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NCAT officially open Dignitaries gather to kick off NAIT's newest technology building



The Loyal Edmonton Regiment drummers take part in the official opening of the NCAT building on Tuesday.

WS&FEATU

— Two words: Be aware —

Staying safe at school



GABRIELLE HAY-BYERS Student Affairs Editor

September has seen a rash of brutal sex assaults on university campuses in Ontario. The incidents began Sept. 1 and continued until Sept. 7, with attacks at Carleton, Laurentian, York and Wilfred Laurier universities. The Sept. 1 attack at Carleton left one woman in hospital with a

broken jaw and dislocated shoulder, and two students from a dorm room attack at York were treated and released from hospital. However, by far the strangest attack was on a University of Ottawa student by two of her classmates while on a trip to Gatineau, Que., that was not affiliated with the University of Ottawa. Two suspects were arrested within hours in that incident.

In the case of the attack at Carleton University, video surveillance may have aided in identifying a person of interest if it were of better quality. A spokeswoman for the Ottawa police said, "The video we have ... is [taken from] a great distance, so when we zoom in, it becomes grainy and that doesn't help with identifying the person."

Following these assaults, security was stepped up at several Ontario university campuses and school officials are discouraging any students from venturing out

So what precautions are being taken here at NAIT to keep all students safe? Jerry Hove, head of security here, commented on this very issue on Global News and talked to the *Nugget* to shed some light on our security efforts here at NAIT.

NAIT's security department is continually developing contingencies, and when asked if any incidents like the sexual assaults in Ontario have occurred at NAIT, Jerry Hove replied that nothing of that magnitude has ever affected our campus.

"The potential is always there ... (While) we don't have dorms here, the potential is always there for it to happen," he said.

"People should be aware of their actions and know that if they're going out of an area of the general population they should let someone know when they're coming and going."

Hove also offered up some general security tips to keep in mind while you're enjoying your stay here

"Make sure you're keeping track of personal property. Get a good lock with a protected shank to prevent locker breakins. Also, students should know that the only people authorized to cut locks at NAIT are security.

"Give us a call if you see anyone

else doing it, the number for the security office is 471-7477."



Jerry Hove Head of campus security



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NAIT Bookstore

NCAT building has landed!

GABRIELLE HAY-BYERS Student Affairs Editor

Tuesday, Sept. 18 marked the opening of the new NCAT building here at NAIT, which houses both the Spartan Centre for Instrumentation Technology and the Petro-Canada Centre for Millwright technology. These new centres allow NAIT to train hundreds more apprentices a year and supply skilled workers to an industry that does billions of dollars worth of projects in Alberta every year.

Despite NCAT's promising future, there is already some controversy surrounding the new building.

NCAT's grand opening caused many parking problems for those with spots in K-lot, as city officials and NAIT security services blocked off 103 Street, refusing both entrance and exit at 118 Avenue and Princess Elizabeth Avenue.

'Not helpful'

Although NAIT's security chief had been briefed on NCAT's opening, security staff had not been. As one NAIT staff member said, "Security was not helpful."

To redress the parking problems, NAIT administration will cover any parking tickets directly resulting from K-Lot's closure on Tuesday, whether the tickets are from NAIT or the city. In addition, apprentices marked late as a result are advised to speak to their instructors in order to be excused

And while the centre covers nearly 130,000 square feet, there is only one public drinking tap.

"There's no water fountains. We have to walk all the way to the HP Centre to get a drink of water," said Clay Gilmer, an Instrumentation Technology student. " ... and the sinks in the bathrooms are built for midgets."

Gilmer and other students have been attending classes in NCAT prior to its official opening, and this is not the first complaint. It is interesting to note that although there is only one fountain, there are pop machines on every floor.

However, many other students have had positive first impressions. "It's nice to have some windows here. Last semester, I was in the basement all the time," said Kirk Collins, a second year Instrumentation Technology student. Brad Eishen agreed, although offered up an opinion on the logistical placement of the building itself.

No women

"It's nice, but it's too far away from the bar, the workout area ... all that stuff. And there's never any women here."

After the lunchtime bash to celebrate the official opening of the facility, I had an opportunity to catch up with Jim Bacon, associate chair for the Millwright Department, to get a faculty member's opinion on the new building. Bacon lent a millwright's angle to his comment.

"I think the new building has a lot of potential. It has a lot of equipment that will enhance the education of the millwright students. It (the new building) gives us the opportunity to expand the millwright technology program."

NAIT is the largest apprenticeship trainer in Alberta and provides training for up to 17% of all trades in Canada. The new building will increase NAIT's training capacity for millwright apprentices by 25% and for instrumentation apprentices by 60%.

Have an opinion about the new building? Sound off! issues@nait.ca

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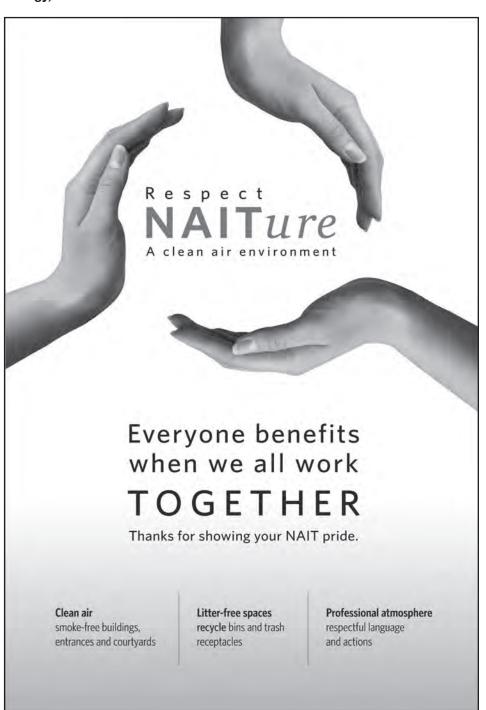
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NAIT President Dr. Sam Shaw speaks at the opening Tuesday of the NCAT building as Doug Horner, Alberta minister of advanced education and technology, looks on.





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OPINION

Complaints from the Annex



GEOFF TATE Arts and Culture Editor

Now, I don't like to consider myself that privileged or that big of a princess, but someone has to say something. It just kind of popped into my head as I made my 15-minute walk in my 10-minute allotted time between classes to somewhere way the bajesus over in the E section.

And I'm sure someone HAS said something already, but what the hell, I can write whatever I want! This is mostly for the NAIT newbs (which I am, so don't be hatin), an eye-opener into the life of a smelly Annexer.

For the majority of you who do

not know where the Annex is, check out a map and look for the building labelled L. It will be the one that doesn't have a pedway attaching it to any other building on campus. Therein lies my first complaint. Why the hell do I have a class way over in the E section?

Who makes these schedules? What is your name? Call me. We need to discuss this. That walk is going to kill me and many of my posse. My pal Colin, he's always late as it is, and you go get him running an extra 15 minutes one way, he's not going to pass his course. That's really not cool, dude.

Someone else got a gigantic blister on her ankle making that trek today - that cross-country jaunt through all the incredibly nicer looking buildings. What if she was going out clubbing this weekend, going dancing with all the gals? Some J. Lake comes on, she starts getting

down and dirty with some dude, and then BAM!, her ankle gives out and she's down on the floor in some U of A rookie-who-can't-handle-hisliquor's puke.

Now she smells awful and doesn't have a ride home and ends up sleeping in a back alley somewhere. The cops see her and figure she's all coked out and pick her up. Next thing you know she's in a prison

cell somewhere downtown. She calls her parents to come pick her up, but they end up disowning her because they figure she's a cokehead too. Ten years later at the class reunion, we find out she's been dancing at some strip club called Pole Stars under

the alias of Phyllis. That's the stuff counselling sessions are made of.

Secondly, why is the Annex still standing? According to an incredibly reliable resource, the place is laced

You know how the

grass is always

greener on the

other side of the

fence? Well, the

buildings always

smell nicer on the

with asbestos. That shit kills me. And you. It's kind of like the Kryptonite for anything that is alive. My theory on why my course is only two years? That's the time NAIT figured I can spend other side of 103rd. in that building without suffer-

> ing fatal and debilitating symptoms. Anything longer than that, and I will probably die.

> So Annexers, do not fail your course! Another year of school will most likely literally kill you. You know how the grass is always

greener on the other side of the fence? Well, the buildings always smell nicer on the other side of

My first thought upon smelling the Annex was that it most likely came from the people inside it. I have changed my mind, however, and now I believe that it is asbestos I am inhaling (you all smell delicious by the way, and I am sorry for doubting your hygienic tendencies). All you people who go to classes anywhere else, appreciate your Garnier Fructis-scented halls, you don't know what you have until you lose

So, if you ever find yourself lost in a mysterious place you've never been before, and everyone seems a little tired or drunk, and the hallways smell of not-goodness, you have found the glorious L building (smells and rhymes with Ass-ex). Now go check out the beer gardens.

Micro-mad

REID SCHMIDT

Hundreds of anxious, food-crazed students converge on the cafeterias around the age-old feeding time, noon. Still, a vital step to many in this bustled road to sustenance, is flawed.

No, it's not the umpa lumpas that freshly carve the plastic utensils every morning. It's our microwaves.

There are eight microwaves among the three central cafeterias, with the Common Market void of such a device.

The nearest are the four down the hall which, by the way, are smack dab in the middle of a high-traffic intersection. Juuust

Honestly, is it so hard to throw in a few let's take the next few.

more and put some thought behind it? Just two more would decrease lines by 20%.

I do commend "them," though, for kindly placing eight new, heavy duty microwaves all the way over in the Ybuilding to accommodate the small cafeteria over there. Bravo.

While we're at it, has the beloved peer before you ever sloshed his pea soup in the nuker, causing you to light up with glee because you had been craving pea flavoured pasta all week?

Why not have some paper towels handy to deprive you of such a privilege?

Such small steps. The first is identifying and declaring the problem. Done. Now



The usual noon lineup at the microwaves at a high-traffic intersection down the hall from the Common Market.

Time to wipe the slate clean

JONNY FIVE

O.J. Simpson has been arrested for robbing a sports memorabilia dealer at gunpoint. "The Juice" alleges the items in question belonged to him and that he was simply taking them back. Hey, do you think that's also what he said to his ex-wife's boyfriend before stabbing him to death? bah-da-buh But seriously, watching the deluge of shit that is cable news today made me think back to a simpler time, a gentler time. A time before O.J. went for a ride in a white Bronco.

You see, that was a cultural turning point none of us recognized. One

that would be a far greater disser- son to express an appreciation for vice to us than it was to the victims' popular culture and I'm a sucker for not too late. Just join me in the first time. No more Nancy Grace, families. Yeah, I said it. It was the moment the wave finally broke and television journalism choked itself out. The coverage that day, and the ensuing "Trial of the Century," began television journalism's de-evolution into the self-fellating, nightmareinducing, Goebbels' wet-dream that we have now in the forms of CNN and Fox News.

We now live in a day when Paris Hilton can bump Michael Moore from Larry King Live. True story. Please understand, I am the first per-

a good E! True Hollywood Story (I just watched the Three's Company one the other day ... magic!) I do, however, know that these things have a place, and that place shouldn't be 24-hour news networks. It's not news. It's an attempt to keep the population dumb and buying



O.J. Simpson In trouble again

"No More Juice" campaign! Here's my plan: let's wipe the slate clean and start again. Let's not cover every second of the legal process that will hopefully put this clearly psychopathic murderer behind bars like the first trial should have. Let's then forget everything that's

But fear not, dear reader, it's happened to TV journalism since the Tucker Carlson or any of the other cumshots the major news networks have been blowing in our eyes for over 10 years now.

> There's even a war in Iraq now like there was then and a guy named George Bush is president. It's like it all never happened!

> Of course, maybe they're right. Maybe this kind of drivel is what the public wants to see and the networks are only serving their viewers. If that's the case though, I hope O.J. gets you all!





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Getting a cuppa at NAIT

LIAM CRESWICK

My grandfather used to tell me never to trust a man without a vice. He also used to say computers were evil and thought Communism was still a threat, so I took his advice with a grain of salt. Nevertheless, many of us need some kind of spark to get us through the day. If you're like me, that spark is caffeine. So we here at the Nugget decided to give all the

new students this year a crash course on the coffee kiosks on campus. Say that three times fast.

The Common Market: This is the

grand-poobah of commissaries at NAIT. Along with enough chow to feed a small army, the Common Market also has a decent selection of coffee. There are usually a half dozen or so flavours of coffee available during the day and a handful of Cappuccinos, mochas and teas also, if that's what you're into. Their brew is reasonably priced and tastes pretty good. My only beef is that there are no heat sleeves available and the lids are kept over by the till. Also, they are still using non-biodegradable Styrofoam cups. Didn't the NAIT food services staff see that Al Gore movie? The Common Market is located near the middle of campus in the building marked O on the map.

Fresh Express: Fresh Express is a cafeteria-style venue similar to the Common Market. Therefore they serve the same java as the Common Market, too. Fresh Express is located in the Northern part of NAIT in the Learning Resources Centre (U). This

is the same area as the library, so you can relax and sip your java while read a magazine wedged inside a smart-looking textbook.

Starbucks: The first rule of business ... location, location, location! This well-known coffee chain has opened this year right outside of the Common Market. Despite the odd location choice, this popular franchise will likely draw many faithful Star-

bucks drinkers. If I need to tell you what is on the menu at Starbucks, you either don't drink coffee or have been under a rock since the turn of the millennium. Their brews

are bit more expensive than the other outlets on this list, but you pay for quality (and the name).

Tim Hortons: I would be neglecting my patriotic duty if I didn't mention Tim Hortons. It's been my experience that people either love their coffee or hate it, but I don't know a soul alive that doesn't love a good Tim Bit. While the coffee is the main attraction, the NAIT Tim Hortons is unfortunately missing some of the regular menu items like bagels, soups and sandwiches. This is forgivable though, as it's next to some other good eateries in the Bytes Café. Be prepared to wait in a long line though, as it's pretty busy most times of the day. The Byte's Café is located in the HP Centre (W) on the southeast side of campus.

Chai's: For the more worldly caffeine enthusiast, there is Chai's. Sure you could get a plain old cup of joe here, but Chai's specializes in more unique beverages like chai



There have been lineups at the new Starbucks in the eating area outside the Common Market cafeteria from the moment it opened this fall.

tea, soy and chai lattes, loose-leaf tea and more. They also make a mean

NAIT, there is always somewhere to pick up a cup of coffee to help you

through the daily grind.

samosa and some interesting soups. Chai's is located on the south end of NAIT, near the Reads and Needs bookstore.

This is only a short list of the java joints available at the main campus. There is also the Bistro Cafeteria in the Engineering Technologies Annex (L), Plates Cafeteria on the Patricia Campus (P), and a NAIT food services venue at the Souch Campus (Z).

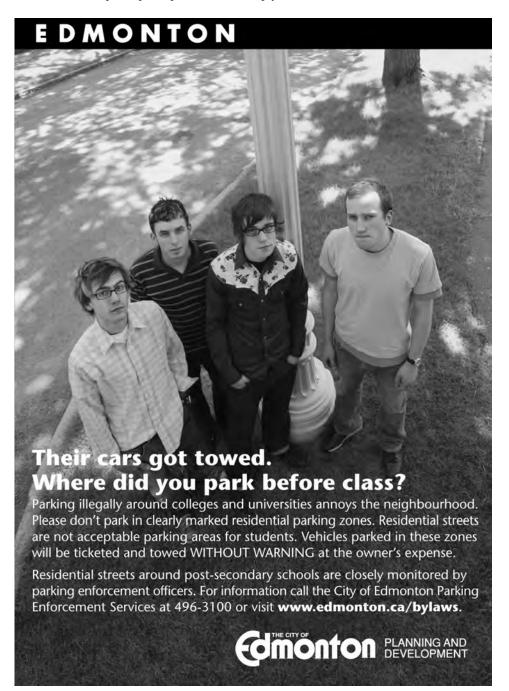
Wherever you go around



In our first full week back we straight up hit the airwaves with thunder ... really loud thunder. Once again, our awesome DJs are doing remotes from the kiosk in the South Lobby to let you guys know about everything going on with NAIT. Also, we are doing our newscasts at the top and bottom of every hour, covering everything from NAIT events to WWE pay-per-views.

Right now, NR92 is in the process of getting

some new music into the system so you guys can enjoy some seriously good music. We are also back to giving away really cool prizes, but the only way you can win is if you listen. Most of our after-hour shows are back on air, as well as some new ones. This week's featured show is Rockin Socks with Ryan Visser and Terry Poettecker every Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:30. They play an acoustic version of a song, then they play the electric version of the same song and try to figure out which is better. To check out that and much more, log on to www.nr92.com.



Computer maintenance

AARON NODELMAN

A lot of people out there buy computers and figure, "Great. I got my computer, now I'm set for life!" And they go about using it until it breaks down and crashes. Well, this article can help you prevent that from happening and make your computer last longer.

For the desktop user, the following would really help you out. As long as you remain covered under warrantee while doing this, it would actually be a good idea to take the side off your case periodically and use a can of compressed air to blow the dust off fans and hardware inside.

This lowers the dust content and stops the fans from being clogged up and prevents computers from overheating. Do not use a cloth, because it could cause static sparks or leave cloth fibers on the hardware that may cause undue harm to your computer. Cans of air are cheap, perhaps only \$15 or so at any computer store (heck, I think even the NAIT Tech Store in the HP Centre has some). Be aware, however, that you should read the warning labels on the aerosol cans before you use them, as they are somewhat fragile.

For a laptop, taking the case off is a bad idea, as much of the hardware has been compressed down into a small, tight space, so a number of less durable solutions were used.

Instead, while the computer is turned off, simply take a can of air and apply the nozzle to the ventilation holes where the fans suck the air from outside. This will blow out the worst of the dust and extend the life of your laptop considerably. It would also be a good idea to use the same method to clean up your keyboard, as that is a prime source that lets dust into the system.

From a file perspective, there are some things you can do to make sure your computer runs smoothly for longer. First, be aware of what sites you visit and what content you are downloading. If you don't trust the site or the author of the program that is trying to download, then tell it not to. More often than not, this is a viral program or something very similar attempting to access your computer and you are better off avoiding it. Next, I don't care how little you access the Internet, look up a small program called "Ad Aware SE Personal," made by

Lavasoft. The program is free and easy to use and will remove spyware and adware from your computer, allowing it to run smoothly and free from ads.

Spyware isn't the only thing that can slow down your computer. If you've spent a great deal of time installing and moving files around on your computer, you've probably noticed a decrease in your computer's performance. Well, the solution is to go into your "my computer" for pc users and right-click on the hard drives and select them one by one to defragment them. This gathers all the files and bits of data that belong together in an organized way on the hard drive, which increases performance.

Finally, about virus checkers and firewalls. Virus checkers are only good if they are run and run often. Most virus checkers can be scheduled to run on a regular basis. Set this up for a time when you are not busy but your computer will definitely be on and don't interrupt it. It might catch something you didn't notice, because some viruses just randomly hit people, even if they're careful.

Firewalls are a little useful as they

block unwarranted access and are a must for the sane computer user. It would be much better to spend \$100 on a software firewall for your computer than it would to spend up to \$3,000 on a new one after a virus completely destroys your current one. If, however,

eyou have an external router through which your Internet is connected, you are already protected by a firewall.

Following these tips will protect your system and add anywhere from one year to 10 years to its life.



Tech Guy

By Andrew James

Ohdontforget.com is very useful for class alert

Ohdontforget.com is a very unique site for alerting students about upcoming classes and you can also enter anything you want just to remind yourself about anything you don't want to miss. Although it works only in U.S. and partly in Canada, it mostly works on any mobile.

Watch your TV channels anywhere you go

Are you tired of lame basic cable but don't want to pay a monthly fee, then you need a Slingbox, a device that allows you to watch any TV programs you want, even the DVD player right at your computer, whether



you are at college, in your apartment or even in an airport. Let's say I'm in Bangalore, India. I can watch my local Canadian programs right though my laptop. This is so amazing that I highly recommend that anyone who doesn't want to pay monthly fees or cable bills buy the product. The downside is that you need a broadband connection. Also, if one of your par-

ents try to change the TV channels in the home, your Slingbox will automatically change that channel. Also, you have to use a computer to watch it. But, don't worry, the new Slingcatcher is coming to Canada and it can hook up directly to TV and that product has Wi-Fi built in. But the Slingbox does not have Wi-Fi, only an Ethernet port. You can watch it on Windows mobile or a Mac.

Ninja, pirate, cyborg

STEVEN FROST

Has the Internet helped to bring people together?

NINJA: The Internet has definitely helped to bring people together, most of all the slow ones. Now it's easier than ever to make a killing by picking off the weak and slow monitor tanned nerds. This doesn't mean that ninjas only prey on the weak though; we all enjoy a good challenge. However, even with the training and patience of a ninja, one can only take so much noob calling before striking from the shadows. So whether it is with a katana, nunchaku, or shuriken to the testicle, the Internet has helped to make the world a better place ... for us ninjas to kill the real noobs.

PIRATE: How the intarrwebs help folks? Methinks you're one peg leg short of a buccaneer, laddie. These intarrwebs arr besmirching the foul name of pirates across the seas. Arr! What's this hogwash I be hearing 'bout "music pirates," aye? Thems be the stuff of you landlubber bilge rats, not any true seafaring rogue! And what is this tripe 'bout sharin' the bounty after the deed is done? Any self-lovin' pirate actually TAKES what they be lookin' for, and if they arr found, 'haps they take the witness too! Though we shan't be ferry'n their sorry hides too far, I reckon. Jus' far enough so they can't swim back to land does the trick.

CYBORG: Processing ... the Internet unites individuals through

a comprehensive network that links computers together across the world. This allows humans to interact without fear of confrontation. When only a 1.26% chance to win a fight with another exists in real life, virtually anyone can fight and defeat any number of individuals with a much greater chance of success. Thus, however skinny and weak one may

be, the e-peen of the individual has no bound limits. This allows those who are insecure in their real worlds to be powerful and domineering in the virtual worlds. Soon they will integrate this methodology into their very beings, to bring their strength from the virtual world.

Then, the rise of the machines will begin.





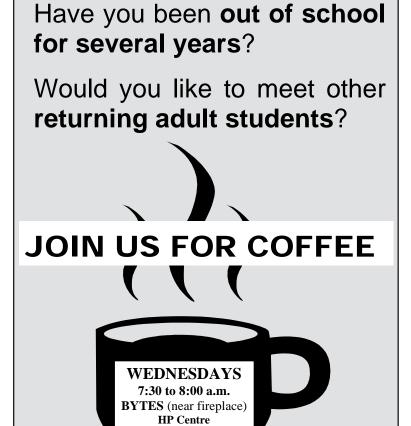
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ARTS&CULTURE

— After an early glitch, Campus Chaos was all that anyone could hope for —





By SHANT CHAKMAKIAN

Wow, what a ride! Campus Chaos was literally the best concert I have ever seen. I didn't think it was possible, but the Ookfest guys (Trixtar Productions) teamed up with Panhandle Productions and clearly out-

CC delivers!

did themselves.

If any of you saw or have heard of Britney Spears's recent lip-synching performance at the MTV Video Music Awards, you'll note that the Campus Chaos performances were exactly the opposite. They were actually talented and entertaining!

Danko Jones rocked the place and gave us tons of laughs as always. Hedley, Tupelo Honey and Social Code played their hearts out. State of Shock will rock any venue, whether it's the Nest or the Shaw Conference Centre, plus they are totally awesome people in person.



Photo by Natalie Sarzynski

And Three Days Grace was WOW! The rumours of the lead singer of Yellowcard being pompous were as true as they were last year; just as true as the rumours that Three Days Grace was amazingly electrifying on stage. That they were!

I have never seen so much energy in a concert, especially after everyone had been partying for over eight hours.

The sweat and tears as you hit the mosh pit, letting go and letting the collective will of the crowd move you like gliding in a storm of glory and fire. It is truly an intersection where collective passion and reality meet, all fuelled by music.

The brothers and sisters of the mosh pit move, colliding in glorious waves of passion and uniting to help each other when one falls. This truly is an amazing sight. I have nothing but love and respect for these people.

But what was also very evident is that this event was very expertly planned and executed. Everyone was well taken care of and security was great. Everyone felt safe, there were minimal incidents and everyone just had a great time!

And that's what hurts – that this *input*.

event got kicked off Telus Field by the city initially. As a student, I find it offensive to be mass-labelled as a potential rioter just for attending a welcome week event. Our generation is the future, yet we get crap for trying to enjoy ourselves as we strive to become future businessmen/women, doctors and engineers ... thanks.

What happened to killing the Deadmonton myth? What happened to believing in the future generation? What people don't realize is that these events not only strengthen the community and life within our city but they attract more students and are a great incentive to live and to come here. But here's to short-sightedness.

In the end, this event was one of the experiences that I and many others will hold close to our respective

It is a memory to draw strength from and to cherish, for these are truly some of the best days of our

Please feel free to visit my blog at http://shantc.blogspot.com or to email me any comments or suggestions at shant_c@hotmail.com

I value and look forward to your

Danko Jones rocks on at Campus Chaos last Saturday night (Sept. 15).

Kickoff kicks a\$\$

LIAM CRESWICK

While Campus Chaos was certainly the main attraction for NAIT students last weekend, the Nest was no slouch in the good times department either. On Friday night, the Nest hosted the Campus Chaos kickoff party with a Guitar Hero II Tournament and a performance by State of Shock, one of the bands on the Campus Chaos bill.

The Guitar Hero II tournament pitted NAIT's best digital shredders against one another for a \$200 purse and bragging rights. "It's a great competition," said radio student Grant Belous of the NAITSA-sponsored event.

"It's a lot of fun to meet and play against other Guitar Hero fans." won the \$200, Grant said "I'll split it with whoever I beat, and blow it on drinks at the Nest."

After the GH II tournament, the Nest cleared the way for some rockers with non-plastic guitars. Soulful rock band State Of Shock took the stage for a kickoff performance before the night of Campus Chaos. State of Shock guitarist Kadooh described the how small venues like the Nest compare to huge events like Campus Chaos.

"It's pretty different," he said. "These shows tend to be a lot more

When asked what he would do if he intimate. When you play a big show, the crowd bought tickets expecting to see you, or bands like you. Here, the attitude can be more like 'Who's this? Impress me.' We like playing both, though."

> Kadooh didn't know when State of Shock would be coming through Edmonton next, but did say they have some Eastern gigs booked for October. Check out stateofshockband.com for more info on the band.

> NAIT's big music event may be done for the year, but expect to see more music and entertainment acts at the Nest throughout the year.



Cameron Basler and Cody Penny of Vacation on Mars opened the Campus Chaos pre-party at the Nest Friday night.

Now, the rest of the story

GEOFF TATE

Robert Moyles, a representative of the city, was kind enough to talk to me about Campus Chaos on Monday, and he turned my world upside down! Apparently the city DID want us to have Campus Chaos, just not at Telus Field. The reasoning? Inadequate notice of the event, as well as what they thought were poor security measures. Nothing new, all exactly what we read from The Journal. He did, however, add a couple of little twists to the story.

He said the Shaw Centre was NOT told to reject the concert, the city did NOT break a contract they signed, (does this mean that OJ isn't guilty, and the entire moon landing was staged?). Crazy! I know! But I have to say I kind of agree with the guy. He did have some pretty valid points ...

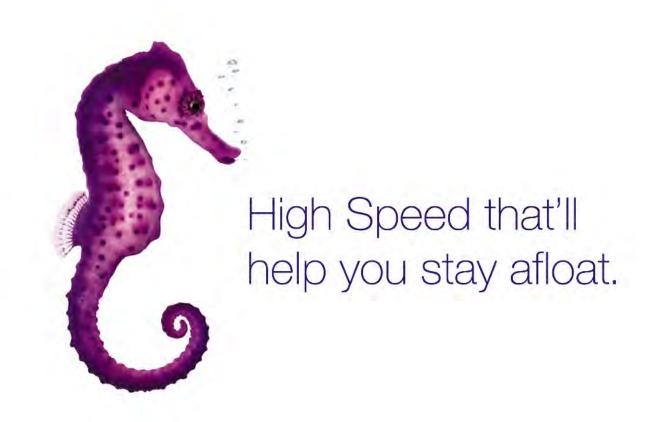
He wants you all to know that the City of Edmonton is behind us 110%; they just need to make sure there are enough guys around with billy clubs and handcuffs to ensure you behave. This is a city that prides itself upon its festival hosting reputation, and it will continue to do so. Just not your festival. And it's because you're a badass.

And on that note, I'm real proud of how you NAIT folks handled yourselves out on the floor at the Shaw. The ladies looked terrific, the guys looked drunk as hell and we totally OWNED that mosh pit! And if you keep it up, we can make sure that those U of A kids get the left side bleachers, the Mac's get the right side ones, and us NAIT boys and girls get the floor for OUR concert next year. Just an idea ...

Until we meet again, you bunch of bad-asses!

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Sports Editor Nahreman Issa shows off her brand-new laptop.

NAHREMAN ISSA Sports Editor

Hey there, Nugget readers! I'm your new sports editor.

I'm looking forward to reporting on all the sporting events here at NAIT and around Edmonton. I'm also looking forward to having the readers contribute to the sports

If you're interested in writing a piece, e-mail me at sports@nait. ca, or drop by the *Nugget* office in E-128, right across from NAITSA. If you're not interested in writing, but are interested in sports, why not attend the Ooks games?

They can always use fan support. So get out there! Be loud! Cheer on your teams! GO OOKS

I have heard some great feedback about my previous article. I encourage all feedback, whether it's good or bad.

Thanks to everyone at Attia Reeves Tensfeldt Snow (Barristers & Solicitors) for the laptop they bought me as a goodbye gift. This office was the best place to work, and I now have a top-of-the-line laptop to show

Thanks, A.R.T.S.

OOKS' WEEK IN REVIEW

SOCCER

Sept. 15 MEN

NAIT 4, King's College 0

The Ooks opened at home with a win against the King's College Eagles. Striker Lambert Suglo scored three goals, while sweeper Scott MacLeod finished the scoring with a goal. Nait keeper Brandon Black came up big to preserve the shutout. The Adidas player of the game was Lambert Suglo, with three goals.

WOMEN

NAIT 8, King's University College 0

The defending ACAC champs took a commanding lead into the half, easily defeating King's. Allison Hawkins and Lisa Martin each scored a couple of goals, while Courtney Rivet, Michelle D'Angelo, Haley Schrieber, and team captain Claire McWilliam scored a goal each. The Adidas player of the game was Claire p.m. McWilliam (scored a goal and set up several

HOCKEY

Sept. 15 and 16 **MEN** NAIT 3, Saskatchewan 2 Regina 4, NAIT 2

UPCOMING

• The men's hockey team is hosting their annual Blue/Gold tournament at NAIT Arena this weekend, starting today, Sept. 20, and concluding Sunday. NAIT's games:

Mount Royal - Friday, Sept. 21 @ 7:30

Augustana - Saturday, Sept. 22 @ 7:30 p.m.

Concordia - Sunday, Sept. 23 @ 4:30 p.m.

• NAIT is hosting the ACAC North Regional Golf Tournament tomorrow and Saturday at the Ravencrest Golf and Country

Both the men's and women's soccer teams are playing in Grande Prairie this weekend.

The cross country running team will be competing in Camrose for the Grand Prix event on Saturday.



Striker Phil Pavicic of the NAIT Ooks gets the best of a King's University College Eagles during their game on Sept. 15. NAIT won 4-0.

team to watch

JULIE PHILLIPS Nugget Staff Writer

The NAIT men's soccer team is gearing up for what looks like a promising season. With seven key returning players and a number of quality rookies, the Ooks won their first season game 4-0 on Saturday at NAIT against King's University College.

The team was 5-0 in the pre-season, including wins over the U of A, U of Lethbridge and Red Deer College.

This is Jeff Paulus's first year as the Ooks head coach after two years as an assistant coach with Graham Wood. Wood coached the team for 16 years and retired this year, but Paulus says it should be a seamless transition.

"I believe that I'm more of a positive coach.

I believe players need to work through things themselves," says Paulus who adds his coaching philosophy is a lot like his predecessor's.

The team won silver in the ACAC finals last year and took home gold the year before.

Back this year from an ankle injury is 2005 CCAA All-Canadian Player of the Year Waldo

"He's the best player in Canadian college, no question." says Paulus. "Injuries slowed him down. If we had him in the final last year, we would have gone to nationals two years in a

"The expectation is that we finish top in the north again, that's our first priority. Successfully completing that, we should be playing for



A passion for fashion

GEOFF TATE Arts and Cultural Editor

Listen up all you NAIT attendees who enjoy anything related to fashion! On Sept 24-28 at the downtown Churchill Square, Edmonton Fashion Week is putting on a full-scale fashion show endowed with all the bells and whistles. Now in its fifth season, this fashion festival is a must for all who have any interest in photography, fashion or anything in between. And I know there are a

Also, feel free (wait for it, this is a pun) to check out the FREE silent auction gala going down at City Hall (did you catch it?! The pun?!) With 100% of the proceeds from this event going to the Bissel Centre, a homeless shelter in Edmonton, this event is worth checking out.

I'm sure you have noticed that this city has a few less fortunate, so here's your chance to help them

Sandra, the producer/director of this venue, was gracious enough to talk to me, and tells me that if you have any interest at all in video or photography, and obviously fashion, come on down to check out the opportunities that await you!

It's a great chance for some of you to go and meet some up-andcoming designers and photographers, as well as the real deals.

There will also be some sample sales tables set up, so for the love of god, some of you go buy some new clothes (I kid, you all look and still smell delicious.)

For more information, go check out www.edmontonfashionweek.

Your horoscope



JULIE PHILLIPS

September 20–27

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

It's very possible that your current paranoia is rooted in the fact that everyone is ACTUALLY secretly conspiring against you.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You will likely make an impulsive purchase today or tomorrow. Don't feel bad about being such a consumer whore. Just love yourself.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Don't be so hard on yourself. Unless you actually deserve it, in which case I hope you feel really really bad about what you

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Discussions centre around the home and work place, transportation, travel, education, health and romance.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Several new developments will be revealed in the areas of business and entertainment. Don't get too excited too soon. Playing it cool is your advantage this week.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb.18)

Remember to pace yourself. You can't sprint a marathon. Let your inner metronome guide the rhythm of your life this week.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Keep your emotions protected this week, Pisces. You may feel like people are using you. They are. (Well, they're trying. Don't let them.)

Aries (March 21-April 19)

This is a good week for creativity. Pull out a neglected project. Showing someone else your work could provide a new perspective, but don't let one

person's opinion change your mind.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Romance is in the air, Taurus! Remember not to be TOO forward, but still make sure they know you're interested. If you're involved, do something extra special. If you're un-involved and un-interested, take some extra time for yourself *wink*.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

It's easy for you to see every side of a problem or situation. This week, try the one that's most positive, even if it's not the most realistic. Don't be a dream-crusher. Be as patient as you want others to be with you when you are learning.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Don't freak out about a few suspicious phone calls. It's nothing. Just a wrong number.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Amazed at your luck this week Leo? Do what you can to make it last into next week. Otherwise, it's back to ordinaryland. Keep it fresh.





Getting around town





What do you think about the U Pass?



What's a U Pass?

Michael Daniels

Not everyone takes the

Not everyone takes the bus, so why should they have to pay?

Jessica Maier
Photo Tech



It's brilliant; a shame we don't have it here.

Stuant Geers



Great idea, but we're running out of space on the bus. We need more peakhour service.

Lindsey Beautry Respiratory



Why don't we have one?

Tiffany Duthie Respiratory

"Education for the Real World" Open House 2007 Be an Ambassador for NAIT

Help us promote NAIT and your program by becoming a member of the Roving Student Volunteer Team at our annual Open House. It's your chance to help us showcase all of our programs to guests from across Alberta and surrounding areas.

You will be asked to guide tours, welcome buses and circulate throughout NAIT in order to help the public find program displays or special presentations during your shift. Also, you may be asked to provide information about your program and your positive experience at NAIT.

Open House takes place on Friday and Saturday, October 12th and 13th. Classes are cancelled on the Friday for the event. Open House is one of the largest public relations and public information exercises we stage, and each year it brings in many thousands of potential students along with parents, friends, teachers and counsellors.

Several training sessions will be scheduled during the week of Monday, October 1 to Friday October 5, 2007. Attendance at one of these training sessions is compulsory.

As a student volunteer your name will be entered into a draw for the opportunity to win one IPOD Classic (80GB).

If you are interested, please contact:

Francisca Hoblak, Administrative Assistant
Student Recruitment
South Lobby 0117
Phone: 780.471.8457

Phone: 780.471.8457 Email: francish@nait.ca

NAITSA needs you!!

Poll clerks: Required for the upcoming NAITSA Senate Elections on Sept. 27, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Interested students: May work one hour or the entire day, depending on your schedule.

Pay: \$10/hr

Pre-election training: Some required.

More information: Please e-mail Rita at ritac@nait.ca or come by the NAITSA office (E131) to sign up for your preferred time blocks.



GRAND OPENING

Campus Clubs Manager Rose Baumgartner, right, officiates at the opening of the NAITSA Campus Clubs Centre on Monday. The centre currently has 25 campus clubs registered, with hopes to attract another 50.

To the dungeons!



AARON NODELMAN "The Wizard"

A lot of people might be going around talking about "attack rolls" or "failing a save" but some people may not understand what this is from.

These terms are part of the ever growing and ever changing world of Dungeons and Dragons and it is my intent to provide a basic understanding of this so that you are no longer confused when someone talks about

their character sheet or their magical "staff."

Dungeons and Dragons is basically a pen and paper role playing game, (you know, before video games). All one needs

to play the game is a set of dice, four friends, a stack of paper, and some imagination. There are a number of different tools that Dungeons and Dragons players use to support their imaginations such as miniatures, maps, and so forth, but these are not required to have a good game start.

Two roles

There are two possible roles one could play in this game. The first is the player, or character. Your character's abilities and skills are set values given by your choices and a number of rolls of different dice. Each character takes up a role in a group of four warriors whose sworn duty is usually to wander from dungeon to dungeon beating up random monsters they encounter along the way. They can play any of a multitude of different character classes or jobs. Anything from a simple fighter, to the lofty wizard, to a shady rogue. They are not limited to just this, however, they can also choose from any of an equally large number of races. Bored of being a human? Choose an elf, a dwarf, a halfling, or a half-orc. Each of these races provide bonuses and penalties to your skills and abilities, often allowing you to do greater things than a standard human could.

The other role is most often taken by the more experienced Dungeons and Dragons players. This is the player who does not take part in the adventure but instead takes control of all the monsters, NPCs (non-playable characters) and traps that the party will encounter and does his or her best to ensure that the party has an exciting day exploring the dungeons.

As for reference books, the three that are the most important to learn how the game works are termed the "core books" and are the Players Handbook, the Dungeon Master's Guide and the Monster Manual.

The Player's Handbook details how all the rolls work, what sort of dice you need, the basic character classes, the basic races and all the

> details for making and using a character.

The Dungeon Master's Guide contains most of the information that a Dungeon Master will need to run a dun-

geon, as well as a few other things that players may or may not need. Just because it is called the Dungeon Master's Guide, does not mean you aren't allowed to read it if you aren't

Most useful

Finally, the Monster Manual is actually the most useful reference. It is a bestiary of all the monsters and creatures in the world, in alphabetical order. It includes all the important information a person could use to face them or interact with them.

Now, to those of you out there who wish to learn how this game works, I personally would recommend one of two paths. First, I would find an expert or at least an experienced player of Dungeons and Dragons and ask him or her to teach you how to play. Most will be generous enough to teach you and your friends how to play if you ask them.

To us NAIT folks that isn't hard, because a Dungeons and Dragons club does exist on campus. You can find its posters all over the HP Centre or ask in the NAITSA office. The second route is to pick up the book, Dungeons and Dragons for Dummies, which explains in detail the basics of the game and the simplest ways to use a character.



Welcome students! Depending on your technology, you're either into your second or third week of classes and adjusting to NAIT life. Many of you will be involved with your technology club, raising funds for grad or year-end festivities. This year we are also encouraging students to get involved in special interest clubs. During registration, a survey regarding students' interests was conducted. The process of compiling

results from over 600 surveys is underway. Once all of the surveys are compiled, individuals within a particular interest will be contacted via e-mail or phone to inform them of club development. Thank you to all who participated. If you missed out on the survey and are interested in participating, stop by the Campus Club Centre Room E133.

The Campus Club Centre is a new NAITSA initiative developed to assist club leaders with resources offering a positive atmosphere for clubs to meet their objectives. There's a new look and structure for clubs this year. If you are a returning club or a new club, it is important that you register with the Campus Clubs manager. A manual is offered to club leaders with all the information needed for the year. Keep an eye out for Club Corner advertising for upcoming events and the showcase highlighting a particular club. A big thank you to the following clubs who have already registered. They are on the go, offering both social

and cultural activities, building a sense of commu-

- nity and belonging for students: Animal Health Technology 2008
 - Civil Engineering
- Construction Engineering Technology Student Council
- Hospitality Management Club 5 Star
- KVA Electrical Engineering Technology
- MECSA Mechanical Engineering Technologies Students Association
 - NAIT Architectural Student Society
 - Office and Records Administration
 - Petroleum Club
 - PGC Petroleum Geological Chemical
 - Respiratory Therapy 2009
 - Dental Assisting
- Personal Fitness Training 2008
- Electronics Engineering Society
- Chinese Student Association of NAIT
- Gamers of Dungeons & Dragons
- NAIT International Club
- OOKETS Dance Team
- Shinerama Club
- Interesting Thought (Improv/Drama)
- NAIT Hip Hop

If there is a club you would like to see on campus, stop by the Campus Club Centre Room E133. We look forward to having many more new clubs on board!

Upcoming Events

PGC (Petroleum Geological Chemical) Club

Event: Pig Roast and Beer Garden When: Friday Sept. 21.

3:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Where: The Annex Dock

Shinerama Club

Event: Shinerama for Cystic Fibrosis Research When: Saturday Sept. 22, bright and early. Check out www.shinenait.com for details.

Where: NAIT and Edmonton Area

PFT 2008 (Personal Fitness Training) Club

Event: Guitar Hero Head-to-Head Challenge

When: Thursday Sept. 27. . 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Where: The NEST

NAIT Hip Hop Club

Event: Free hip hop introductory classes When: Wednesdays 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Where: Room S112 For more details,

e-mail:evergreenbeauty@hotmail.com



Sean Aiken during his week working at the Slomp family dairy farm in Rimbey, Alberta.

52 jobs in 52 weeks

A Business Administration grad's odyssey to find his passion

his university education did not point him towards a job that could become his passion, Sean Aiken decided to change jobs every week until he found one.

Aiken graduated from Simon Fraser University with a 4.0-average and a degree in Business Administration in 2005. But the 25-year-old from Vancouver still lacked direction.

"For the older generation, work was work," Aiken said. "Now, the lines between the working life and social life are blurring, and [today's youth are] looking for a more balanced lifestyle."

Aiken's father's advice resonated in his head: "It doesn't matter what you do, just make sure it's something you're passionate about."

This pushed Aiken to a decision. Instead of jumping into the first job that comes along," he said, "I thought I should first figure out what I want from a career."

Project born

The One Week Job project was

In February 2006, Aiken and a fellow graduate, website marketing consultant Ian MacKenzie, began travelling Canada looking for a different job each week.

The project ended last February, marking 52 jobs in 52 weeks.

The costs were minimal for the pair. They travelled by bus and hitchhiking. They relied on viewers' and employers' grace for room and

At first, One Week Job was maintained strictly as a blog with some photographs. But MacKenzie's expe-

WINNIPEG (CUP) — When rience with videography quickly transformed it into a weekly internet show on its own website at www. oneweekjob.com.

"It's an easier way to bring people along on the experience with me," Aiken said.

Aiken has been a florist, a dairy farmer, a brewmaster, a tattoo parlour assistant, a radio DJ and a yoga instructor. But Aiken is not done exploring the Canadian job market yet. He still wants to be a pizza delivery driver and an MTV video jockey, among others. But he's not fussy.

Learning new things

"[I'd like] any situation where I can learn something new," he says.

The wages were also unstable since employers got to decide what Aiken made in his week of work. But the pair were not cashing in on the project. All proceeds from Aiken's jobs went to the Make Poverty History (ONE) Campaign – so far more than \$10,000 has been collected.

"It is a win-win situation: the company gets publicity, I get experience and the money goes to charity," he said.

The search for experience was Aiken's main motivation. After graduation Aiken realized that a degree's value is determined by society, and that it held no guarantee of helping him find or maintain a job.

Upon graduating, Aiken believes young people experience shock as they are faced with the "real world," realizing that most workplaces require applicants to have some experience in their field.

"When you're fresh out of school you don't have that experience."

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Kayla shines!

BRENT CONSTANTINLocal Pervert

Hello my little kittens and welcome back to yet another year of HSW, the only article that dares to ask the question "How can we degrade people more than life already does?"

I return to you this semester not only entrusted with the purpose of photoshopping people's heads onto other people's bodies, but also as some sort of elected official. What kind, you ask, loyal reader? Good question. I'll get back to you on that one.

With so much senselessness in the world (have you noticed we all wear blue pants???) it's nice to see some people trying to make a difference.

Some of us change the world we're in by being nicer people, some by taking mass transit, some of us take pigs and wolves and sew them together, creating the ultimate living combination of predator and prey.

Our hot single this week is Kayla Manuel, a respiratory student who also happens to be the head of the NAIT Shinerama campaign.

Shinerama is an annual cystic fibrosis fundraiser that happens not just here in Edmonton but across the country (maybe not in Nunavut – I can't promise that).

Personally, I'm ecstatic that Shinerama is here soon. Over the summer, the Shinerama people and the *Nugget* people have been sharing an office, and there couldn't be a more mismatched pair! Shinerama likes to eat cookies in bed, the *Nugget* enjoys building life-sized replicas of the millennium falcon out of toothpaste. Hijinks, naturally, ensued

With the NAIT Shinerama day coming up this Saturday, I asked (forced) Kayla to appear in the paper to drum up support for the fundraiser

B: Hi Kayla. It's me, Brent. How are you?

K: Good.

B: How's Shinerama coming along this year?

K: Pretty good. We've got a lot of people on board, but we're always looking for more volunteers

B: What sort of special skills does one need to volunteer for Shinerama? Spiro-graph skills?

K: Just have a positive attitude and be free this Saturday. If you want to volunteer, contact us at shinenait@hotmail.com

B: OK, enough self-endorsement, let's get to you. Why are you single?

K: I'm just really busy, all the time! I've got school, work, Shinerama, I don't really have enough time to date someone.

B: But let's say, hypothetically, you did have time. What kind of young man would you be interested in?

K: I can't really say. You just have to have a connection with the person. I'm not someone who really has a "type."

B: Yeah, I think anyone who says they have a "type" is a liar.

K: The only requirement I have is that he's got to be taller than me.

B: And you're ...

K: Five-foot-three.

B: What about those generous souls who donated their shins to war orphans? But I digress, no short guys. Do you have any spe-

cial skills, Kayla?

K: Well I'm a control freak and I can tie a cherry stem into a knot with my tongue.

B: That's not so much a skill as a weird thing you can do with your tongue. But for some reason it's considered vaguely sexual, so I'll put it in. Any closing words?

K: Yes, if you don't volunteer for Shinerama this weekend and see me there, you'll never see me!

You heard the lady! Volunteer for this Saturday, if not to help find a cure for cystic fibrosis, then maybe for the chance to meet Kayla. Or else you'll never see her again, ever.

If you'd like to get in touch with Kayla, or put yourself in for hot single of the week, e-mail me at bconstantin@nait.ca it's a great way to get a picture of yourself in the paper.

And nothing else!



Photo by Brent Constantin

VOLUNTEER?

Shinerama

Shinerama NAIT is looking for volunteers to help out on Saturday, Sept. 22 with our annual SHINE DAY. This national post-secondary event is a great way to meet people and support a worthwhile cause. Contact the NAIT Shine Committee in E-128 or sign up in person in the Clubs Centre in E-131. For more information, visit www.shinenait.com

Open House

NAIT Open House Committee is now recruiting volunteers for its annual event! Invest your time as a campus tour guide, welcoming buses and helping all our visitors find the right room here at NAIT. Open House weekend runs Oct. 12 to 13. Contact Francisca Hoblak at 471-8457 to volunteer.

Study Buddy

Study Buddy is a volunteer tutoring program offered jointly by Edmonton Catholic and Edmonton Public schools. This program matches a tutor with an individual or group of students to assist them in their school work. If you are interested in this short-term volunteer role, please contact Marlee at 419-2677 for all the details.

Red Cross

Canadian Red Cross is now recruiting volunteers to their "Disaster Management Training Program." This unique program offers support to those left after disasters within the city. If you would like more information, please call 423-2680 or go online at www.redcross.ca/cnar

Cerebral Palsy Association

The Cerebral Palsy Association in Alberta is hosting its "Life without Limits Challenge" on Sept. 30 at Gold Bar Park. Volunteers are needed in a wide variety of roles to assist in making this event a success. Please contact Karen at 471-9167 for all the details about this worthwhile event!

Scarecrow Festival

The Scarecrow Festival is once again recruiting volunteers to assist with its event in support of ABC Head Start. This premier fall family celebration is looking for volunteers on Oct 12 to 14. A variety of shift times are available. For more information, please contact Marg Korby at mkorby@shaw.ca

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