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GORD'S HIP:

Gord Downie of The Tragically Hip rocks out at Rexall Place this past weekend to a virtual sellout crowd. The band was touring for its new CD, World Container.

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NEWS & FEATURES

Ski trip turned rowdy



By ERIN MASTRE
Student Issues Editor

For more than two weeks, controversy and questions have swirled around a Christmas break ski trip to British Columbia promoted by NAIT Students' Association (NAITSA).

A hole was punched in a hotel room wall, a soft drink machine was vandalized and looted of pop, carpets needed steam cleaning after being soaked with alcohol, and booze-fueled guests were lighting up in non-smoking hotel rooms leaving management at two establishments fuming, The Nugget has learned.

Some drunken ski trip patrons were also said to be arguing, swearing and interrupting other hotel guests not registered with the excursion.

Misbehaviour at the Sportsman Lodge in Golden, B.C. was serious enough that ski trip patrons were barred from the hotel when they

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asked to stay an extra night after an avalanche blocked the main highway and the group was forced to stay one more day. They found refuge in another hotel for the night.

Two of the seven ski buses departed Edmonton from the main-campus Nest bar Dec. 30 bound for Golden B.C. in a trip organized by Downhill Riders Ski & Travel Co. Ltd. Some 21 ski trip tickets were sold at the NAITSA office. Students were also able to buy directly from Downhill Riders.

While all parties involved have avoided pointing fingers, there were still unpaid accounts earlier this week at one of two hotels that hosted ski trip participants.

Officials with the Sportsman Lodge, where ski bus patrons stayed for the first three nights, declined to offer The Nugget on-the-record comments about the problems since they were still negotiating outstanding damages.

Jim Barr, spokesman for the

Downhill Riders was equally tight-lipped.

Barr said he was “not comfortable talking about the problems,” calling the situation “a non-issue.”

However, the Nugget has learned police were called to the Sportsman that weekend.

“When you have a group this size you have to anticipate that something is going to happen,” Barr said, adding, “there were small damages but nothing out of the ordinary.”

Barr worried the would “be blown into something bigger.” He refused further comment.

Rooms at both hotels that needed cleaning and took longer than one day to do so could not be rented out immediately over a very busy holiday, The Nugget has learned.

NAITSA President Jon Hoffman was on the trip and said he wasn’t aware of all the incidents that occurred.

“It’s really hard to confirm if people doing the damages were NAIT students. A lot of students

were going with friends and even co-workers, therefore no academic action will be taken,” Hoffman said.

“As far as NAIT’s reputation is concerned the trip was booked through Downhill Riders so NAIT is not directly associated.” Only 21 tickets were sold out of the NAITSA office.

“At the same time, it’s unfortunate these events took place ...”

The trip was to depart Golden Jan. 2 but due to an avalanche that closed the main highway it was extended an extra night. Due to the misbehaviour, ski trip guests weren’t allowed to stay at the Sportsman that night.

Instead, they found refuge at the Golden Village Inn but under strict conditions. Pavi Qunqun, manager of that inn was already aware of the situations facing the two buses that left from NAIT’s main campus.

“For the most part a lot of the students who came (here) were

fine. There were only a handful that caused a problem,” Qunqun said.

Instead of getting the discounted rate granted to Downhill Riders for the added night, the patrons who found a new one-night home at his hotel paid full room price.

They also had to produce credit cards beforehand. Qunqun still received reports of students smoking in non-smoking rooms and had to deal with damage.

A Coke machine was vandalized and all pop removed.

Carpets in some rooms were soaked with alcohol and needed steam-cleaning which can result in a bill of almost \$100, Qunqun added.

He doesn’t blame Downhill Riders and hopes to work with them in the future. “The kids who come here need to police themselves so that the experience is not ruined by a few bad apples.”

“A lot of the hotels in this town are family owned and operated – from the clerks to the cleaners – and when students come here it’s like they are staying in our house. That’s the way we see it.”

Comments? Please e-mail me at erniebern@hotmail.com

Fire strikes NAIT



Photo: Brent Constantin

Firefighters work to extinguish a car fire at the NAIT parkade last week.

By DEVAN TWYNAM

Early last Thursday morning, fire officials had to face the chilly temperatures in response to a vehicle fire at NAIT.

The van was parked on the 13th level of the north parkade at the main Edmonton campus, when the engine of the vehicle burst into flames.

Mike Tessier, from the Edmonton Fire Department, says the fire was fully involved when he arrived. “It

was most likely caused because of a worn down plug underneath the hood,” Tessier says.

Firefighters were able to put the fire out shortly after arrival. No one was injured, and no other vehicles were reported to be damaged.

Cutline for photo: An Edmonton firefighter braves chilly temperatures to tackle a vehicle fire at NAIT’s main campus.

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Perfect resumes for students

By ERIN MASTRE

As the final term of the 2006-2007 school year gets underway it may seem pre-mature to start thinking what comes after. Not so if one is preparing to head out into the work force according to Pat Quilley, a Career Advisor with Student Employment Services.

“Wouldn’t life be better if you landed a job prior to completing school and you just had to focus on finishing the term?” Quilley asks. She brings up a valid point. With a week off in February, winter semester has the potential to speed right by.

To help students get their resumes in order and make job searching a little easier, Student Employment Services will be offering “Rapid Resume Reviews” on Thursdays throughout the term. The first ses-

sion starts Jan. 18 in the Engineering Annex on the main floor.

According to Quilley this is the time of year when a lot of students hope to meet with a Career Advisor which can put a crunch on resources. “The solution we came up with is to take staff out of the office to meet with students over the lunch period for a 15 minute resume critique.”

There are many advantages in having a resume reviewed before sending it out for your dream position. “Staff at Student Employment Services research current job search trends” she explains. This gives them added insight as to what employers are looking for.

“We provide students with tips from employers and generally accepted job search methods which should be applied in today’s job market” says Quilley.

“Students need to concentrate on content. If a resume is not focused on the particular needs of the employer, it doesn’t matter what format you use, the resume will be of little interest.”

Some other helpful tips Quilley offers include reading the specifics of the job being applied for. By taking the time to research the company and obtain any other information related to the position you can match your skills to what is required to fill the position.

She adds that sometimes students focus on a lack of experience in their particular field of study. “Although employers value experience, not all experience is technical. When surveyed, employers are interested in teamwork, communication and problem solving skills along with flexibility and motivation.”

The first step to applying for any posting is keeping your resume up to date. “Too often, I speak with students who do not apply for jobs because their resume is not up to date. This virtually screens them out of a job that may have been a perfect fit.”

NAIT job postings will “be at their peak over the next few months,” Quilley emphasizes. If the “Rapid Resume Reviews” do not fit your schedule she states students can still book an appointment with a Career Advisor in room E134 to discuss their options.

Students can check out the resume reviews at the following locations this semester:

Check out the NAIT Employment Services AD on the opposite page for exact times and locations!

“There’s a positive vibe here.”

Eric Urzada

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NAIT grad has exhibit

NAIT photography grad Olivia Kachman is returning to Edmonton for a special photo exhibit.

Kachman graduated from NAIT's Photographic Technology in 2006 and is now Grand Prairie Herald Tribune's staff photographer/photo editor.

"Meditations - Contemplating Life Through the

Lens" is a photographic exploration and the exhibition will run at Remedy cafe in Edmonton until the end of this month.

All of Kachman's former colleagues are invited to attend the opening gala evening on January 20th from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.



More examples of Olivia Kachman's work can be seen at Remedy.

Photo: Olivia Kachman

Old-time hockey here at NAIT



By STACEY DOUGLAS

On Friday, Feb. 9 expect to hear cheers and jeers from the Nest's parking lot as 64 street hockey teams take each other on from about 3 p.m. until midnight.

The \$50 entry fee may seem steep for students, but Carrie Creaser, NAITSA's VP for Campus Life, says the fee is to cover the cost of the tournament only.

This February's Street Hockey Classic will bring out the best in students. "They have fun, get exercise, and bond as a team," says Creaser.

Teams are made of five NAIT students or staff members, and the rules ensure participation from both women and men. Each team

needs at least one female member included.

"I thought it would be a good idea to make everything fair between teams. I have played in tournaments before that had this rule and it has always been more fun," she says.

Fans are encouraged to cheer their favourite teams in either the Nest or its parking lot. Space will be made for the spectators, and there's no charge.

"While we have not confirmed any prizes yet for second and third, first place gets to experience an Oiler's game in a Sky Suite."

"I am looking forward to hanging out with so many students at one venue. This is a great opportunity to meet a ton of students."

So far the 64 team limit has not been met, so check out NAITSA's website for the rules and regulations at www.naitsa.ca to get in on the Street Hockey Classic.

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OPINION

- Editorial -

Are we the generation of slackers?

Apparently we're a slacker generation according to the Globe and Mail's recent article by Alexandra Shimo. "The job market is hot, and yet many well-off, educated kids are adrift, moving back in with their parents, often smoking pot, and delaying careers in what can seem like a willful 'failure to launch,'" Shimo writes in her piece.

OK — that seems like a sweeping generalization.

Shimo uses case studies to illustrate the point, and experts are asked their opinions. Many 'kidults' as Shimo labels members of Generation Y may under-achieve on purpose.

Current films like *Clerks* and *The Wedding Crashers* add glamour to under-achieving says clinical psychologist Peter Spevak, one of Shimo's experts. "They give people an easy justification not to engage. Many young people who have motivational problems think it's uncool to work hard. Hard workers are known as chumps."

A heated discussion ensued when this article was mentioned in a group of 20-somethings, and when asked if we were part of a 'slacker generation' the answers were varied.

"I'm going to say yes because I've been in school for eight years, and my parents still give me money," admits perma-student Kim van Nieuvenhuyse.

"I think there are a lot of people that slack. We bounce around from job to job," Holly Miller, a part time assistant manager at Silver City says.

"No more than any other generation, no," Chris Poirer, a full time

student, contends.

However when asked if they had ambition and motivation everyone said yes.

"I put my ambition into my school work. I don't mind staying at school for 12 hours because I want to put out a good product," says Chance Hoffman a second-year television student.

"I would work at my crappy job, but my parents and the slacker stigma that warehouse jobs have made me go to school," says Poirer who is motivated to work but chose to fulfill outside expectations.

"I do have ambition, but I'm just finding the right outlet for it," says van Nieuvenhuyse.

Consensus: We're ambitious slackers. Shimo's article says we're out of touch with reality. "Young people are both highly ambitious and highly unrealistic," says psychologist John Reynolds another expert Shimo polls.

Apparently we expect too much, but aren't willing to work for it.

Does no one remember Generation X? Our coffee-swilling, grunge-listening, flannel-wearing predecessors redefined slacking. Now they're baby-stroller pushing, full-time working members of society.

Singles and Reality Bites glorified the Gen-Xers' slacker ways just like *Clerks 2* glorifies ours, so it's probably safe to say that when we figure out where to channel our ambition we'll be paying mortgages to shelter our young families. Hopefully we'll be done the figuring out by the time we're 30 — okay 35.



A harsh breath of air

By SHANT CHAKMAKIAN
Opinion

Remember this number: 23.5 tonnes, because as of 2003 that is the amount of Greenhouse Gas emissions each person in this country contributes. According to the United Nations University, this figure is up from 21.5 tonnes in 1991.

It took only five degrees to change the climate of our Earth over 10,000 years ago, from an ice age to what you see today. Whenever you are reading this, it is probable that there was nothing but ice there over 10,000 years ago.

This change from ice age to the conditions mammals thrive in occurred over tens of thousands of years. The alarming fact is that

scientists predict a 2 - 6 degree Celsius increase in the global mean temperature over the next century.

Such a violent change in the Earth's ecosystem won't give most species a chance to adapt given it will raise sea levels and change weather patterns drastically.

I was in Montreal last July with CUTA (Canadian Urban Transportation Association) on a conference focusing on sustainable urban transportation.

During the first day there was a presentation given by Glen Murray, Chair of the Nation Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy. Also present was Lawrence Cannon, Minister of Transportation.

This presentation was the worst barrage of bad news I have ever

heard in one sitting: "Forty per cent of our species will go extinct by 2050, and that's our most conservative estimate," said Glen Murray.

"Global warming is a problem that increases exponentially," Murray added.

Although Lawrence Cannon at the time gave us a preview of what the clean air act was going to sound like, most critics feel it is not enough. Current increased investment in public transit is a great start but fuel efficiency standards need to be toughened.

For example the Clean Air Act sets out a goal of "5 per cent renewable fuel content in motor fuels by 2010."

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Astral Reflections



By TIM STEPHENS

JANUARY 21, 2006- JANUARY 27, 2007

Aries - (March 21-April 19)

Now to late February a wave of popularity, group activities, entertainment, flirtations, optimism and future plans surfs into your life! Ride this lucky wave - it can carry you to important, beneficial places: to other countries, to higher learning and cultural events (someone's wedding? Yours?) to legal matters, to publishing and media events, and to love. Rest, lie low, roll with the shocks Sunday/Monday - don't chase love. Your charisma and energy soar Tuesday/Wednesday - start something! Chase money Thursday. For six weeks, VIPs will be impatient and humorless - behave, be dutiful.

Taurus - (April 20-May 20)

Your status, career and relations with important people are emphasized during the four weeks ahead. This week, everyone in power (parents, bosses, judges) gives you the benefit of the doubt and favors your proposals. It's an excellent time for closed-door discussions (Tuesday afternoon PST, eve EST and Europe, and Wednesday) and ambitious action (Thursday, pre-dawn Friday). Earlier, Sunday and Monday are happy but "dangerous" - don't gossip nor endanger your reputation, and don't mix money (investments) and friends. Now to late February, legal and travel matters need caution, not impulsiveness!

Gemini - (May 21-June 20)

A sweet, mellow, broad-minded, understanding mood steals over you during the four weeks ahead. You could fall in love, mentally and physically. You could wed, start an affair, or meet someone you'll marry later. After years of puzzlement, even negative feelings, now you're hopeful about love - and more, about the wide world! Travel, foreign-born people, cultural affairs, legal matters, higher learning, philosophy, religion and publishing also surge with luck! Be cautious Sunday/Monday (in career, reputation and love) and Friday (retreat, rest). Be careful, slow with investments through late February.

Cancer - (June 21-July 22)

The month ahead emphasizes mystery, the depths of life - dreams, subconscious urges, research, lust, pregnancy, mortgages, investments, large commitments, lifestyle changes, everything that can change your life in major, long-lasting ways. Proceed confidently - respond to hunches (that fleeting little nudge inside) rather than logic. To late February, relationships will excite and challenge, attract and

infuriate you. Make love, not war! Partnerships can succeed in ambitious areas. This week needs caution, especially Sunday/Monday (in work, health, legalities and those "mystery" areas) Tuesday (temper) and Friday (happy heart, aching bank account).

Leo - (July 23-Aug. 22)

Relationships and opportunities fill the weeks ahead. You might fall in love, or wed. Or you might strike up a creative, lucky business association/partnership. The (main) person involved is talkative, humorous, gentle, kind, adventurous and idealistic. Big chores confront you also, perhaps in legal, travel, publishing, educational or similar areas. Foreign-born people could play a prominent, lucky role. The present week is rather bumpy, so proceed with caution. Sunday/Monday need care with sex, intimacy, romance, risks, finances and commitments. Wisdom, love, travel fill Tuesday/Wednesday. Be ambitious Thursday/Friday. Happiness Saturday!

Virgo - (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

A month of work, machinery, service and health concerns has just begun. Eat and dress sensibly, get regular rest. Your chores will be relieved (through February) by a streak of romantic joy. This attraction has an intense, mysterious, even lustful side - be honest, open! During the same interval, you're willing to take big risks in finances, investments and debt. You're basically lucky here, but proceed carefully. Relationships could disappoint Sunday/Monday, despite your optimism. Go slow. That deep attraction or financial commitment could arise Tuesday/Wednesday. Wisdom, gentle joys come Thursday.

Libra - (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

I already warned you about friction at home or with parents/kids through late February - ease this with exercise, gardening, or discussing/starting hopeful real estate, renovation or similar projects with your partner. Despite the testy domestic atmosphere, the four weeks ahead bring pleasure, joys from children, romance, speculative and creative success - you're on a winning streak! Lovers fight; fighters love - but this can be a great time to work out potential problems. Be cautious Sunday/Monday - avoid love scenes. Relationships excite Tuesday/Wednesday. Seek intimacy Thursday, not Friday. Love, gentle joy Saturday!

Scorpio - (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

The accent lies on your domestic scene, parent-kid relations, nurturing and sheltering others, gardening/agriculture, Mother Nature, real estate, foundations, sales territory, security, retirement, endings and beginnings. All these are accompanied by a smooth, productive luck, and they synchronize well with 2007's larger money luck. (For example, your income might be enhanced enough to support a new mortgage.) This is also a hibernation period, pulling you toward sleep and digestive/reflec-

tive moments, but you're restless enough to get things done! Avoid romantic and career showdowns Sunday/Monday. Work succeeds Tuesday/Wednesday, money or intimacy Saturday.

Sagittarius - (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

The month ahead is busy but not important - except in the sense that all 2007 is a lucky, vital time for you. These weeks are great for gathering information - exercise your curiosity! But these are not great weeks for investments; money will flow to you, but you might be so scattered that you waste it. Be focused. A friend might become a "partner" (January 27?). Your energy and charisma soar Sunday/Monday - but you'll see the resistance that abides in love, legal, travel or learning zones. Romance, creativity, beauty arrive Tuesday/Wednesday!

Capricorn - (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

The month ahead luckily emphasizes money, earnings, spending, possessions, sensuality, memory and rote learning. Your sexual magnetism rises now through late February. So does your courage, executive ability, and tendency to say "this works, that won't." Launch financial projects early, as delays enter slightly before mid-February. Speak and drive cautiously Sunday/Monday. You'll be informed of a "financial reality." Sink into rest and contemplation Tuesday/Wednesday - you might start a significant project that ends one situation and nurtures a future one. Romance, creativity and pleasure please Thursday, disappoint Friday - act early!

Aquarius - (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Recent gloom and weariness ends! Now through February, your energy rises, your charisma shines; your effectiveness and sense of timing are superb! Start important projects, seek favors, submit proposals, and knock on the door of special groups. But at the same time (through February) be inscrutable, avoid "light talk." Don't announce your plans or intentions; others might think you're boasting, or plan a "competitive bid." Avoid violent people. Don't mix money and friends Sunday/Monday. Mid-week's great for paperwork, travel and details. Establish your launching pad Thursday. Romance calls Saturday!

Pisces - (Feb. 19-March 20)

Your energy and magnetism rise Sunday/Monday, but this is a short counter-trend - overall, the four weeks ahead lower your vitality. Nature wants you to rest, contemplate, and explore your soul. So have a lot of power naps, eat and dress sensibly, etc. You'll experience mild good luck in dealing with government agencies, institutions, charities, spiritual people, advisors, psychics, and warehouses. Don't accept new obligations Sunday/Monday. (And squelch rebellious impulses in the presence of bosses and parents!) Money succeeds Tuesday eve, Wednesday. Communicate, travel Thursday. Seek home, nature's beauty Saturday.

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- A Voyeuristic View Into Canada's Dorm Rooms -

Top 10 sex fetishes



DR. BRIAN PARKER

Dear Sex Doc;
I share a house with a bunch of guys and have started getting zit like bumps on the back of my legs. We all share the bathroom and toilets. I'm afraid I got an STD or something. Is it possible to catch something from a toilet seat?
Scared to Sit When I Sh @ BCIT**

Dear Scared to Sit When I Sh** @ BCIT;
You've probably developed some pretty massive quads from hovering the last month or two. But, be assured that the chances of getting a STD from a toilet seat are slim to none.
Most of the organisms that cause STDs, whether viral or bacterial, will die almost immediately on a toilet. In fact, STDs need a warm, moist body to survive. Even if someone with a raging case of chlamydia unloaded a huge discharge on a toilet seat, the chances of the 'sitter' getting infected are extremely rare.
Theoretically, if you're sitting on the shitter a heartbeat after one of your infected buds, you could catch something. However, you would either have to be dragging your peehole and/or asshole all over the seat to get it.
Or, it is possible that living bacteria or viruses could make

their way into your body through cracks in your skin.
But Scared to Sit When I Sh**, one STD that is possible (but again, highly unlikely) to contract from your roommates' toilet treats is crabs.
Crabs are parasites that feed on human blood. You'd know you have them if your groin is permanently attached to your cat's scratching pole. Plus, you'd notice little red dots (blood) in your tighty whities.
Crabs can live outside of the body for about 24 hours. So STSWIS, theoretically, they could be on a toilet seat until they find another host to eat. However, the little buggers are more likely to jump from pubes to pubes.
The zit-like bumps on your legs could be a number of minor skin conditions including folliculitis. This is an inflammation of the hair follicles, which looks like small, white-headed pimples. If the rash on your legs is folliculitis, it will most likely clear up by itself in a couple of days. If the rash remains, please consult your family doctor.
Now STSWIS and all you students out there, I don't want you all freaking out about toilet seats. Like I mentioned, the chances of catching something from sitting on the pooper are very rare. It is always a good idea to wipe the seat and/or use a 'seat' protector.
Toilet seats do get a bit of a bum rap. But research on germs regularly shows that the chances of getting a bacterial infection from a telephone are 50 times more likely than from sitting on the porcelain bowl.

Dear Sex Doc;
I'm sure you've heard of a lot of strange things people are into sexually. What is the weirdest thing you've ever heard of?
Happily 'Normal' @ UBCO

Dear Happily 'Normal' @ UBCO;
Yes, I've been fortunate (or unfortunate) to have worked with and studied people who get off on a number of different things. I thought I'd compile a list of the Top 10 strangest fetishes I've heard of so all you students out there who think you're super kinky can have a new perspective on how sexually whacked some people are.
For those of you not in the sexual know, a fetish is an obsessive preoccupation with an inanimate object such as a high heel shoe or a non-sexual body part that elicits sexual arousal and may become necessary for sexual gratification.
You're right Happily 'Normal,' some people are into some pretty strange shit, quite literally. Starting off the list is Scat or Coprophilia. These are people who love to poop or be pooped on for sexual reasons.
My ninth strangest fetish is people who call themselves Furries or Furverts. Furverts get off on life-sized cartoon mascots. They either enjoy wearing the costume or having sex with the mascot. So Happily 'Normal,' if you don't get a boner over your school mascot you probably aren't into this.
Coming in at number eight is Body Inflation. People into this fetish wear body inflation suits, which are generally made of rubber to get their groove on. Following

closely behind is Fat Admirers. This fetish is pretty self-explanatory. They are usually referred to as chubby chasers, feeders, or gainers.
Though most people might think this is pretty sick, I've put Testicle / Breast Torture in sixth place. This fetish involves torturing the goods with sledgehammers, electro-shock, and the like. Coming in halfway is what is referred to as a Robot Fetish. Here, individuals use either robot dolls or costumes resembling aliens for an out of this world sexual experience.
Medical Procedures Fetishes comes in fourth spot. These people enjoy things like being put under with anesthesia or being catheterized during sex. The third wackiest fetish, in my opinion, is called Messies. Individuals in this category love to get down and dirty with vomit, mud, pee, and pretty well anything stinky and messy.
Coming in at number two is a Balloon Fetish. This kink involves sexual arousal and gratification from balloons due to the material and/or inflation.
Now all these might seem pretty out there Happily 'Normal,' but none compete with the fetish I've put in number one. Bug Chasers are individuals who seek out HIV positive individuals and have unprotected sex with them for the sole purpose of becoming infected.
As you can see Happily 'Normal,' there are lots of people into many different kinks. It's best not to judge others on their sexual choices. If they don't hurt anyone, they are doing no harm.

Harsh air

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In Brazil, many people drive "Flex Cars" which are cars capable of running off any blend of gas or ethanol.
Although the Conservatives' attempt to fight climate change may be light, the fact they are trying to come up with a solution that does not kill the economy is understandable. Yet, it does not kill the problem.
On another note, despite the fact that CFCs have already been banned, the hole in the ozone layer over the Antarctic is literally bigger than all of North America. This helps point out a bigger problem.
I am not suggesting that we go back and de-industrialize, throw away the economy, and turn our backs on technology. But what I am suggesting is that we, as a people, as a country, and as humans need to look at the way we live. We need to give back what we take and find a level of harmony as we do it.
It is clear that these issues will eventually be our undoing. Whether you believe that or not does not matter. The wheels are in motion and we are frantically trying to slam on the brakes. One thing is clear, in order to help out the next generation, this one needs to step up to the plate.

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ARTS & CULTURE

Winspear's game for video show



By BRENT CONSTANTIN

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Described as a mixture between a rock concert, an orchestra, and a film by concert co-creator and videogame composer, Tommy Tallarico, the show promises to be something that everyone can enjoy.

"Non-gamers are definitely the most impressed," says Tallarico.

"The show opens their eyes to what video-gamers have known for

years. Game music isn't just bleeps and bloops. It's a real art form, and that's what we want to show. We want to display videogames in a cultured way," he says.

As a veteran of the game industry for over 17 composing soundtracks, and 10 years co-hosting North America's longest running game themed show, Electric Playground, Tallarico says that the business has proven it's not just for kids.

"Videogames are the entertainment choice of the 21st century," Tallarico boasts.

"Today of course younger people make up a significant portion of the user base, but the majority of people buying and playing games are in their early thirties. These are the people that started with Mario and Zelda, and as they've grown up the games have grown up with them."

"What we're trying to do is get people excited about games, and gamers excited about live orchestra. It's something that some people might find a little dry, so if we can ease them in with music they're familiar with hopefully they'll love it and come back for more!"

When asked which classics will make an appearance Tallarico assured that they'll be showcasing some of the most iconic

themes.

"We've got Mario, Zelda, Halo, Final Fantasy, Warcraft stuff, just to name a few. People familiar with the tunes come in and are blown away when they see what we've done. We've got synchronized music, and video and stage performances going on, so it's pretty amazing."

The show also has a special treat for the Edmonton area. The city's own videogame studio, BioWare (creator of titles such as Jade Empire and Star Wars: Knights of the Old Republic), has some of its original music premiered at the Winspear.

"BioWare is one of the leading game houses in the world right now," Tallarico says, "and we're all really excited about bringing their pieces into the show."

Groundbreaking Video Games Live concert makes its Alberta debut with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra Jan. 22 and 23.

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Videogames Live crew sets up before a show.

- Concert Review -

Pot, porkers and the Hip



By BRENT CONSTANTIN

Now maybe it's just me but unless the lead-singer opens fire on the audience with a handgun, or the entire band spontaneously combusts onstage I find it difficult to label anything a bad show.

Likewise, unless you're pulled up on stage and become part of the band I can't imagine it being the best show ever.

But regardless, Gord Downie and the Tragically Hip lit up Rexall Sunday night. Literally, if you count the number of people in section 101 who lit up during some of their more iconic tunes to a near sell out crowd.

The audio at Rexall isn't the best, but The Hip made the best with what they had. Downie rocked out as hard as anyone (early forties or otherwise) flailing around wildly, and entertaining the audience without the benefit of pyrotechnics or flashy visual displays.

The trademark Downie rambling was present, it was no "Killer Whale Tank" but he still seemed to be into it shouting at the crowd like a drunken homeless person. Downie pranced around the stage in front of blurry video of telephone poles and giraffes as he belted his way through a few of the Hip's 100 plus catalogue. He won't win any



Gord Downie rocks out on his guitar at Rexall Place.

awards for dancing if that's what you want to call his shuffling, but it was enough to pass off some of his energy to the crowd, who ate it up with a case of the munchies.

Despite some lack of obvious enjoyment on some of their newer songs, since you could tell how much the crowd was into it by who was standing up and smoking up, the classics more than made up for it. I swear when the first few bars of Ahead by a Century came on the whole building erupted.

As always I enjoy watching people dance at stadium concerts, the limitations of trying to move to the music inside of a two foot radius amuses me, and this one didn't let me down. Maybe it was the music, maybe it was Downie dry hump-

ing the microphone, or maybe it was just the drugs and \$7.50 beer, but I saw quite a few people desperately flailing around trying their best to show everyone else just how much they like the Tragically Hip.

I guess I hadn't realized it until last Sunday but the Hip's audience is so broad it's eerie. How many other bands enjoy such appeal? Kids, college students, workin' folks, business people, I focused for a good 10 minutes on a morbidly obese couple of 50-somethings making out in front of me and couldn't help but think how "cute it was."

All in all it was a good show from a band that performs in smaller venues, and a great turnout considering how often they come by.

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Improv's a blast for \$10

By BRENT CONSTANTIN

As the target audience for Theatresports, chances are most of you reading this article have either A) heard about the show, or B) have checked it out. But just in case you're blissfully ignorant, Theatre-sports (put on by the Rapid Fire improvisational troupe) is pretty much the best thing you can do for \$10.

Located at the Varscona Theatre, off Whyte, Theatresports and its sister show Chimprov, are weekly improv shows (think Whose Line is it Anyway, but actually funny) showing at 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

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"People have this misconception about theatre," says Joe Vanderhelm a senior member of the improv troupe.

"They think it's not something that's relevant to them, but people come down to our shows and enjoy themselves and don't realize that what they're watching is theatre! We try to open people up to what's out there," Vanderhelm adds.

With a rich tradition here in the city, Rapid Fire is involved in more than just Theatresports and Chimprov. Rapid Fire players go on to form their own production companies, musical groups, produce films and plays seen each year at our own Fringe festival.


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Bad Boy Bill comes calling



By **ROBIN J. EGERTON**

Who: Bad Boy Bill
(www.badboybill.com)
Where: Fever Nightclub
When: Tonight (Thursday)
Doors: 9 p.m.

Edmonton is in for a treat. Bad Boy Bill, America's favourite DJ, founding partner of Beatport.com, and a definitive force behind the development of the Hard House genre, is returning to Edmonton tonight for a gig at Fever, courtesy of Connected Entertainment.

Bad Boy Bill was born and raised in Chicago. He started mixing records at the age of 14 when the house scene was brand new and electric. He became an avid fan of radio station WBMX's Hot Mix Five mix team, and got his first break from Farley Jackmaster Funk, an original member of the HMF team in 1981.

Five years later Jackmaster Funk became the first DJ ever to get a house single on the charts. Bill wasn't far behind.

Bill formed his own record label while still a senior in high school, and his love of the aggressive and chunky house sound propelled him to the top spot in the Midwest Division of DMC's Battle DJ competition. He then went on to become a regular "house"-hold name on Chicago's B96 coining the name Bad Boy Bill while hosting his own radio show, Street Mix.

To put this in perspective, when Flock of Seagulls and Corey Hart were becoming big, Bad Boy Bill was already ripping up and redefining the world of electronic music. He was etching his own sound into a relatively new musical concept.

One that would later spread around the world and be played everywhere from back-alley underground US clubs, to ultra-chic lounges, to European, Asian, and South American arena parties with thousands upon thousands in attendance.

His career has taken him to Germany where he maintained a long time residency, and now plays up to 150 gigs annually including nights at Carl Cox's Crobar Nightclub in Chicago.

This particular tour will see him in only three Canadian cities: Edmonton, Calgary and Toronto. Edmonton is the first stop.

His Bangin' the Box CD series is one of the best selling series in dance music history, and this tour is

to help him promote the release of his fourteenth compilation album, Behind the Decks Live, which was released in October of 2006. This is his first CD and live DVD set.

I got the chance to ask him about his new release, and here's what he had to say:

RE: What can someone expect from Behind the Decks Live?

BBB: The concept behind the multi-media format is designed to bring people into the club scene, whether you're new to the music or have loved it for a while but haven't gotten the chance to see me live.

The DVD will bring you into the whole experience of a Bad Boy Bill live set. You get to go behind the scenes with me, and see the "making of" so to speak, of my live shows as well as exclusive interviews.

RE: How has the global dance scene changed since you started dj'ing?

BBB: It's exploded. It was small when I started, and it's amazing to see how huge it's become all over the world. It used to be just a group of guys who really loved this new sound, but now it's everywhere.

Bad Boy Bill is unique compared to a wide array of today's DJ's, because of his ability on the turntables and the show he puts on while exacting his skills. Known to use up to six different turntables and cdj's at once, Bill's style is fast, hard, and loose. If you need pauses between dance breaks forget about it, because you'll get none while in Bill's presence.

He seamlessly mixes banging electro house from the likes of Eric Prydz, Green Velvet, Fedde Le Grand, and Steve Angello with a cappella, and incorporates scratching and hip-hop techniques to create distinctive mash-ups.

His motivation is the audience. Bad Boy Bill loves nothing better than a crowd of people dancing themselves into a wild frenzy. "The payoff for me is seeing people dancing and having a great time during my set."

RE: Do you have a place you escape to in order to recharge your creative energies?

BBB: Yeah, the basketball court, although back home all eyes are on the Bears right now.

Fair enough. Go Bears. In Edmonton, however, all eyes will be on Fever Nightclub's main stage tonight, as Bad Boy Bill brings the house down...again.

- Movie Review Miss Potter -

Fairly good fairy tale movie



Renée Zellweger stars as Beatrix Potter



By **LIAM CRESWICK**



The life and times of Beatrix Potter, author and illustrator of such children's books as The Tales of Peter Rabbit, is chronicled in the new film Miss Potter.

Renée Zellweger is cast in the title role, and despite the fact she makes a face that looks like she's sucking a lemon throughout the movie, she does portray Potter as a sweet, likable young woman who we grow to care about and admire.

Ewan McGregor plays Norman Warne, Miss Potter's fledgling publisher and love interest. McGregor's bumbling yet charismatic character really steals the show.

The director attempts to use the cute, pleasant style of the early 1900's children's books to tell Miss Potter's story. In some aspects this works well, the sets, locations, and cinematography are as bright and beautiful as Miss Potter's illustrations. On the other side, the attempt at quaint British dialogue, especially from Zellweger, feels forced and contrived at times.

This fairy tale-like romance story buries a few nuggets of wisdom under all its whimsy. Beatrix Potter is a shining example of female independence and strength – not an easy feat given the time period.

Miss Potter isn't exactly the kind of movie you and your buddies might head to on a Friday night. But it is a fairly interesting story about a young woman's determination to follow her dreams and shake loose other's expectations.

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SPORTS

Students put on their poker face

By Sean Szopa

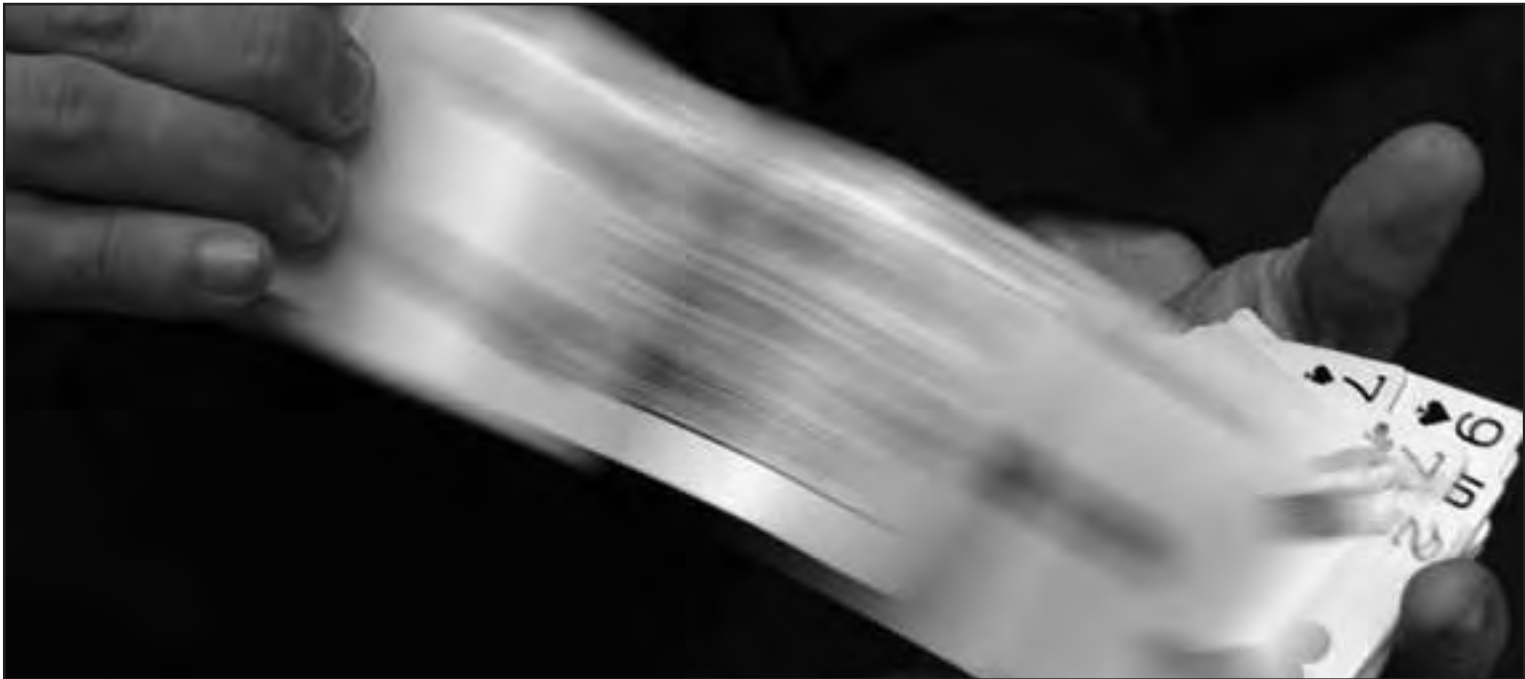
A breed of sport from the past has climbed its way back into the picture around the world. In fact, we are seeing cards and chips scrambled around poker players in schools all over the place.

There are many forms of poker. Originating in the early 1900s in Texas, Texas Hold'em has been around for over a century and is still growing strong. The explosion happened in 2003 when the World Series of Poker gained fame after the winner originated from online play. The real question is: Can poker be tabbed as a sport?

The creation of online poker has substantially increased popularity because of easy access. Many individuals who enjoy poker lost opportunities in the past because they could only play in casinos or have home-based games.

The youth in our society are getting more involved with poker and creating a buzz around social gatherings such as school. Every other table has coloured chips stacked or laying across the surface. Youths of all ages have fire in their eyes combined with the information circling in their minds from all of the possible situations.

Here at NAIT, the fascination continues as students shuffle up and deal around campus. One of the hot



Deal the cards right, and you could win yourself some money in the HP Centre.

Photo: Lisi Monro

spots for poker is in the HP Centre. With the long breaks in between classes, it is a great chance to play some cards.

Usually, the normal poker setup is with five to six individuals. The pot consists of around \$50-\$60 all together. Nevertheless, pots can be a lot larger, but these “high roller” tables are usually casino tournaments or ones that have been organized for a while.

A few of the students who played

poker in the HP Centre, including Computer Engineering student Kurtis Nielsen, said that it was an exciting way to pass the time and hopefully make some money.

“Poker is not just for making some money, but is also a great way of starting great conversations,” says Kurtis Nielsen.

“Even though I don’t win all the time, I still feel like I’m using my mind and skills so it’s worth it,” says Nielsen.

“I really think more people should get into it. It does keep kids out of trouble, but they portray responsible gambling.”

Without a doubt, the ultimate question is going to be if poker can be labeled as a sport. Yes, there is no contact and you don’t have to be athletic, but you need your mind’s strength and endurance.

Sometimes a simple poker game can last for hours and hours. “To be successful you have to be alert

at all times, and that right there along with the popularity makes it a sport,” Nielsen states.

In the past few years, Poker has made its way into schools, homes, Internet sites, advertising and on television. The hype isn’t going anywhere anytime soon, and it’s expanding all over the world. This recent success is creating more of a debate that poker is more than a game – it is truly a sport.

Athletes of the week



Dale-Marie Cumberbatch
Women’s Basketball

The NAIT Women’s athlete of the week is basketball forward, Dale-Marie Cumberbatch, who was on fire this weekend. She scored 27 points on Friday and 30 points on Saturday against the Wolves of GPRC. Dale-Marie is currently leading the ACAC in scoring, and averaging 23 points per game prior to this weekend. A first year student in NAIT’s Digital and Interactive Media program, Dale-Marie was born in Barbados and played her high school ball in Edmonton at Harry Ainlay. Well done Dale-Marie.

This week’s NAIT Male athlete of the week is Oaks shooting guard, Cedrick Duhamel-Flynn, who scored four goals and three assists. He powered the team to a weekend sweep of the league leading SAIT Trojans. With his weekend total Cedrick now leads the ACAC in scoring and points, with 19 goals and 10 assists for 29 points in 16 games. The smooth skating center from St. Lambert, Quebec, is a freshman in NAIT’s Bilingual Business program. The Oaks are counting on Cedrick to continue his outstanding play as they challenge for ACAC supremacy.



Cedrick Duhamel-Flynn
Men’s Hockey

Former Quebec junior thrives with Oaks

By MARK RODGERS

As Cedrick Duhamel came out of the locker room last Friday night he looked spent. He should look tired as he was one of the dominant players on the ice that night.

He scored the winning goal for the Oaks and handed the SAIT Trojans their first regulation loss. Duhamel is leading the ACAC with 25 points in 15 games as of Friday, Jan. 12.

When asked to get a few words after the game he said that his English was not too good, but in the language of stats he is very fluent. Duhamel came here from Quebec where he played 129 games and tallied 141 points with three different junior teams.

“In Quebec it’s a bit more technical maybe, and a little more finesse hockey. Here it’s a faster pace and hard hitting. But it’s good for me to adjust to different types of hockey,” says Duhamel who has found the adjustment from the Quebec junior leagues to the ACAC an enjoyable one.

Making the adjustment on the ice is perhaps a little easier than the cultural adjustment. Going to Ger-



Cedrick Duhamel is interviewed after the game on Friday

many to play with the Hugelshelm Hornets last year may have helped him get a feel for living outside of Quebec.

“I was starting up there as a 20 year old and it was still good hockey. I got paid and had my apartment taken care of. It was more of a life experience than anything else. It was great,” Duhamel says.

“It’s been a bit of a transition. It’s a different culture but I’m happy to be here, and it helps to open up my mind to different cultures,” he says since he’s only been in Alberta for the last four and a half months.

“The teachers have really made it good for us, and Terry Ballard knows how the ACAC works. He’s been here for 10 years. My main

goal here was to get a diploma.”

Not wanting to quit hockey and still looking to get a solid education Cedrick is taking Bilingual Business. He sees himself playing over in Europe for a few more years after he gets his diploma.

“The ACAC this year has great teams. It’s going to be a tight race to the finish, and we are probably one of the best teams. I hope we are, we have to believe it,” said Cedrick when asked about the tough race in the ACAC this year.

With eight games left for the Oaks, five teams are only seven points apart, so the scramble to the finish and the playoffs should be hotly contested.

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- Around NAIT -

NAIT men break Trojans

By ANDREW DUNAJ

The playoffs are starting to sneak up on all the Ooks teams nowadays, so what do they do? Win the big games.

Well some of the teams did. The undefeated SAIT Trojans made their way into town on Friday for the start of their second home and home battle of the year against the Ooks.

Not intimidated by the massive size of the Trojans NAIT came out strong with a pretty goal from forward Jeremy McKibbin.

The Ooks didn't trail once during the game, and surprised the pro-Trojan crowd coming out on top with a 4-3 win.

Ooks forward Guillaume Martel scored with 7:04 left in the third for the winner. The loss was SAIT's first in regulation this year.

During the Saturday night rematch in Calgary many expected the Trojans to come out with a vengeance against NAIT.

To everyone's surprise, however, the Ooks were the ones who came out and continued to lay down a beating on SAIT. When the dust had finally settled the NAIT Ooks had delivered the Trojans their second loss of the season in a 8-3 thumping.

Ooks forward Cedric Duhamel kicked in an amazing three goals and three assists that night for NAIT. The Ooks now find themselves tied for second spot with Mount Royal at 21 points.

The Women this weekend were not as fortunate. They started off getting shut out against Red Deer Thursday night four to nothing. They didn't have much more luck Saturday night in a 5-2 loss.

Ashley Sochatsky had a goal and an assist for NAIT. The two losses keep the Ooks tied with the University of Calgary for the spot in the basement of the ACAC.

Let's turn our attention to basketball. Both teams made weekend trips up to Grande Prairie. Starting off with the men, the Ooks started the weekend off right with a 78-68 win over Grande Prairie.

The next day, however, Grande Prairie got their revenge in a 69-65 win. After the weekend series it leaves NAIT still tied with Grande Prairie for fourth place in the ACAC.

The women were not as lucky as the men over the weekend. They opened up with a 70-52 loss followed by another thrashing 95-78.

The two losses push the Ooks dismal road record to 1-7 and keep the Ooks four points out of fourth



Ooks forward Guillaume Martel breaks through the Trojan

Photo: Carly Fletcher


in the ACAC.

In Volleyball the men lost all three matches this weekend.

Starting off with a 3-2 loss against the Kings, the Ooks followed with two clean sheets against Briercrest 3-0. This keeps the boys eight points deep in last place.

The women did have a positive weekend however. They opened with a 3-2 win against the Kings, and followed with a split with Briercrest. This puts the girls six points back of Grande Prairie for fourth place.

That was this week in sports around NAIT. Make sure you take the time to come down and support your Ooks for some exciting ACAC action.



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Hey how 'bout
them Oilers?



By ANDREW DUNAJ

Hockey Day in Canada has come and gone. Even though the hockey broadcasts were full of heartwarming minor hockey stories, a sour taste still remains in Oiler fans' mouths. Another solid effort by the Oilers again leads to a tough 3-1 loss against the Calgary Flames.

The loss makes it their seventh in a row against division foes, and makes winning the division just a little more difficult for them.

Be honest with yourself Oiler fans. Did you truly expect the team to win the Northwest without a solid d-man?

The Oilers were and have played like a sub-par team most of the season. The only reason why Edmonton had a solid start to the year was because of Dwayne Roloson, who ended up standing on his head every game.

Now the trade talks heat up with the deadline fast approaching. Will Ryan Smyth be gone? Will Jason Smith be gone? Being a local icon it seems highly unlikely Ryan Smyth would actually think of leaving Edmonton. But what can Kevin Lowe and the Oilers do?

Ryan will no doubt be asking for around \$5 million to \$6 million, and can Edmonton afford that without giving up to much? I don't know about the hockey fans out there, but I sure can't wait for another exciting trade deadline day.

Also the NHL all star game is fast approaching. It will be our first look at Sid the Kid playing on a line with Alex the Great. Look for some great plays from those two without a doubt.

I'd like to give honourable mentions to two Oilers: Ryan Smyth who will make the Western Conference team, and to Ladislav Smid who will be playing for the West in the Young Stars game.

The NFL playoffs are in full throttle and Jeff Garcia's magical run with the Eagles has ended. That was a tough game to pick a team to cheer for seeing the Cinderella Saints facing the Cinderella Eagles.

Peyton Manning and the Colts win their big match up this weekend against the Ravens in a kickers' affair. Now the question resurfaces itself: can Peyton win the big one?

Surely he must be sweating it out waiting till next Sunday. The Chicago Bears celebrate their first playoff win since '94 in the game which everyone thought to be a blowout but was resolved in O.T.

Congratulations goes out to the Edmonton Rush who opened the season with their first career home win, but later lost to Calgary in a controversial finish.

The Super Bowl is fast approaching and may be the only exciting post season action that Edmonton sports' fans see this season if the Oilers don't step it up and make a trade.

ACAC Standings

MEN'S HOCKEY										
Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Tie	OTL	Points	GF	GA	Home	Away
SAIT	16	10	2	3	1	24	87	50	5-1-2	5-2-1
Mount Royal	14	10	3	1	0	21	87	46	7-0-1	3-3-0
NAIT	16	10	5	1	0	21	86	65	6-3-0	4-2-1
Concordia	16	8	7	1	0	17	65	64	5-3-1	3-4-0
MacEwan	14	8	5	1	0	17	49	45	2-4-0	6-1-1
Augustana	16	2	10	1	3	8	45	85	1-6-1	1-7-0
Briercrest	16	1	12	2	1	5	36	100	1-5-0	0-8-2
WOMEN'S HOCKEY										
Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Tie	OTL	Points	GF	GA	Home	Away
MacEwan	16	11	5	0	0	22	67	43	6-2-0	5-3-0
SAIT	16	8	4	4	0	20	57	41	5-2-1	3-2-3
Red Deer	16	8	6	2	0	18	49	35	5-2-1	3-4-1
Mount Royal	16	7	6	3	0	17	49	44	3-3-2	4-3-1
U of C	16	4	10	1	1	10	26	50	3-4-1	1-7-0
NAIT	16	5	11	0	0	10	37	72	3-5-0	2-6-0

MEN'S BASKETBALL									
Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Points	PF	PA	Home	Away	Streak
MacEwan	16	13	3	26	1408	1166	5-2	8-1	W2
Lakeland	16	12	4	24	1235	1160	5-2	7-2	W1
Concordia	16	10	6	20	1175	1116	5-3	5-3	L1
NAIT	16	7	9	14	1209	1206	4-5	3-4	L1
Grande Prairie	14	7	7	14	1084	1059	3-5	4-2	W1
Augustana	14	4	10	8	1095	1186	2-4	2-6	W3
The King's Univ College	16	1	15	2	1088	1401	1-8	0-7	L12

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL									
as of January 13, 2007									
North Division									
Team	Games	Wins	Losses	Points	PF	PA	Home	Away	Streak
MacEwan	16	14	2	28	1203	908	6-1	8-1	W5
The King's Univ College	16	12	4	24	1139	1035	6-3	6-1	L2
Grande Prairie	14	11	3	22	968	890	7-1	4-2	W4
Concordia	16	7	9	14	1039	1025	4-5	3-4	W2
NAIT	16	5	11	10	1031	1103	4-4	1-7	L2
Lakeland	16	3	13	6	911	1145	2-5	1-8	L3
Augustana	14	2	12	4	898	1083	1-5	1-7	L6

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL									
as of January 14, 2007									
Blue Division									
Team	MP	MW	ML	Points	GW	GL	Home	Away	Streak
MacEwan	18	15	3	30	48	19	9-1	6-2	L1
Red Deer	18	14	4	28	47	18	7-3	7-1	W2
Mount Royal	16	10	6	20	36	25	6-2	4-4	W1
Grande Prairie	18	10	8	20	34	30	3-3	7-5	L2
Briercrest	18	6	12	12	25	41	5-5	1-7	W2
The King's Univ. College	17	5	12	10	24	41	2-6	3-6	W2
NAIT	17	1	16	2	9	49	1-8	0-8	L10

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL									
as of January 14, 2007									
Blue Division									
Team	MP	MW	ML	Points	GW	GL	Home	Away	Streak
MacEwan	18	16	2	32	48	17	9-1	7-1	L2
Mount Royal	16	14	2	28	45	7	8-1	6-1	W4
Red Deer	18	13	5	26	40	18	7-2	6-3	W5
Grande Prairie	18	8	10	16	30	39	3-3	5-7	L5
NAIT	17	5	12	10	23	44	4-5	1-7	W1
The King's Univ. College	17	4	13	8	19	43	2-6	2-7	L4
Briercrest	18	1	17	2	14	51	1-9	0-8	L1

I Volunteer!

Rm. E-133 Ph: 491-3966

Coming up on March 3rd NAIT is once again hosting our annual SS Bene. † NAIT Cruise, if you would like more details about this event please contact Shannon in E-133 the NAITSA Volunteer Centre.

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.

Ainembabazi Children's Project is now recruiting volunteers to help with the day to day operations of its organization. Contact Kelly at 452-7992 or check out their web site at www.synergy-art-circuit.org.

Catholic Social Services is now recruiting volunteers for the following positions: Immigrant/Refugee Mentors, English Language Facilitators and ESL tutors. Contact Lily at 432-1137 for all the details.

Raising the Roof's Toque Tuesday Campaign is a national campaign that gives people from all walks of life the chance to raise funds, raise fun and raise awareness in the fight against homelessness in Canada. Toque Tuesday is February 6th, and we have a couple of events where we sell toques for \$10 each. Volunteers only need to come out for as long as they can commit, a couple hours...or the whole day! On Saturday, February 3rd we'll be at the Old Strathcona Farmer's market from 8am to 3pm, and on Toque Tuesday, February 6th we'll be downtown from 7am to 1pm. For more information on Raising the Roof and the Toque Campaign go to www.raisingtheroof.org and to volunteer in Edmonton contact Linda at 619-6784 or lporthsmouth@shaw.ca NEEDED! Information Week Volunteers The Student Recruitment Office is looking for student volunteers for the upcoming Information Week, February 5th-8th, 2007.

Your job is to provide a friendly, positive and warm reception to our guests. You will help visitors locate program information sessions and booths and provide information to students about your positive experience at NAIT if asked. Sign up sheet located in E-133 NAITSA Volunteer Centre.

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Design women aren't snobs

Dear Shmizzle A.K.A Super-Nerd...

I find it rather interesting that you would lump all the Architectural and Interior design women into one broad category of (to put it politely) snobs.

It truly is your loss as far as I am concerned. I would like to raise the possibility that maybe we are not snobs and may actually be quite shy. That said, I for one know that should someone open the door for me I make eye contact and say Thank-you.

Should I notice anyone looking at me I will again make eye contact and smile. I will go out of my way to help anyone who needs it, and I am not so traditional that I feel I cannot open the door for my male counter parts, which I will note in this letter that not many have offered me the same courtesy.

Quite often in fact I am left there waiting for a thank-you only to walk away shaking my head and wondering what has happened to the youth of today. Which brings to mind a few questions, when was the last time you smiled at a stranger?

-Architectural/Interior Design Technology Woman

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Looking for a room to rent? I have a two-storey apartment with a large unfurnished bedroom. There's enough room for a desk along with bedroom furniture.

The rest of the house is fully furnished. There is a small back yard, and an outside entrance as well as a hallway one. It's available ASAP. Rent is \$500/month. No deposit. All utilities included heat, water, electricity, cable, and Internet.

There are two bathrooms, living room, kitchen, eating area, and a large storage space for bikes etc. I have two cats and don't smoke. If you are interested or have any other questions please feel free to call Andrea

at 780-988-5451.

- Andrea

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Hi all! Yay! Another semester...that means Grapevines are runnin' again. All right let's start...Gangster of Love, MAN! I admire your determination... Good Luck! Hopefully you will find Emogirl and live happily ever after.

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To Amanda in my Math class, it's been three weeks since you stepped through that door and sat in that corner looking out through the windows. Don't worry I'm not stalking you. I just want to be friends and probably work with you on our math class one day if that's all right. I think you're smart, just quiet. Maybe let me buy you a cup of coffee or something to get started and get to know each other a little bit. Anyway, until next week... I'm out peace!

-Promethius-

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As a frequent visitor of the bathrooms at NAIT, I have noticed a great decline in the quality of cleaning over the last year. Is it too much to ask for there to be a toilet that we can sit on without wiping the seat free of liquid, or three day old blood first, or urinals that have pucks in them? Cleaning is important, as well as maintenance. What about working water fountains that have a decent pressure coming out of them? Fluorescent lights that need to be replaced take half a year, or more if they are ever replaced. Why must we suffer this?

When will it change?

-IceSynth

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It's not my fault I'm perfect.

-Jeff

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It's said that money makes the world go round. The truth is guys, the main reason we want money is

to impress the pussy. More money = more and/or better pussy. Thus it could be said pussy makes the world go round, but we only want pussy because we have dicks which in turn is an extension of the real hands at the helm – our balls. So if we accept the fact that we're all taking different paths to better pleasing our swelling balls, we can all get along knowing that we're at the mercy of the same master.

P.S. I'm pretty sure Emos have balls too.

- Mr. Mech

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To everyone: Romance is too long lived and a pain in the neck. I mean how am I going to fall for some dummy who is only interested in sex?

ANSWER: No one. Life is easier without the complications love and romance bring. So stop trying to get people who want to be alone. And to all couples, don't I repeat do not set your single friends up on dates unless they ask. It's annoying and a waste of time.

- MissMurder

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Dear Emogirl, My Quest for your heart began this past week. A friend and I went on a search for you. We heard a rumour that you are part of the Photography Program, so we went into the photography section. We went through the Staff Offices, but sadly you weren't there. Have no fear, soon we shall be together. You will be my Queen and I will be your King.

Sincerely,
The Gangsta of Love

P.S. Please send me a message my love. We have not spoken in quite some time!

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By STACEY DOUGLAS

Each year Time Magazine decides a Person of the Year. Generally this person has made a significant contribution to society at large. With websites like Myspace, and YouTube allowing for a grassroots approach to media and the sharing of information, Time, felt the most significant person is "You." This week we want to know "How do you feel being Time's Person of the Year?"



It's not possible because it's not one person...unless...they morphed everyone into one person.

Kelsey Holt, Chemical Technology



I don't know what Time's Person of the Year is.

Navi Thind, Business First Year



I haven't really thought about it. I guess I'm indifferent.

Robert Kirkland, Personal Fitness Trainer



That's, uh, pretty flattering.

Nadine Naaman, College Prep.



I thought that was pretty lame actually. They're trying too hard to be smart, but I wasn't impressed.

Sterling Turner, Accounting



Sam seeks shallow woman



By STACEY DOUGLAS

NAIT has a campus full of hot singles - hot singles who are scaredy cats! I can't lie - we were in a lurch this week because there was no Hot Single until a few hours ago. If we have no hot singles we have no Hot Single of the Week.

This is a cheerless thought, but you can do something about it! Make sure that the Hot Single of the Week will live a long and healthy life in the Nugget by participating - see the details below.

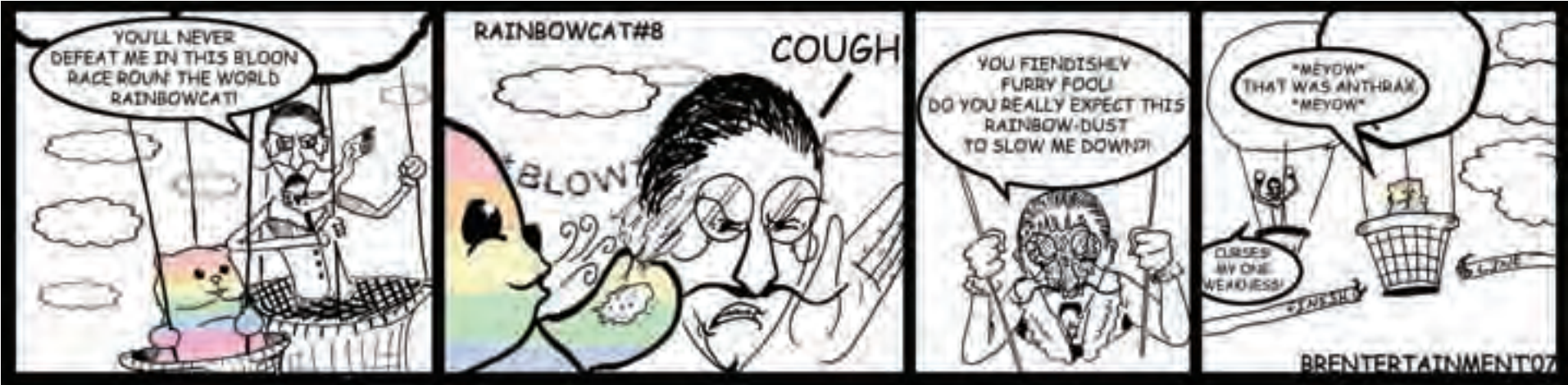
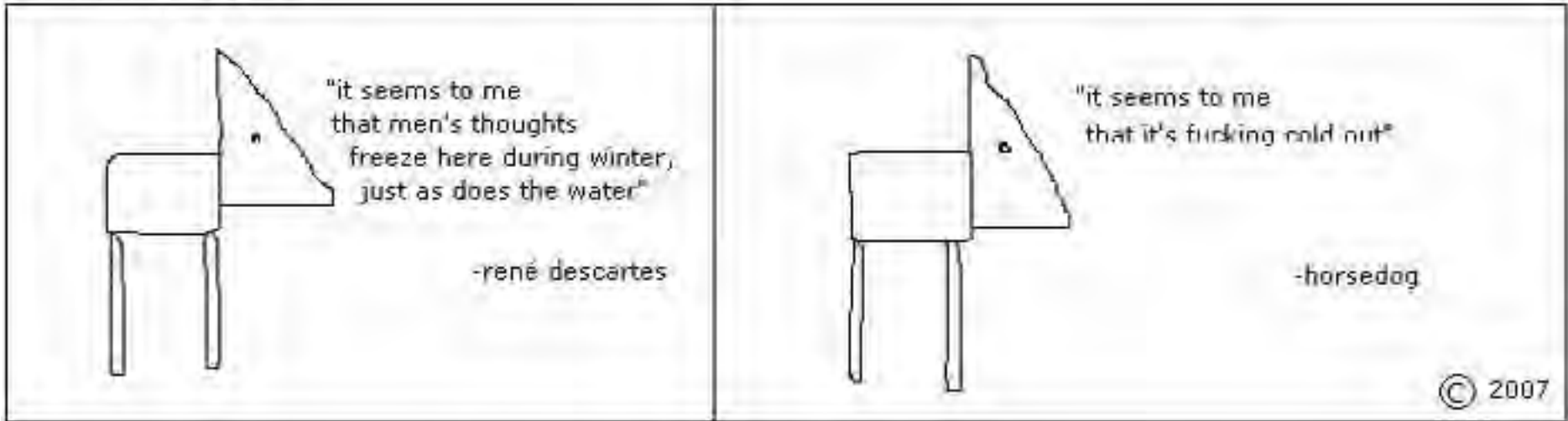
Now onto our hot - nay smokin' - single this week, Sam Martin. I suspect he pitied the absolute desperation in my eyes as I brainstormed lame substitutions for this feature like "Grooviest Shoes on Campus," or "What's in Your Lunch Bag?" Undeniably it was a low point, but Sam came through so here is the requisite Q&A.

SD: Why are you single Sam?	friend you meet playing the field be like?
SM: I seem to attract mingy (British slang for ugly) chicks. Wow, that's condescending, ha ha.	SM: She has to tolerate the fact that I like good movies and appreciate my sense of humour.
SD: It's a little shallow. Are you looking for a shallow girl?	SD: It sounds like you're a cinephile.
SM: Sure, why not, but I would prefer someone who's down to earth and not ditzy. We've got to keep it classy.	SM: Of course. You have to dig Tarantino, Scorsese, and Kubrick. If you've never heard of these people I'll be forced to educate you.
SD: OK. Are you looking to play the field or for a serious relationship?	Don't be fooled by Sam's self-professed condescension - he's really a nice guy. He pushed through his hesitation in being this week's Hot Single to help a friend out, which is something to think about ladies.
SM: I'd like to play the field to meet the serious girlfriend.	
SD: What should the potential serious girl-	

If you'd like Sam to educate you, e-mail nuggetsubmissions@hotmail.com. Same address if you'd like to be next week's Hot Single.

COMICS

horsedog by julie



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

Send us a high resolution copy of your work to nuggetsubmissions@hotmail.com and we'll try to get it in for you.