rest of January.) Romance heats up through Febru-

Gemini May 21-June 20

Sunday-Tuesday touches on 2007's core of luck – relationships, relocation, agreements, negotiations, and dealings with the public. Advancement in these - or grabbing any opportunities - might conflict with your career, parenting, or community duties. So? Decide what's best for you, and chase it. A financial, sexual, research or life-change plan/hope has grown in the last month, but probably hasn't come about - your wishes about this grow even stronger over the six weeks ahead. Yes, another must agree. If they won't, you'll act in 2008. Love, travel, learning "start anew" soon!

Cancer June 21-July 22

Tackle chores Sunday-Tuesday. Tuesday night onward brings relationships, exciting meetings, opportune moments and contacts, business partnerships, challenges, competitors and the need for diplomacy. Be willing to sign, to commit yourself. A lucky financial venture or investment interest could begin late week (not Saturday, January 20, though). Someone "hot" could

enter your sphere mid-week – soon after, you'll realize this person also has a fascinating "hidden side." A soft, gentle spiritual personality lurks within that serious, sexy demeanor. You might also begin a career project - it will require another's financial backing.

Leo July 23-Aug. 22

One stretch of work seems to wrap up now, but around midweek, yet another task arises, one that will take about six weeks to wrap up. It's lighter, easier, more interesting, and will leave you time for exciting relationships - and this week yet another person wanders in! This one's talkative, a good social match, yet mysterious, alluring. Or, you might find that one you met a week or two ago, a sweet person, now displays a conversational streak. You could meet your match now or soon! A smooth, steady week.

Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Romance and security, love and home are accented. You can create a new foundation by being brave, outgoing, taking a risk - do so! Last December through February you could fall in love and find it opens the door, with swift surprise, and totally, to a new life, complete with residence and psychological/emotional "comfort." Parents can "create" children's future. Go forward, Virgo! Real estate, home, kids, retirement, are emphasized Sunday-Tuesday. Romance, risk, creativity and pleasure fill midweek. Work enters, Friday/Saturday. Co-workers are affectionate, supportive in encouragement if not in action.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 22

A "friction" influence enters your domestic and partnership spheres Tuesday through February 25. This interval makes agreement difficult to reach, can strain partnerships and contracts, and make you yell at the kids. It's a great time to renovate, edit papers, or dig and prune in the garden. You'll examine relocation and real estate themes seriously. Romance grows Thursday onward, through February, bringing anything from deep, magical love to merely a few friendly, sweet dates. DON'T move in with anyone before February 26 (even better, wait until after March 7).

Scorpio Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Chase money Sunday noon to Tuesday noon - try to "institute" a permanent income boost - e.g., ask for a pay increase, raise your prices to clients, etc. Midweek brings a friendly, restless, talkative, curiosity-prone and detail-filled interval. You might get a "mystical feeling" about your home or family (or a favorite piece of nature) - this feeling can inspire a great idea, and thence a great project in security, retirement, family, real estate or similar zones (include "sales territory" here). Settle into a month of recuperation, home, domesticity, Mother Nature Friday/Saturday.

Sagittarius Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Your charm, energy, effectiveness and luck soar Sunday noon through Tuesday! Start important projects, ask favors, see and be seen. You might have to break away from a home situation - do so! Be limited by law and conscience, nothing else. Money will pour your way Tuesday through February 25 – along with a strong, almost subconscious urge to spend. Don't. Bank it, or reduce debt. (Or buy travel tickets.) Late week inspires you about travel, a friend, sibling, paperwork or a distribution project. These matters will occupy you through mid-February.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Your energy, charisma and effectiveness still ride high, Cap, especially Tuesday night to Thursday, when you should start projects, ask favors, and make personal appearances. Earlier, Sunday to Tuesday noon shows where the luck of 2007 resides for you: in red tape or behind-scenes areas such as government, institutions, charity, spirituality, planning, warehousing and similar zones. If you listen to nuances, intuition late week, a monetary inspiration could take you on a profitable road all January/February - and perhaps for a long time! Your executive abilities rise through February.

Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Although you're tired, you're starting to glow with a subtle allure that will attract others (even media types). Your energy lifts to surround this glow with lucky, direct, effective action, from Thursday night right into late February! Earlier, Sunday to Tuesday raises your hopes, might bring a social delight or flirtation, and a small money upset (Monday). Midweek, sink into deep rest, contemplate and handle obligations. Tuesday begins six weeks of "behind scene" communications – perhaps government paperwork, sharing confidences, secret planning sessions, etc. Your general luck is rising!

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

A spiritual revelation, or sweet surge of compassion or understanding, or a heart-warming support from a good, true ally, will buoy you this week. (It centers on Thursday.) Chase your ambitions Sunday noon to Tuesday noon, especially in career. Be early and eager Monday morning - present a proposal, or take significant action! Social joys, popularity, flirtations and entertainment fill mid-week. Celebrate! Thursday night starts a month of quietude, rest and recuperation. Here on in, meditate, plan, deal with government agencies, be charitable. Your social and money dreams will remain intact!

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Dear Sex Doc;

So here's my dilemma. My boyfriend loves getting blowjobs. That's not a big deal, but the smell of his crotch is. I don't know if it's because he's not circumcised or what, but his dick reeks. I love my guy, but something has to give. Allergic to Cheese @ GMC

Dear Allergic to Cheese @ GMC;

You're right Allergic to Cheese, your guy has to give his dick a thorough washing. Tell him your mouth won't visit his hot dog until he has wiped all the cheese curds

The rancid smell emanating from his groinage might be due from the fact that he's uncircumcised. However, dirty boys with cut cocks can still have stinky ones.

His dick cheese is most likely a result from not cleaning under the hood of the car. Smegma, is an accumulation of bacteria under the foreskin. Regular washing of the foreskin and head can keep the Gouda away.

Allergic to Cheese, either your dude is just too lazy to clean his wang, or his parents never taught him how to polish his stick when he was young.

For all you uncut boys out there who were never instructed, you'll want to regularly pull the foreskin back and clean the foreskin and head of the penis with mild soap and water.

And Allergic to Cheese, you'd better make sure you start to use the showerhead for more than just getting off.

Smegma can also accumulate under the clitoral hood or in the vaginal lips. You don't want a stinky kitty, do you?

If your guy does clean his pipe regularly, the rotten salami stench could be from a yeast infection or STI. That's right Allergic to Cheese, boys can get a build up of candida too. So if he's got a cheesy curd knob and a flaky skin dick, you'd better send him to the doctor.

If his stinky dinky isn't caused from lack of cleanliness or a yeast infection, the horrific vapours putting your gag reflex into overdrive are most likely due to a Gonorrhea infection.

Like I mentioned Allergic to Cheese, you'd better keep your face away from his crotch. And when he's cleaned up, you really should be using condoms for oral since you can get lots of nasty STIs and infections from unprotected mouth sex.

Dear Sex Doc;

I read somewhere that women can become addicted to vibrators. Is this true? Gullable Gina @ UBCO

Dear Gullable Gina @ UBCO;

No, this is not true. If I had a quarter for every time I get asked this question I'd be very wealthy. It seems both men and women think vibrators are addictive.

And Gullable Gina, even I have to admit that I'm jealous I'm not a chick when I see how some of those vibrators are designed to stimulate all your hot spots at once.

Even though these love tools are designed to give women incredible orgasms, they are not addictive, nor do they desensitize your most precious organs.

There is no evidence that sex toys are addictive. In fact, a study by Davis et al. (1996), found that using sexual aids improves individual's and couple's sexual functioning and satisfaction. And, almost all sex therapists will recommend a vibrator to women who are having trouble reaching the big O.

Many women actually report they become more orgasmic with their partner after they have used a vibrator. Vibes can quicken the amount of time it takes for a woman to achieve orgasm with a partner. Not such a bad thing if you're rushed for time.

Vibrators are an excellent warm up tool to use before and/or during sex. They help women learn more about their body's sexual response.

So Gullable Gina, I hope I've proved to you that there is nothing harmful about regular vibrator use. However, like I said to Sore Dick Failing Math at UNB who figured he was addicted to jerking off, you can be addicted to masturbating (with or without a vibe) if it hinders other aspects of your life.

If you find yourself rubbing one after another out repeatedly, you might have a problem. It might be time to take that buzz toy out of you and concentrate on school.

Dr. Brian Parker is a clinical sexologist and sex educator and does enlightening and entertaining sex toy parties in the Edmonton area. To find out more visit the 'parties' section of www.foreverpleasure.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Body mod goes mainstream



By BRENT CONSTANTIN

Once reserved for certain tribes in Africa and freaky British people ear stretching, and alternative forms of piercings have enjoyed mainstream acceptance over the past few years.

I chatted with Hailey Melnyk from Strange City Body Modification (10522 Whyte Ave) about plugs, piercing techniques, and the body-mod industry in general.

Q: Why should people spend money at a professional piercing studio? I got my ears done at Claire's for \$7 and they hardly even pus anymore. A: Cleanliness is just one of the issues with these places. Cheapo piercing places in malls mainly use piercing guns. These are blunt-force instruments that use the power of the gun to force in the jewellery, which most of the time isn't even that sharp. You'll never see professional studios using one of these.

Q: What kind of methods do you

A: There are quite a few, but mainly what we use here is a sterilized needle.

Q: And that's for plugs too?

A: Right, well there are a few different ways. You can have a standard needle piercing done and start off at around a 14 gauge. Gauge is the measurement of the piercing size. You can slowly stretch the piercing until you're at the size you want, and depending on the size of plug desired and the elasticity of the person's ear



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this can take anywhere from a few weeks to a few years. Besides that we can use a larger piercing needle, this will allow the person to start off with a larger sized piercing, or make an incision with a scalpel and immediately

Q: Are there any piercing techniques you do that actually remove flesh permanently?

insert the desired size of plug.

A: Yeah, for sure. If you look at the piercing I have up on the top of my ear (She brushed her hair back to reveal a clear plastic plug about an inch in diameter) we cut a hole out big enough for the jewellery. It's usually used for cartilage in the ears.

Q: So if someone has large plugs, will they close up when they experience "growing up syndrome" and decide to take them out?

A: Well obviously these ones I just showed you will never close up. This is permanent. But for stretching, it really depends on the person. I've seen 2-gauges close up to teensy little original needle size, and I've seen people who only have smaller plugs never have their lobes go has in store, and how your body

back to normal. It's mainly a "hope and see" approach.

Q: Should people come into a piercing studio with the idea that they'll eventually have to take it out?

A: Again, it's all about the person. I think that it's stupid to think that in our society you can have huge piercings all over your face, both sleeves done up in tattoos, and then go and get a job at a bank. It's just not realistic.

When you get some of the more radical body art done you're intentionally closing certain doors to your future. If you know that, and you're secure in a position then go for it. But when 16-yearold girls come into the studio and ask for, like, a surface cheekbone bar, I'll try my best to discourage them. Most of them come here and just think it's pretty. They don't really think about a few years from now when they'll be a totally different person and want to take it out. They'll have a scar there.

So ves, you should always try to keep in mind what the future modi.cations might affect something like getting a job. It's unfortunate that our society is as conservative as it is.

Q: But of course if it wasn't as conservative the appeal of piercings and tattoos might not be as strong in the counter-culture.

A: Right, but I think the vast majority of people with this work done are in more of a sub-culture than a counter-culture. It's more about expression for one's self than against someone else.

Q: But don't you think that plugs, in a way, are this generation's longshaggy-hippy-Beatle hair?

A: I think you can make a statement with your body, defiantly. But if you're trying to make a statement of self-identity by defining who you are by who you can freak out with what you look like, then you're missing the point entirely.

Q: And what is the point? A: That you shouldn't care

what other people really think

especially if it's negative. With some of the things I have done I absolutely get some looks when I go out to certain places, but it doesn't really bother me. It's just who I am, and the jewellery is only an extension of that.

Q: Any final words to anyone thinking about getting some work done? A: Yeah, just, if you want something done, a piercing, or a tattoo, or a branding, or scarification or whatever, look into it, do your homework before you get it done. Do it for yourself and not anyone else.

Hailey Melnyk is the manager and head piercer at Strange City, and she's also a super nice young lady. If you are looking to get some work done go in for a free estimate. Strange City specializes in large gauge and surface piercings. For more info visit www.strangecity.ca or phone 628-4813 for an appointment.

3and on fire at Winspear



By ERIN MASTRE

Last Saturday's hot ticket was for a sold out City and Colour show at the Winspear Centre. There, Dallas

Green, front man for Alexisonfire, played his heart out for 1, 932 fans who enjoyed every last second of

The night began with solo act Casey Baker on guitar, a gentleman hailing from Green's hometown of St. Catherines, Ontario. Before each song the guitar needed tuning, and we were told that his music wasn't always easily tuned.

Baker tided the crowd with jokes in between sets, including one where he compared the lulls to "peeing with the door open."

He told stories too, such as the details involved in "printing, folding, stapling, and whole-punching" his homemade CD, which was worth every dollar of the 10 it took to purchase.

The second and final solo act, of course, belonged to Dallas Green, whose melodies were even sweeter in person.

He opened with the fifth track off his album, Sometimes, called "In the Water I am Beautiful." Upon

its conclusion he dropped his guitar pick and floundered till he

managed to find another one, and all the while keeping us giggling like little school girls.

In the quiet of the Winspear there was much interaction between Green and his audience. He took all of our comments in good humour, including those screamed loudly about his butt.

"Save Your Scissors" had the majority of those in attendance singing along, unlike the chorus to

"Comin' Home" which was greeted with silence when Green passed the mic to the crowd.

There were two encore songs, with both performed on piano - a first Green said.

The Winspear itself is always a beautiful venue. It's one of the only places where the under 25 crowd can attend without being subjected to metal detectors, frisk searches, and purse perusals.

At the end of the night, I, for one left satisfied.

Art and booze to boot!

By KIM VAN NIEUVEN-HUYSE

For those who resolved to get more culture in their diets this year, the Art Gallery of Alberta's Art Bar is an easy and fun way to begin the quest for culture.

The Art Bar is designed to blur the boundaries of the formally defined gallery space and challenge the idea of the "look don't touch" art gallery. It's an example of Fluxus, a conceptual art movement that began in the 1960s.

Fluxus was conceived as a way to bridge the gap between art and everyday life and reconfigure the artist/art — audience relationship. In Fluxus works, audience interaction/participation is a part of the art piece.

It is this way with the Art Bar. Patrons of the bar are recorded as they interact with each other and the space itself. The footage is later played back in the bar making the patrons part of the work.

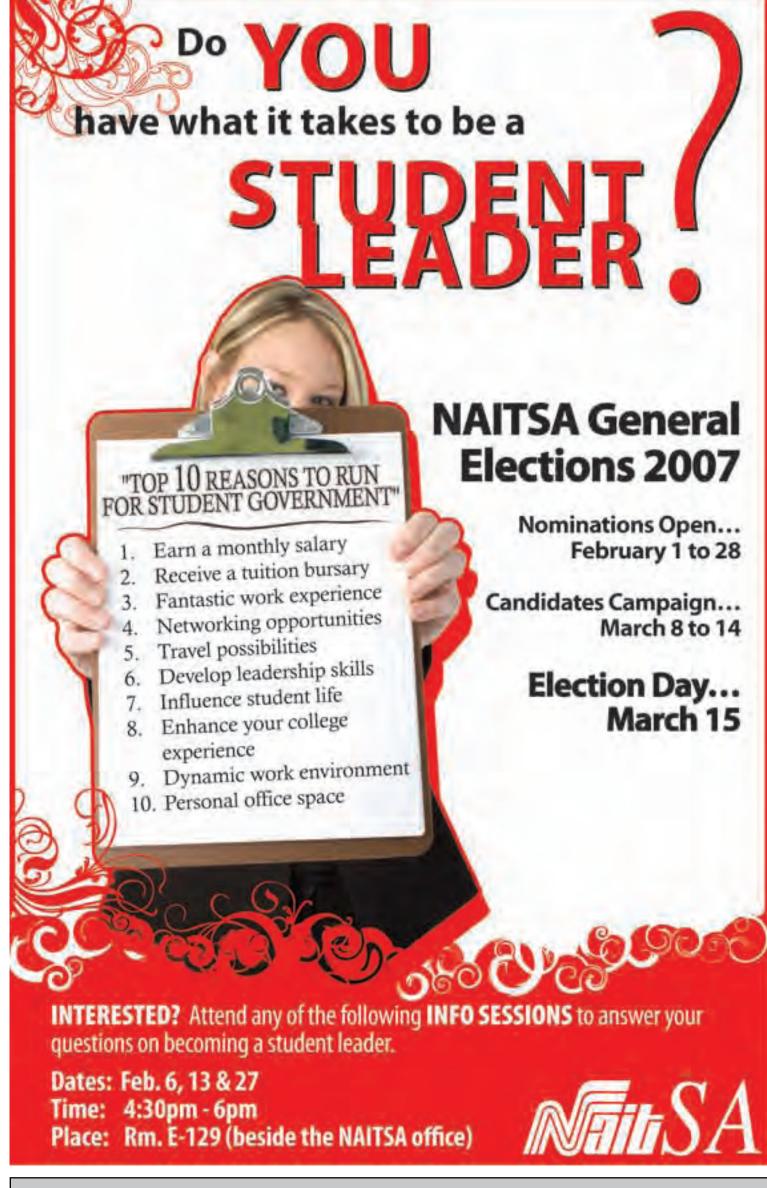
The Art Bar is the creation of local musician/artist/club designer Jesse Sherburne. Originally intended to be a temporary installation, the Art Bar now runs every Thursday from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. for happy hour. So, bring a friend, order a drink, and take in the art scene because getting some culture is now as easy as ordering a pint.

TUITION TAX RECEIPTS 2006

STUDENTS: The T2202A Tuition Tax Receipts for the 2006 calendar year will be made available on the Student Portal at www.nait.ca/MyNait in February 2007.

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.



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SPORTS

Violence is a sad part of sports

By ANDREW DUNAJ

Violence is a big part of sports. But how much of it is acceptable? And in what forms? Sport is now a \$200 billion industry and is of far more importance in today's society than it used to be.

The growing love for sports has been accompanied by an alarming rise in violence. Recent stats from the NFL have shown that 21 percent of all players have been arrested for a serious offence and fans don't like it.

"The player-fan dynamic has changed for the worse. Athletes and spectators don't like each other anymore, generally speaking," says sports Psychology major Claire Alvies at the University of Alberta.

Claire Alvies goes on: "The money is part of the growing disconnect. Fans resent the obscene salaries that the players are making, and players resent the fans' notion that those big pay cheques make them fair game for the most vicious heckling. The antagonism between the two sides is like a fuse."

"The player-fan dynamic has changed for the worse. Athletes and spectators don't like each other anymore..."

happen for athletes to actually be affected by these punishments?

"I don't care if I get fined. I make \$3 million. What's a couple of thousand dollars?" says former basketball star Charles Barkley.

Alivies has some ideas on how to control the fan population.

"Team management should ban the use of alcoholic beverages at sporting events," Alvies passionately declares.

"The media should promote a campaign to decrease violence and hostile aggression in sport which will also involve the participation and commitment of athletes, coaches, management, officials, and spectators."

The good old days used to consist of regular folks admiring athletes to the very end for their talent

The question is: What has to and ability to make that catch, goal, save, or to deliver that huge hit.

> Looking back on 2006 we remember the tragic shooting death of Denver Broncos Corner Back Darrent Williams, the NBA fight that took place in New York that spilled into the crowd which had a slight resemblance to the 2004 Pacers Pistons brawl, and the Zinedine Zidane head butt in the World Cup final.

So what can be done to help calm the athletes down?

"Coaches, managers, officials, and the media should encourage athletes to engage in pro-social behaviour and punish those who perform acts of hostility."

Another option Alvies gives is "coaches, managers, athletes, media, officials, and authority figures should take part in workshops on aggression and violence to ensure they understand the topic of aggression, why it occurs, the cost of aggressive acts, and how aggressive behaviour can be controlled."

So will 2007 be any different than any other year?

"I see nothing in the near future to assume why it would change," says Alvies.

"As long as times remain tough financially, I believe that those fans will remain bitter towards athletes, and until money grows for society they will remain bitter."

As you read this article you will soon find out, if you haven't already, that another athlete has died violently. USC college football kicker Mario Danelo was found dead at the bottom of a cliff.

Happy New Years sports fans, Happy New Years.





- Wide world of pro sports -

Oilers look grim

By ANDREW DUNAJ

Well, it's January and in the world of sports that can mean a lot of things. In the NHL the season is half over, which means it's time for the Edmonton Oilers to go on their mid season slump.

The absence of Chris Pronger and Jarolsav Spacek on the Oilers' blue line has exposed a team full with a number of fourth-line defencemen and a goalie wrinkled with age and fatigue. So what do the Oilers do to shore up this problem? They sign forward Petr Nedved.

The Edmonton Oilers were an eighth-place team last year with arguably the best defencemen in the league, so imagine what the team will finish like unless Kevin Lowe finally decides to pull the trigger on

Who do the Oilers have to give up? At the start of the year the team assured fans that the goals would be plenty and often, and would be contributed from all 12 starters in the lineup. So where are they now? Edmonton currently sits ninth in scoring in the Western conference, and a dismal nineteenth in the NHL.

The only good news that has come out of the season so far for Oiler fans is the recent injury to Anaheim Ducks player Chris Pronger who broke his foot. The only two bright spots for the Oilers this year have been the play of Ales Hemsky and Ryan Smyth, both of whom make all the players who play with them better.

Enough of the NHL. Let's move to the NFL. The playoffs are well underway now with very few surprises. Tony Romo botches the game- winning field goal attempted for Dallas like the little choke artist we knew he was, and Peyton Manning and the Colts destroy a Kansas City team that we all wanted to replace with Vince Young and the

In the NFC who knows what's going to happen? Former CFL star Jeff Garcia looks to stay red hot as quarterback with the Philadelphia Eagles, and coach of the year Sean Payton looks to lead his Cinderella story Saints all the way to the Superbowl where it won't matter because the AFC will crush whoever comes out of the NFC.

In the major leagues of baseball the money handouts continue to overwhelm the world of sports. The Red Sox get their pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka after paying \$51 million just to talk to him.

While in San Francisco the Giants dish out fine wine to pitcher Barry Zito in terms of his contract worth \$126 million over seven years. At the press conference Zito threw his sports jacket into the crowd like a crazed rock star, and blanketed all the fans as he laughed all the way to the bank.

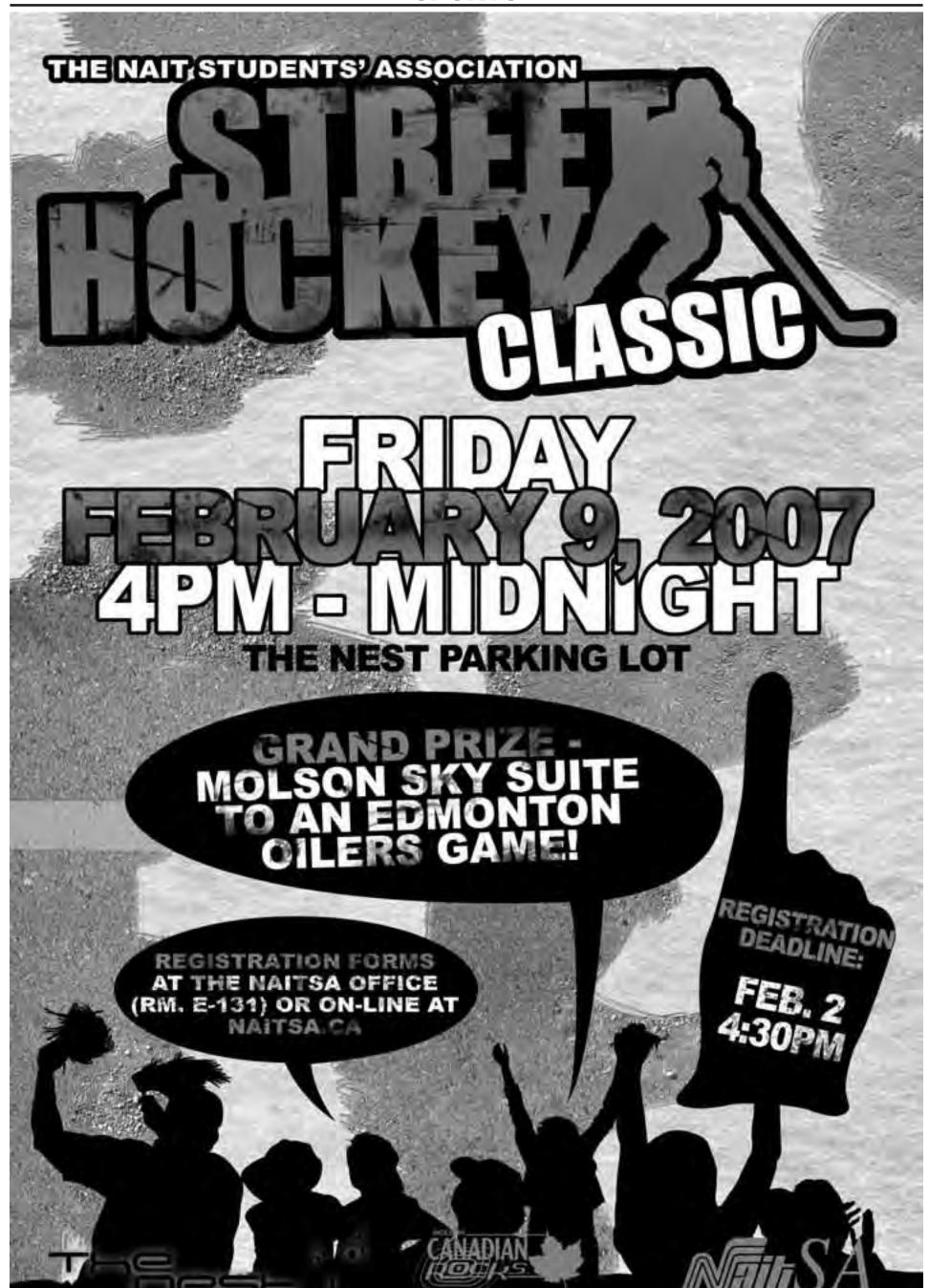
Personal note to Barry Zito: Make sure you don't eat too much of that \$126 million pie too quickly. With the largest contract in pitcher's history the eyes of the sporting world will be on you.



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- Around NAIT -

Ooks struggle over Christmas

By ANDREW DUNAJ

Some of the Ooks teams welcomed the Christmas break with open arms. For others the break was just a hollow three-week period with nerves shooting through the roof over the upcoming final push to the playoffs.

Starting off in basketball - over the break the men competed in MacEwan's Holiday Hoop fest where they came up just short and wound up fourth in the tournament. Now the team has to worry about the second half of the season. They will be in a battle for one of the last playoff spots with the team they are currently tied with Grand Prairie.

Meanwhile on the women's side the short staffed Ooks traveled to Lethbridge over the break where they dropped two games to SAIT and Medicine Hat College. Winning three of their last four regular season games the Ooks must now make that final push to pass Concordia for good, and squeak into the playoffs.

In hockey action, the women headed over to Lloydminster for a friendly battle with the University of Saskatchewan. The ladies came up short 4-1. Now the Ooks must

get their focus back, because they're still only four points behind for that final playoff spot in the ACAC.

The men on the other hand are focused and ready to go for the second half of the season starting it off against the league best SAIT's Trojans. The Ooks are currently in a four-way tie for second place.

Make sure you come on out and cheer on the boys this Friday at the NAIT arena starting at 7 p.m. The NAIT badminton team also traveled to Honolulu to compete in the Honolulu Open tournament, and currently remains in the middle of the pack in terms of standings.

In men's volleyball it has been a tough season for the Ooks, but they look to turn it all around over in Briercrest and salvage their season. The women will also look to build on some momentum after winning their last match before the break against King's University. The girls will also be in Briercrest over the weekend alongside the men.

To witness some great sports action make sure you check out some Ooks sports over the weekend, it's free and full of great action.

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I Volunteer!

Rm. E-133 Ph: 491-3966

Coming up on March 3rd NAIT is once again hosting our annual SS Bene. t NAIT Cruise, if you would like more details about this event please contact Shannon in E-133 the NAITSA Volunteer Centre. NAIT Cruise to UAE is now recruiting volunteers for the following positions:

Silent Auction Tables/Auction Invoices on March 3rd 2007 Shift times: 4:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Auction Set Up on March 3rd 2007 Shift times: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Coat Check on March 3rd 2007

Shift times: 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. or 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Theme and Design Set Up

Shift times on March 2nd 2007 Noon to 9:00 p.m. Shift times on March 3rd 2007 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Food Servers

Shift times on March 2nd 2007 - 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Shift times on March 3rd 2007 - 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Shift times on March 3rd 2007 - 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Make a difference to an Elementary or Junior High Student - Become a "Study Buddy" Edmonton Public and Catholic School Divisions are now recruiting volunteers who are willing to spend at least one hour a week, during the school day to help other students learn. If you are interested in this program please call either Barbara at 429-8194 or Marlee at 419-2677 for all the details.

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Everyone sucks but me. - Jeff

Dear Emogirl: So I'm not sure who this Promethius guy was, but whatever. You didn't reply last week and you might not reply this week but

either way the hunt is on...I'm gonna

Sincerely The Gangster of Love

find you Emogirl!

Big Folk/Acoustic performance at the Studio 9510 - 105 Ave. Featuring Ben Disaster, Heather Black, Grant Lawrence, and Babe Llyod.

-Grant Lawrence

Anyone interested in starting a hug, spooning, or friend club send an email to ninjadillio@gmail.com. It would be an awesome opportunity for everyone to get rid of some stress, tell people about their day and problems, and get some hugs. Everyone likes hugs. People looking to hook up with other students are shit outta luck. This is a purely friendship thing, no kissing, no sex, no inappropriate touching. Yeah for a NAIT HUG CLUB!

There should be a course that people take to learn how to TIP YOUR WAITRESS. It's disgusting how many people are ignorant to the fact that servers make minimum wage, and count on your gratuity to make working there worthwhile. I can understand if the actual service was that horrible, but if it was the food that was bad that's not the servers fault. It's not like we taste-test everything that comes out. Seriously people stop being cheap a-holes.

Leave the 15-20%, and believe me every server will appreciate it. And if you've ever seen the movie "Waiting," you'll know to not fuck with the people that bring you your food. That guy from the ATB Christmas party – fuck you man, I worked my ass off for your worthless 7%. Asshole. Don't come back to Sherwood park until you learn your ABC's of tipping.

Love, Courtney your friendly neighbourhood waitress

Giving away a free bunny to a good home...dwarf/lion-head cross really cute and sweet. If you want him (you know you girls in Animal Health want a bunny) email me at krazy_k_187@ hotmail.com.

1) All the girls in the architectural design and interior design in the annex: stop acting like your shit doesn't smell! If you're going to be stuck with us super-nerds for at least another semester, let's all just try to spread the love. OK?

2) To That Girl in civil engineering. You know who you are. You know you dumped that chump for either Joel, or (much more likely) Mike, so make your move! You tease them so much it hurts the rest of us.

- Shmizzle

Dear Emo people:

I have found a web site for you and your kind. I encourage everyone to see this web page even if you are not emo. I am sure that you will enjoy it: http://emocerial.ytmnd.com/.

- From the armoured soldier

P.S. To the Emo people prove that you are hardcore.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Opting Out Of Health & Dental:

For students starting in January the Opt-out deadline is January 26th, 2007. NO extensions or exceptions will be permitted. This must be done only in room E125. You will need to fill out a Waiver Form & provide confirmation of comparable coverage. If you wish to be on the NAITSA medical & dental plan, you will need to fill out a form to activate your coverage. For further information regarding health & dental please contact Ashley at 471-7730.

*NOTE: if you do not opt out before January 26th, you will be charged the health & dental fees.

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All of the postings in the registry are plotted on a map of the city for you. People who need a ride are indicated by yellow markers, and people who have a car are indicated by green markers.

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"What is your New Year's Resolution?"



Steve Van Diest Radio and Television Student

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Patrick Thomas Murphy Millwork and Carpentry

"To write, complete, and send in a screenplay of my own work"



Nathan Brown Paramedics

"To stop getting as drunk as I have been lately."



Ashley Thoben Pre-Business

"To get lots more drunker! To get lots more drunker! And to get lots more drunker!"



Sherri Severn Biological Sciences Technology

"My New Year's Resolution is to keep following my New Year's Resolutions."





No nerds need apply

By BRENT CONSTANTIN

Avast ye land lubbers! This here be a hearty a-hoy to all a'y'all ailin' back after the Yule break. Why be I talkin' like this?! I have no

To everybody joining us for the first time I'll catch you up to speed. This is the Hot Single of the Week, which is a weekly feature that highlights the taut, young flesh of NAIT students just like you!

Our volunteer this week is Christine, a friend of mine that forced me to put her into the paper under penalty of "or else."

Normally I wouldn't conform to such threats, but forced with the alternative of putting no one in (a lack of participation makes the Ook mascot cry) I opted to comply.

B: Hi Chris.

C: Hello!

B: Chris, why are you single? You're such a friendly, bubbly girl!

C: I know! I thought I was a pretty nice person, but my last boyfriend said that he didn't "have time" anymore once he got into

B: Well...maybe he didn't. Maybe he'd rather break up with you cleanly then drag out a long painful phasing out while he's focused on his work.

C: Yeah right, how much homework can you have in the Radio program?

B: Hey! Some of those breathing tests are really hard! I mean...you're probably right. So tell me what you're looking for in a guy.

C: Well I'm looking for someone who isn't a huge nerd. All my recent boyfriend talked about was video games and comic books. I'd like to find someone with a little better

B: Sounds like he was a huge dork...

C: Yeah, once, he actually made me a talking doll of himself for Christmas! Can you believe that?

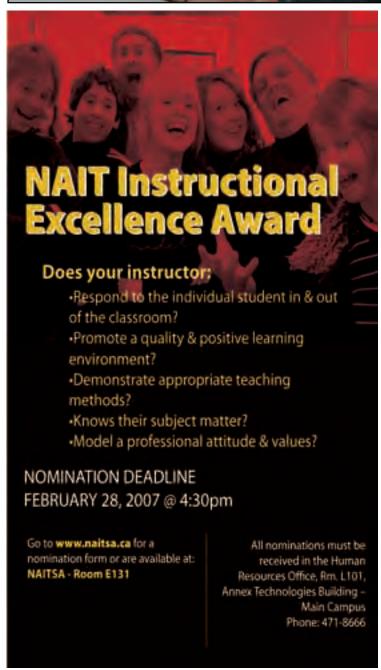
B: That doll took days to make! I'm sure... C: So if you're a normal human being, then get in touch with me!

B: Okay, super.

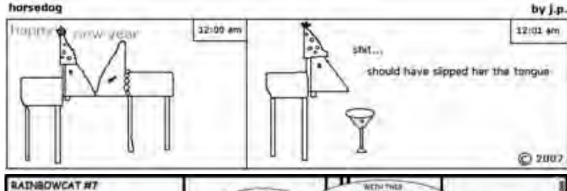
So, if you're interested in Christine send me an e-mail.

It's the same address to submit yourself as well, so make me happy and volunteer!

Brent_constantin@yahoo.ca



COMICS





Can you draw? Do you have a comic you would like to submit to The **Nugget?**

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