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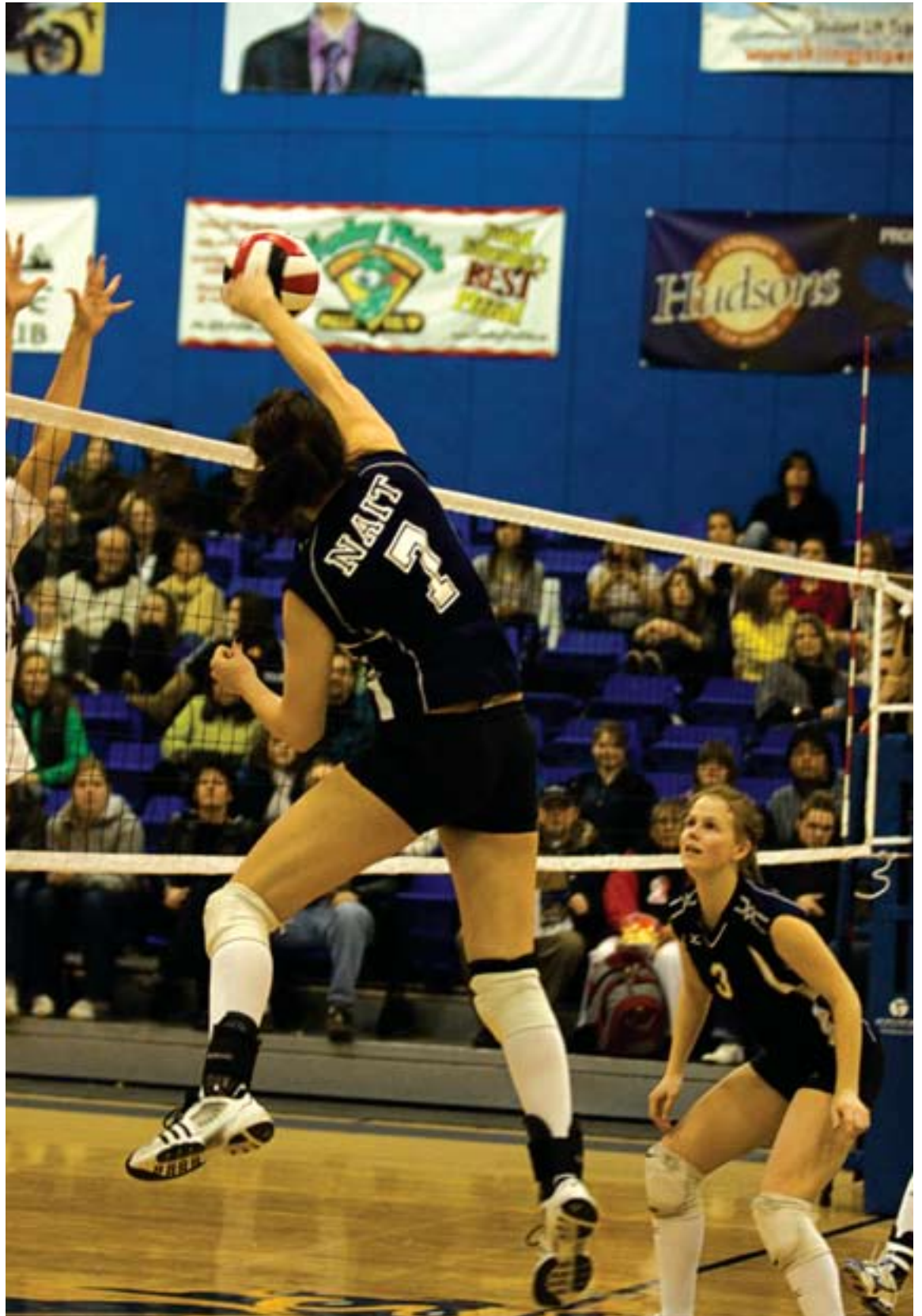


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### HIGH AND MIGHTY

Ook Katie Seys (7), who was voted the Ook player of the game, spikes the ball during a match on Jan. 9 against the MacEwan Griffins. MacEwan won 3-0.

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# NEWS & FEATURES

## \$1.5B in construction

### Post-secondary building in the province continuing a rapid pace: Minister

EDMONTON (CUP) – In the face of a new year and new challenges, higher education in Alberta will have to search for its place in the provincial political landscape.

Last week, University of Alberta's The Gateway newspaper sat down with Doug Horner, Alberta's minister of advanced education and technology, to find out what students can expect for post-secondary education in 2009.

The Gateway: What are the biggest challenges facing post-secondary education this year?

Doug Horner: We've had some tremendous capacity increases over the last two years in terms of seats and spaces throughout the system. Right now, we've got \$1.5 billion worth of construction ongoing. If you look at the [University of Alberta] and the campus, there's, I think, six cranes running around over there right now; you've got the Edmonton Clinic, the Centennial Centre for Interdisciplinary Sciences, a number of very interesting projects on the way. So this year, the challenge is going to be, given the economic situation that we have, to not lose any ground and that we actually maintain the space availability that we plan for in the health sciences, in engineering, [and] in the middle sciences.

TG: Can students expect any new initiatives to be introduced this year?

DH: Yes. We're looking at the launch of the Apply Alberta System, [which] should be rolling out in the next couple of weeks as a trial. It's a one-window approach to applications. So if you're going to apply to any one of Campus Alberta's [institutions], you only have to fill out your online information once and that immediately is populated onto the website application of the institutions, so you don't have to keep doing it all the time.

TG: Deferred maintenance is a major issue hitting Alberta campuses. How do you plan to address this in 2009?

DH: We did a considerable amount in 2008. We actually doubled the infrastructure and maintenance program funding. It's the annual funding that the university gets and we doubled that last year, and that's an ongoing commit-

ment, so it's doubling again this year. We did something in the range of \$350 million worth of deferred maintenance projects last year.

We have a tremendous amount of new capital coming in to the post-secondary system this year. You'll start to see some of the construction projects complete. And then you're looking at operating dollars for that too. So we have a number of different commitments, and we'll make sure that we maintain them. And there's a number of different maintenance projects that would have been funded last year, but will actually be undertaken this year.

TG: A primary concern for students is tuition. What can students expect in terms of affordability in 2009?

DH: I made a commitment to the students that if there was going to be a change to our [existing] policy around capping it to the consumer price index (CPI), then we would have a fairly major consultation about that. The reason we're not having such a consultation is because there's no desire to change that policy right now, nor do we in the foreseeable future see that as being an issue.

The issue for the university is whether or not the funding that will match the gap between what the CPI is and what they believe their cost increases are. We've been actually covering that gap for the students over the last three years. But as far as the tuition cap for students at CPI, that remains in 2009.

TG: Are there any initiatives being undertaken to address concerns about large classes?

DH: Remember that the student is in a cost-plus business. Because you're paying a piece of the pie – you're paying about 20 per cent for what it actually costs for the education you get – taxpayers of Alberta are paying the other 80 per cent. In other words, whatever the cost is, that's what we're trying to recover.

We're not trying to make money out of it; we're just trying to recover the cost. So saying that I'm going to cap the number of

students in a classroom would increase costs dramatically, which then takes away from my space allocation, because now you'll pay more for the same space. So there's a delicate balance that we have to attain there. And from a student perspective, we have to attain it so that you can get the appropriate quality of education, but at a reasonable cost.

TG: What are some specific concerns regarding residences that you're trying to address?

DH: The biggest concern for residences, believe it or not, is the fact that they might sit empty. In order for them to pay the way, so to speak, the business case is developed that the students will actually stay there, therefore there are dollars created for long-term maintenance. And I would say that the biggest concern that our post-secondary institutions have is expenditure of capital on a residence that isn't full.

We saw it here not too long ago with

Grant MacEwan [College, who] built a brand new residence and it was only 75 per cent full in the first couple of years. We have a lot of nervous people about that. Then, of course, we had the housing boom in Edmonton and everything was crammed, so there was no

concern about a 100 per cent occupancy, but at the same time, who would have predicted that we would have had the economic situation we have today?

We have to develop a system where we bring in partnerships, that where we have economic downturns like we have today and there's availability because the rental market is starting to loosen up a fair bit, that the universities or the colleges are not left holding the bag in terms of the risk, nor should the taxpayer. And I think there's ways that we can get around that. And those are the kinds of proposals that we're hoping to get from the groups that are working on that right now.

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minister of advanced  
education and technology**



**Doug Horner**

### The *School of Mechanical & Manufacturing* and the *School of Hospitality* Need YOU!!



One more student from the **School of Hospitality** and one more student from the **School of Mechanical & Manufacturing** are needed to sit on the NAITSA Senate to represent their schools.

The Senate meets every second Wednesday at 5 p.m. for approximately two hours. We provide food and beverages at every meeting. You will receive a stipend for your time as well.

A large part of your duty as a Senate member is to review the NAITSA budget, bylaws, constitution and policies and to discuss and make recommendations through Senate subcommittees to the NAIT Administration. The three subcommittees – the Finance Committee, the Governance Committee and the Advocacy Committee, meet when required. Dr. Shaw addresses the Senate once each semester, which gives you a primo opportunity to obtain information pertaining to NAIT in general and more specifically about your school and what strides, if any, are being made to improve deficiencies.

As we go into the new year, the Schools of **Mechanical and Manufacturing** and **Hospitality** are currently under-represented. If you would be willing to attend these meetings to represent your school this semester, please come to the NAITSA office (E131) for more information or e-mail Rita Cain at [ritac@nait.ca](mailto:ritac@nait.ca).



NAIT photo

Dr. Kevin Nagel, dean of the JR Shaw School of Business, left, Hans Kristian Larsen, Matt Bell, president of NAIT's SIFE Club, Sandra Spencer and Perri Steuber, right, SIFE leader and associate chair of Business Administration-Accounting pose happily after the NAIT team was awarded first place for its campaign to recruit young police officers in Alberta.

# NAIT students winners

By NAHREMAN ISSA

They're called Edmonton's finest, a nickname given to our city's police service. But the name can also be used to describe a few NAIT business students.

Three members of NAIT's Students in Free Enterprise Club (SIFE) took part in the "Recruiting Alberta Police (RAP)" Initiative. Matt Bell, Kristian Larsen and Sandra Spencer, along with team leader Perri Steuber (Associate Chair of Business) came out on top back in December when the team was awarded first place for their campaign in helping to recruit young police officers in Alberta.

Six post-secondary schools, including NAIT, Grant MacEwan and SAIT took part in the competition. Launched last September, the RAP initiative was put in place to attract younger people to a career in policing. The program aimed to get students to come up with a campaign to help enlist 18-30-year-olds to join the police force.

NAIT's team came up with the brand name "Alberta COPS", with COPS standing for Career Opportunities in Police Services.

"Originally, there was some hesitance towards the word COPS," said Bell. "But we wanted to hit the issue head-on so we could bring the optimism and respect for policing."

"We also wanted to regenerate the positivity and honour that policing once had in the minds of people."

The team will be promoting the benefits of a career in law enforcement through outlets such as an Alberta COPS website, billboards, Facebook and public events like the Capital Ex and the Calgary Stampede.

A campaign such as this couldn't have come at a better time, as morale among Edmonton Police Service members is down. The findings were published in a recent work satisfaction survey commissioned by the EPS. Half of EPS employees who responded said they are dissatisfied with their workplace and had "seriously considered leaving" the police force in the past year. In 2008, Edmonton Police hired 206 recruits and is hoping to hire at least 220 recruits this year.

With SIFE's first-place finish, the team earned \$5,000, which will be put towards the club's travel funds for when they head to Calgary and Toronto to compete in regional

and national competitions.

In second place was Grant MacEwan and finishing in third place was SAIT.

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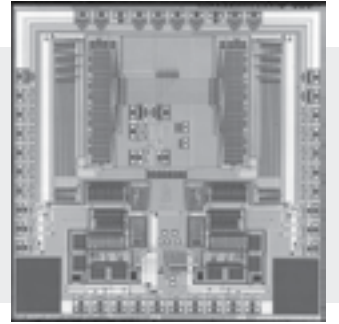


**Tech  
Talk**



SHANT CHAKMAKIAN

# Windows 7



Windows 7 is making strides in leaps and bounds as Microsoft rushes the development of this highly anticipated operating system.

With the pre-beta released to the public late last year, techies, critics and users alike have been flocking to see the possibilities of this new operating system.

Since Windows Vista came out, its timing, changes and issues have scared away many users and many organizations have decided to keep Windows XP. This has also forced many vendors to negotiate downgrade models on newer systems to come pre-loaded with Windows XP, so businesses that need to upgrade can avoid Vista issues.

But now Windows 7 is promising to change that and to also add many other enhancements into the mix.

Windows 7 boasts new features like touch screen technology, which allows you to interact with Windows directly, using the touch of your finger on the screen.

Windows 7 also promises better device

support, easier networking and a better user experience.

The operating system also promises to use many new enhancements promised in Internet Explorer 8; but so far does not promise anything ground shattering.

The kernel of the operating system (or the core that everything runs on) is really just an enhancement of Windows Vista. In fact, Windows Server 2008 used the Windows Vista kernel but made some improvements and now the new operating system promises to borrow the same from Windows Server 2008.

This has experts wondering how much Windows 7 will calm customer skepticism. Already some beta testers are charging that Windows 7 has the same speed issues. Also, some IT experts are also blasting its retail oriented inter-

face and the fact that, once again, menus are getting moved around at the expense of the loyal user.

However, not all critics and users hate it. In fact, the overall mindset regarding the premise of Windows 7 is an approving and welcoming one. People are noticing some performance improvements in early testing, while others look forward to the new features.

In fact, more and more people are getting involved in the development of the new OS with both praise and criticism, giving Microsoft the feedback it needs to help make the new

OS better. Just about every critic has an opinion on Windows 7 and new sites like windows7news.com have been started and dedicated to this new OS.

Microsoft formally said the new OS won't ship until early 2010, but there is much speculation that it may come earlier in mid- to late 2009.

Nothing yet is written in stone and most of us don't know what the future will bring. The only thing users can do is remain hopeful and optimistic that it will be one that is enhanced and a little less frustrating.

## Poll clerks – \$12/hour

### Need extra cash after the Christmas drain?

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# OPINION

— Editorial —

## Good or bad, let's hear it



**CHRIS CARMICHAEL-POWELL**  
Editor-in-Chief

I think the students and staff of NAIT need a quick lesson on the purpose of a campus newspaper. Contrary to popular belief here at NAIT, it's not solely published so you can use it to wipe up spills in the Common Market. The campus paper is a tool for both students and

staff to have their voices heard.

The Grapevines are a great example. Do you have a beef about NAIT? Do you think the guy in the elevator is cute and are looking for an anonymous way to tell him? Tell me about it! These days you don't even have to find a piece of paper. Make an anonymous online Grapevine submission on our website at [thenuggetonline.com](http://thenuggetonline.com). Keep in mind writing is not the only way you can get involved with the *Nugget*. Photo submissions and comic strips are always welcomed, and that is only a few ways to get involved.

### Step up to the plate

There are too many times I find myself walking the halls of NAIT and hear people discussing the content in the *Nugget*, the things readers would rather read about and what they like reading. Well if you have some input, send it to us. If you think you could do a better job writing a column or putting together a news article, by all means, step up to the plate. Keep in mind none of us in the *Nugget* office are trained journalists, but I think we do a great job. Nevertheless, if you want to give us a piece of your mind, send it to [student-editor@nait.ca](mailto:student-editor@nait.ca). Keeping the paper interactive is a good thing. I love nothing more than opening up my e-mail and reading a strongly worded letter! Granted, if you would like it uncensored in the publication, keep the profanities to a minimum.

We have thousands of papers distributed and read weekly in this school and aside from the papers read in the school, we have numerous visitors to the online website, and some of our stories are even picked up by universities around Canada. This is our opportunity to get the word out about NAIT successes. We have a great institution, great faculty and clubs and programs being organized each and every day. I want to hear about them, good or bad.

### Let us know

I'm not asking the students to do my job; I love mining the school for story ideas and chasing down people for interviews. But what I would love even more is if I felt like I were doing it for a cause, or at least knew that people cared what we were writing about. If a student has an issue or a human-interest story they want the *Nugget* to look into, let us know. You could find it on the front page of our next issue!

NAIT, I ask that you please take hold of this newspaper and use it to the best of your ability. Sending me a quick e-mail saying, "Chris, last week's editorial was shitty." That would put a huge smile on my face, as feedback is a wonderful thing. All I am hoping for is a response. Get involved, get imaginative and get writing!



## Contribute – it's your newspaper!



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# SPORTS

## Dumb and dumber



By **AMBER TIENKAMP**  
Sports Editor

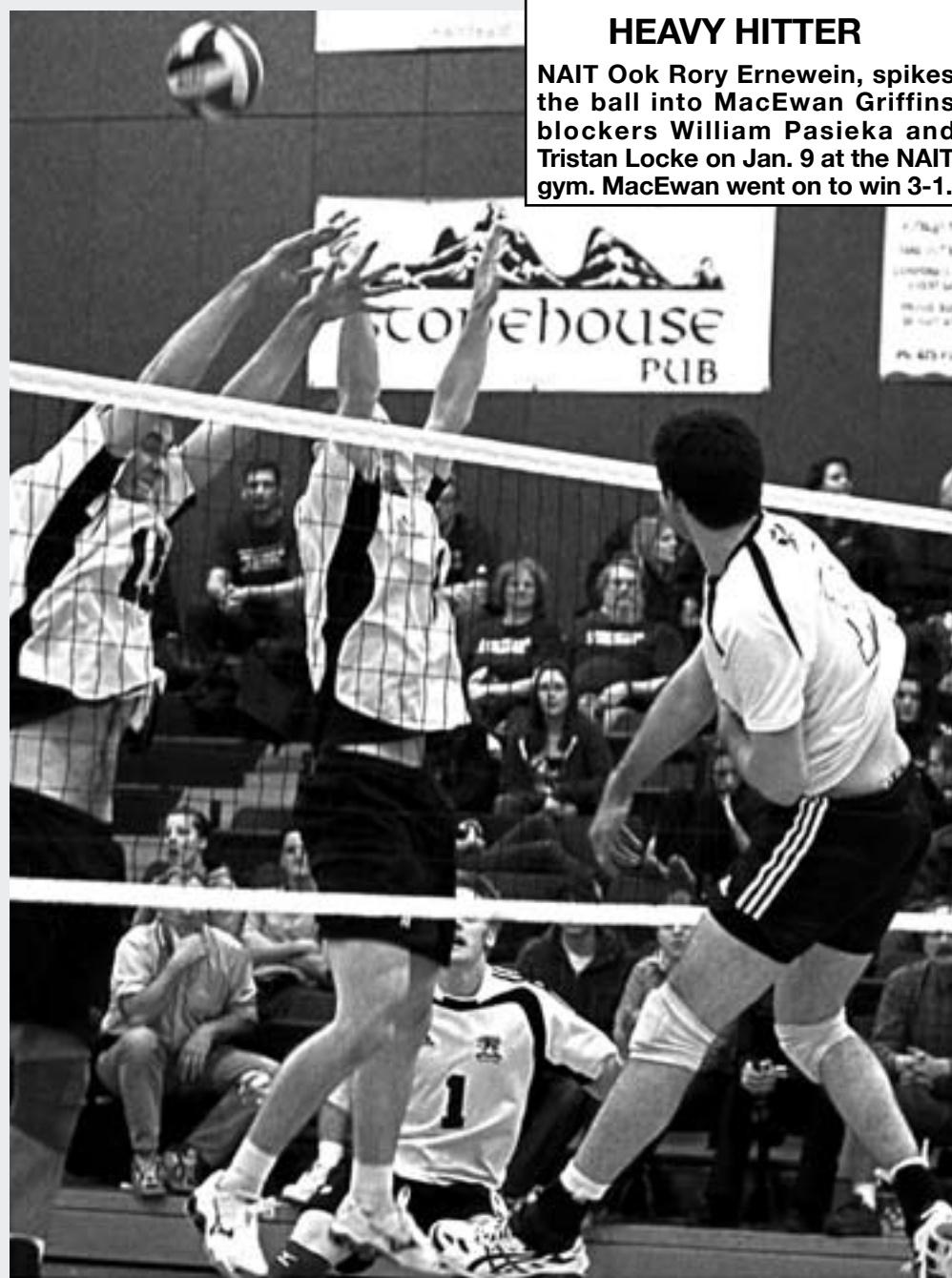
Sporting events are supposed to be entertaining. That's why people go, for the love of the sport and the entertainment factor. It seems though, that certain athletes just can't hold it together during the game.

Now sometimes, these outbursts by athletes can be fairly interesting for fans to be a part of. But afterwards, you have embarrassed teammates, coaches without explanations for the media and the fans, and of course, the job the leagues then have of handing out penalties. The latest example of one of these situations is the latest embarrassment to hockey and sports in general ... Jarkko Ruutu.

Suspended for two games by the NHL for biting Buffalo's player Andrew Peters, Ruutu has become the latest athlete to make himself look like a complete fool. Ruutu will also lose \$37,707, since he is suspended without pay. If you haven't seen the clip of the incident, please go check it out, and then figure out the answer to the question that everyone is asking, "What the hell was he thinking?" The Ottawa Sens player, of course, isn't the first athlete to do something absolutely ridiculous and pointless during a game.

Here are a few more in case you have forgotten just how dumb some athletes can be:

- Perhaps one of the most memorable bites in sports: Mike Tyson biting the ear of Evander Holyfield in 1997.
- World Cup 2006: Zinedine Zidane, a French soccer player who head-butted an Italian opponent, Materazzi. He was sent off the field, but surprisingly, still won the Golden Ball Award for the best player at the World Cup.
- The always classic: Roberto Alomar while playing with Baltimore spit in umpire John Hirschbeck's face in 1996 during an argument. He received a five-game sentence.
- This one's just weird: Dock Ellis, a former pitcher for Pittsburgh in the 70's, claimed he dropped acid before a game. Then realized he was supposed to pitch later that afternoon. He ended up pitching a no hitter while tripping out on LSD!
- Who could forget: Malice at the Palace. The Nuggets and Knicks had a showdown one night near the end of the game, where both teams went for each other, and we are talking a full out brawl. Seriously, if you have never seen this, go YouTube it.
- Sean Avery: Enough said. So what is the deal? Understandably, some of these athletes were provoked, prodded and pushed to the point where they reacted in a way they normally wouldn't have (Zidane for example



### HEAVY HITTER

NAIT Ooks Rory Ernewein, spikes the ball into MacEwan Griffins blockers William Pasioka and Tristan Locke on Jan. 9 at the NAIT gym. MacEwan went on to win 3-1.

Photo by Carla Pearson

claims Materazzi insulted his mother and sister). But you're getting paid to play a game, or play a role on a team, not to act like an idiot, embarrass your team and make the fans question what exactly sports "entertainment" is

coming to. Jeremy Roenick seems to sum up what most people's opinions are of some of the cheap shots listed above, and directly of Ruutu's biting incident: "It was a chicken sh#t move."

## What's in a name anyway?

By **AMBER TIENKAMP**  
Sports Editor

Recently, I was watching late night TV, and having already viewed Sportsnet enough times that I could quote it inside and out, my mind began to wander.

Listening to the highlights for the 100th time, I began to think about the different names of teams (like I said, it was late). I began to see a pattern. Your team is either named after some sort of animal or after something that nobody is quite sure what it is, like Minnesota Wild (I ask you, what exactly is a Wild?). I thought about the teams I had been a part of in the past and they, too, were all names of animals or some sort of object such as the "Lakers."

So I decided to check it out. My search actually got pretty interesting. Gone are the days of just being the ferocious Lions, or Tigers, or Bears. Teams have gone so far as to make up animals to

name their teams after. Take Webster University in St. Louis. Their team name is the Gorloks. Now maybe you have never heard of a Gorlok. That's because it is a mythical creature that the students and the staff made up in a contest. Oh, but don't worry, a Gorlok is fierce. It has the horns of a buffalo, the paws of a cheetah, but the lovable face of a Saint Bernard. I wouldn't mind seeing a showdown between a Gorlok and a Drion (a Drion is a mix of a dragon and a lion, which I just made up). Not every school feels the need to pick an animal that puts terror into the competition. Some places are content to pick names that confuse us, as well as make us question whether the team wants to actually win games or just get laughed at. Case in point: UC Santa Cruz Banana Slugs. That's absolutely fricken brilliant. Seri-



ously, are you kidding me? You might as well call your team the Sloths or the Extremely Slow Turtles. Birds are also highly popular. Think of how many "Hawks" or "Owls" you played against in Little League or U7 soccer. There are seven NBA teams with names of animals and roughly nine NHL teams. I say roughly because some names are questionable ... such as the Bruins and Blue Jackets. What are they? Is Bruin another name for a Bear? The logo makes you assume so, and a Blue Jacket? Perhaps a long lost cousin of the much feared Yellow Jackets.

There may be so few animal names in hockey and basketball because Major League Baseball and the NFL managed to capitalize on most of the coolest animal names out there (like I said before, Lions, Tigers and Bears). And if all the good ani-

mal names are taken ... just shoot for something that's mythical but not animalistic, such as Trojans or Spartans. Oh, and in case you're wondering, I tried to look up the word "Ook" in the dictionary, but it isn't anywhere to be found.

### A new ACAC record every game for Dale-Marie

On Nov. 7 against Augustana, Ooks forward Dale-Marie Cumberbatch broke the ACAC record of 1,407 total points in a career, which was set in 2001 by SAIT's Lisa Ozcan (Erickson). Follow her progress as she sets a new mark every remaining game this season.







NAHREMAN ISSA

# 2 minutes in the box

Random thoughts around the sporting world:

- Robbie Schremp: It's the same question with this player. Why isn't he an Edmonton Oiler? Well, Craig MacTavish has had enough of that question and spoke up about the situation. While he has said Schremp has decent hands, he went on to say the forward is slow, not physical and soft at the NHL level. It's come to the point where I just want Schremp to be traded. It's become a sad soap opera with the team. Use him as trading bait and get rid of him. I'm sure if he were with another club, he

would have been playing full-time in the NHL.

- Speaking of Mac T, many are wondering how he still has his job. He's not going anywhere. According to Daryl Katz, when he bought the team, the coaching staff would remain the same. The Oilers never fire their coaches. And all this talk about Pat Quinn coaching the Oil will not happen. Face it, the Ottawa Senators will be the next team to fire their coach, and Quinn will step right in. He's spent plenty of time in that city coaching the World Juniors and what better way to stick it to the

Toronto Maple Leafs than to join their arch enemy's team.

- The Ottawa Senators aren't looking too good. Jarkko Ruutu was suspended for biting, the team is sitting near the bottom of the standings and the Sens have lost 11 of their last 12 road games (with the lonely win coming against the Oilers). The only good news is centre Mike Fisher is rumoured to be dating country crooner Carrie Underwood. But we all know what happens when blonde singers start dating athletes – Jessica Simpson anyone?

- If you're looking for a good

laugh reading sports blogs, I strongly suggest you check out Ian Mendes's blog on Sportsnet. Here's a sample of his latest writing:

*Dec. 30th – Lights Out Performance: The lighting at Rexall Place goes out thanks to a power outage before the start of the Sens-Oilers game, causing a 30-minute delay. When leaving the ice after the delay, Craig Hartsburg says to me, "I say we should play. Who knows? Maybe we're better in the dark." That was a great one-liner from the coach of a struggling team. I decided to relay the info along to our broad-*

*cast truck and they wanted me to go live to pass on the funny story to the viewers at home. The only problem: Arena blackouts and dark-skinned reporters aren't a good mix in the world of television. It's essentially the same logic that applies to albino weather reporters in a snowstorm. It just doesn't work. Luckily, they brought a mini-floodlight to the Zamboni area and I was able to go on the air live. Otherwise, viewers at home would have been subjected to a floating pair of eyes and teeth trying to tell them about Craig Hartsburg in the dark.*

# Another golden holiday

BY LANDON HOMMY  
Assistant Sports Editor

It's been almost two weeks and it still feels good.

After the Canadian Junior Men's Hockey Team clinched its fifth straight World Junior Championship gold medal last Monday, the country has slowly put away the red and white paraphernalia, cut down on their TSN time, and gone back to business-as-usual.

But for most, the latest tournament is still very fresh in their now alcohol-free minds. The mere mention of "John Tavares" is a sure conversation-starter around the water cooler. And who doesn't eavesdrop when the "Jordan Eberle goal" is whispered about in class?

Yes, another year, another gold for Canada. And outside of that sure-to-be-classic semifinal against Russia, the Canadians were clearly the superior team in the tournament. Timely goaltending, great defence and the tourney's best offence – Canada had it all.

And all of Canada was watching. Unreal crowds in the host city of Ottawa set the tone for each contest. And with no time zone issues concerning game start times, the nation once again flocked to televisions in record numbers.

National pride always rings loud at this time of year, as our perennial expectations for gold obligate us to give the boys proportional support.

But just as important as streaks or pride is the fact that once again the products of our national treasure that is the "Program of Excellence" offered thousands of Canadians the chance to squander their remaining days of Christmas holidays in a useful manner.

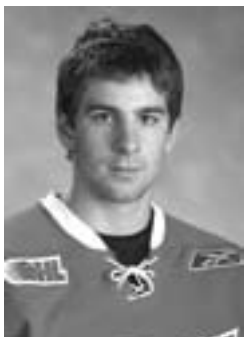
The WJC is the perfect dessert after

a great meal. And considering how much one eats over the break, that's saying something.

Unless you're a college football fan, one might not know what to do without family, friends, presents and *It's a Wonderful Life*? What can you do to fill the last vestiges of the well-earned time off that is early Jan-



Jordan Eberle



John Tavares

uary? Every year the boys in red and white answer that question. And recently, it's an answer that has come all too easy.

After three straight silver medals, Canada iced one of its best teams ever in 2005. Sidney Crosby, Patrice Bergeron, Dion Phaneuf and Jeff Carter were just some of the names on that squad that has sparked this recent trend of success.

Four years later, Tavares, Cody Hodgson and Eberle led this year's group to 46 goals, the third most in Team Canada history. And it doesn't seem like much will change, since 10 players will remain eligible for

next year, notwithstanding their respective NHL teams hanging onto them.

But for now, the excitement subsided soon after Hodgson's empty netter.

What's left is the simple res-

ignation that: a) the fun's over and b) Canada is still really good at hockey. And for

another year at least, that's all one really needs.

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# Same old Oilers, same old story

look for a trade to happen before anybody on the coaching staff gets their walking papers. After all the buzz and talk in Oil Country about contending for their division at the start of the year, the Oilers appear to be headed down the same path they've taken for the last 15 years. They will most likely be fighting tooth and nail for the last couple playoff spots in the wild, wild Western Conference.



Photo by Carla Pearson

**NAIT Ooks Eric Sonnenburg (20) and Concordia Thunder player Donovan Sugiyama get into a tussle during the first period in a game at NAIT arena on Jan. 9. Concordia won the game 7-5.**

# ACAC Standings

Team .....	G	W	L	Pts	PF	PA
Red Deer .....	12	10	2	20	957	759
Mount Royal .....	12	10	2	20	982	723
Lethbridge .....	12	7	5	14	977	852
Medicine Hat .....	12	4	8	8	876	983
SAIT .....	12	4	8	8	851	950

Team	MP	MW	ML	GW	GL	Pts
Mount Royal .....	12	9	3	32	11	18

King's 3, Lakeland 0 (25-20, 25-17, 25-23)



FOOTBALL

# Crazy NFL season not over yet

By **LANDON HOMMY**  
Assistant Sports Editor

New Year's Resolution No.8:  
Don't bet on NFL football.

That may be the opinion of many pigskin fans these days as yet another bout of upsets highlighted the NFL playoffs this past weekend.

On Saturday, the AFC witnessed its No. 1 seeded Tennessee Titans fall to the Baltimore Ravens. Baltimore knocked off the Miami Dolphins a week earlier and showed that proven winners are still very dangerous opponents.

Ray Lewis, despite pre-season predictions that his age would begin to show, has viciously reminded people, by way of hits like the one he laid down on Ahmad Hall last week, that he is just as effective as he was during his 2000 and 2003 Defensive Player of the Year campaigns – and that he may still be the man most likely to kill someone on the field (no murder charge comments, please).

The NFC's Philadelphia Eagles are much the same way. After upsetting the top-seeded New York Giants on Sunday, they too have proven that veterans like Donovan

McNabb and Brian Dawkins are still very capable of winning it all.

Having spurred the Eagles through two division winners, and countless more doubters, McNabb, after being benched earlier in the season, now has the Eagles playing in their fourth NFC Championship game in five years.

The other upset went down Saturday when the Arizona Cardinals received a late Christmas gift in the form of Jake Delhomme and his five interceptions as they humbled the Carolina Panthers 33-13. The Cardinals, who are just trying

to prove that they belong, will do what many thought to be impossible as they host this weekend's NFC Championship game against the Eagles.

But all of this shouldn't have been too surprising if you followed the regular season, which could be the Oxford Dictionary's new definition of "unpredictable."

An early season-ending injury to reigning MVP Tom Brady kicked things off, which was followed hours later by Ed Hochuli's infamous fumble call in the dying seconds of the Denver Broncos win over the San Diego Chargers. Then after weeks of inconsistency and

question marks, the season closed with the Titans and Cardinals losing four of their last five, the Dallas Cowboys collapsing again, and the Eagles getting in on the losses of two other teams – not to mention the Chargers' division title after posting an 8-8 record.

They're about as credible as Sarah Palin. But unlike the VP hopeful, they actually won when it mattered, beating the Indianapolis Colts

in the Wild Card round two weeks ago. That's like Steve Urkel picking up more girls than his alter-ego Stefan Urquelle – it just doesn't happen.

Thankfully, the Pittsburgh Steelers avoided the underdog brigade by putting the Chargers in their place on Sunday, beating them 35-24.

So as we enter the Conference Championship round this weekend, the forecast is just as cloudy as it's been for the past few months.

The NFC pits the Cardinal air force against the Eagles' version of Blitzkrieg, while the AFC will see the top two defences try to outscore the Oilers-Coyotes game.

In a season where, for the first time in recent memory, there was never a clear-cut favourite, the Steelers will be just that. But until Big Ben stops getting clocked more times than his namesake then, well, I wouldn't bet on it.



## CRASHING THE NET

**NAIT Ook Lacie Richard (11) finds herself in the middle of a pileup in the Red Deer net on Jan. 10 as the two teams met at the NAIT arena. NAIT won the game 5-3.**

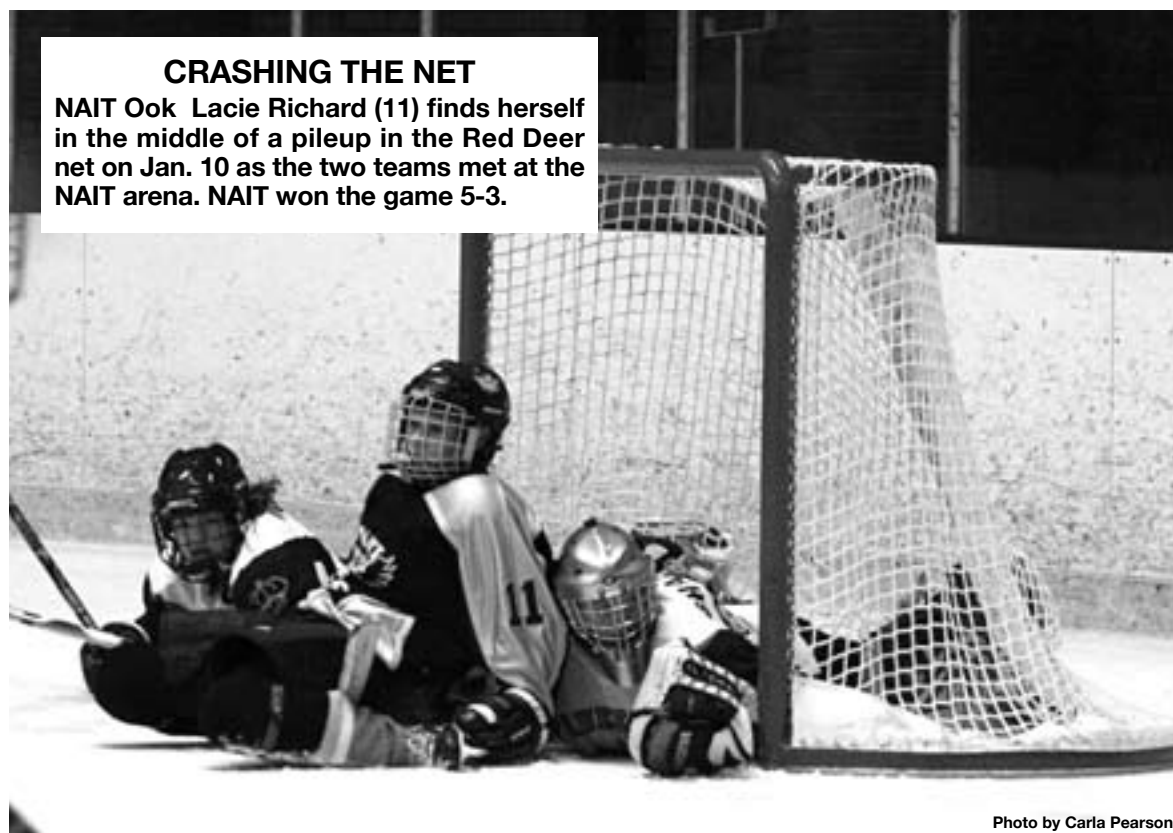


Photo by Carla Pearson

## Athletes of the week

Dec. 1-Dec. 7

**Rosalina Hicks**  
Basketball



Rosalina Hicks, a first-year Personal Fitness Trainer student from Edmonton, had a strong effort in the Oaks' 82-60 loss to the Lakeland Rustlers on Friday, Dec. 5. Rosie had eight points, played 31 minutes and was named player of the game for the Oaks. "We think that Rosie is an important part of this team's future," said head coach Curtis Nelson. "She works hard, has a great attitude, and has a lot of skill. She's one of the players that I think we can really build our program around. It was nice to see her step up and play a great game."

**Klaus Figueiredo**  
Basketball



Klaus Figueiredo, a first-year Geomatics student from St. Albert, was a key component in the Oaks' 87-83 win over the Lakeland Rustlers on Friday, Dec. 5. While he didn't light up the scoreboard, scoring five points with six rebounds, three assists, and three steals in just over 23 minutes of play, he did enough to impress Oaks head coach Don Phillips. "Klaus's play was very mature tonight," said Phillips. "He played like a true point guard. He had a lot of deflections and steals, and distributed the ball well; everything that was necessary to help us win."

## Athletes of the week

Jan. 5-Jan. 11

**Kendel Jurista**  
Hockey



Kendel Jurista, a second-year business student from Kamloops, BC, was a key component in the NAIT Oaks women's hockey team's 5-3 victory over the Red Deer Queens at the NAIT Arena on Saturday, Jan. 10. Kendel had two assists in the game, in which NAIT had dressed just 11 players. "With a short bench, Kendel did a great job in moving from offence to defence as needed," said head coach Deanna Iwanicka.

"She was excellent in all positions and situations. As our leading scorer and assistant captain, her contributions are second to none."

**Travis Ziegler**  
Hockey



Travis Ziegler, a first year radio and television student from Spruce Grove, excelled for the NAIT Oaks men's hockey team in his team's match against the Concordia Thunder on Saturday. In just his second start of the season, Travis saved 43 of 44 shots in a 1-0 loss to the Thunder.

"Travis came in and gave us every chance to win the game on Saturday," said head coach Terry Ballard. "He made a lot of big saves, looked confident out there, and it was unfortunate for him that the result didn't go our way."

**A**re you interested in how your student executive is working to improve campus life? Now's your chance to find out! The NAITSA website ([www.naitsa.ca](http://www.naitsa.ca)) now features blogs written by the executives them-

selves. Finally, you can take a peek into the day-to-day lives of the executive team, that is, Brent Constantin, president; Lisi Monro, VP Academic; Michelle Goulet, VP Campus Life and Geoff Tate, VP Apprenticeship and

External. They will be updating their blogs regularly to let students in on what they've been doing to help you out, where you can see them on campus and what kind of fun and exciting events they have planned for you!

# Your time is now!

Hello returning and new students, welcome to (back to) NAIT! I hope that the holidays were kind to you and you didn't have a severe tonsil infection like I did.

When I started here at NAIT (way back in the prehistoric days of 2006) I was a January intake student. To me it felt, and maybe it feels to you, that everything and everyone was already up and going and I was missing out on the whole first part of the year.

Well, while things have been going on,

your experience starts when you start, and it's up to you to get the most out of it. There isn't any better time to get involved than when you're a student. So many opportunities are available that you'll never have outside of post-secondary. Run for student government and help manage the assets of a multi-million dollar organization, start or join a club to develop your leadership skills, personal interests or just to meet some new people.

These are years of your lives steeped in potential, so get involved and enjoy yourself! NAITSA is here to help you do that regardless of when you start. So come by our offices, pick up the *Nugget* or take a look at our website ([naitsa.ca](http://naitsa.ca)) to find out how you can get the most out of your campus community.

Please don't hesitate to contact me, anytime,

Brent Constantin  
NAITSA President



Brent Constantin  
President



Geoff Tate  
VP Apprenticeship and External

# New year, new energy

Where to begin?

As the year and first semester come to a close, the thought of sickeningly large amounts of eggnog and Bailey's becomes ever more common. I am sorry, I cannot help it. In my family, the holiday tradition of sitting down and playing Settlers of Catan is highly treasured. My mother and I have also started our own tradition of losing terribly at this game, and to offset this ego-destroyer, Bailey's with a hint of the 'nog is common place.

But as fun as that is, my first and only task is NOT to sit and wait in anticipation of that moment, but to make sure NAITSA's doctrine is alive and strong going into the new year. And this it will be!

I don't know if it is just me, but the office seems to have a renewed vigour this last month. Everyone seems to be going on

all cylinders right now, and ideas and goals seem that much more possible.

Things I want to see:

Why don't we have a NAIT full time staff member available to apprenticeship students to help them with EI and financial documents? This is something I will be working hard on until it is in place.

**Tuition consultation with NAIT** – The NAITSA executives will be formulating ideas and things we would like to see when we enter these discussions with NAIT in the New Year. Definitely post your comments or contact me with things you would like to see your executives working towards.

**NAIT regulations regarding apprenticeship students** – Many concerns have been brought forward by students with regard to the policies in place around

apprenticeship studies. A program's capability to adhere to a Red Seal certification, safety concerns, instructor/student relations and many more issues have all been noted and will be looked at going into the new year and beyond. (That reminded me of Star Trek ... I am SOOO pumped for the new movie.)

And a heartfelt thank you goes out to the Distribution Campus and students for the letter that we here at NAITSA received. It was our pleasure to help you guys out. (Don't hold me to it, but let's look at getting some new furniture in that place, hey?)

PS: a microwave is on the way.

PPS: Smoking ban ... It isn't over yet! But I digress ...

Till we meet again ...  
Geoffrey George Tate

# Lots to do, and free, too!

Hey, hey NAIT!

Michelle here from NAITSA, your VP Campus Life.

It was awesome to meet you on the New Year's Ski Trip! If I didn't meet you, you really missed out on a great time! The snow was great in Kicking Horse (Golden, B.C.) and the New Year's Party was on mountain in the chalet.

The DJ was great, the party was amazing and we were all totally stoked about visiting Revelstoke to hit the slopes on New Year's Day.

Keep your eyes on the posters around school – clubs host many trips throughout the season so be sure to hop on one – you will definitely thank me later! (Ever been to Vegas? We're hosting a trip over Reading Break, only \$389!!)

So what else is up and coming?

Well, on Jan. 15 in the South Lobby will be the Club Fair, so if you wanna meet some people and do something you like (ie. go hiking with the NAIT Outdoors Club) be sure to head down there and check it out.

Also on Jan. 15 you can check out Indie Night in the Nest. That gong-show will start at 4:30 p.m. ... and it's FREE new music!

Jan. 20 is Movie Tuesday in the Shaw Theatre. Starting at 4:30 p.m. you will get free popcorn and then you can check out the movie *Body of Lies*. Yup, this one is free, too!

The last event I'll tell you about is Jan. 23 – FREEZE OVER!

Mustaches, Mullets and Spandex Edition! We've updated this event to be more interactive, so come out and show your hockey pride!

We will be having an outdoor street hockey game with some sweet prizes, including costume prizes for teams that get with the theme and bring their fans!!

Register your team (at least one girl, and the entire team must be NAIT students with valid student ID) at the NAITSA office E-131.

Chat with Leeanne at our front desk (she is awesome and will take care of you).

That night we will also have a cover band rocking out in the Nest to help kick off the men's OOKS hockey game (NAIT vs. SAIT) in the NAIT Arena.

There will be all sorts of surprises for you, so be sure to be there. There's a \$5 cover charge at the door. The show starts at 3:30 p.m.

Well, if you have any ideas for events, be sure to e-mail me ([mgoulet@nait.ca](mailto:mgoulet@nait.ca)) and I will bring it up with the team.

That's my job – to ensure you all have an amazing campus life while you're here at NAIT.

Other than that, keep an eye out for our posters, or visit us online at [www.naitsa.ca](http://www.naitsa.ca)

Adios, amigos!  
Michelle Goulet



Michelle Goulet  
VP Campus Life



# NAITSA ... no life like it!

I spent a big part of my holidays in Las Vegas ... festive – I know. Almost didn't make it home for Christmas because of all the weather delays ... just my luck that it would snow in the desert during the time I had my trip planned there. Also, an SUV turned in front of me while I was driving down 98 Avenue by Capilano Mall, so I've had the privilege of driving the most basic model possible of the Suzuki Swift, complete with fresh summer tires, a broken back hatch door, a frozen drivers seat door locking mechanism and automatic absolutely nothing. So, yeah ... the holidays were pretty awesome ...

I know a bunch of you got to go on the NAITSA Ski Trip over New Year's. I totally missed out on that but I hear it was a good time.

It seems no matter how awesome your job is or how much you like school, you always dread going back on that first Monday when classes start in January. I'm more anxious about how fast the next four months are going to go by. I'm taking a few classes this semester, and between those hours and trying to juggle accomplishing some of the goals I've set for myself at work here at NAITSA, let's just say I'm not always 100 per cent sure I'll make it. Being an executive here is a pretty good gig, we have some elections coming up in February, and one of the votes will be to replace me in my position.

My main job here is to help out students when they get into a bind. That can mean anything from academic trouble to a beef with another student that might be affecting their time at school.

It's the first time I've ever had a job where I've been able to set the pace and the objective for myself. Aside from my basic function as a student advocate, I've been able to take a look at the association, and then decide what I want to work on to make it stronger.

The biggest obstacle always seems to be communication. Do instructors and students always know what the right procedures are in dealing with conflict situations? Do students know to read the handbook that outlines their rights and responsibilities in any situation? It's going to be really tough to go back to a regular punch clock job,

but I hope my resume is going to look hella good.

A lot of people don't know that being an executive at NAITSA is a full time job. It's really flexible, so that if you've been elected but you're in the middle of your studies, you can take a few classes a semester during your year term as executive, work the rest of the time on your NAITSA stuff and then resume your studies when you're done your elected term.

At first I thought, "well what's the point of this because it's just going to add on a year of time that any student would spend at NAIT," but once I got into it and I found out that they paid for my classes that I could take, and I was making full time money in a pretty awesome job, I realized that I had made the best decision.

Enough about me, though. What are you doing next year? Whether or not you're going to be graduating, or are just in your first year – it is that time of the year where you inevitably start planning. Why not look at the NAITSA general elections as a potential starting point to a cool job opportunity? Here are some pointers:

- Making \$3,000 gross salary per month
- Working with a team of some of the most awesomely fun people on campus
- Hanging out with your own teachers, program heads and deans as peers working in the best interests of students (it's a pretty fun side of the table to be on)
- Representing thousands of NAIT students across the city and working with others who represent similar groups.
- Having the ability to put really good-looking stuff on your resume eg., director of large organization representing thousands of students
- Setting your own goals and time lines, instead of having someone telling you what to do

Anyway, just something to think about! Feel free to stop by the NAITSA office or e-mail me if you want more info.

Lisi



**Lisi Monro**  
VP Academic

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Fashion is Golden!



**LEANNE TRUONG**  
Assistant Entertainment Editor

On Sunday, as I took a quick peek out of my window and shuddered at the sight of nothing but massive snow-fall, I snuggled into my couch and warmed myself up with a hot serving of the 66th annual Golden Globes.

As we start our new year trying to brave the beginning of yet another recession, celebrities can mindlessly set aside the hard times and attend one of the grandest award shows of the year, but let's just call it the junior Academy Awards ... or the less significant one.

An award show created to honour the best of films, musicals, television series and so on, it's basically a glitzy New Year's after party ... reason being, celebrities have to endure long, back-breaking hours of acting like another person and then after they get off shift, they glam up in designer digs and attend dreadful events, pfft ... talk about a hard life.

The Hollywood Foreign Press Association gives us average Joes and Janes the pleasure of watching actors, writers and directors receiving a mini gold plated globe for their efforts in entertaining us, as we watch from our humble homes while they eat and drink the night away. I know I sound cynical about this much anticipated superficial event, but then why do I watch? FASHION of course ... now, now, I do love most of the movies and watch some of the shows on television, but it's so endearing to tune in and see who wore what and gawk and snarl at the ones who've committed crimes of couture.

Since you may or may not invest/waste your time as I do watching this award show, I will recap the 25 categories, winners and highlights of the evening. First of all, *30 Rock* and Kate Winslet were the top winners of the night, and while Winslet accepted her

award for the best performance (drama) for *Revolutionary Road* and best supporting role for *The Reader*, during her acceptance speech she named all of the other nominees, but forgot Angelina Jolie and then remembered her by saying "and who's the other one ... Angelina." Then the camera turned to Jolie, who had that look that your momma gives you when you do something wrong ... Bad, Kate, bad!

On another note, it could be karma for Jolie as the Brangelina duo totally shunned Ryan Seacrest on the pre-show red carpet when he chased after them with questions, as he does with anyone who is famous ... I guess I don't blame the pair!

*30 Rock* took best television series (comedy/musical) and you guessed it, best performance for an actress (comedy/musical) went to none other than Tina Fey, while Alec Baldwin nabbed best performance by an actor (comedy/musical).

Another biggie winner was the film *Slumdog Millionaire*, which took best motion picture, best director, best screen play and best original score (note to self, next film to watch).

Mickey Rourke won best performance (drama) for his role in *The Wrestler*, Sally Hawkins won best performance (comedy/musical) in *Happy-Go-Lucky*, Colin Farrell grabbed best performance (comedy/musical) for *In Bruges* and an honorary moment was awarded for best supporting actor to the late Heath Ledger, who gave a stellar performance in *Dark Knight*. His award was accepted by the film's director, Christopher Nolan.

Best feature animated film went to the absolutely adorable production of *Wall-E*, *Waltz with Bashir*, from Israel won best foreign language film, best original song was from the movie *The Wrestler*, called *The Wrestler* by Bruce Springsteen, *Mad Men* won best television series (drama), Anna Paquin won for best performance by an actress (drama) in *True Blood*, Gabriel Byrne of *In Treatment* won for best performance from an actor (drama).

The HFPA doesn't exclude the little ones ... best mini-series/motion picture made for television went to *John Adams* and in the related mini-series/motion

picture category ... best performance by an actor went to Paul Giamatti for *John Adams*, best performance by an actress was awarded to Laura Dern in *Recount* and Tom Wilkinson won best supporting role in *John Adams*. The honorary Cecil B. DeMille award was presented to mega director Steven Spielberg for his impressive 40 years of filmmaking and presented to him by the godfather of directors, Martin Scorsese while he received a standing ovation from most of the actors that he cast in his movies.

Fashion wise, the night was draped with mainly dark navy satin and pastel chiffon paired with flashy jewelry and classic clutches. By far, Eva Mendes was the best dressed female that night in a sculpted cream Christian Dior number. Drew Barrymore, who channelled Marilyn Monroe, wore an ice blue tulle Dior gown along with a platinum blond bob and Eva Longoria stole the show with a stunning ruby curve hugging Reem Arca fishtail gown.

Jennifer Lopez always shocks us all with her fashion choices (remember her green Versace number at the Grammys?) and again she managed to make my jaw drop as she came draped in a burnt gold velvet Marchesa goddess dress ... I love Marchesa and I also love the goddess look, but J.Lo just looked like her grandma took some tacky curtain drapes from the '70s and effortlessly threw it on her ... enough said.

Cameron Diaz wore a structured icky pink Chanel gown and although the couturier designs always prevails, this was a big no-no (or non-non, as the French would say). While everyone else seemed quite simple in their pick of dresses, it was just bland, although still classic and pretty ... let's just say everyone does casual chic for

the Globes.

There you have it, just another year and another award show ... just something to watch when you're buried inside your home, safe from our wonderful Edmonton weather.



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**BRYCE ALTHOUSE**  
Entertainment Editor

This week on \$3.99 mixtape, I was inspired to go through my collection of early punk music from my brief time in the true punk scene during high school. It was not the more popular skate punk scene (such as NoFX, Propagandhi, Lagwagon) but really was a revival (in my area) of a true hardcore anarchist movement. Sadly, this list is really mainstream to those in the know but it really was my de

facto list of all the music I have from the late '70s/early '80s punk movement that I liked at the time, so I can only talk about the songs I actually remember and the memories of that time. Now, looking back at this list, I have visions of my attempts to cause anarchy, my hatred of "the man," the drinking, the drugs, leather, Mohawks and the general mayhem of my so called "rebellion" against authority. That never lasted long as I preferred to keep my fight with "the man" private (plus I fell into a fire, got second- and third-degree burns and went clean for a while) and thought I would attempt to undermine a large corporation from the inside and cause it to collapse. Now I'm almost done a marketing diploma ... go figure.

Now, enjoy the list:

1. The Adolescents – Rip It Up
2. The Descendents – Suburban Home

3. The Germs – Lexicon Devil
4. Dead Kennedys – Kill The Poor
5. Minor Threat – Guilty of Being White
6. Agent Orange – Everything Turns Grey
7. Bad Brains – How Low Can a Punk Get?
8. Black Flag – Police Story
9. Crass – So What?
10. The Sex Pistols – No Fun
11. D.R.I. – Closet Punk
12. Dead Boys - (I Don't Wanna Be No) Catholic Boy
13. Dead Kennedys – Let's Lynch The Landlord
14. Oi Polloi – Punx 'n' Skins
15. Subhumans – Mickey Mouse Is Dead
16. The Adicts – Viva La Revolution
17. The Adolescents – Amoeba
18. The Ramones – California Sun

## Edmonton models: Time to stand tall

**By BRYCE ALTHOUSE**  
Entertainment Editor

Want to be a rich and famous celebrity? Well, that eliminates any current job openings at the *Nugget* and most jobs within the province of Alberta.

Think you have to work hard for years and years to get noticed as a potential super model? Hardly. Instead, consider heading out to a casting call for the upcoming return of hit show *Canada's Next Top Model*, (which CTV now

owns). CNTM is the official Canadian counterpart of *America's Next Top Model* and gives the chance for women across Canada to fulfill their dreams of modelling superstardom in an ever helpful and entertaining reality TV program where only one contestant walks away a winner.

Now that you realize this is the premise of EVERY current reality TV contest show you say, "But I'm in Edmonton, not Toronto and

that stuff never happens here" and to that I reply that you are in luck because the casting call is right here in Edmonton!

On Jan. 18 at West Edmonton Mall, you (the sexy female readers of the *Nugget*) can go and strut your stuff to vie for one of 10 spots reserved for the TV finalists.

But, as always, there are a few guidelines that should be known before you take my advice and go audition. You must be female

(unlike a certain *America's Next Top Model* contestant) between the ages of 18-23, cannot have a substantial modelling background/ appeared in a national campaign within the last five years, and have to be over five-foot-eight tall. Yes, you read that right, if you are less than five-feet-eight inches, you are SOL. Apparently the modelling world is discriminatory towards those of short stature.

There are more rules and regu-

lations, so check out [model.ctv.ca](http://model.ctv.ca) for more information. Now I'm off to go find someone from the *Nugget* I can send to try out ... oh wait, they are all short. Damn, maybe we should start hiring some girls from the Athletics department ...

(Editor's Note: Hell also has frozen over as I am indeed reporting on tabloid type events. Although I think my Assistant Editor is secretly proud ... and maybe standing by the thermostat)

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## STEPS TO SUCCESS

# Make SMART resolutions



SHANT CHAKMAKIAN

So it's about half way through the first month of the year and you probably have already forgotten about or have quit working on your New Year's resolutions.

Unfortunately, most people are in the same boat and as a result they fall short of what they want in life and the goals they set for themselves.

Most people fail before they start because they don't set their goals properly, or the SMART way.

The SMART way is fairly easy; SMART stands for Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely.

When you set a goal it must be specific. Planning on being rich versus planning on increasing your net

worth by \$10,000 in four months are two completely different things. Always ask what, why and how to ensure that you know exactly what your endgame will be.

Measurable goals are important, because if a goal cannot be measured, you cannot define success, failure, progress or lack thereof. This means that setting time lines with specific results works best; so instead of trying to do something overnight, break it up into smaller milestones.

Attainable goals are what keep you motivated and prevent you from feeling overwhelmed. Again, that means taking a larger goal and breaking it up into smaller milestones with clear paths and criteria for success. In this way you set yourself up for many victories, but also be sure to plan for minor setbacks.

Realistic goals are also very important. Making sure your goals are achievable in the time frame required is paramount. Most people set themselves up for failure and torture themselves with goals

that were doomed from the start. As a result, fewer people set goals because they fear the possible failure.

Without timely goals you wouldn't have the results you need when you need them. Although your goals must be Specific, Measurable, Attainable and Realistic; if they are not done in a timely fashion they may cease to be relevant or helpful.

As you set SMART goals, be sure to identify as many opportunities, challenges and good and bad habits as possible. This will make the task of setting your goals more comprehensive and helpful.

Finally, always write down your goals and evaluate them regularly. Pushing yourself is a very important part of life. It's what sets you aside from everyone else, and it's what makes you

better. Your life will move forward whether you want to set a direction or not, so take the time to make sure you get where you want to go properly.

*Please feel free to visit my blog at <http://shantc.blogspot.com> or to e-mail me any comments or suggestions at [shant\\_c@hotmail.com](mailto:shant_c@hotmail.com) I value and look forward to your input.*

## Freeze Over time is here

On Friday, Jan. 23, NAITSA is hosting a "mulletts, mustaches and spandex" hockey tournament and concert in honour of the NAIT men's Ooks hockey game against SAIT!

To participate in the Freeze Over street hockey tournament, just gather

a team of five NAIT students, with at least one female player, and stop by the NAITSA office (E-131, 8:00-4:30 M-F) to register. The cost of participation is only \$10 per person, and the winning team will score \$500 cash!

If you miss out on registering

your team, you can still check out the cover band that will be playing that night at the Nest, cheer on your favourite team in the parking lot and finish it all off with the NAIT men's hockey game.

Hope to see you all there!

## NAITSA needs executives

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These positions are: president, vice-president Academic, vice-president Apprenticeship & External and vice-president Campus Life.

These are paid, full-time positions, with many opportunities!

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Election Day is Feb. 10.

### Are you an Aboriginal student at NAIT?

If so, there is a centre right on Main Campus designed specifically to meet your needs! The EnCana Aboriginal Student Centre is a great alternative to many of the study and work spaces available on campus. Unique features of the centre include cultural awareness workshops, mentorship programs and many business services such as fax and computer access. Even if you are not self-identified through NAIT, you may still make use of all the programs and services offered!

The EnCana Aboriginal Student Centre is available Monday to Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Room E-121. Questions? Please feel free to contact Stephanie Bean, co-ordinator of Aboriginal Student Services (780) 471-7839, or at [sbean@nait.ca](mailto:sbean@nait.ca). Come by the centre and we would be happy to give you a tour!

#### WELCOME BACK TO CAMPUS

The most successful problem solvers look at things differently and see solutions that no one else can. Who would have thought of using fish protein to stop gas freezing in subsea pipes? One of our people did. Right now we are looking for students and grads that can bring a fresh perspective to the energy challenge. Best of luck this semester.

Think further. Explore student and graduate opportunities at [www.shell.ca/careers](http://www.shell.ca/careers) and quote reference **GGY415J** when you apply.

Shell is an equal opportunity employer.





# CLUBS CORNER

## Wanted: Movie Club leader

Join our movie club for an opportunity to preview movies before they are even released!

There will be an average of one to two movies a month for which the Movie Club will have access to double guest passes to major movie releases.

Those attending the previews are expected to provide a one-liner comment on the flick, which will be published in the *Nugget*.

Where else can you watch movies for free and get your opinion published! You can use your own name or some clever alias name, who knows, you may gain a following.

If you're interested in joining the club, please stop into the Campus Club Centre at Room E-133.

We are also looking for a leader for the Movie Club. This person will be an organized individual who will handle the distribution of passes, recording disbursement of passes, collecting movie one-liner feedback to submit to the *Nugget*, and putting up posters for the movies on campus.

If interested, please contact the Campus Clubs Manager via e-mail [roseb@nait.ca](mailto:roseb@nait.ca)



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You should join us next time!

**DMS Ranch Fundraiser**  
Friday, January 16, 2009  
Tickets \$5  
gets you in no line, no cover and 5 bucks for a drink!  
Get your tickets at NAITSA,  
The Common Market on Thurs. 12-1  
or Bytes Café on Fri. 12-1

**NOMINATE YOUR TEACHER TO GET PIED**



**\$2 a pie and throw as many as you want!**  
**JAN 15TH FROM 3:15 TO 5:15 @ THE COMMON MARKET**

Nominate your teacher with Heather at [heather.davis@hotmail.com](mailto:heather.davis@hotmail.com)



**Art Auction**

**Come Place Your Bid**  
**Jan 19, 20, 22, 23**  
**12:15-1:10**  
**South Lobby**


**Chinese Spring Festival Gala Evening**

Just on Jan 24th, 2009, Sat  
T-8th, JR Shaw Business Tower  
Start from 6pm

**2009**

Tickets Sale on Jan 12th, 13th, 15th  
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Tickets Delivery  
Contact: [benitaw@naitchina.com](mailto:benitaw@naitchina.com)

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## Upcoming events

**KVA**

**Event:** Athletic Ski Trip

**When:** March 7 and 8

**Where:** Panorama/Jasper

**Petroleum Club**

**Event:** Beer Garden

**When:** Friday Jan. 30; 3 p.m.-11 p.m.

**Where:** The Dock

**Petroleum Club**

**Event:** Ski Trip

**When:** March 6-8

**Where:** Kicking Horse – Golden BC

Please note: \$295/person,  
payment due Feb. 1.

## TOP 10 TIPS

# Improving your self-esteem



**MARGARET MAREAN**  
NAIT Student Counselling

People with high self-esteem have positive yet realistic views of themselves. They trust their own abilities, have a general sense of control in their lives, and believe that they will be able to meet most of their goals. High self-esteem means accepting yourself for who you are, and not depending excessively on the approval of others in order to feel good about yourself. People with high self-esteem take reasonable risks and do not feel they have to conform to the expectations of others. Typically people have areas where they feel confident (such as academics or social relationships) and areas where their self-esteem is not as high (for example, personal appearance or athletics).

Lack of self-esteem is not usually related to lack of ability. It is often the result of focusing too much on the unrealistic expectations of others and setting unrealistic standards for performance. Self-esteem is developed as you are growing up and is affected by the messages you receive from par-

ents and peers. We usually carry the messages we have learned as children into our adult lives. The good news is that you can improve your self-esteem at any time of your life. Just remember that change takes time and work. Be patient with yourself. Here are some strategies for enhancing your self-esteem:

1. Identify your self-defeating thought patterns and work towards changing them.

- All or Nothing Thinking. "I am a total failure when my performance is not perfect".

- Magnification of Negative/Minimization of Positive. Examples include when you expect that things will always go wrong, when you let a single negative detail, piece of criticism or comment color your whole day, or when you don't emphasize good things nearly as much as bad ones: "She didn't say hi to me, so nobody likes me." "I got five A's but the one C really shows my abilities."

- Jumping to Conclusions. Concluding things are bad without any definite evidence.

- Emotional Reasoning. "I feel ugly/stupid/unpopular, so it must be true".

- Overemphasis on "Should" Statements. "Shoulds" distract us from identifying and fulfilling our own needs, abilities, interests and personal goals. "Should" statements are often perfectionistic and

reflective of others' expectations rather than our own. For example, "I should be getting straight A's."

- Labelling. It is much more affirming to say "I made a mistake and I can learn from that", rather than "I am a loser and it is all my fault."

- Difficulty Accepting Compliments. "You like this outfit? I think it makes me look fat."

2. Use positive self talk. Healthy self-esteem is built the same way as low self-esteem – by the messages you give yourself. If you keep putting yourself down or beating yourself up for past mistakes you will only lower your self-esteem further. When you notice that you are doubting or judging yourself, tell yourself "stop" and substitute more reasonable, self-accepting and supportive messages. For example, when you catch yourself expecting perfection, remind yourself that it is unrealistic for anyone to do everything perfectly.

3. Emphasize your strengths. Give yourself credit for everything you try. By focusing on what you can do, you credit yourself for efforts rather than emphasizing end products. Accept current limitations and learn to live with them. People with low self-esteem generally focus on weaknesses and perceived failures and negate strengths and successes. If you find it difficult to identify strengths, ask others what

they would say your strengths are.

4. Develop your skills. Learn and practise the skills that you feel you are lacking and that would add value to your life.

5. Set realistic goals. Establish goals on the basis of what you can realistically achieve. Look for projects that stretch – but don't overwhelm – your abilities. Break your goals down into small steps and then work towards completing each step. To strive for perfectionistic absolute goals such as – "Anything less than an A in school is unacceptable" – sets you up for stress and feelings of failure.

6. Take risks. Approach new experiences as opportunities to learn rather than occasions to win or lose. Expect to make mistakes as part of the process – don't be disappointed if you don't do things perfectly. Feel good about trying something new, making progress and increasing your competence. Taking risks opens up new possibilities and can increase your sense of self-acceptance.

7. Be assertive. This means looking after your own needs while being respectful of the needs of others. Look for experiences that really fulfill you – not things that only give immediately gratification.

8. Make decisions and take action. Trust yourself to make good decisions and to deal with the con-

sequences. Procrastination lowers self-esteem, so get to work right away on important projects and goals.

9. Love yourself. Spend some time pampering yourself and treating yourself like your own best friend. Stop comparing yourself with others and accept yourself for who you are. Loving yourself may mean letting go ... of the past, of unhealthy relationships, of anger you are holding onto, of anything that is holding you back from reaching your full potential.

10. Use available resources. There are many book, seminars and audio-visual materials to enhance self-esteem. *Ten Days to Self-Esteem* by Dr. David Burns is a good book to start with.

There is only one person who can really improve your self-esteem – you! You have the choice to move forward or stand still, to be positive or negative, to be happy or sad. You have only one life to live and the choice of how to live it is yours.

"Today is yours to make it whatever you want it to be" – H. Johnson

If you would like further assistance enhancing your self-esteem or dealing with other academic, career, or personal concerns, contact NAIT Student Counselling, Room O117, Main South Lobby; phone 780-378-6135 to book an appointment with a counsellor.

## TIP OF THE WEEK



## Practise locker safety



Locker thefts tend to be in, but not limited to, remote areas of the school and/or in low traffic areas. In many of these thefts, specific items are targeted, leading security personnel to believe that the perpetrators monitor the area before they strike. Once the thief or thieves spot a likely target, they wait until the area is clear, and then by utilizing a small and easily hidden pair of bolt cutters, quickly cut the lock and remove the valuables. This crime can be committed and the thief/thieves can vacate the premises within a few seconds.

As lockers are used to store valuables while students attend class or perform job duties, it is important that the lockers be well secured. The following provides a number of tips that should be followed to decrease the likelihood that you will become a victim of locker theft.

To reduce the chance of becoming a locker theft victim, follow these few tips:

- PURCHASE a high quality lock. The price of a quality lock is slightly higher, but its value is related to the value of the locker contents.

- ALWAYS fully engage the lock. For

combination types, spin the dial to ensure it is secured. Be sure to tug on the lock before leaving.

- DO NOT bring any large sums of money or unnecessary valuables to school and store them in your locker. To do so is inviting unneeded risk.

- DO NOT record your locker combination on, or about, the locker or the lock. For a key lock, keep the extra key with you in a safe place.

- OBSERVE the people around you and know the people that have lockers around your locker area.

- IF you observe suspected criminal activity, DO NOT CHALLENGE THEM. Instead, you should immediately proceed to the nearest telephone and inform Security.

- WHEN you observe someone other than a NAIT Security Officer using bolt cutters to cut a lock from a locker, contact Security immediately.

If you see someone loitering near lockers or in the area, or taking an unusual interest in locker contents, be suspicious.

- Take note of their description, height, approximate age and any identifying characteristics or markings.

- Report these to NAIT Security Services.

If you have information about a crime, contact Campus Security Services at 780-471-7477. If you wish to remain anonymous,

contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). Your identity will remain anonymous, and if the information you provide leads to a conviction, you could be eligible for a reward of up to \$2,000. Visit [www.nait.ca/security](http://www.nait.ca/security) for more security tips.

Everybody benefits, except the criminal.

## Need extra cash?

The Imaginus Poster Show is looking for reliable help with setup, tear-down and lunchtime marketing for their upcoming Jan. 19 and Jan. 20 show in the North Lobby. Here are the time slots and rate of pay for each:

Jan. 19-Setup	(3 students)	7 a.m. to 10 a.m.	\$12/hour (heavy work)
Jan. 19-Advertising	(2 students)	11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	\$10/hour (light work)
Jan. 20-Advertising	(2 students)	11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	\$10/hour (light work)
Jan. 20-Teardown	(3 students)	5 p.m. to 7 p.m.	\$12/hour (heavy work)

Please see Leeanne Mills at the NAITSA office (E-131) or call 471-8855. Please be sure that if you sign up, you show up. It's extremely important! If for some reason you sign up and you can't make it, PLEASE call by Jan. 15 and let us know. Thank you.



# STUDENT SUCCESS SEMINARS

## Room X107

SESSION	DATE	TIMES
WHAT IS YOUR LEARNING STYLE?	Thursday, Jan. 15th	11:15 to 12:05 <u>or</u> 12:15 to 1:05 <u>or</u> 4:30 – 5:20
TIME MANAGEMENT/ MANAGING PROCRASTINATION	Monday, Jan. 19th	11:15 to 12:05 <u>or</u> 12:15 to 1:05 <u>or</u> 4:30 – 5:20
EXAM PREPARATION & WRITING	Thursday, Jan. 22	11:15 to 12:05 <u>or</u> 12:15 to 1:05 <u>or</u> 4:30 – 5:20
READING, LISTENING & NOTE TAKING	Monday, Jan. 26th	11:15 to 12:05 <u>or</u> 12:15 to 1:05 <u>or</u> 4:30 – 5:20
MANAGING EXAM STRESS	Thursday, Jan. 29th	11:15 to 12:05 <u>or</u> 12:15 to 1:05 <u>or</u> 4:30 – 5:20
STRESS MANAGEMENT	Thursday, Feb. 5th	11:15 to 12:05 <u>or</u> 12:15 to 1:05 <u>or</u> 4:30 – 5:20

All sessions are **free** and **drop-in**  
For more information contact  
**STUDENT COUNSELLING**  
Room O117, South Lobby  
phone 780.378.6135

## Job Opening

The NAIT Campus Concession is currently seeking a outgoing, responsible, sports enthusiast to team lead our concession.

This weekend position requires a strong attention to detail, a passion for customer service and experience in food preparation and handling and sales.

If this describes you, please drop off your resume at NAITSA in E-131 attention Shannon or e-mail it to me at ShannonM@nait.ca

Closing Date: Jan. 16, 2009 at 4:30 p.m.

## Want to volunteer?

### SATS of Edmonton

“They won’t hire me because I don’t have any experience, but how do I get experience if they won’t hire me?” How often have we heard that lament? If you have one day a week (or two) to learn office skills, come and see us. Hands-on training is provided. Help answer the phone, record calls, input information into the computer, arrange rides for seniors and gain experience in a small, friendly office. Build your resume and help seniors. Call Bev at 780-732-1221.

It takes a special kind of person to drive seniors to their essential appointments. If you like people, want to join our terrific team, own your own vehicle and can spare three hours to assist seniors – we need you! MAKE A DIFFERENCE. SATS 9907 108 Ave.

### Tutor an Adult

Want to increase your confidence, better your reading and writing skills and improve your job opportunities? The Centre for Family Literacy is dedicated to helping families grow and prosper. The programs, training and research help families in Alberta achieve what they imagine – improved education, jobs and health. Tutor an adult one-on-one in reading and/or writing one hour a week.

### Elder Care

Help your community by helping an elder. ElderCare Edmonton is a non-profit organization that assists seniors to remain independent and active in their communities. This organization is actively seeking volunteers to assist with daily programs. You can contact Shauna Beauchense at 434-4747, ext. 4 for more information.

## “Dumb Rules” Submission Form

Dumb rules getting to ya??? Just answer the following three questions, cut out this form and submit it to NAITSA VP Academic Lisi Monro (Room E-131) or check out the online submission form on the NAIT student portal at [www.nait.ca](http://www.nait.ca)

1. Description of dumb rule:

2. A specific example of why the policy or practice is dumb:

3. Suggested changes to the dumb rule:

All submissions must include your name and contact information. Your contact information will be kept confidential, and will only be used for clarification and follow-up purposes.

Name:

E-mail:

## Classifieds

### LIFESTYLE HELPING HANDS

We are a non-profit organization serving seniors in Southwest Edmonton. Our goal is to assist seniors in remaining independent in their homes. We need snow shovellers, housekeepers, handymen and seasonal gardeners. Snow shovelling is currently our main priority. Pay for the above positions would be negotiated. An average amount would be approximately \$20 per hour.

We are also seeking volunteer drivers (honorarium) to transport seniors to various appointments and to do shopping. The amount for an hour and a half of a drivers’ time would be \$9. Contact:

Lifestyle Helping Hands Seniors Association  
4069 106 St.  
Edmonton, AB T6J 2S3  
Phone: (780) 450-2113

### CALLING STUDENT FILMMAKERS!

The Alberta Student Film Festival 2009 has opened its call for submissions. To enter your film or for info, visit [asfilmfest.ca](http://asfilmfest.ca) or e-mail [asfilmfest@gmail.com](mailto:asfilmfest@gmail.com). The festival is open to student filmmakers from all over Alberta and across Canada, from any high school or post-secondary institution. Films can be any genre and any length. Deadline: Feb. 9 (\$15 entrance fee); late submissions Feb. 23 (\$20 entrance fee).

Interested in  
student politics?

Yes?

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- Election Day: February 10th



### Positions available:

- **President**
- **VP Academic**
- **VP Campus Life**
- **VP Apprenticeship & External**

See the NAITSA Bylaws @ [www.naitsa.ca](http://www.naitsa.ca) for information regarding an overview of the duties for each position.

### Benefits to being a NAITSA Student Executive:

- Decent salary earned while studying & Tuition Paid!!
- Valuable Experience
- Leadership Development
- Travel Opportunities
- Networking
- Resume enhancement



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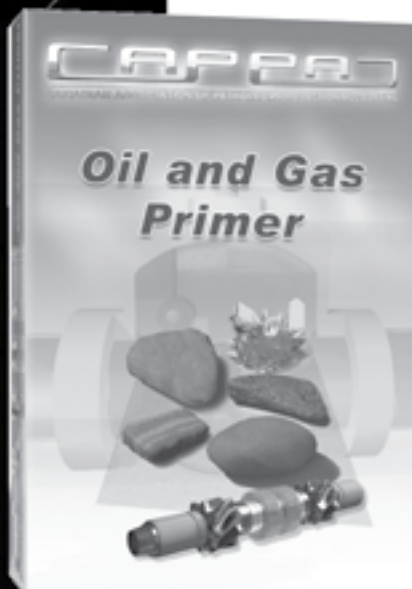


**GETTING IT JUST RIGHT**

Yoonjung Chang is one of many NAIT students to get some help with her resume Wednesday from a professional recruiter in the South Lobby.



Photo by Raymond Ip



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# Bar security system sparks privacy battle

By BRANDI SCHIER  
Omega  
(Thompson Rivers University)

KAMLOOPS (CUP) – In the name of safety, many British Columbia bars are using technology to collect and store customers' personal information.

"We have a new monitoring system called Treoscope that everyone that comes into the pub must go through," said Pete Backus, manager of Cactus Jack's in Kamloops, B.C. "It takes your picture and also records your name and where you are from."

The B.C. Civil Liberties Association says Treoscope violates the Personal Information Protection Act, and the collection and storage of information from drivers' licences is not necessary to provide the services drinking establishments offer.

Also, the association worries that this access to personal information could result in identity theft.

The B.C. privacy commissioner is set to rule on the legality of the way Treoscope collects and stores information.

The electronic identification system has been put in place because of rising levels of violence in the club. Cactus Jack's now requires identification cards that have a magnetic swipe stripe containing the user's name, address, and age in order for entrance to be granted.

According to the Treoscope website, patrons' personal information is safe because only the name and age are displayed, not the birth date. It also claims information can only be accessed by police if they have a proper warrant.

All establishments that use Treoscope are connected to a software database. When there

is an incident with a patron, a "community alert" is attached to the person's name.

"We use it for security for the patrons of the club," Backus said.

He says they have been trying to cut down on gang violence in and around the club.

When the bar learns someone is a member of a known gang, they go back to the stored information and flag the individual.

"We are not allowing people into the club that are gang-related or if they come into a club and start a fight. When that happens, we now have their picture and we can suspend them from the club for as long as we want," said Backus.

One notable incident happened outside the club last January, when a man was stabbed in the neck.

"We go back into the Treoscope and make an alert saying this is gang member and we don't allow them in, period," Backus said.

Backus says the club has seen a decrease in violence since the software's introduction.

"It's all connected. B.C. and the northern (United) states all have it," Backus said, citing

an example of when a man who tried to start a fire in the bathroom of a Nanaimo club was flagged with an alert when he tried to enter Cactus Jack's. He was denied entry.

The system may also cause headaches for many international students, as they rely on their passports as primary ID. To gain entry, international students must get a Canadian or B.C. driver's licence or a B.C. ID card.

"I feel a passport should be enough," said Arvin Duwarka, student at Thomson Rivers University who hails from Mauritius.

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NAITSA Presents...

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Scott Cook

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Panel 1: AHHH, NOTHING LIKE A FEW WEEKS OFF TO RECHARGE YOUR CELLS. CANT ARGUE WITH YOU THERE BUT WEREN'T WE IN THE MIDDLE OF A "REVENGE" STORY ARC?

Panel 2: AWW GREAT! FIRST COMIC OF THE NEW YEAR AND ALREADY WE BROKE THE FOURTH WALL. THAT'S OUR THING ISN'T IT, CONSTANTLY RUSTING THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN COMIC AND REALITY. THIS IS MORE LIKE SCRAPPING THE FOURTH WALL BUT TECHNICALLY WITH US BEING CALLED DESTRUCTIVE REPTILES THIS IS THE BEST POSSIBLE WAY FOR US TO BE TRUE TO OUR NAME.

Panel 3: HMM, YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT. NOPE. AAAAND WE DON'T HAVE PUNCH LINE TO FINISH WITH DO WE... THIS IS DEFINITELY OUR SHITICK ALRIGHT.

<http://hdreptiles.comicgenesis.com/>



## NAITfye (First Year Experience) Workshop Schedule–Winter Semester

NAITfye is a new initiative developed to help students transition to life on campus. We have developed workshops on a variety of topics chosen with your specific needs in mind and theme oriented based on the time of year. Please attend as many of the following workshops as you wish. The sessions are free and no registration is required.

January-09				Time	Location
20	Tues	Student Services and Student Life at NAIT - Learn what you need to know!		4:30-5:30pm	X215
21	Wed	Student Services and Student Life at NAIT- Learn what you need to know!		12:15-1:10pm	T112
28	Wed	Women in Technology Meet and Greet		12:15-1:10pm	X215
30	Fri	Student Award Application Process - We will walk you through it!		12:15-1:10pm	X215
February-09					
2	Mon	Student Award Application Process - We will walk you through it!		12:15-1:10pm	WA110
9	Mon	Secure the Perfect Job with Interview and Job Search techniques		12:15-1:10pm	T112
12	Thurs	Secure the Perfect Job with Interview and Job Search techniques		4:30-5:30pm	X215
23	Mon	Taxes 101		4:30-5:30pm	X111
24	Tues	Taxes 101		4:30-5:30pm	W301
25	Wed	Women in Technology Meet and Greet		12:15-1:10pm	X111
March-09					
9	Mon	Re-apply for your Grant Funding		12:15-1:10pm	X215
11	Wed	Re-apply for your Grant Funding		12:15-1:10pm	WA110
17	Tues	Run the Show! Learn leadership skills that will help you in the workforce		4:30-5:30pm	X205
19	Thurs	Run the Show! Learn leadership skills that will help you in the workforce		12:15-1:10pm	T112
25	Wed	Women in Technology Meet and Greet		12:15-1:10pm	X215
April-09					
6	Mon	Meditation Basics- Learn how to relax before exams		12:15-1:10pm	Studio
7	Tues	Meditation Basics- Learn how to relax before exams		4:30-5:30pm	Studio
15	Wed	Women in Technology Meet and Greet		12:15-1:10pm	X203

QUESTIONS?? EMAIL [askfye@nait.ca](mailto:askfye@nait.ca) OR VISIT [www.nait.ca/fye](http://www.nait.ca/fye)



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### PLAY WHILE YOU CAN ...

James Brown, left, Derek Rolheiser and Mike Barton play a serious game of cards recently during a break from their first classes of the new year. All three are in their first year of the Network Engineering Program.

# FREEZE OVER

## FRIDAY, JAN. 23

### STREET HOCKEY 5 ON 5 TOURNAMENT

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\$50 registration fee per team

For full event details and team registration form visit us at the NAITSA Office E-131 or online at [www.naitsa.ca](http://www.naitsa.ca)



### NAIT WILSONS

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